

# Introduction to Scientific Computing

## Differentiation Integration

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# Computational Calculus

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- The derivative for a function  $y(x)$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x_0} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{y(x_0 + \Delta x) - y(x_0)}{\Delta x}$$

- Two possible approximations

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x_0} \approx \frac{y(x_0 + \Delta x) - y(x_0)}{\Delta x}$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x_0} \approx \frac{y(x_0 + \Delta x) - y(x_0 - \Delta x)}{2\Delta x}$$



# Accuracy of approximations

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## •Taylor series expansion

$$y(x_0 + \Delta x) = y(x_0) + y'(x_0)\Delta x + \frac{1}{2} y''(x_0)\Delta x^2 + \frac{1}{6} y'''(x_0)\Delta x^3 + \dots$$

$$y(x_0 - \Delta x) = y(x_0) - y'(x_0)\Delta x + \frac{1}{2} y''(x_0)\Delta x^2 - \frac{1}{6} y'''(x_0)\Delta x^3 + \dots$$

## •Two approximations

$$\begin{aligned} y'(x_0) &= \frac{y(x_0 + \Delta x) - y(x_0)}{\Delta x} - \frac{1}{2} y''(x_0)\Delta x + \dots \\ &= \frac{y(x_0 + \Delta x) - y(x_0)}{\Delta x} + O(\Delta x) \end{aligned}$$

$$y'(x_0) = \frac{y(x_0 + \Delta x) - y(x_0 - \Delta x)}{2\Delta x} + O(\Delta x^2)$$



## Choosing $\Delta x$

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- If  $\Delta x$  is too large the approximation will suffer.
- If  $\Delta x$  is too small we can run into numerical precision issues.

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- **MATLAB** `diff(x)` function

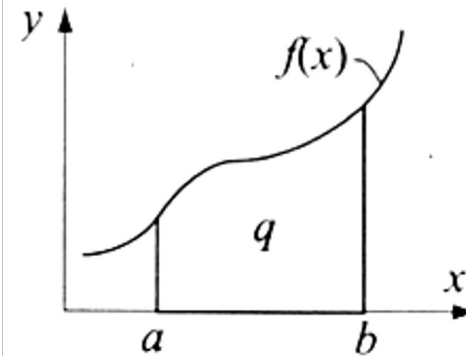


# Numerical Integration

## •Approximating definite integrals

$$q = \int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \left( \sum_{x=a}^{x=b} f(x) \Delta x \right)$$

- Function is *constant* over each interval
- Function varies *linearly* over each interval
  - Trapezoidal Rule
- Function varies *quadratically* over each interval
  - Simpson's quadrature rule.
  - MATLAB `quad` function



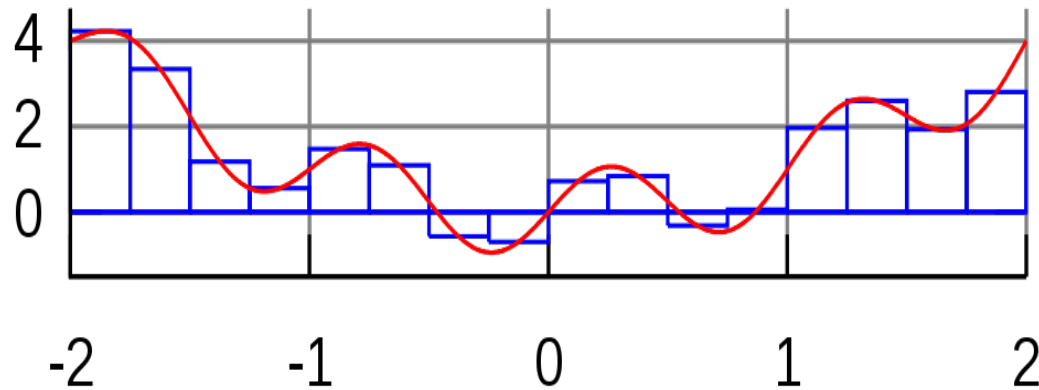
# Approximating the area under the curve

• Let  $y$  be an array containing  $f(x)$  over the interval

$y = f(x_{\min}:dx:x_{\max})$

$$A = \int_{x_{\min}}^{x_{\max}} f(x) dx \approx y_1 \Delta x + y_2 \Delta x + y_3 \Delta x + \cdots + y_{n-1} \Delta x$$

$$A \approx \Delta x \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} y_i$$



# Approximating the area under the curve

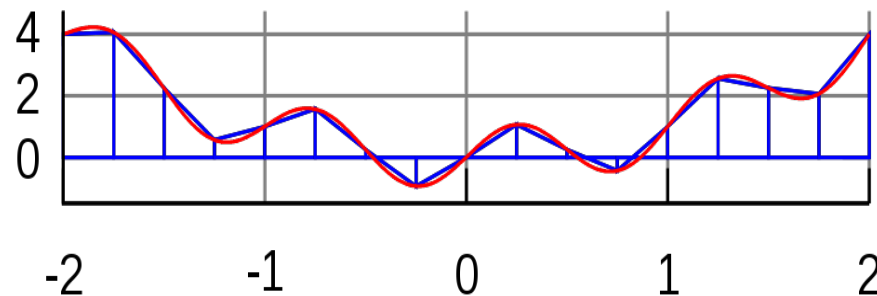
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- Trapezoidal Approximation, `integrate.m`

$$A = \int_{x_{\min}}^{x_{\max}} f(x) dx \approx (y_1 + y_2) \frac{\Delta x}{2} + (y_2 + y_3) \frac{\Delta x}{2} \cdots + (y_{n-1} + y_n) \frac{\Delta x}{2}$$

$$A \approx \frac{\Delta x}{2} \left( y_1 + y_n + 2 \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} y_i \right)$$



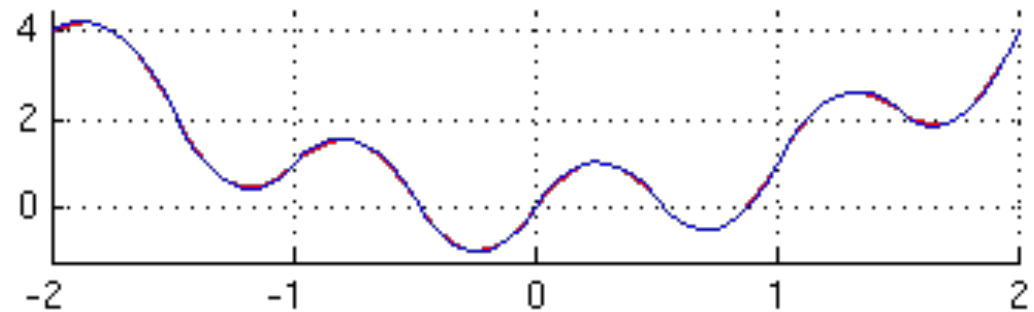
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•Simpson's rule, `simpson.m`

$$A \approx \frac{h}{3} \left( y_1 + y_n + 4 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} y_{2i} + 2 \sum_{i=1}^n y_{2i-1} \right), \quad h = \frac{x_{\max} - x_{\min}}{2n}$$





