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5. Numerically solving higher order ODEs

Passing to a first order system



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Problem 2 (External resource) (1.0 points possible)

$$\ddot{x} + 2\dot{x} + x = 0, \quad x(0) = 0, \dot{x}(0) = 1,$$

on the interval $t \in [0, 5]$. You can verify that the analytic solution of this IVP is $x(t) = te^{-t}$.

Remember that in order to use **ODE45**, you will first need to express this second-order DE as a system of two first-order DEs in the form $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{Ax}$. To complete the script, you must:

1. Correctly define the variables **x0**, **tspan**, and **A**.
2. Enter an appropriate expression for the first argument of **ODE45**.
3. Define a column vector **xTrue** that contains the values of the analytic solution at the times in the vector **t** returned by **ODE45**. (Hint: You will need to use the **.*** operator to perform element-wise multiplication. You can review this in Recitation 4: Vector and Matrix Operations.)

As in problem 1, if your script runs correctly you will see a plot comparing the analytic and numerical solutions, a plot showing the relative error between the two solutions, and the time it took **ODE45** to compute the numerical solution. In the first plot it is easy to see that **ODE45** is not using a constant time step. It begins by using a small time step but then increases the time step to reduce the number of computations while keeping the error bounded.

Your Script

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1 %Numerically solve DE and time how long it takes
2 x0 = [0;1];
3 tspan = [0,5];
4 A = [0,1;-1,-2];
5 tic;
6 [t,x] = ode45(@(t,x) [x(2);-x(1)-2*x(2)],tspan,x0);
7 timeElapsed = toc;
8 disp(['It took ODE45 ',num2str(timeElapsed,3), ' seconds to compute the solution'])
9
10 %Enter analytic solution (Hint: it is in the text above.)
11 xTrue = t.*exp(-t);
12
13 %Plot results
14 %Do not edit the code below.
15 figure(1)
16 plot(t,x(:,1),'bo','markersize',10); hold on;
17 plot(t,xTrue,'r','linewidth',3);
18 legend('Numerical Solution','Exact Solution','location','northeast');
19 xlabel('$t$', 'interpreter','latex'); ylabel('$x(t)$', 'interpreter','latex')
20 title('Comparison of Solutions','interpreter','latex')
21 set(gca,'fontsize',25)
22
23 figure(2)

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23 figure(2)
24 plot(t,abs(x(:,1)-xTrue)./xTrue,'r','linewidth',3);
25 xlabel('$t$', 'interpreter','latex'); ylabel('$|x(t)-x_{true}|/x_{true}$', 'interpr
26 title('Relative Error', 'interpreter','latex')
27 set(gca, 'fontsize', 25)
28
```

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✓ **Correct definition of x_0**

✓ **Correct definition of t_{span}**

✓ **Correct definition of A**

✓ **Correct definition of x_{True}**

✓ **Correct numerical solution**

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