

# Numerical Methods

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# Global error for Euler's method

## Theorem

- ①  $f(x, y)$  is continuous and satisfies the Lipschitz condition with constant  $L$ . Let  $y = y(x)$  is the unique solution of the IVP

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y), \quad y(x_0) = y_0$$

- ② There exists a constant  $M$  such that

$$|y''(x)| \leq M, \text{ for all } x \in [x_0, b].$$

- ③ Let  $\omega_0, \omega_1, \dots, \omega_N$  be the approximations generated by Euler method. Then

$$|e_i| = |y(x_i) - \omega_i| \leq \frac{Mh}{2L} [e^{(x_i - x_0)L} - 1]; \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, N.$$

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For  $i = 0$  the result is true,  $y(x_0) = \omega_0 = x_0$  By Taylor's theorem,

$$\begin{aligned}y(x_{i+1}) &= y(x_i) + hy'(x_i) + \frac{h^2}{2}y''(\zeta); \quad x_i < \zeta < x_{i+1} \\&= y(x_i) + hf(x_i, y(x_i)) + \frac{h^2}{2}y''(\zeta).\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

We have Euler formula  $\omega_{i+1} = \omega_i + hf(x_i, \omega_i)$

From (1) and the Euler formula, we get

$$\begin{aligned}y(x_{i+1}) - \omega_{i+1} &= y(x_i) - \omega_i + h\{f(x_i, y_i) - f(x_i, \omega_i)\} + \frac{h^2}{2}y''(\zeta). \\|y_{i+1} - \omega_{i+1}| &\leq |y_i - \omega_i| + h|(f(x_i, y_i)) - f(x_i, \omega_i))| + \frac{h^2}{2}|y''\zeta|.\end{aligned}$$



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Applying Lipschitz condition with constant  $L$  and  $|y''(x)| \leq M$ ,

$$|y_{i+1} - \omega_{i+1}| \leq (1 + hL)|y_i - \omega_i| + \frac{h^2 M}{2}. \quad (2)$$

Now we have the following lemma

If  $s$  and  $t$  are +ve real number,  $\{a_i\}_{i=0}^k$  is a sequence satisfying  $a_0 \geq -t/s$  and  $a_{i+1} \leq (1 + s)a_i + t$  for each  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, k-1$

$$\text{then } a_{i+1} \leq e^{(i+1)s} \left( a_0 + \frac{t}{s} \right) - \frac{t}{s}$$

Consider  $s = hL$ ,  $t = h^2 M/2$  and  $a_j = |y_j - \omega_j|$  for each  $j = 0, \dots, N$

$$|y_{i+1} - \omega_{i+1}| \leq e^{(i+1)hL} \left( |y_0 - \omega_0| + \frac{h^2 M}{2hL} \right) - \frac{Mh^2}{2hL} \quad (3)$$



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Since  $|y_0 - \omega_0| = 0$  and  $(i+1)h = x_{i+1} - x_0$ . Then

$$|y_{i+1} - \omega_{i+1}| \leq \frac{Mh}{2L} [e^{(x_{i+1}-x_0)L} - 1]; \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, N. \quad (5)$$

- It is clear that  $|y_i - \omega_i| \rightarrow 0$  as  $h \rightarrow 0$  so Euler's method is convergent.
- One weakness of the theorem is that we don't know the  $M$ , the second derivative of the exact solution. If  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$  exist, then we can get  $M$ . i.e.,

$$y'' = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dx} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} f$$



# Lipschitz condition

## Lipschitz condition

The Lipschitz condition may be replaced by  $|f_y(x, y)| \leq L$ ,

- $|\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}| \leq L \Rightarrow$  the Lipschitz condition.
- The converse is not true in general (i.e., the Lipschitz condition holds the derivative may not exist at certain points.)

By mean value theorem we obtained for  $(x, y_1), (x, y_2) \in R$

$$|f(x, y_1) - f(x, y_2)| \leq f_y(x, \zeta)|y_1 - y_2| \quad \text{where} \quad y_1 \leq \zeta \leq y_2$$

Here the point  $(x, \zeta)$  lies in  $R$  and  $|f_y(x, \zeta)| \leq K$ . Hence

$$|f(x, y_1) - f(x, y_2)| \leq K|y_1 - y_2|$$

which is the Lipschitz condition.



# Example

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Consider the function  $f(x, y) = x|y|$  where  $R$  is the rectangle defined by  $|x| \leq a$ ,  $|y| \leq b$ .

- For all  $(x, y_1), (x, y_2) \in R$ , we can write

$$|f(x, y_1) - f(x, y_2)| = |x| [|y_1 - y_2|] \leq a|y_1 - y_2|$$

Thus  $f$  satisfies Lipschitz condition in  $R$ .

- But the partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$  does not exist at any point  $(x, 0) \in R$  for which  $x \neq 0$ .



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Consider the initial value problem

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = y - x^2 + 1, \quad y(0) = 0.5, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 2, \quad h = 0.2 \quad (6)$$

Find the approximation error bound.

- Here  $f(x, y) = y - x^2 + 1$ ,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 1$  for all  $y$ . So  $L = 1$ .
- Exact solution  $y(x) = (x + 1)^2 - 0.5e^x$ . So  $y''(x) = 2 - 0.5e^x$
- $|y''(x)| = 0.5e^2 - 2$  for all  $x \in [0, 2]$
- Using Theorem-1 with  $h = 0.2$   $L = 1$  and  $M = 0.5e^2 - 2$  we get

$$|y_i - \omega_i| \leq 0.1(0.5e^2 - 2)(e^{x_i} - 1)$$





# Taylor's series method

We have first order initial value problem

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y), \quad y(x_0) = y_0, \quad a \leq x \leq b \quad (7)$$

Differentiating IVP we get

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dx} \Rightarrow y'' = f_x + f_y f \quad (8)$$

Differentiating this successively, we get  $y'''$ ,  $y^{iv}$ ,  $\dots$  etc.

Now Taylor's series

$$y(x_1) = y(x_0) + hy'(x_0) + \frac{h^2}{2!} y''(x_0) + \frac{h^3}{3!} y'''(x_0) + \dots + \frac{h^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} y^{(n+1)}(\zeta) \quad (9)$$

➡ where  $y_1 = y(x_1)$  is the approximate value of  $y$  at  $x = x_1$



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Using Taylor series method find  $y(0.2)$  for the following IVP with step length 0.1

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 y - 1, \quad y(0) = 1$$

- Here  $y' = x^2 y - 1$ ,  $y(0)=1$ ,  $h=0.1$ ,  $y(0.2)=?$
- Differentiating successively, we get  
 $y' = x^2 y - 1$ ,  $y'' = 2xy + x^2 y'$ ,  $y''' = 2y + 4xy' + x^2 y''$ ,  $y^{iv} = ?$ ,
- Now substituting, we get  
 $y'(0) = 0^2 y(0) - 1 = -1$ ,  $y''(0) = ?$
- Following Eq. (9) and above values, we get  $y(0.1) = 0.90031$ ,
- Similarly, we can compute  $y(0.2) = 0.80227$



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