

Nonlinear system and numerical approach

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$$\begin{cases} \dot{v} = -k(1-u)v - av^2, \\ \dot{u} = (1-v)u - bu^2. \end{cases}$$

When $v = 0$, we get a logistic equation that determines a reproduction of carps in a pond with a limited feed.

Pikes without carps will die.

Consider equilibrium for this model.

Equilibrium for the predator-pray system

$$\begin{cases} -k(1-u)v - av^2 = 0, \\ (1-v)u - bu^2 = 0. \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} -v(k - ku - av) = 0, \\ u(1 - v - bu) = 0. \end{cases}$$

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>>> from sympy import *
>>> v,u,a,b,k,y1,y2=symbols('v,u,a,b,k,y1,y2')
>>> dv=k*(-1+u)*v-a*v*v
>>> du=(1-v)*u-b*u*u
>>> S=solve([k*(-1+u)*v-a*v*v,(1-v)*u-b*u*u],v,u)
>>>S
[(0, 0), (-k/a, 0), (0, 1/b), (-k*(b - 1)/(a*b + k), (a + k)/(a*b + k))]
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Then equilibrium points are following

$$(0, 0) \cup (0, 1/b) \cup (-k/a, 0) \cup \left(\frac{-(b - 1)k}{k + ab}, \frac{k + a}{k + ab} \right).$$

Equilibrium for the predator-pray system

The linearized system at $(0, 0)$: $v \sim y_1$, $u \sim y_2$:

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(diff(du,v)*y1+diff(du,u)*y2).subs(v,S[0][0]).subs(u,S[0][1])
y2
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>>>

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(diff(dv,v)*y1+diff(dv,u)*y2).subs(v,S[0][0]).subs(u,S[0][1])
-k*y1
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Hence:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{y}_1 = -ky_1, \\ \dot{y}_2 = y_2. \end{cases}$$

This system defines a saddle.

Equilibrium for the predator-pray system

The linearized system at $(-\frac{k}{a}, 0)$: $v + \frac{k}{a} \sim y_1$, $u \sim y_2$:

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(diff(dv,v)*y1+diff(dv,u)*y2).subs(v,S[1][0]).subs(u,S[1][1])k*y1  
- k**2*y2/a
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(diff(du,v)*y1+diff(du,u)*y2).subs(v,S[1][0]).subs(u,S[1][1])y2*(1  
+ k/a)
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$$\begin{cases} \dot{y}_1 = ky_1 - \frac{k^2}{a}y_2, \\ \dot{y}_2 = \left(1 + \frac{k}{a}\right)y_2. \end{cases}$$

Equilibrium for the predator-pray system

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Eigenvalues of the matrix in the right-hand side are

$$\lambda_1 = k, \quad \lambda_2 = 1 + k/a.$$

The singular point for this equation is an unstable knot.

Equilibrium for the predator-prey system

The linearized system at $(0, 1/b)$: $v \sim y_1$, $u - 1/b \sim y_2$:

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$$(\text{diff}(dv, v)*y1 + \text{diff}(dv, u)*y2).subs(v, S[2][0]).subs(u, S[2][1])k*y1*(-1 + 1/b)$$

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$$(diff(du,v)*y1+diff(du,u)*y2).subs(v,S[2][0]).subs(u,S[2][1])-y2 - y1/b$$

Then:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{y}_1 = \left(\frac{k}{b} - k\right)y_1, \\ \dot{y}_2 = -\frac{1}{b}y_1 - y_2. \end{cases}$$

Equilibrium for the predator-prey system

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Eigenvalues of the matrix in the right-hand side are

$$\lambda_1 = k(1/b - 1), \quad \lambda_2 = -1.$$

The singular point for this equation is a stable knot for $b > 1$ and a saddle in opposite case.