# Dynamical Systems

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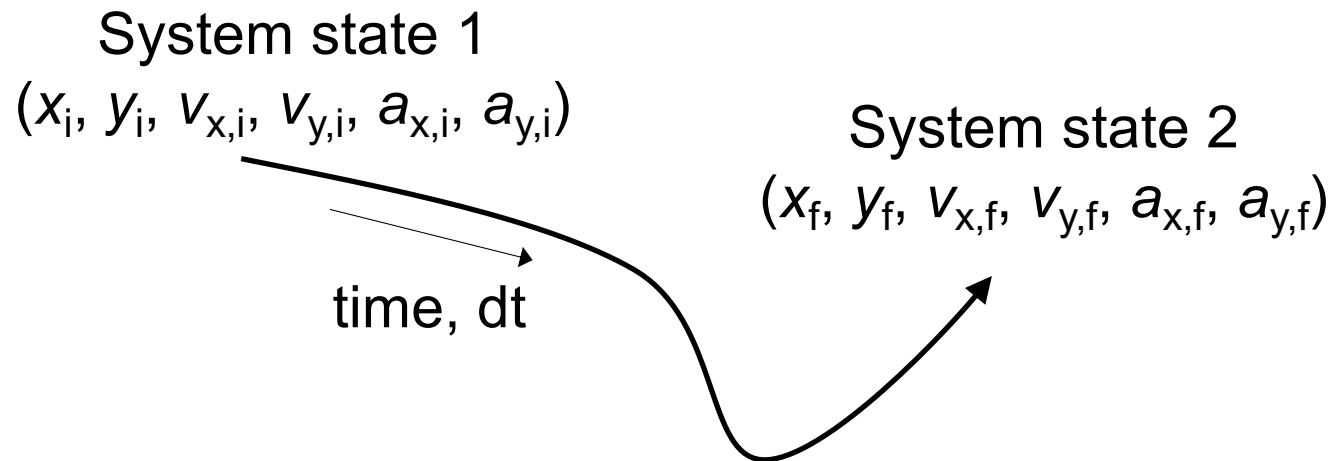
- Dynamical systems are any systems governed by transitions from one state to another state
- Most often, in physical systems, time ( $t$ ) guides the trajectory of the system



# Dynamical systems

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- Discrete analysis of dynamical systems is tackled by analyzing the transition from a current state to a new state



# Dynamical systems

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- These systems are governed by differential equations that tell us how the state of the system changes over time

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = v_x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = v_y$$

$$\frac{dv_x}{dt} = a_x$$

$$\frac{dv_y}{dt} = a_y$$

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# Computational simulation of dynamical systems

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- **In order to simulate these systems on a computer, we compute the state of the system at evenly spaced points in time**

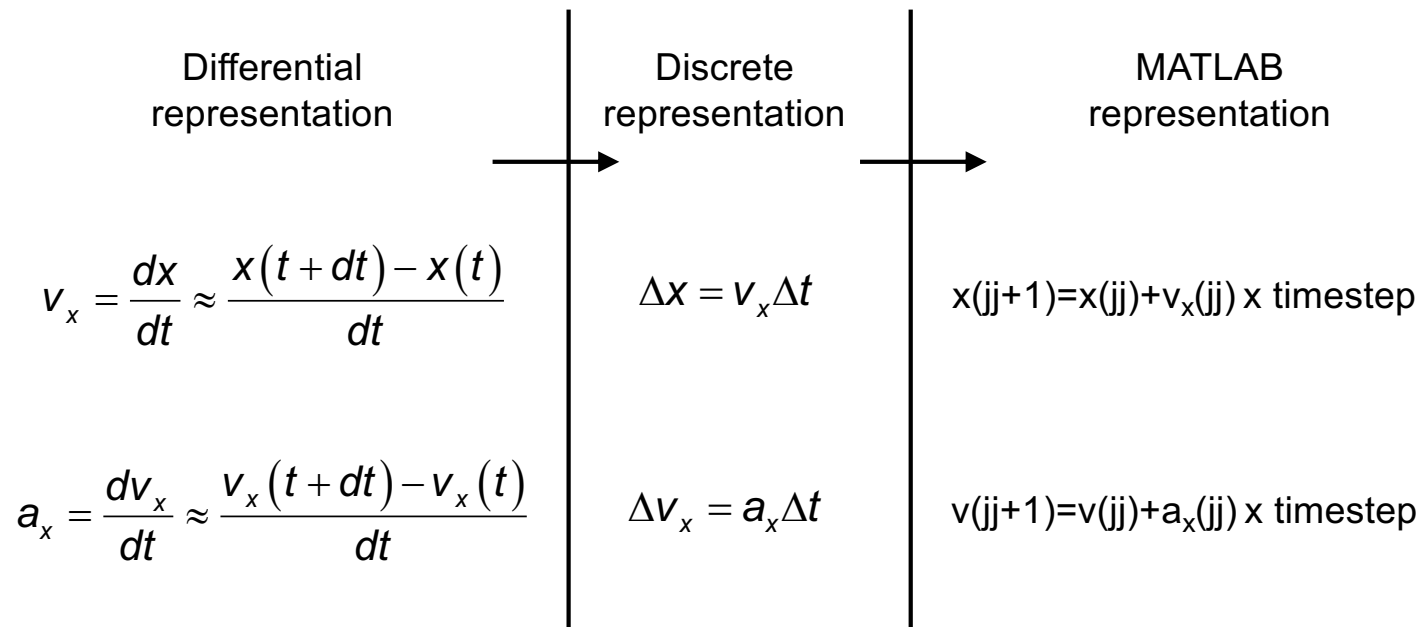
e.g.  $t = 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, \dots$  seconds (aka  $dt = 0.1$  sec)

- **The general computational method is, at each instant in time,**
  - Feed in the current state of the system ( $jj$ )
  - Compute next state of the system ( $jj+1$ )



# Computational simulation of dynamical systems

- Time is discretized by breaking up the dynamic equations into the current state and the next state often using first order approximations



## Discretizing Time

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- In our program the differential equations take on the form of expressions which we use to compute the next state as a function of the current state.

