

# Math 128A: Worksheet #9

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**Problem 1.** Consider a function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that is continuous and differentiable. Show that  $|f'(x)| \leq L$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  if and only if  $f$  is Lipschitz continuous with Lipschitz constant  $L$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & |f(t, y_1) - f(t, y_2)| \leq L |y_1 - y_2| \\ & |f(x_1) - f(x_2)| \leq L |x_1 - x_2| \end{aligned}$$

First, suppose  $|f'(x)| \leq L$  for all  $x$ . Now, let  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then, by the Mean Value Theorem,

$$f(x_1) - f(x_2) = f'(\xi)(x_1 - x_2) \text{ for some } \xi \in (x_1, x_2)$$

Thus,

$$|f(x_1) - f(x_2)| = |f'(\xi)| |x_1 - x_2| \leq L |x_1 - x_2|,$$

so  $f$  is Lipschitz continuous with Lipschitz constant  $L$ .

Now, suppose that  $f$  is Lipschitz continuous with Lipschitz constant  $L$ .

Then,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |f'(x)| &= \left| \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \right| = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f(x+h) - f(x)|}{|h|} \\ &\leq \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{L|x+h-x|}{|h|} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{L|h|}{|h|} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} L = L \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $|f'(x)| \leq L \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Problem 2.** Show that if  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is Lipschitz continuous, then  $f$  is continuous.

Suppose  $f$  is Lipschitz continuous, so  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, |f(x) - f(y)| \leq L|x - y|$ .  
Now, let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then, let  $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{L}$ . Then,  $\forall y \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $|x - y| < \delta$ ,

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq L|x - y| < L\delta = L \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{L} = \varepsilon.$$

Hence, we have that  $f$  is continuous.

In fact,  $f$  is uniformly continuous since the  $\delta$  doesn't depend on  $x$ :

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{L}$ . Then  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $|x - y| < \delta$ ,  $|f(x) - f(y)| < \varepsilon$ .

Student solution:

We have  $|f(x) - f(y)| \leq L|x - y|$ . We want to show that as  $|x - y| \rightarrow 0$ ,  $|f(x) - f(y)| \rightarrow 0$ . This follows immediately.

(1) Lipschitz means  $0 \leq |f(x) - f(y)| \leq L|x - y|$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & \leq & |f(x) - f(y)| \\ \parallel & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 0 & \leq & L|x - y| \end{array}$$

(2) continuity means that  $|f(x) - f(y)| \rightarrow 0$  as  $|x - y| \rightarrow 0$

**Problem 3** (5.1, #4b). Let  $f(t, y) = \frac{1+y}{1+t}$ .

1. Does  $f$  satisfy a Lipschitz condition on  $D = \{(t, y) : 0 \leq t \leq 1, -\infty < y < \infty\}$ .
2. Can Theorem 5.4 and 5.6 be used to show that the initial value problem

$$y' = f(t, y), \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1, \quad y(0) = 1,$$

has a unique solution and is well-posed?

1. First,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(t, y) = \frac{1}{1+t}$ . Thus, on  $D$ ,

$$\left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(t, y) \right| = \frac{1}{1+t} \leq \frac{1}{1} = 1 \quad \text{since } 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

Hence, by Theorem 5.3,  $f$  is Lipschitz in  $y$  on  $D$  with Lipschitz constant  $L=1$ .

Straight up check:  $\forall (t, y_1), (t, y_2) \in D$

$$|f(t, y_1) - f(t, y_2)| = \left| \frac{1+y_1}{1+t} - \frac{1+y_2}{1+t} \right| = \frac{1}{1+t} |y_1 - y_2| \leq \frac{1}{1} |y_1 - y_2| = |y_1 - y_2|$$

2. Since  $f$  is continuous (in both  $y$  and  $t$ ) on  $D$ , Theorem 5.4 and 5.6 imply that the initial value problem has a unique solution and is well-posed, respectively.

**Problem 4.** Consider the initial value problem

$$\begin{cases} y'(t) = y(t) \\ y(0) = y_0 \end{cases}$$

1. Determine the exact solution of this initial value problem
2. Apply one step with stepsize  $h > 0$  of each of the following methods (look them up in Chapter 5.4 of the textbook): Euler's method, Midpoint method, Modified Euler's method (Explicit Trapezoidal rule), Heun's method, and the Runge-Kutta Order Four method.
3. Compute the local truncation error of these methods. What is the order of the local truncation error as  $h \rightarrow 0$ ?