Equilibrium for the predator-prey system

The linearized system at $\left(\frac{-(b-1)k}{k+ab}, \frac{k+a}{k+ab}\right)$:

$$v + \frac{(b-1)k}{k+ab} \sim y_1, \quad u - \frac{k+a}{k+ab} \sim y_2$$

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>>> (diff(dv,v)*y1+diff(dv,u)*y2).subs(v,S[3][0]).subs(u,S[3][1])
-k**2*y2*(b - 1)/(a*b + k) + y1*(2*a*k*(b - 1)/(a*b + k)
+ k*((a + k)/(a*b + k) - 1))
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>>>

$$(\text{diff}(du,v)*y1 + \text{diff}(du,u)*y2).\text{subs}(v,S[3][0]).\text{subs}(u,S[3][1]) - y1*(a + k)/(a*b + k) + y2*(-2*b*(a + k)/(a*b + k) + k*(b - 1)/(a*b + k) + 1)$$

As a result we get:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{y}_1 = \frac{ak(b-1)}{ab+k} y_1 - \frac{k^2(b-1)}{ab+k} y_2, \\ \dot{y}_2 = \frac{k+a}{ab+k} (-y_1 - by_2). \end{cases}$$

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Let's consider for simplicity following values for the coefficients: $k = 1$, $b = 0$, $a = 0$:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{y}_1 = y_2, \\ \dot{y}_2 = -y_1. \end{cases}$$

Then the eigenvalues are $\lambda_1 = i$, $\lambda_2 = -i$ and the singular point for the given linear system is a center.

Autonomous equations

A system of equations which does not contain the independent variable is called *autonomous system*

$$\begin{aligned}y &= f(y), \\ \dot{y}_1 &= f_1(y_1, y_2), \\ \dot{y}_2 &= f_2(y_1, y_2).\end{aligned}$$

The equation for a pendulum is a typical example of the autonomous system:

$$\ddot{\phi} + \sin(\phi) = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} y'_1 = & y_2, \\ y'_2 = & -\sin(y_1). \end{cases}$$

Autonomous systems

The predator-prey system is autonomous system:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{y}_1 = y_1 - y_1 y_2, \\ \dot{y}_2 = k y_2 (-1 + y_1). \end{cases}$$

Any non-autonomous system can be rewritten as autonomous one:

$$\dot{\mathbf{y}} = f(\mathbf{y}, t), \text{ define } y_{n+1} = t \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{y}_k = f_k(y_1, \dots, y_{n+1}), k = 1, \dots, n; \\ \dot{y}_{n+1} = 1. \end{cases}$$

Properties of solutions of the autonomous systems

If $\mathbf{y}(t)$ is a solution of a system $\dot{\mathbf{y}} = f(\mathbf{y})$, then the vector $\mathbf{y}(t + \text{const})$ is also the solution of the same system:

$$\frac{d\mathbf{y}(t + \text{const})}{dt} = \frac{d\mathbf{y}(t + \text{const})}{d(t + \text{const})} = f(\mathbf{y}).$$

Let the solution $\mathbf{y}(t) \equiv (y_1(t), y_2(t), \dots, y_n(t))$ be known on interval $t \in [a, b]$, then the set $(y_1(t), y_2(t), \dots, y_n(t))$ defines a curve in the n -th dimensional space \mathbb{R}^n .

Such curve is called **phase curve** and the space where these curves are defined is called **phase space**.

A theorem about phase curves

Let given point a is not equilibrium. Then the system of equations

$$\dot{x}_1 = f_1, x_2 = f_2, \dots, \dot{x}_n = f_n$$

can be locally transformed into the form:

$$\dot{y}_1 = 0, \dot{y}_2 = 0, \dots, \dot{y}_n = 1.$$

The trajectories are straight lines:

$$y_j = c_j, j = 1, \dots, n-1, \quad y_n = c_n + t, \quad c_k = \text{const.}$$

A theorem about straitening of phase curves

Let $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{a}) \neq 0$. Without loss of generality assume that $f_n(\mathbf{a}) = b_n \neq 0$ and $\mathbf{x}(t) = \phi(\xi, t)$, $\mathbf{x}(0) = \xi$. Then \mathbf{x} can be represented as a solution of the integral equation:

$$\mathbf{x} = \xi + \int_0^t \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, \tau) d\tau.$$

define $y_1 = \xi_1$, $y_2 = \xi_2, \dots, y_{n-1} = \xi_{n-1}$, $y_n = t$. \Rightarrow

$$A = \frac{\partial(\mathbf{y})}{\partial(\mathbf{x})} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore the inverse transform $\mathbf{y} = \phi^{-1}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ exists. The theorem is proved.