In our example

$$\frac{dx}{dt} \approx \frac{x(t+dt) - x(t)}{dt} = v_x$$

$$x(t+dt) = x(t) + v_x(t) * dt$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} \approx \frac{y(t+dt) - y(t)}{dt} = v_y$$

$$y(t+dt) = y(t) + v_y(t) * dt$$

$$\frac{dv_x}{dt} \approx \frac{v_x(t+dt) - v_x(t)}{dt} = a_x = 0$$

$$v_x(t+dt) = v_x(t)$$

$$\frac{dv_y}{dt} \approx \frac{v_y(t+dt) - v_y(t)}{dt} = a_y = -g$$

$$v_y(t+dt) = v_y(t) - g * dt$$

BaseballSimulator.m



## Model with viscous drag

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- Viscous drag adds another acceleration to the ball which is proportional to the balls velocity and acts to slow it down, *i.e.*  $-c \cdot (v_x, v_y)$  where  $c$  is the viscous drag coefficient.

$$a_x = \frac{f_x}{m} = -c \cdot v_x$$

$$a_y = \frac{f_y}{m} = -c \cdot v_y - g$$

- We can account for drag by simply modifying our update equations:

$$x(t+dt) = x(t) + v_x(t) \cdot dt$$

$$y(t+dt) = y(t) + v_y(t) \cdot dt$$

$$v_x(t+dt) = v_x(t) - c \cdot v_x(t) \cdot dt$$

$$v_y(t+dt) = v_y(t) - (g + c \cdot v_y(t)) \cdot dt$$

[BaseballSimulatorWithDrag.m](#)





## Model with Collisions

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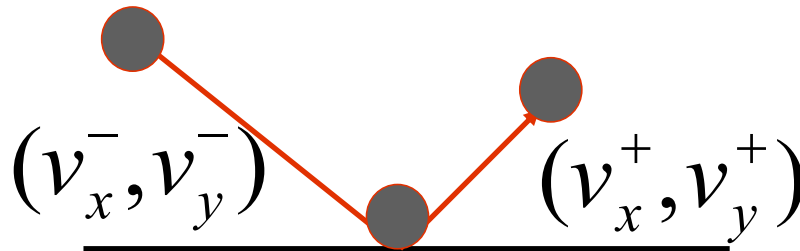
- In the real world, we would expect our ball to bounce when it hits the ground.
- In our simulation we can deal with this fact as follows:
  - Detect when the collision occurs by monitoring the height of the ball  $y(t)$  and checking when it goes negative
  - Determine exactly when the collision occurs (collision time)
  - Model the collision
  - Restart the simulation immediately after the collision ( $dt$  -collision time)



## Modeling a collision

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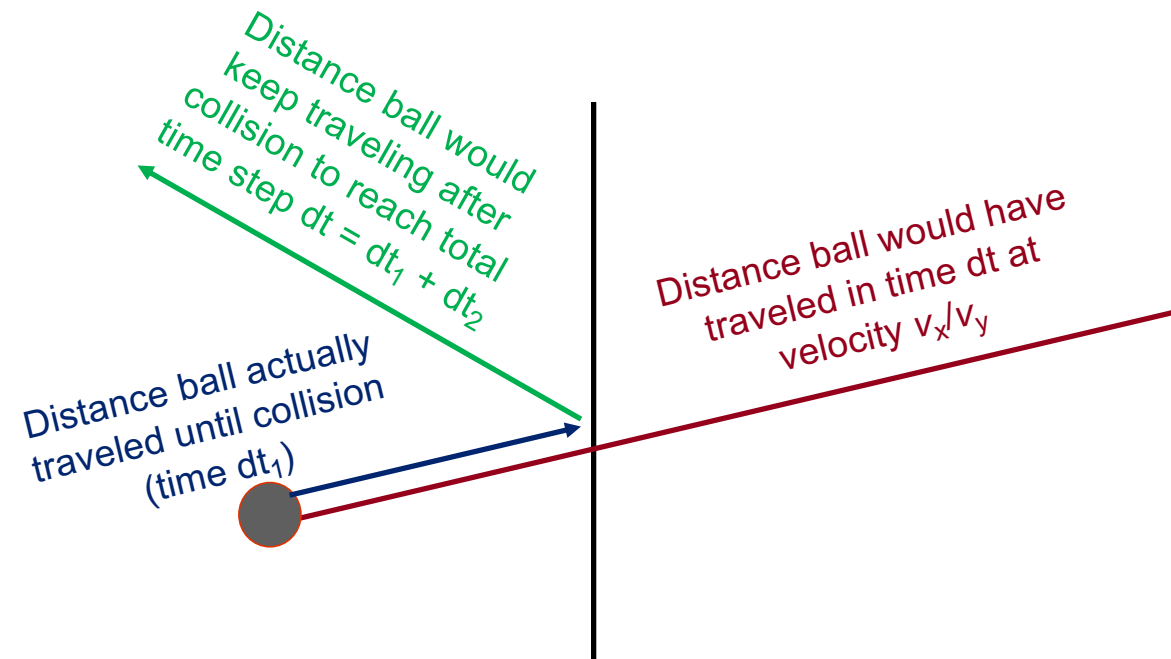
- We model a collision with the ground (or a horizontal plane) by flipping the sign of the y velocity
- Loss of energy is included via the coefficient of restitution,  $\phi$ , a number between 0 and 1, which relates velocities before and after the collision



$$v_x^+ = \phi v_x^-$$
$$v_y^+ = -\phi v_y^-$$

## Modeling a collision

- How do we deal with finite time steps when modeling a collision?



# Spring Mass Dashpot System

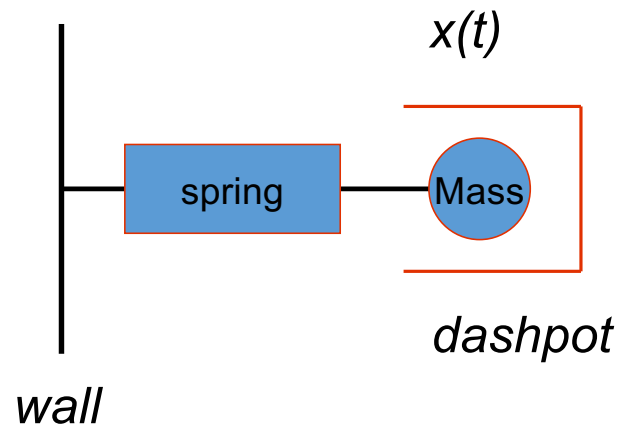
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- **Consider a mass connected to a spring and a dashpot**

- A classic example of a second order mechanical system used to model car suspension systems, pogo sticks, biomechanical systems etc.