1.  $y'(t) = y(t) \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = y \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{y} = dt, \text{ so } \int \frac{dy}{y} = \int dt \Rightarrow \ln(y) = t + c$

Thus,  $y = e^{t+c} = e^c e^t = k e^t$ .

Now,  $y_0 = y(0) = k e^0 = k, \text{ so } y(t) = y_0 e^t$ .

2. First, notice  $f(t, y) = y$  for this question. Exact soln:  $y(h) = e^h \cdot y_0$

Euler's method:  $w_0 = y(0) = y_0, w_1 = w_0 + h f(t_0, w_0) = w_0 + h w_0 = (1+h) w_0 = \boxed{(1+h) y_0}$

Midpoint method:  $w_1 = w_0 + h f\left(t_0 + \frac{h}{2}, w_0 + \frac{h}{2} f(t_0, w_0)\right) = w_0 + h f\left(t_0 + \frac{h}{2}, w_0 + \frac{h}{2} w_0\right)$   
 $= w_0 + h(w_0 + \frac{h}{2} w_0) = w_0 + h w_0 + \frac{h^2}{2} w_0 = \boxed{(1+h + \frac{h^2}{2}) y_0}$

Modified Euler's method:  $w_1 = w_0 + \frac{h}{2} [f(t_0, w_0) + f(t_1, w_0 + h f(t_0, w_0))] = w_0 + \frac{h}{2} [w_0 + f(t_1, w_0 + h w_0)]$   
 $= w_0 + \frac{h}{2} [w_0 + (w_0 + h w_0)] = w_0 + \frac{h}{2} [2w_0 + h w_0] = w_0 + h w_0 + \frac{h^2}{2} w_0$   
 $= \boxed{(1+h + \frac{h^2}{2}) y_0}$

Heun's method:  $k_1 = h f(t_0, w_0) = h w_0$

$$k_2 = h f\left(t_0 + \frac{h}{3}, w_0 + \frac{k_1}{3}\right) = h\left(w_0 + \frac{k_1}{3}\right) = h\left(w_0 + \frac{h w_0}{3}\right) = h w_0 + \frac{h^2}{3} w_0 = \left(h + \frac{h^2}{3}\right) w_0$$

$$k_3 = h f\left(t_0 + \frac{2h}{3}, w_0 + \frac{2k_2}{3}\right) = h\left(w_0 + \frac{2k_2}{3}\right) = h w_0 + \frac{2}{3} h \left(h + \frac{h^2}{3}\right) w_0 = \left(h + \frac{2}{3} h^2 + \frac{2}{9} h^3\right) w_0$$

$$w_1 = w_0 + \frac{1}{4} [k_1 + 3k_2] = w_0 + \frac{1}{4} [h w_0 + 3 \left(h + \frac{2}{3} h^2 + \frac{2}{9} h^3\right) w_0] = w_0 + \frac{1}{4} [4 h w_0 + 2 h^2 w_0 + \frac{2}{3} h^3 w_0]$$
  
 $= w_0 + h w_0 + \frac{h^2}{2} w_0 + \frac{h^3}{6} w_0 = \boxed{(1 + h + \frac{h^2}{2} + \frac{h^3}{6}) y_0}$

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$$\text{RK-4} \quad k_1 = h f(t_0, w_0) = h w_0$$

$$k_2 = h f\left(t_0 + \frac{h}{2}, w_0 + \frac{1}{2}k_1\right) = h(w_0 + \frac{1}{2}k_1) = h w_0 + \frac{h^2}{2} w_0 = \left(h + \frac{h^2}{2}\right) w_0$$

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$$k_4 = h f(t_1, w_0 + k_3) = h(w_0 + k_3) = h w_0 + h\left(h + \frac{h^2}{2} + \frac{h^3}{4}\right) w_0 = \left(h + h^2 + \frac{h^3}{2} + \frac{h^4}{4}\right) w_0$$

$$\begin{aligned} w_1 &= w_0 + \frac{1}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4) = w_0 + \frac{1}{6}(h w_0 + 2(h + \frac{h^2}{2}) w_0 + 2(h + \frac{h^2}{2} + \frac{h^3}{4}) w_0 + (h + h^2 + \frac{h^3}{2} + \frac{h^4}{4}) w_0) \\ &= \boxed{\left[1 + \frac{1}{6} \left(h + 2(h + h^2) + (2h + h^2 + \frac{h^3}{2}) + (h + h^2 + \frac{h^3}{2} + \frac{h^4}{4})\right)\right] w_0} \\ &= \boxed{\left[1 + \frac{1}{6} \left(6h + 3h^2 + h^3 + \frac{h^4}{4}\right)\right] w_0} = \boxed{\left(1 + h + \frac{h^2}{2} + \frac{h^3}{6} + \frac{h^4}{24}\right) w_0} \end{aligned}$$