An example

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= x_2, \quad \dot{x}_2 = -x_1, \\ x_1 &= \xi_1 \cos(t) + \xi_2 \sin(t), \\ x_2 &= -\xi_1 \sin(t) + \xi_2 \cos(t).\end{aligned}$$

Liouville's theorem about evolution of a phase volume

Let's consider a phase volume

$$d\mathbf{V} = dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_n = \prod_{k=1}^n dx_k$$

and define the evolution with respect to the differential system:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\mathbf{V}(t + dt) - d\mathbf{V}(t)}{dt} &= \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(d_j(x_j + f_j dt) - dx_j)}{dt} \prod_{k \neq j} dx_k = \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial x_j} dx_j \prod_{k \neq j} dx_k = \mathbf{div} \mathbf{f} \prod_{k=1}^n dx_k. \end{aligned}$$

An example

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2, \quad \dot{x}_2 = -\mu x_2 - \sin(x_1).$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \mathbf{div}(x_2, -\mu - \mu x_2 - \sin(x_1)) dx_1 dx_2$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = -\mu V.$$

Phase curves for the pendulum

Let's consider the sum of kinetic and potential energy of the pendulum:

$$E = \frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{2} - \cos(\phi),$$

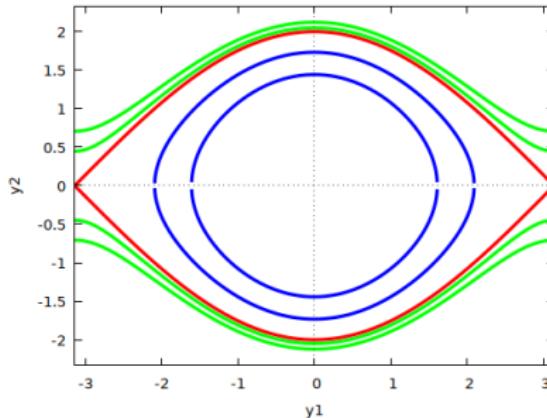
$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \dot{\phi}\ddot{\phi} + \sin(\phi)\dot{\phi} = \dot{\phi}(\ddot{\phi} + \sin(\phi)) = 0, \Rightarrow$$

The full energy is a **conservation law** for the pendulum. These property can be used for defining phase curves.

$$\frac{y_2^2}{2} - \cos(y_1) = E, \quad y_2 = \pm\sqrt{2E + 2\cos(y_1)},$$

$$y_2 \in \mathbb{R}, \quad y_1 \in \mathbb{S} \Rightarrow (y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{S} \times \mathbb{R}.$$

Phase curves for the pendulum



- ▶ $E = -1$, $(y_1, y_2) = (0, 0)$;
- ▶ $-1 < E < 1$, $y_2 = \pm\sqrt{2E + 2\cos(y_1)}$, $y_1 \in [-\arccos(E), \arccos(E)]$ (blue curves);
- ▶ $E = 1$, $(y_1, y_2) \in (0, \pi) \cup y_2 = \pm\sqrt{2E - 2\cos(y_1)}$, $y_1 \in (-\pi, \pi)$ (red curve);
- ▶ $1 < E$, $y_2 = \pm\sqrt{2E - 2\cos(y_1)}$, $y_1 \in [-\pi, \pi]$ (green curves).