[SpringMassDashpot.m](#)

- The force acting on the mass is related to its displacement,  $x(t)$ , and velocity,  $v(t)$ , as follows:



$$F(t) = m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} = -kx(t) - cv(t)$$

## Other Examples

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- **Planetary simulation**

[PlanetarySimulation.m](#)

- **Planets in 2D**

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- **String Simulation**

[StringSimulation.m](#)



# Stochastic Systems

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- There are many situations where we are interested in simulating the behavior of a system driven by random processes.
- A classic example is Brownian motion named after Robert Brown who studied the motion of pollen particles suspended in a liquid  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brownian\\_motion](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brownian_motion)
- We can simulate the motion of these particles by updating the position of the particles by a random step at each time instant
- One can imagine other systems, like the stock market, where the state of the system at one instant depends probabilistically on its state at the previous instant

**brownianMotion.m**



# Chaotic Systems

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- **Most of the systems that we are interested in studying are ‘well behaved’ in the sense that the motions either die off over time or the system settles into a regular pattern or oscillation. However, they don’t all do that.**
- **Systems that display ‘weird’ or unpredictable behavior over time are referred to as chaotic and they occur fairly often.**



# The Lorenz Attractor

- **A classic example of chaos theory was described by Edward Lorenz - a meteorologist at MIT**

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lorenz\\_attractor](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lorenz_attractor)

He was interested in simulating the behavior of a simple looking set of differential equations

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \sigma(y - x) \quad (\sigma, \rho, \beta)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x(\rho - z) - y$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = xy - \beta z$$





# Lorenz Attractor

- Prof. Lorenz observed that his simulation behaved ‘weirdly’ and never seemed to settle into a coherent pattern
- He also observed that small changes in initial conditions would lead to large changes in the final result of the system

This led him to coin the term 'The Butterfly Effect' which helps to explain why it is difficult to predict the weather

## Lorenz.m, LorenzAttractor.m



# N-body systems

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- Another classic example of chaos in nature is due to Poincaré who pointed out that planetary systems with more than 3 bodies can demonstrate chaotic behavior.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Three-body\\_problem#Three-body\\_problem](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Three-body_problem#Three-body_problem)

Planets.m



# ODE

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# Solving Single First Order ODE

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = f(y,t) \quad \text{for } t_0 \leq t \leq t_f$$

with  $y = y_0$  at  $t = t_0$

- Single independent variable  $t$  (time)
- Single dependent variable  $y$
- Solution is a function  $y=y(t)$  that satisfies the ODE
- Steps for solving with MATLAB
  1. Write in standard form
  2. Define function in MATLAB
  3. Select method of solution
  4. Solve



## Numerical solutions to differential equations (Euler)

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- Consider

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = f(t, x(t))$$

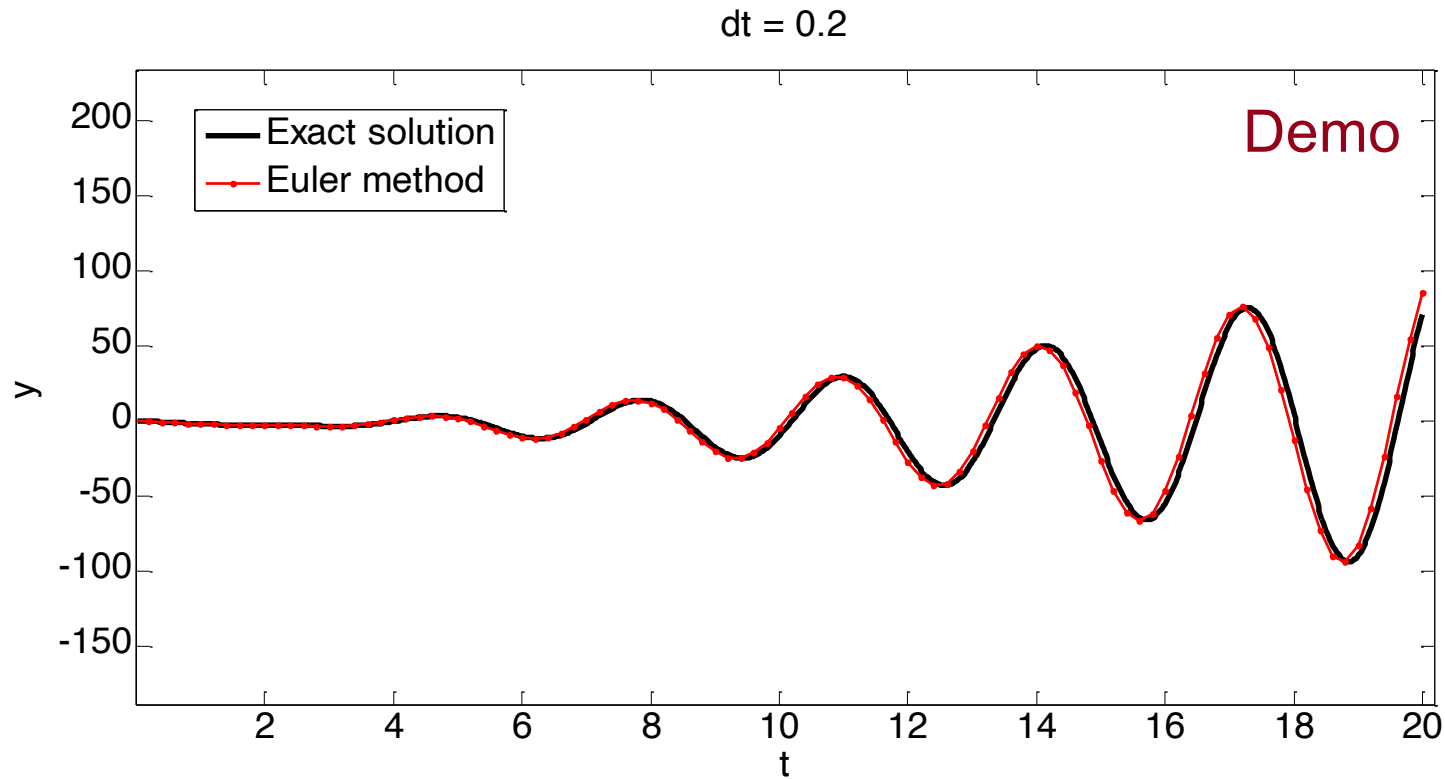
- A first order approximation for the next state of the system can be constructed using the trajectory of the system (Euler's method)