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Method:  $w_0 = \omega$   
 $w_{i+1} = w_i + h \phi(t_i, w_i)$

Local truncation error:

$$T_{i+1}(h) = \frac{y(t_{i+1}) - (y(t_i) + h\phi(t_i, y(t_i)))}{h}$$

$$= \frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{h} - \phi(t_i, y_i)$$

3. Local truncation error:  $T_1(h) = \frac{y_1 - (y_0 + h\phi(t_0, y_0))}{h} = \frac{y_1 - w_1}{h} = \frac{y_0 e^h - w_1}{h}$

Euler's method:  $T_1(h) = \frac{y_0 e^h - (1+h)y_0}{h} = \boxed{\frac{e^h - (1+h)}{h} y_0}$

Thus,  $T_1(h) = \frac{e^h - (1+h)}{h} y_0 = \frac{(1+h+\frac{h^2}{2}+\dots)-(1+h)}{h} y_0 = \frac{(\frac{h^2}{2}+\frac{h^3}{6}+\dots)}{h} y_0 = (\frac{h^2}{2}+\frac{h^3}{6}+\dots) y_0 = \Theta(h)$  as  $h \rightarrow 0$ .

Midpoint method & Modified Euler's method  $T_1(h) = \frac{y_0 e^h - (1+h+\frac{h^2}{2}) y_0}{h} = \boxed{\frac{e^h - (1+h+\frac{h^2}{2})}{h} y_0}$

Thus,  $T_1(h) = \frac{(1+h+\frac{h^2}{2}+\frac{h^3}{6}+\dots)-(1+h+\frac{h^2}{2})}{h} y_0 = \frac{(\frac{h^3}{6}+\frac{h^4}{24}+\dots)}{h} y_0 = (\frac{h^3}{6}+\frac{h^4}{24}+\dots) y_0 = \Theta(h^2)$  as  $h \rightarrow 0$

Heun's method  $T_1(h) = \frac{y_0 e^h - (1+h+\frac{h^2}{2}+\frac{h^3}{6}) y_0}{h} = \boxed{\frac{e^h - (1+h+\frac{h^2}{2}+\frac{h^3}{6})}{h} y_0}$

Thus,  $T_1(h) = \frac{(1+h+\frac{h^2}{2}+\frac{h^3}{6}+\frac{h^4}{24}+\dots)-(1+h+\frac{h^2}{2}+\frac{h^3}{6})}{h} y_0 = (\frac{h^3}{24}+\dots) y_0 = \Theta(h^3)$  as  $h \rightarrow 0$

RK-4  $T_1(h) = \frac{y_0 e^h - (1+h+\frac{h^2}{2}+\frac{h^3}{6}+\frac{h^4}{24}) y_0}{h} = \boxed{\frac{e^h - (1+h+\frac{h^2}{2}+\frac{h^3}{6}+\frac{h^4}{24})}{h} y_0}$

Thus,  $T_1(h) = \frac{(1+h+\frac{h^2}{2}+\frac{h^3}{6}+\frac{h^4}{24}+\frac{h^5}{120}+\dots)-(1+h+\frac{h^2}{2}+\frac{h^3}{6}+\frac{h^4}{24})}{h} y_0 = (\frac{h^4}{120}+\dots) y_0 = \Theta(h^4)$  as  $h \rightarrow 0$

**Problem 5.** Now consider the differential equation  $y'(t) = f(t, y(t))$  where  $f$  is smooth (infinitely differentiable).

1. Show that the local truncation error of Euler's method is order  $\mathcal{O}(h)$ .
2. Show that the local truncation error of Modified Euler's method (Explicit Trapezoidal rule) is order  $\mathcal{O}(h^2)$ .

