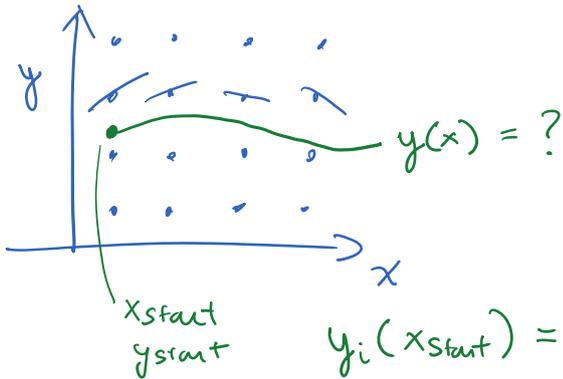


$$\frac{dy(x)}{dx} = f(x, y)$$



Boundary condition

$$y_i(x_{start}) = y_i^{start}$$

Dirichlet B.C.

$$\frac{dy_i}{dx}(x_{start}) = m_i^{start}$$

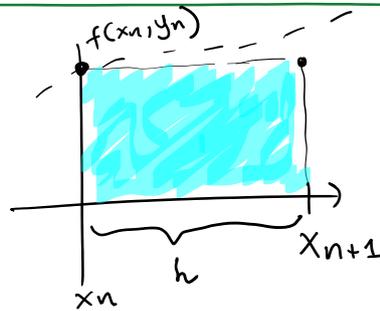
Slope is given somewhere

Von Neumann type B.C.

Analytical is often hard
 Numerical is easy.

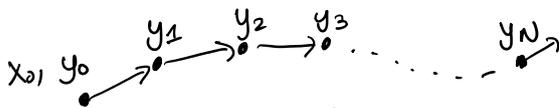
N-equations → Need N BCs!

$$\int_{y_n}^{y_{n+1}} dy = \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} f(x, y) dx$$



$$y_{n+1} - y_n = h \cdot f(x_n, y_n)$$

Forward Euler Method



$$y(x) \approx y_0, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_N$$

$x_0 \quad x_0+h \quad x_0+Nh$

Error depends on the stepsize h.

Truncation Error: error associated with the algorithm or method, and not the precision of the floating point calculations (Round off Error)

0.00134...367
 Round off

Truncation Error

Round off error

Error of Forward Euler:

$$\int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} f(x, y) dx$$

$$f(x, y(x)) = f(x, y(x_n + h))$$

$$= f(x, y_n + h \cdot \underbrace{\frac{dy}{dx}}_{\text{small}} \Big|_{x_n})$$

Taylor expand

Taylor expand again the function f

$$f(x, y(x)) \approx f(x, y_n) + h \cdot \underbrace{\frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{x_n}}_{\text{slope at } x_n = f'(x_n, y_n)} \cdot f'(x, y_n)$$

slope at $x_n = f'(x_n, y_n)$

$$\int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} f(x, y(x)) dx \cong \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} [f(x, y_n) + h \cdot f'(x_n, y_n) \cdot f'(x, y_n)] dx$$

fix the function values at our initial condition at x_n

$$y_{n+1} - y_n \cong h \cdot f(x_n, y_n) + \underbrace{h^2 f'(x_n, y_n) \cdot f'(x_n, y_n)}_{\mathcal{O}(h^2)}$$

Local Error

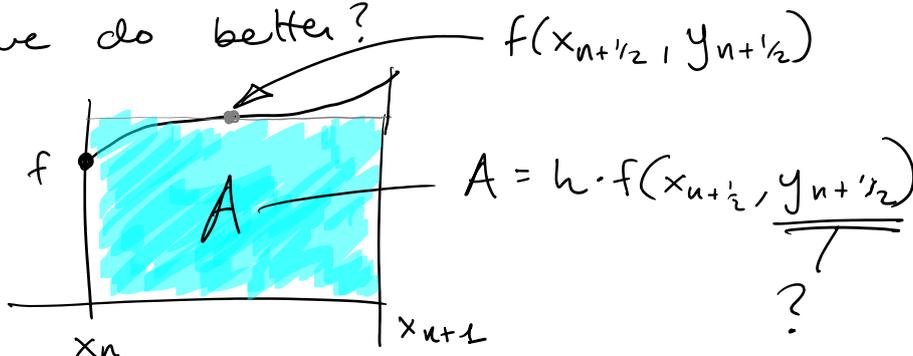
$$\frac{X}{h} = N_{\text{steps}}$$

Error over interval X is

Global Error : $N_{\text{steps}} \cdot \mathcal{O}(h^2) = \mathcal{O}(h)$

Very poor

Can we do better?