$$x(t + \Delta t) \approx x(t) + f(t, x(t))\Delta t$$

- However, this simple approximation is often very inaccurate



# Visual interpretation of the Euler method



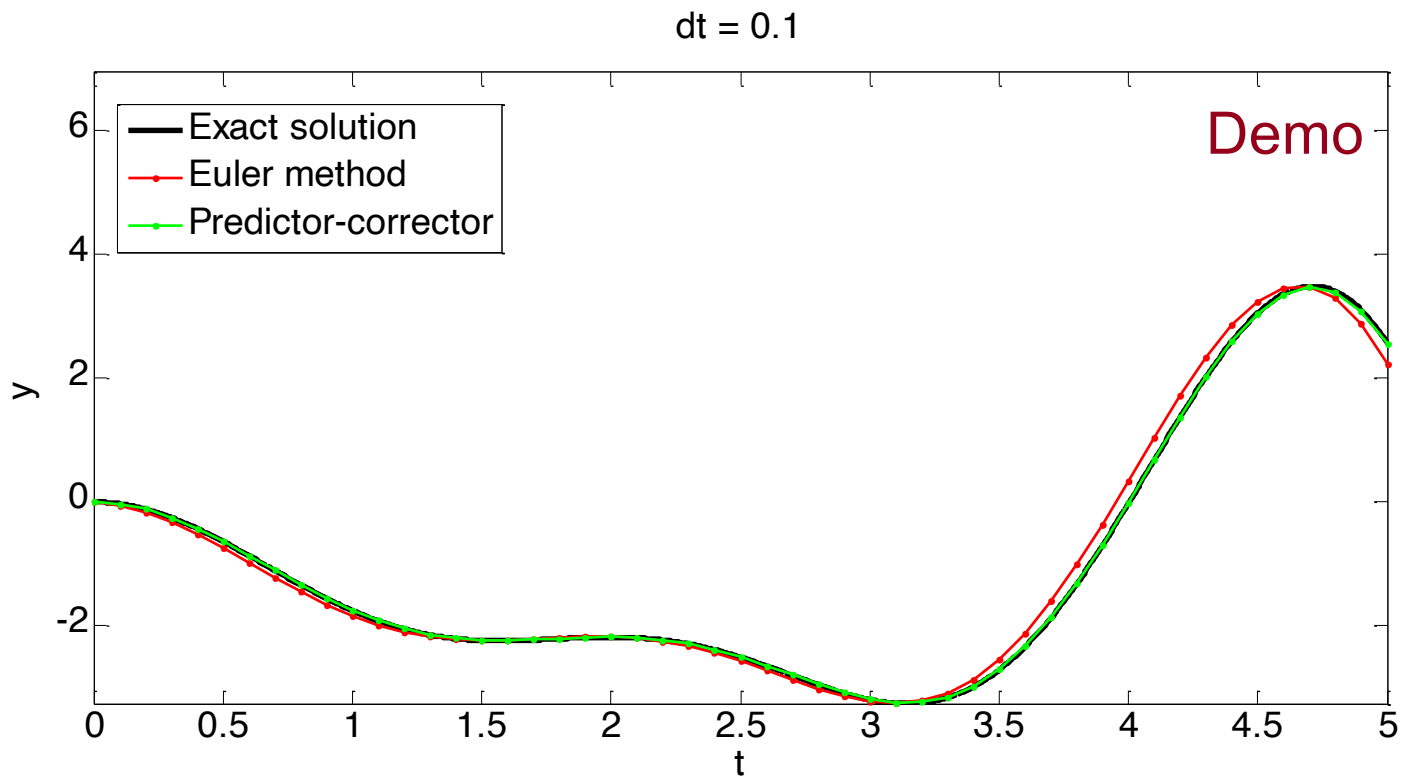
- **Consider**

- A better approximation can be constructed by considering the effective derivative over the entire interval

$$k_1 = f(t, x(t))$$

- Note that this method uses an estimate for the derivative at the beginning,  $k_1$ , and ending,  $k_2$ , of the interval and increases accuracy of the solution

## Visual comparison of the Euler and predictor-corrector methods





## Numerical solutions to differential equations (Runge-Kutta)

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- Following the logic of the predictor-corrector method, the accuracy of the estimate can be improved by evaluating the derivative at its midpoint

$$x(t + \Delta t) \approx x(t) + 1/6 \times (k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4) \Delta t$$

$$k_1 = f\left(t, x(t)\right)$$

$$k_2 = f\left(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2}, x(t) + k_1 \frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)$$

$$k_3 = f\left(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2}, x(t) + k_2 \frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)$$

$$k_4 = f\left(t + \Delta t, x(t) + k_3 \Delta t\right)$$

where

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = f(t, x(t))$$



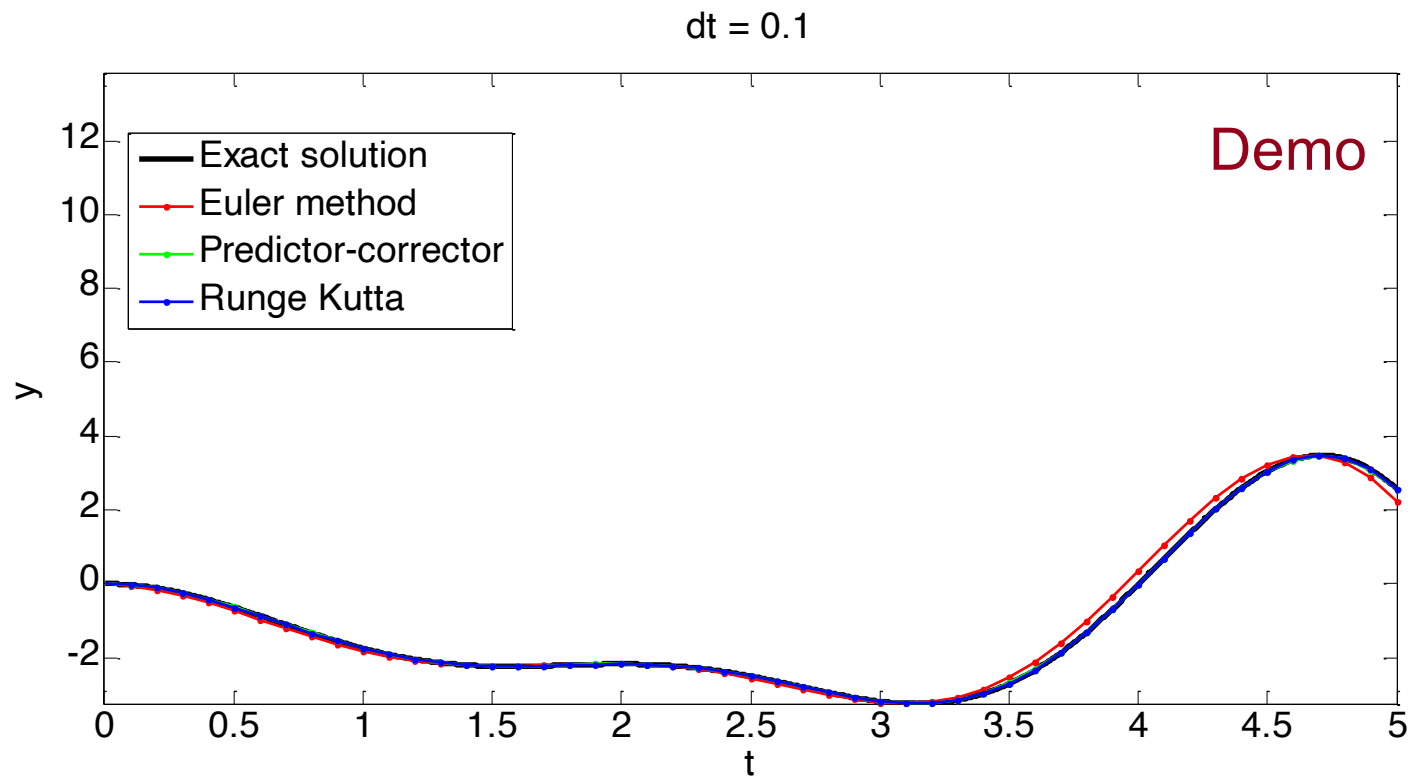
## Numerical solutions to differential equations (Runge-Kutta)

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- Note that in the last slide  $k_1$  corresponds to the derivative at the beginning of the interval,  $k_2$  and  $k_3$  are two estimates for the derivative at the midpoint of the interval, and  $k_4$  is an estimate of the derivative at the end of the interval
- The example of the last slide would be a Runge-Kutta approximation of rank 4 (RK4)
- Runge-Kutta ODE solvers of RK23 and RK45 can be accessed with the MATLAB commands `ode23` and `ode45`



## Visual comparison of the Euler, predictor-corrector, and Runge Kutta methods



## Numerical accuracy

## • Essential Matlab states:

“How do we ever know when we have the ‘right’ numerical solution?”