*Hint: compute Taylor expansions with respect to  $h$ .*

$$\text{b/c Euler's method is } w_{i+1} = w_i + h f(t_i, w_i), \text{ so } \phi = f$$

1. Local truncation error of Euler's method:  $T_{i+1}(h) = \frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{h} - f(t_i, y_i) \leftarrow y'(t_i)$

Now,  $y_{i+1} = y(t_{i+1}) = y(t_i + h) = y(t_i) + y'(t_i)h + \frac{y''(\xi_i)}{2}h^2$ , where  $\xi_i \in (t_i, t_{i+1})$ . Also,  $f(t_i, y_i) = y'(t_i)$

$$\text{Thus, } T_{i+1}(h) = \frac{(y(t_i) + y'(t_i)h + \frac{y''(\xi_i)}{2}h^2) - y(t_i)}{h} - y'(t_i) = y'(t_i) + \frac{y''(\xi_i)}{2}h - y'(t_i) = \frac{y''(\xi_i)}{2}h = \mathcal{O}(h)$$

(since  $|y''(\xi_i)| \leq M = \max_{t_0 \leq t \leq T} |y''(t)|$ )  
bounded because  $f$  is smooth

2. Local truncation error of Modified Euler's method:

Since  $w_{i+1} = w_i + \frac{h}{2} [f(t_i, w_i) + f(t_{i+1}, w_i + hf(t_i, w_i))]$ , we have  $\phi(t_{i+1}, y_i) = \frac{1}{2} [f(t_i, y_i) + f(t_{i+1}, y_i + hf(t_i, y_i))]$ .

$$\text{Thus, } T_{i+1}(h) = \frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{h} - \frac{1}{2} [f(t_i, y_i) + f(t_{i+1}, y_i + hf(t_i, y_i))]$$

Again,  $y_{i+1} = y(t_{i+1}) = y(t_i + h) = y(t_i) + y'(t_i)h + \frac{y''(t_i)}{2}h^2 + \frac{y'''(\xi_i)}{6}h^3$ , where  $\xi_i \in (t_i, t_{i+1})$ . Also,  $f(t_i, y_i) = y'(t_i)$ .

From 2D Taylor:  $f(t_{i+1}, y_i + hf(t_i, y_i)) = f(t_i + h, y_i + hy'(t_i)) = f(t_i, y_i) + h \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(t_i, y_i) + hy'(t_i) \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(t_i, y_i) + R_1(t_i + h, y_i + hy'(t_i))$

$$\text{Here, } R_1(t_i + h, y_i + hy'(t_i)) = \frac{h^2}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2}(\xi, \mu) + h(hy'(t_i)) \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t \partial y}(\xi, \mu) + \frac{(hy'(t_i))^2}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(\xi, \mu) = \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

$$\text{Also, } h \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(t_i, y_i) + hy'(t_i) \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(t_i, y_i) = h \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(t_i, y_i) + y'(t_i) \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(t_i, y_i) \right] = h f'(t_i, y_i) = hy''(t_i)$$

$$\text{Thus, } f(t_i + h, y_i + hy'(t_i)) = y'(t_i) + hy''(t_i) + R_1 \quad \text{talked about in Lecture}$$

$$\text{Thus, } T_{i+1}(h) = \frac{(y(t_i) + y'(t_i)h + \frac{y''(t_i)}{2}h^2 + \frac{y'''(\xi_i)}{6}h^3) - y(t_i)}{h} - \frac{1}{2} [y'(t_i) + y'(t_i) + hy''(t_i) + R_1]$$

$$= y'(t_i) + \frac{y''(t_i)}{2}h + \frac{y'''(\xi_i)}{6}h^2 - \left[ y'(t_i) + \frac{y''(t_i)}{2}h + \frac{1}{2}R_1 \right] = \frac{y'''(\xi_i)}{6}h^2 + \frac{1}{2}R_1 = \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

**Problem 6** (5.5, #3a). Use the Runge-Kutta-Fehlberg method with tolerance  $TOL = 10^{-6}$ ,  $hmax = 0.5$ , and  $hmin = 0.05$  to approximate the solutions to the following initial-value problem. Compare the results to the actual values.

$$y' = \frac{y}{t} - \left(\frac{y}{t}\right)^2, \quad 1 \leq t \leq 4, \quad y(1) = 1; \quad \text{actual solution } y(t) = \frac{t}{(1 + \ln t)}.$$

Matlab demo: use RKF.m (on webpage, maybe on bCourses)

$$\text{FunFc}n\text{In} = @ (t, y) \frac{y}{t} - \left(\frac{y}{t}\right)^2$$

$$\text{Intv} = [1, 4]$$

$$\alpha\text{pha} = 1$$

$$\text{tol} = 10^{-6}$$

$$\text{Stepsize} = [0.05, 0.5]$$

For discussion, see DIS 103 Recording.