The conservation law for the predator-prey model

Let us divide the equation

$$\frac{dv}{d\tau} = -k(1-u)v,$$

by the equation

$$\frac{du}{d\tau} = (1-v)u.$$

As a result we obtain:

$$\frac{dv}{du} = \frac{-k(1-u)v}{(1-v)u}.$$

The conservation law for the predator-prey model

Then rewrite the equation in the differential form:

$$(1 - v) \frac{dv}{v} = -k(1 - u) \frac{du}{u}$$

or

$$\frac{dv}{v} - dv = kdu - k \frac{du}{u}.$$

After integrating we get:

$$\log(v) - v = -k \log(u) + ku + C.$$

The conservation law for the predator-prey model

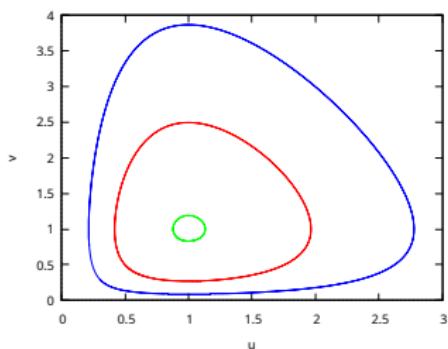


Figure: The phase portrait of the predator-prey model, $k = 2$.

The value

$$C = \log(vu^k) - (ku + v)$$

is a conservation law
for the predator-prey model:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dC}{d\tau} &= \frac{dv}{d\tau} \frac{u^k}{vu^k} + k \frac{du}{d\tau} \frac{u^{k-1}v}{vu^k} - \\ &\quad k \frac{du}{d\tau} - \frac{dv}{d\tau} = \\ &\quad -k(1-u) + k(1-v) - \\ &\quad k(1-v)u + k(1-u)v = \\ &\quad -k + ku + k - kv - ku + \\ &\quad kvu + kv - kuv = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Conservation law

The function $U(\mathbf{x})$ is a **conservation law** of the system

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$$

if

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial U}{\partial x_k} f_k(\mathbf{x}) = 0.$$

Non-conservative pendulum

Let's consider a pendulum with friction:

$$\ddot{\phi} + \mu\dot{\phi} + \sin(\phi) = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} y'_1 = & y_2, \\ y'_2 = & -\mu y_2 - \sin(y_1). \end{cases}$$

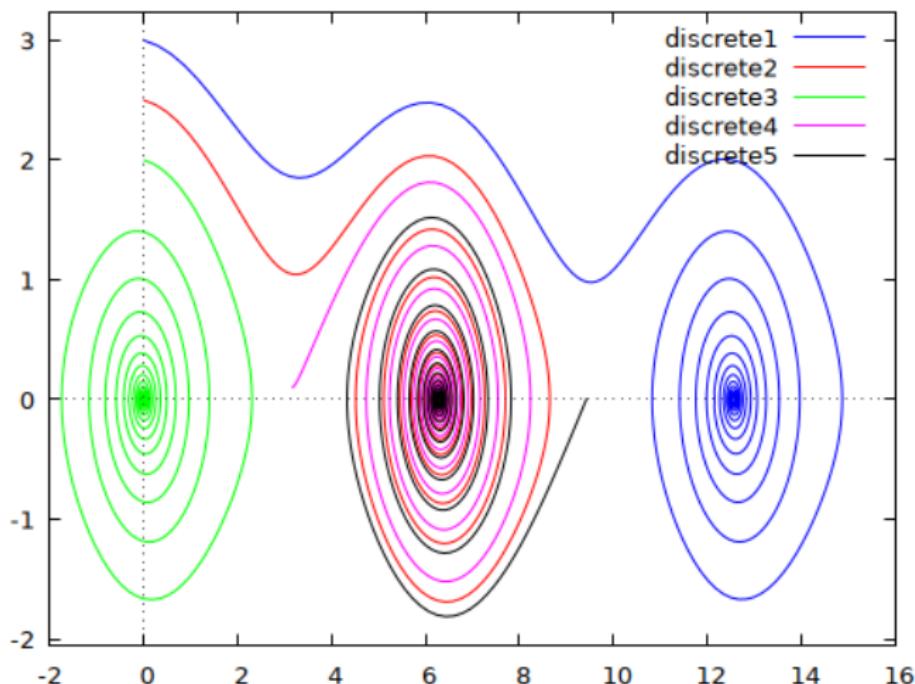
Here $\mu > 0$ is a friction coefficient.

