

Numerical Methods for Ordinary Differential Equations

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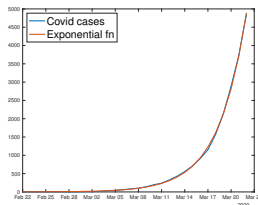
- ▶ **Def: Initial value problem (IVP):**

$$\begin{cases} y'(t) &= f(t, y), \\ y(0) &= y_0. \end{cases}$$

- ▶ **Def: Picard integral equation:** $y(t) = y_0 + \int_0^t f(\tau, y) d\tau$
- ▶ E.g. Exponential grow/decay $y(t) = ce^{\lambda t}$

$$\begin{cases} y'(t) &= \lambda y(t), \\ y(0) &= c. \end{cases}$$

- ▶ Real life example: Covid cases



Three-body problem

- ▶ A famous scientific fiction by Cixin Liu



- ▶ Motions of Moon, Earth, and the Sun
- ▶ Generalization: N -body simulation

Three-body problem mathematical description

- ▶ Approximate bodies by point particles
- ▶ G : gravitational constant
- ▶ Mass: m_i
- ▶ Position vector of i th particle (x_i, y_i, z_i)
- ▶ Distance between each particle

$$d_{i,j} = \sqrt{(x_i - x_j)^2 + (y_i - y_j)^2 + (z_i - z_j)^2}$$

- ▶ Newtonian equations of motion,

$$m_1 \frac{d^2 x_1}{dt^2} = -\frac{Gm_1 m_2 (x_1 - x_2)}{d_{1,2}^3} - \frac{Gm_1 m_3 (x_1 - x_3)}{d_{1,3}^3},$$

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Reformulation

- ▶ Velocity vector of i th particle (u_i, v_i, w_i)
- ▶ Hamiltonian formalism

$$\frac{dx_1}{dt} = u_1,$$

$$\frac{dy_1}{dt} = v_1,$$

$$\frac{dz_1}{dt} = w_1,$$

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$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \Delta t f(t_n, y_n) + \frac{y''(\xi_n)}{2} \Delta t^2,$$
$$\tilde{y}_{n+1} = \tilde{y}_n + \Delta t f(t_n, \tilde{y}_n).$$

- ▶ $e_{n+1} = e_n + \Delta t[f(t_n, y_n) - f(t_n, \tilde{y}_n)] + \frac{y''(\xi_n)}{2} \Delta t^2$
- ▶ $|e_{n+1}| \leq |e_n| + \Delta t K |e_n| + \frac{L}{2} \Delta t^2$
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- ▶ $|e_{n+1}| \leq \frac{(1 + \Delta t K)^n - 1}{2K} L \Delta t \leq \frac{e^{TK} - 1}{2K} L \Delta t$
- ▶ **Def:** $|e(\Delta t)| \approx c \Delta t^p$, then it is p th **order** method
- ▶ Euler's method is the first order method

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- ▶ $y'(t) = -\lambda y(t)$
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- ▶ Stable

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- ▶ $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{y}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ \vdots \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}) = \begin{bmatrix} f(t_1, y_1) \\ \vdots \\ f(t_n, y_n) \end{bmatrix}$
- ▶ Solves $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}_0 + \Delta t \mathbf{S} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y})$
- ▶ Calculate $y_{\Delta t} = y_0 + \Delta t \mathbf{S} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y})$
- ▶ Advantages: have good math properties

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► $\max |\lambda(\Delta t \mathbf{S} \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{y}^{[i]}))| < 1$

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Newton's method

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- ▶ Solve root-finding for $\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}_0 - \Delta t \mathbf{Sf}(\mathbf{y})$
- ▶ $\mathbf{J}_g(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{I} - \Delta t \mathbf{S} \mathbf{J}_f(\mathbf{y})$
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Comparison for a linear ODE

- Scalar linear ODE:

$$\begin{cases} y'(t) &= \lambda y(t), \\ y(0) &= 0. \end{cases}$$

- Picard integral: $y(t) = y_0 + \lambda \int_0^t y(\tau) d\tau$
- Discretization: $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}_0 + \Delta t \lambda \mathbf{S} \mathbf{y}$
- Solution: $(\mathbf{I} - \Delta t \lambda \mathbf{S}) \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}_0$
- Newton: Directly solve $\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{I} - \Delta t \lambda \mathbf{S})^{-1} \mathbf{y}_0$
- Picard iteration: Solve it by Neumann series
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- ▶ **Heun's method:**
$$y_{\Delta t} = y_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2} [f(0, y_0) + f(\Delta t, y_0 + \Delta t f(0, y_0))]$$
- ▶ **Question:** Local truncation error?