$$y_{n+1/2} = y_n + \frac{h}{2} f(x_n, y_n)$$

$$y_{n+\frac{1}{2}} = y_n + \frac{h}{2} f(x_n, y_n)$$

$$y_{n+1} - y_n = h \cdot f\left(x_n + \frac{h}{2}, y_n + \frac{h}{2} f(x_n, y_n)\right)$$

2 Evaluations of
the right hand side
functions f !

Local Error : $O(h^3)$

Global Error : $O(h^2)$

Higher order method \rightarrow price is more
Evaluations
gain is less
steps needed

Midpoint Runge-Kutta

4th order R-K method

$$k_1 = h \cdot f(x_n, y_n)$$

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

$$k_3 = h \cdot f\left(x_n + \frac{h}{2}, y_n + \frac{k_2}{2}\right)$$

$$k_4 = h \cdot f(x_n + h, y_n + k_3)$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{k_1}{6} + \frac{k_2}{3} + \frac{k_3}{3} + \frac{k_4}{6} + O(h^5)$$

Explicit Methods.

Predator - Prey Behaviour
Foxes and Mice
f m

Lotka-Volterra Model (1920)
without foxes we want the mice to
grow exponentially

$$\Delta m = k \cdot \Delta t$$

$$\frac{\Delta m}{m} = k_m \cdot \Delta t$$

↪ constant birth rate

but if the foxes are around the population reduces proportional to the number of foxes

$$\frac{\Delta m}{m} = k_m \cdot \Delta t - k_{mf} \cdot f \cdot \Delta t$$

$$\frac{dm}{dt} \approx \frac{\Delta m}{\Delta t} = (k_m \cdot m - k_{mf} \cdot m \cdot f)$$

∝ number of encounters of foxes and mice

what about the foxes?

$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} = -k_f \Delta t$$

↪ exponential death rate for foxes.

$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} = -k_f \Delta t + k_{fm} m \Delta t$$

↪ birth rate proportional to the number of mice

$$\frac{df}{dt} = -k_f \cdot f + k_{fm} f \cdot m$$

$$\frac{dm}{dt} = k_m m - k_{mf} \cdot m \cdot f$$

Solve this given some initial populations.

$$k_m = 2$$

$$k_{mf} = 0.02$$

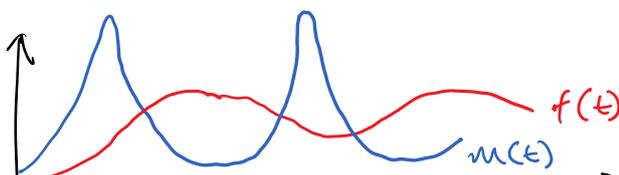
$$k_{fm} = 0.01$$

$$k_f = 1.06$$

$$\text{IC } m(0) = 100$$

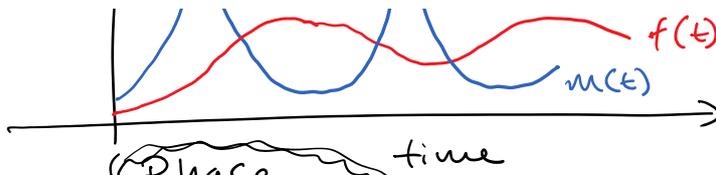
$$f(0) = 15$$

$$y = \langle m(t), f(t) \rangle$$

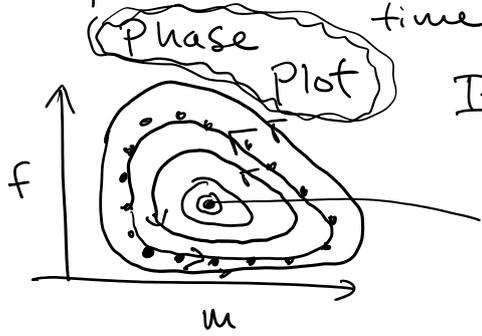


Use Forward-Euler method

Use Midpoint RK



use Midpoint RK
RK4



If closed curves then it's periodic

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{df}{dt} &= 0 \\ \frac{dm}{dt} &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{fixed point}$$