Find evolution of the full energy:

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \dot{\phi}\ddot{\phi} + \sin(\phi)\dot{\phi} = \dot{\phi}(\ddot{\phi} + \sin(\phi)) = -\mu\dot{\phi}^2.$$

The energy of the pendulum with friction decreases.

Non-conservative pendulum



A predator prey system with competing species

$$\frac{dv}{d\tau} = -k(1-u)v - av^2, \quad \frac{du}{d\tau} = (1-v)u - bu^2.$$

The derivative of the conservation law for the predator-prey system:

$$C = \log(vu^k) - (ku + v),$$

$$\frac{dC}{d\tau} = \left(\frac{1}{v} - 1\right)\dot{v} + k\left(\frac{1}{v} - 1\right)\dot{u} - k\dot{u} - \dot{v} =$$

$$a(v^2 - v) + bk(u^2 - u).$$

As a result one gets that the C changes under evolution of the system with competing species.

First definition of the derivative

A derivative is a limit:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{y(x + \Delta x) - y(x)}{\Delta x}.$$

$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta(\varepsilon) > 0, |\Delta x| < \delta:$

$$\left| \frac{y(x + \Delta x) - y(x)}{\Delta x} - \frac{dy}{dx} \right| < \varepsilon.$$

This definition appeals to properties of the curve for a **continuous parameter** Δx . While a numeric approach assumes a discrete set of allowed values of Δx .

Second definition of the derivative

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{y(x + \Delta x_n) - y(x)}{\Delta x_n}.$$

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$ and any $\{\Delta x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \rightarrow 0$, $\exists N(\varepsilon)$ and:

$$\left| \frac{y(x + \Delta x_n) - y(x)}{\Delta x_n} - \frac{dy}{dx} \right| < \varepsilon.$$

This concept looks close to the numeric approach but basic details are the words **any** and **convergent** sequence.

Disclaimer

When we deal with numeric formulas for the derivative then we must understand that we neglect two important ideas of the classical mathematical analysis:

- continuous function;
 - continuous of independent variable.

We change the continuous by the a set of values of the floating point numbers.

Disclaimer

Despite of following examples we will assume that the numbers are a set on **a lattice with uniform step Δ ..**

- ▶ Noncommutativity:

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> > >2.0-0.3+0.3==2.0
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true
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> > >2.0+0.3-0.3==2.0
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false
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- ▶ An errors due to averaging by standard IEEE754

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> > >z=2.0-0.9
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> > >"%.18f" % z
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'1.10000000000000089'
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Approximations of derivatives

Let's consider a Taylor formula for a smooth function $f(x)$ with a residue in the Lagrange form:

$$f(x + \Delta) = f(x) + f'(x)\Delta + O(\Delta^2).$$

It yields:

$$f'(x) = \frac{f(x + \Delta) - f(x)}{\Delta} + O(\Delta).$$

Two-point formula for the derivative

If we consider three terms of the Taylor series

$$f(x + \Delta) = f(x) + f'(x)\Delta + \frac{f''(x)}{2!}\Delta^2 + O(\Delta^3).$$

Here second derivative is:

$$f''(x) = \frac{1}{\Delta} \left(\frac{f(x + \Delta) - f(x)}{\Delta} - \frac{f(x) - f(x - \Delta)}{\Delta} \right) + O(\Delta) =$$

$$\frac{f(x + \Delta) - 2f(x) + f(x - \Delta)}{\Delta^2} + O(\Delta).$$

In this case:

$$f(x+\Delta) = f(x) + f'(x)\Delta + \frac{f(x+\Delta) - 2f(x) + f(x-\Delta)}{2\Delta} + O(\Delta^3)$$

and

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

Two two-point formulas for the derivative

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{f(x + \Delta) - f(x)}{\Delta} + O(\Delta), \\ f'(x) &= \frac{f(x + \Delta) - f(x - \Delta)}{2\Delta} + O(\Delta^2). \end{aligned}$$