Convergence analysis

- Taylor expansion of $y_{\Delta t}$

$$\begin{aligned}y_{\Delta t} &= y_0 + y_0' \Delta t + \frac{y_0''}{2} \Delta t^2 + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^3) \\&= y_0 + f(0, y_0) \Delta t + \frac{f'(0, y_0)}{2} \Delta t^2 + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^3) \\&= y_0 + f(0, y_0) \Delta t + \frac{f_t(0, y_0) + f_y(0, y_0) f(0, y_0)}{2} \Delta t^2 + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^3)\end{aligned}$$

- Taylor expansion of Heun's method

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- Second order method

Example

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- ▶ The most common RK: RK4
- ▶ $y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{\Delta t}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4)$
- ▶ $k_1 = f(t_n, y_n)$
- ▶ $k_2 = f\left(t_n + \frac{\Delta t}{2}, y_n + \Delta t \frac{k_1}{2}\right)$
- ▶ $k_3 = f\left(t_n + \frac{\Delta t}{2}, y_n + \Delta t \frac{k_2}{2}\right)$
- ▶ $k_4 = f(t_n + \Delta t, y_n + \Delta t k_3)$
- ▶ Works very good empirically
- ▶ **Question:** Do we need to worry about stability?
- ▶ Balance between stability and accuracy
- ▶ Advantages: Simple yet effective

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Background

- ▶ Prey and Predators
- ▶ E.g. Rabbit and wolves, fish and sharks ...
- ▶ $R(t)$ - number of prey
- ▶ $W(t)$ - number of predators
- ▶ In the absence of predators,

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = kR, \quad k > 0.$$

- ▶ In the absence of prey,

$$\frac{dW}{dt} = -rW, \quad r > 0.$$

- ▶ Interaction: RW

Predator-prey equations

► Predator-prey equations or Lotka-Volterra equations

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dR}{dt} &= kR - aRW, \\ \frac{dW}{dt} &= -rW + bRW.\end{aligned}$$

► Sample solutions:

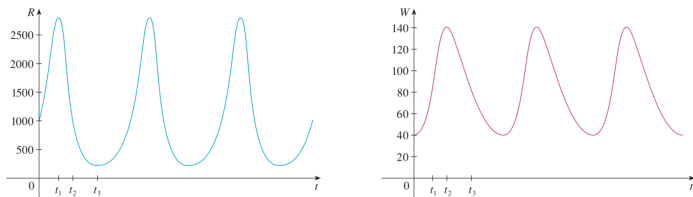
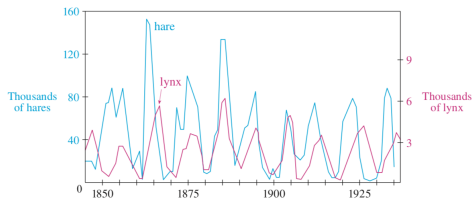
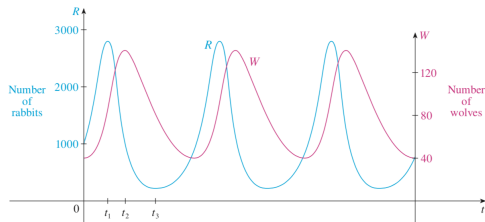


FIGURE 4 Graphs of the rabbit and wolf populations as functions of time

Real data

- ▶ Hudson's Bay Company: trading in animal furs
- ▶ Snowshoe hare and Canada lynx



- ▶ **Question:** How to solve this equation?

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Computation comparison

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