Well, we don't - the best we can do is increase the accuracy of the numerical method until no further wild changes occur over the interval of interest."

•**DEMO** of this convergence for cantilever dynamics.



## Example: Solving an ODE

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- Write in standard form

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{t^3 - 2y}{t} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq t \leq 3 \quad \text{with } y = 4.3 \quad \text{at } t = 1$$

- Define the function in MATLAB

```
dydt
```

- Select method of solution

```
ode45, ode23, ode113, ode15s, ode23s, ode23t, ode23tb
```

- Solve

```
[t y] = ODE_solver_name(ODEfun, tspan, y0)
```



- Lets do this in MATLAB

```
function dx = firstOrderODE(t,x)
dx = 2*x;
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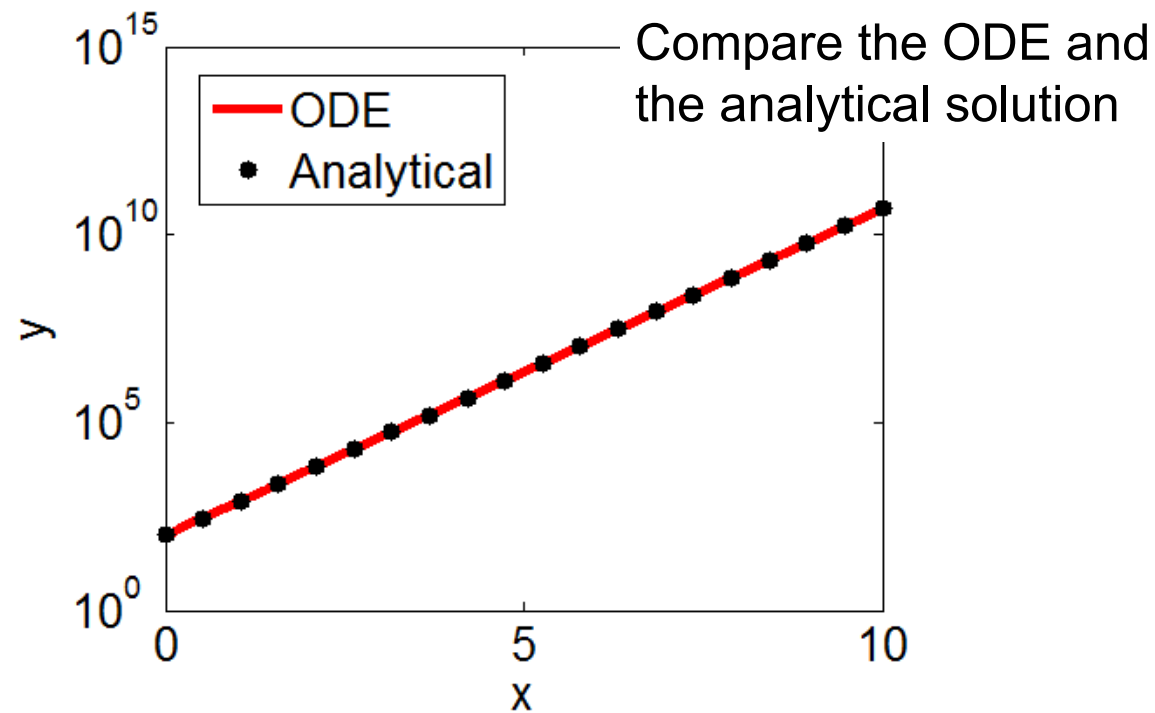
```
% Solve the ODE
[t,x] = ode45(@firstOrderODE,[0 10],[100]);

% Generate values for the analytical solution
tTest = linspace(0,10,20);
xTest = 100*exp(2*tTest);
```



## A simple example

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## Example - Car Crash & Safety Bumper

- Force applied by bumper is a function of the velocity  $v$  and displacement  $x$  of the front edge according to

$$F = Kv^3(x+1)^3$$

where  $K = 30 \text{ s-kg/m}^5$ .

Car has mass  $m=1500\text{kg}$  and hits bumper at  $90 \text{ km/hr}$  ( $25 \text{ m/s}$ ).

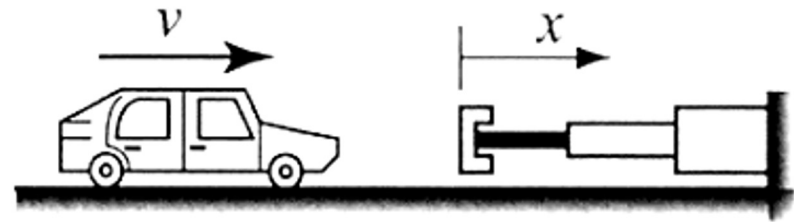
Plot velocity of the car as a function of position.

Acceleration:

$$a = -Kv^3(x+1)^3/m$$

Kinematic relationship

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{dv}{dx} v \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dv}{dx} = -\frac{Kv^2(x+1)^3}{m}$$





## ODEs of higher orders - state space representation

## What is a state space representation?

We take this...

$$\frac{d^n y(t)}{dt^n} + a_1 \frac{d^{n-1} y(t)}{dt^{n-1}} + \dots + a_{n-1} \frac{dy(t)}{dt} + a_n y(t) = F$$

...and turn it into this

$$\underline{\dot{x}}(t) = \underline{A}\underline{x}(t) + \underline{B}u(t)$$

Note: this representation is only true for linear ODEs



## ODEs of higher orders - state space representation

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In other words - say we have an equation of the form

$$\ddot{y} + p\ddot{y} + q\dot{y} + ry = 0$$

$$\dot{y} = \text{something}$$

This would be input into MATLAB as a series of differential equations of first order



## ODEs of higher orders - state space representation

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We start by assigning generalized variables (say  $x$ ) to derivatives of  $y$  of increasing order as such

$$x_1 = y$$

$$x_2 = \dot{y}$$

$$x_3 = \ddot{y}$$



## ODEs of higher orders - state space representation

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Next, we rearrange the ODE to get the variable of highest order on the left side of the equation and divide out any coefficients on this variable (if they exist)

$$\ddot{y} = -p\dot{y} - qy - ry$$



## ODEs of higher orders - state space representation

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Next, we rewrite the derivatives of the generalized variables with respect to each other and the ODE

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = x_3$$

$$\dot{x}_3 = -px_3 - qx_2 - rx_1$$

Note that the number of linear ODEs corresponds to the order of the original equation



## ODEs of higher orders - state space representation

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This equation can then be input into a function definition of the ODE for use in MATLAB