Four-point formulas for the derivative

The four terms of the Taylor series:

$$f(x + \Delta) \sim f(x) + f'(x)\Delta + \frac{f''(x)}{2!}\Delta^2 + \frac{f'''(x)}{3!}\Delta^3.$$

Here

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

$$f'''(x) = \frac{1}{2\Delta^3} (f(x+2\Delta) - 2f(x+\Delta) + f(x)) -$$

$$- \frac{1}{2\Delta^3} (f(x) - 2f(x-\Delta) + f(x-2\Delta))$$

Then:

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{12\Delta} (f(x+2\Delta) - 8f(x+\Delta) + 8f(x-\Delta) - f(x-2\Delta)) + O(\Delta^4).$$

Formulas for first derivative

$$f'(x) = \frac{f(x + \Delta) - f(x)}{\Delta} + O(\Delta),$$

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

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{12\Delta} (f(x+2\Delta) - 8f(x+\Delta) + 8f(x-\Delta) - f(x-2\Delta)) + O(\Delta^4).$$

Examples

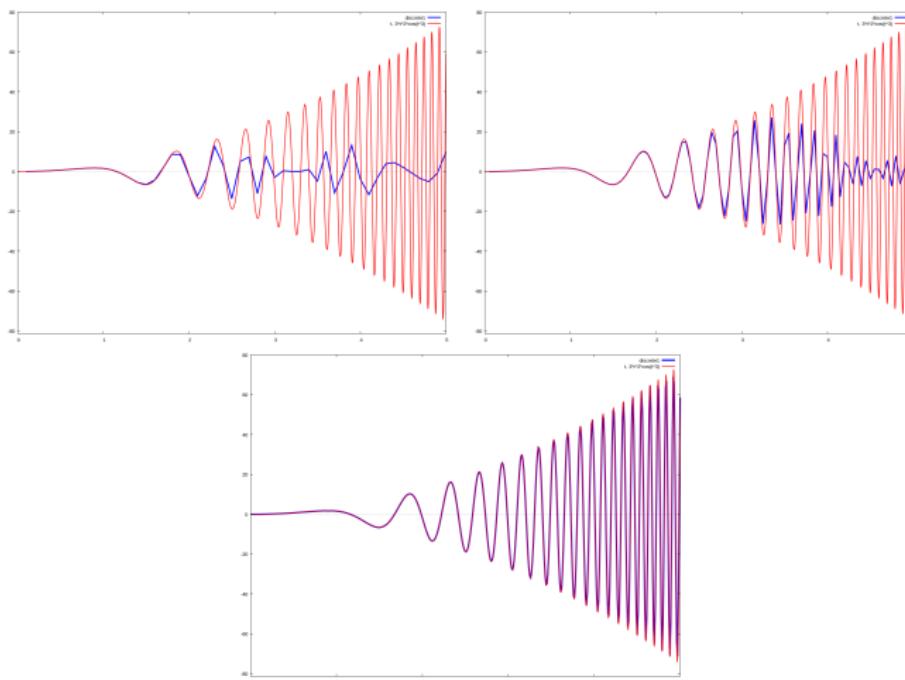


Figure: The numeric derivative of $\sin(x^3)$ on the interval $x \in [0, 5]$ with steps 0.1, 0.05, 0.01.

