



Circus Trapeze simulation & Ice Cream Shop simulation Homework @ Week 02

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Circus Trapeze I - Multi Step Solvers

Parameters

Start time, end time, step size, method type.

Scenario

- Run the simulation by 3 types of methods and show the results on the same graph.
- Redo that for 3 times with different end time and step size.

Design

- For the method Euler, do the same as before. Increase by steps.
- For the method RK2 (Heun), save the current state including X' and calculate the X1' after the next 2 steps. Then based on the current state, calculate the state after the next 2 steps with both X'/2 and X1'/2.
- For the method RK4, save the current state including X', calculate the X1' after the next 2 steps, calculate the X2' after the next 2 steps with X1' and calculate the X3' after the next 4 steps with X2'. Then calculate the state after the next 4 steps with X'/6, X1'/3, X2'/3 and X3'/6.

Results

- The graph and the results show us the difference among the 3 methods (Euler, RK2, RK4). RK4 is the most precise, but RK2 is not too worse than it.
- And, the step size is less, the error is less.





Circus Trapeze II - Adaptive Step Size

Parameters

Start time, end time, step size, method type, error threshold.

Scenario

 The step size would change dynamically until the error between the results with different step sizes is less than the error threshold.

Design

- Save the current state including the time.
- Compare next states at the same time with different step size.
- According to the error, decide to reiterate or continue.

Results

The simulation does not work. And the design is a bit of a mess.





Ice Cream Shop Simulation

Parameters

Start time, end time, queue mode (number of server), random type

Scenario

Single queue with Mike, or with Mike and his assistant.

Design

- Prepare: a list for information of all Customers, a list for queue, a list for service, a list for Events. Queue mode and random type.
- Running: Loop for all events until simulation ends. Generating creates Generating or Serving, Serving creates Done, Done creates Serving.
- Random: normal random, Normal Distribution. (Do tests.)

Results

- Single Server Single Queue, Multiple Servers Single Queue, Mike Test (Dynamic Servers Single Queue).
- Single Server Single Queue with Normal Distribution.