
euler1.nb

example $y' = y(3 - xy)$, $y(0) = 1/2$.

We first solve analytically (with capricious help from Mathematica).

This is a Bernoulli equation with y^2 , so we define $z = y^{-1}$ and immediately find $z' + 3z = x$, $z(0) = 2$.

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In[98]:= DSolve[z'[x] + 3 z[x] == x, z[x], x]
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Out[98]= {{z[x] -> -1/9 + x/3 + e^{-3 x} C[1]}}
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In[99]:= {{z[x] -> -1/9 + x/3 + e^{-3 x} C[1]}}
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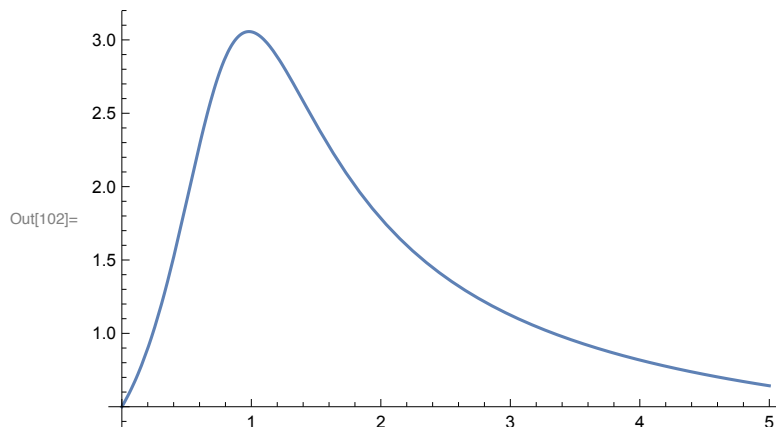
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Out[99]= {{z[x] -> -1/9 + x/3 + e^{-3 x} C[1]}}
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In[100]:= y[x_] := (-1/9 + x/3 + c e^{-3 x})^{-1}
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In[101]:= c = Last[Solve[y[0] == 1/2, c]]
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Out[101]= 19/9
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In[102]:= Plot[y[x], {x, 0, 5}]
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Now we solve the problem numerically by using Euler's first method, namely for $y' = f(x,y)$, we define $Y_n =$ approximation for $y(nh)$, where h is the fixed step size, and $n = 0,1,2,3 \dots$ Since we start from $x=0$, $X_n = nh$. Thus in our problem $Y_0 = y[0] = 1/2$ and $Y_{n+1} = Y_n + h f(X_n, Y_n)$. More specifically we have $Y_{n+1} = Y_n + h Y_n(3 - X_n Y_n)$, with $Y_0 = 1/2$.

In[103]=

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ynum[n_, h_] := Module[{ya = Array[0, n + 1]}, ya[[1]] = 1 / 2;
  Do[ya[[i + 1]] = ya[[i]] (1 + h * (3 - i * h * ya[[i]])), {i, 1, n}]; ya]

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In[109]= `yna = ynum[10, 0.1]`

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Out[109]= { $\frac{1}{2}$ , 0.6475, 0.833365, 1.06254, 1.33614,
  1.64772, 1.97914, 2.29869, 2.56558, 2.74285, 2.81339}

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(* compare *)

In[108]= `y[1.]`

Out[108]= 3.05504

In[124]= (* compare graphs: analytic = lower (blue) *)

(* Now use h = 0.025 *)

In[120]= `yna = ynum[40, 0.025]`

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Out[120]= { $\frac{1}{2}$ , 0.537344, 0.577284, 0.619955, 0.665491, 0.714019, 0.765658, 0.820518,
  0.87869, 0.940249, 1.00524, 1.07369, 1.14557, 1.22082, 1.29934, 1.38097,
  1.46547, 1.55256, 1.64189, 1.73301, 1.82545, 1.91862, 2.0119, 2.10461, 2.19601,
  2.28536, 2.37189, 2.45485, 2.5335, 2.60718, 2.67527, 2.73724, 2.79269,
  2.84128, 2.88283, 2.91724, 2.94456, 2.96489, 2.97848, 2.98563, 2.9867}

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In[123]= ListPlot[{{Table[{(i - 1) * 0.025, yna[[i]]}, {i, 1, 41}],
  Table[{i * 0.025, y[i * 0.025]}, {i, 0, 40}]}]

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