The Euler-Cauchy method for $y' = f(x, y)$

Let's consider the three terms of the Taylor series:

$$y(x + \Delta) = y(x) + f(x, y(x))\Delta + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \Delta^2 + O(\Delta^3).$$

Let's define:

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + \Delta, \quad y(x_{n+1}) = y_{n+1};$$

$$y'' = \frac{1}{\Delta} (f(x_{n+1}, y_n + f(x_k, y_k)\Delta) - f(x_n, y_n)) + O(\Delta).$$

Then

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + f(x_n, y_n)\Delta + \frac{1}{2\Delta} (f(x_{n+1}, y_n + f(x_n, y_n)\Delta) - f(x_n, y_n))\Delta^2 + O(\Delta^3),$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + (f(x_n, y_n) + f(x_{n+1}, y_n + f(x_n, y_n)\Delta))\frac{\Delta}{2} + O(\Delta^3).$$

The Euler-Cauchy method for $y' = f(x, y)$

Denote:

$$k_1 = f(x_n, y_n), \quad k_2 = f(x_{n+1}, y_n + k_1 \Delta),$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{\Delta}{2}(k_1 + k_2) + O(\Delta^3).$$

Taylor series and accuracy

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + f(x_n, y_n)\Delta + \frac{\Delta^2}{2} \frac{df}{dx} + \frac{\Delta^3}{3!} \frac{d^2f}{dx^2} + O(\Delta^4).$$

Here

$$\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}(f(x, y(x))) = f'_x + f'_y f,$$

$$\frac{d^2f}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx}(f'_x + f'_y f) = f''_{xx} + 2f''_{xy}f + f''_{yy}f^2 + f'_y f'_x + (f'_y)^2 f.$$

For the calculations these formulas are rarely used.

A formulas for the Runge-Kutta of fourth-order

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{\Delta}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4),$$

$$k_1 = f(x_n, y_n), \quad k_2 = f\left(x_n + \frac{\Delta}{2}, y_n + k_1 \frac{\Delta}{2}\right)$$

$$k_3 = f \left(x_n + \frac{\Delta}{2}, y_n + k_2 \frac{\Delta}{2} \right) \quad k_4 = f \left(x_n + \Delta, y_n + k_3 \Delta \right)$$

An example

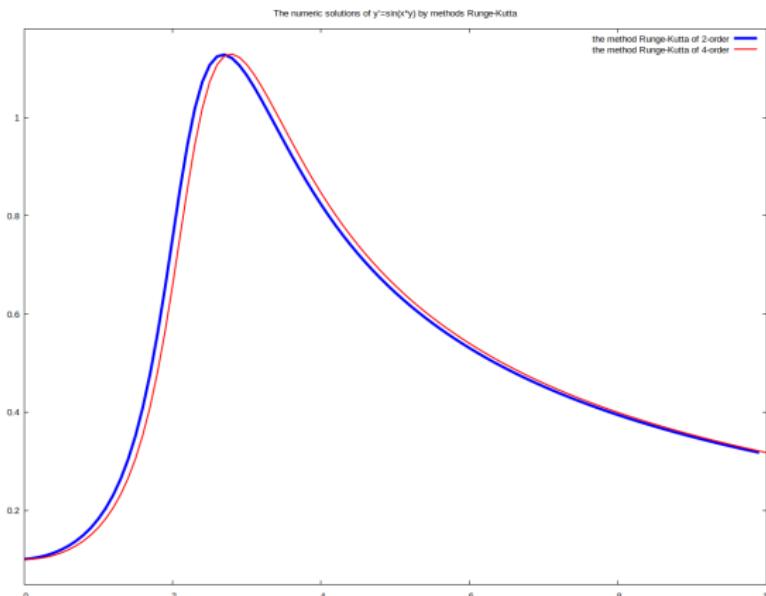


Figure: Here one can see results of numerical calculations for the equation $y' = \sin(xy)$, $y|_{x=0} = 0.1$ by the second and fourth order method Runge-Kutta with step 0.1.

Software for numeric calculations

- ▶ Computer algebra systems: Maxima (free software), Mathematica, Maple.
 - ▶ Software for numeric simulations: Scilab (free and open-source), Matlab.
 - ▶ library for the scientific calculations: scipy.