```
function xout = thirdOrderODE(t,x)
```

Note: time and initial condition serve as inputs

```
p = 2;
```

```
q = 1.5;
```

```
r = 0.1;
```

```
dx1 = x(2);
```

```
dx2 = x(3);
```

```
dx3 = -p*x(3)-q*x(2)-r*x(1);
```

```
xout = [dx1; dx2; dx3];
```

Note: the derivatives of the generalized variables are returned as a column vector



## ODEs of higher orders - state space representation

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An alternate formulation of the ODE function

```
function xout = thirdOrderODE(t,x)
```

```
p = 2;  
q = 1.5;  
r = 0.1;
```

```
dx(1) = x(2);  
dx(2) = x(3);  
dx(3) = -p*x(3) - q*x(2) - r*x(1);
```

```
xout = [dx(1);dx(2);dx(3)];
```



## ODEs of higher orders - state space representation

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Another alternate formulation of the ODE function

```
function dx = thirdOrderODE(t,x)
```

```
p = 2;  
q = 1.5;  
r = 0.1;
```

```
dx = zeros(3,1);  
dx(1) = x(2);  
dx(2) = x(3);  
dx(3) = -p*x(3) - q*x(2) - r*x(1);
```





## ODEs of higher orders - state space representation

We can then solve the function by calling the ode45 solver with respect to the ODE function

```
[t,x] = ode45(@thirdOrderODE,[0 10],[10 1 2]);
```

Row vector of initial conditions  $x(1) = 10$ ,  $x(2) = 1$ , etc.; the number of initial conditions equals the order of the ODE

- Row vector indicates the start and end time of the solution

	1	
1		0
2		0.0155
3		0.0309
4		0.0464
5		0.0618
6		0.1391
7		0.2164
8		0.2937
9		0.3710
10		0.5253
11		0.6796

	1	2	3
1	10	1	2
2	10.0157	1.0301	1.9007
3	10.0318	1.0588	1.8037
4	10.0484	1.0859	1.7090
5	10.0654	1.1116	1.6166
6	10.1557	1.2196	1.1870
7	10.2531	1.2964	0.8084
8	10.3554	1.3458	0.4766
9	10.4605	1.3712	0.1877
10	10.6721	1.3628	-0.2759
11	10.8774	1.2930	-0.6106



## ODEs of higher orders - state space representation

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We can then plot the position, velocity, and acceleration of the system

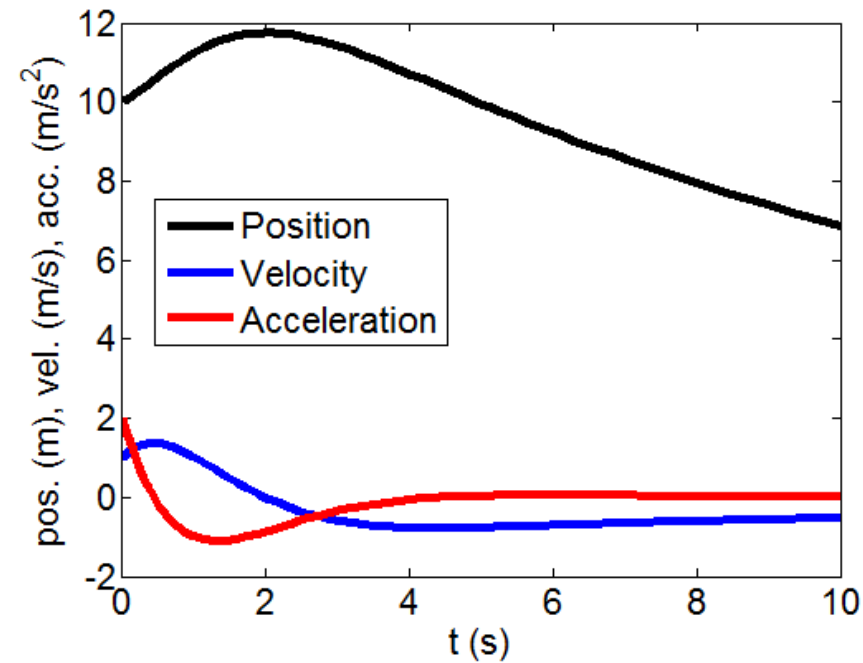
```
p = plot(t,x(:,1),'k-',t,x(:,2),'b-',t,x(:,3),'r-');  
set(p,'LineWidth',4)  
set(gca,'FontSize',16)  
xlabel('t (s)')  
ylabel('pos. (m), vel. (m/s), acc. (m/s^2)')  
legend('Position','Velocity','Acceleration')
```



# ODEs of higher orders - state space representation

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The resulting plot



## ODEs of higher orders - state space representation

The values of  $p$ ,  $q$ , and  $r$  were defined in the ODE function - we can also supply these values when calling the solver

The empty set sits in place of any “options” we might enforce

Coefficients/constants used in the ODE

```
p = 2;  
q = 1.5;  
r = 0.1;
```

script

```
[t,x] = ode45(@thirdOrderODE,[0 10],[10 1 2],[],p,q,r);
```

```
function dx = thirdOrderODE(t,x,p,q,r)  
dx = zeros(3,1);  
dx(1) = x(2);  
dx(2) = x(3);  
dx(3) = -p*x(3)-q*x(2)-r*x(1);
```

ODE function



# Systems of differential equations - Lorentz equations and chaos

Consider the following system of Lorenz equations

- This system is representative of chaotic systems in which minor changes to the input result in radically different result (butterfly effect)
- Chaos: When the present determines the future, but the approximate present does not approximately determine the future

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= -\sigma x + \sigma y \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= -\rho x - y - xz \\ \frac{dz}{dt} &= -\beta z + xy\end{aligned}$$



## Systems of differential equations - Lorentz equations and chaos

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How do we convert this system into a MATLAB “friendly” format

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \frac{dx}{dt} = -\sigma x + \sigma y & \begin{array}{l} x_1 = x \\ x_2 = y \\ x_3 = z \end{array} & \longrightarrow \begin{array}{l} \dot{x}_1 = -\sigma x_1 + \sigma x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = -\rho x_1 - x_2 - x_1 x_3 \\ \dot{x}_3 = -\beta x_3 + x_1 x_2 \end{array} \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = -\rho x - y - xz & & \\ \frac{dz}{dt} = -\beta z + xy & & \end{array}$$

Here,  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ , and  $x_3$  refer to  $x(1)$ ,  $x(2)$ , and  $x(3)$  in MATLAB



## Numerical solution of the Lorentz system using MATLAB

```
% Initial conditions (x1, x2, x3)
x0 = [-8 8 27];
```

script: lorenz\_launcher

```
% Time span
tspan = [0 40];
```

```
% Using the ode45 solver to numerically evaluate the ODEs
[t,x] = ode45(@lorenz,tspan,x0);
```

Note the function handle

```
function dx = lorenz(t,x)
```

function: lorenz

```
sigma = 10;
beta = 8/3;
rho = 28;
```

```
dx = [-sigma*x(1)+sigma*x(2); ...
      rho*x(1)-x(2)-x(1)*x(3); ...
      -beta*x(3)+x(1)*x(2)];
```

Note that dx(1), dx(2), and dx(3) are directly assigned to columns



# Numerical solution of the Lorentz system using MATLAB

## Alternate syntax for calling `ode45`

```
% Intitial conditions (x1, x2, x3)
x0 = [-8 8 27];
```

```
script: lorenz_launcher
```

```
% Time span
tspan = [0 40];
```

## Function declaration as “string”

```
% Using the ode45 solver to numerically evaluate the ODEs
[t,x] = ode45('lorenz',tspan,x0);
```





# Numerical solution of the Lorentz system using MATLAB

## Alternate syntax for calling for the function holding the differential equations

```
function dx = lorenz(t,x)
```

function: lorenz

```
sigma = 10;
```

$$\text{beta} = 8/3;$$

```
rho = 28;
```

```
dx = zeros(3,1);
```

```
dx(1) = -sigma*x(1)+sigma*x(2);
```

$$dx(2) = \rho * x(1) - x(2) - x(1) * x(3);$$

```
dx(3) = -beta*x(3)+x(1)*x(2);
```

The outputs are first established as a 3x1 vector



## Numerical solution of the Lorentz system using MATLAB

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Alternate syntax for calling for the function holding the differential equations

```
function dout = lorentz(t,x)
```

function: lorentz

```
sigma = 10;
```

```
beta = 8/3;
```

```
rho = 28;
```

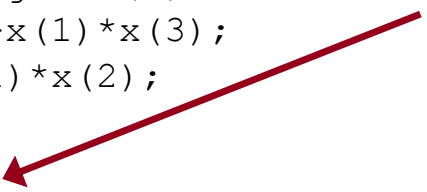
```
dx = -sigma*x(1)+sigma*x(2);
```

```
dy = rho*x(1)-x(2)-x(1)*x(3);
```

```
dz = -beta*x(3)+x(1)*x(2);
```

```
dout = [dx;dy;dz];
```

The outputs are  
combined at the  
output to a 3x1  
vector



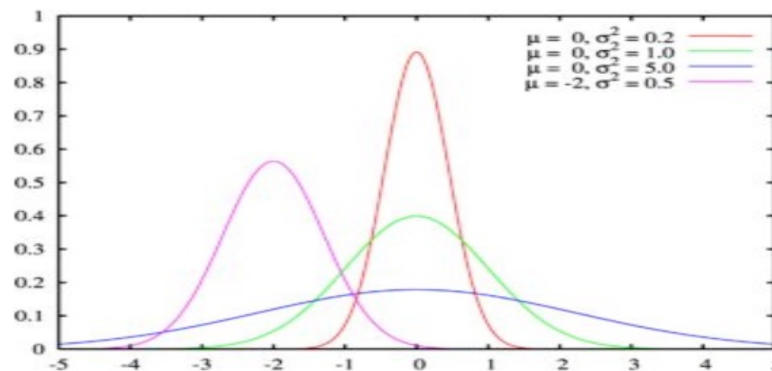
# Random Numbers

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# Random Numbers

<code>rand</code>	Single random number between 0 and 1
<code>rand(1,n)</code>	Row vector of n random numbers between 0 and 1
<code>rand(n)</code>	n x n matrix of random numbers between 0 and 1
<code>rand(m,n)</code>	m x n matrix of random numbers between 0 and 1
<code>randperm(n)</code>	Row vector with random permutation of integers 1 through n
<code>randn(m,n)</code>	m x n matrix of normally distributed random numbers with mean 0 and standard deviation 1



## Random Numbers (cont.)

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- Interval (a,b)

$(b-a) * \text{rand} + a$

- Random integers

$\text{round}(\text{rand})$  for random 0's and 1's

or use

$\text{round}, \text{floor}, \text{ceil}$  on a multiple of  $\text{rand}$

- Normal distribution mean  $M$  and standard deviation  $S$

$S * \text{randn}(m, n) + M$



# Random Number Generator

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- Write a function implementing a (pseudo-)random number generator
- Based on unpredictability of the modulus function  $\text{mod}(\cdot, \cdot)$  when applied to large numbers
  - For instance,  $n_{i+1} = \text{mod}(8121 \cdot n_i + 28441, 134456)$
  - Generated numbers are uniformly distributed in range  $[0, 134456)$
  - For unknown parameters, predicting outcome  $n_{i+1}$  is hard
- Use above idea to produce random values in  $[0, 1)$ 
  - Write function that generates one or more random numbers  $\text{ran}$  in range  $0 \leq \text{ran} < 1$  each time is called, based on equation
$$\text{ran}_i = n_i / 134456$$
  - Generated numbers depend on initial value  $n_0$  called seed



# Random Number Generator

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## •Problem statement

- write function rand0 returning an array ran of one or more numbers uniformly distributed in  $[0, 1)$
- input arguments are (m, n) producing an  $m \times n$  array or (m) producing an  $m \times m$  array
- seed  $n_0$  is chosen or reset by calling function seed

## •Input/output

- seed: integer input, no output
- rand0: input is one or two integers specifying size of the array, output is the array with random values in  $[0, 1)$



# Random Number Generator

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## •Algorithm description

### •Pseudocode for `rand0`:

```
function ran = random(m,n)
Set n  $\leftarrow$  m if second dimension is not supplied
Create output array with “zeros” function
iseed stores the current random-looking integer  $n_i$ 
For every row i and every column j
iseed  $\leftarrow$  mod (8121 iseed + 28441, 134456)
ran(i,j)  $\leftarrow$  iseed/134456
```

### •Pseudocode for `seed`:

```
function seed(new_seed)
new_seed  $\leftarrow$  round(new_seed)
iseed  $\leftarrow$  abs(new_seed)
```





# Random Number Generator

- Turn algorithm into MATLAB code

- Turning pseudocode to code is straightforward
- Data management issue
  - Is there any data shared by the two functions?
  - They both need access to the current pseudorandom number `iseed`
  - Variable `iseed` will be placed in the global memory so that it may be accessed by both function `rand0` and `seed`

- **Test functions**

- By resetting seed, produced numbers should repeat
- Calculate the average and standard deviation of array and confirm uniform distribution

