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**254 Math Exercises**  
**Ordinary Differential Equation**  
**Ch. (6)**

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**Taylor's Method**

1- Taylor's Method of order 1( Euler's Method)

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + hf(x_i, y_i)$$

2- Taylor's Method of order 2

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + hf(x_i, y_i) + \frac{h^2}{2!} f'(x_i, y_i)$$

Where

$$f'(x, y) = f_x + f_y f$$

**Runge-Kutta Method**

**(Modified Euler's Method)**

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{h}{2}(k_1 + k_2) \text{ where}$$

$$k_1 = f(x_i, y_i)$$

$$k_2 = f(x_{i+1}, y_i + hk_1)$$

**Example:** Given the IVP  $y' = x + y$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ , the approximate value of  $y(0.1)$  using Euler's method with  $n = 1$  is

**Solution:**

$$y' = f(x, y) = x + y$$

$$x_0 = 0, \quad y_0 = 1, \quad n = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow h = \frac{b-a}{n} = \frac{0.1-0}{1} = 0.1$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h f(x_i, y_i)$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + 0.1(x_i + y_i)$$

$$i = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= y_0 + 0.1(x_0 + y_0) \\ &= 1 + 0.1(0 + 1) = 1.1 \end{aligned}$$

mean

$$y(x_1) = y(0.1) = 1.1$$

**Example:** For the IVP  $y' = 1 + \frac{y}{x}$ ,  $y(1) = 1$  the approximate value of  $y(1.2)$  using Euler's method with  $h = 0.1$

**Solution:**

$$y' = f(x, y) = 1 + \frac{y}{x}$$

$$x_0 = 1, y_0 = 1; h = 0.1$$

$$x_1 = 1.1, x_2 = 1.2$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h f(x_i, y_i)$$

$$= y_i + h \left( 1 + \frac{y_i}{x_i} \right) = y_i + 0.1 \left( 1 + \frac{y_i}{x_i} \right)$$

$$i = 0:$$

$$y_1 = y_0 + 0.1 \left( 1 + \frac{y_0}{x_0} \right)$$

$$= 1 + 0.1 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{1} \right) = 1.2$$

$$\text{mean } y(x_1) = y(1.1) \approx y_1 = 1.2$$

$$i = 1$$

$$y_2 = y_1 + 0.1 \left( 1 + \frac{y_1}{x_1} \right)$$

$$= 1.2 + 0.1 \left( 1 + \frac{1.2}{1.1} \right) = 1.4091$$

mean

$$y(x_2) = y(1.2) \approx y_2 = 1.4091$$

**Example:** For IVP  $y' + 3y = 4$ ,  $y(0) = 5$  the approximate value of  $y(0.1)$  using Taylor's method of order two when  $n = 1$  is

**Solution:**

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h f(x_i, y_i) + \frac{h^2}{2!} f'(x_i, y_i)$$

$$f(x, y) = y' = 4 - 3y$$

$$f'(x, y) = f_x + f_y$$

$$= 0 - (-3)(4 - 3y) = 9y - 12$$

$$x_0 = 0, y_0 = 5 \text{ and } h = \frac{0.1 - 0}{1} = 0.1$$

$$i = 0 ; x_1 = 0.1$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x_1) = y(0.1) \approx y_1$$

$$= y_0 + h f(x_0, y_0) + \frac{h^2}{2} f'(x_0, y_0)$$

$$= 5 + 0.1(4 - 3(5)) + \frac{(0.1)^2}{2} (9(5) - 12)$$

$$= 5 + 0.1(-1) + 0.005(33)$$

$$= 4.065$$

**Example:** For the IVP  $y' = x(y + 1)$ ,  $y(0) = 0$  the approximate value of  $y(0.2)$  using Taylor's method of order 2 with  $n = 1$

**Solution:**

$$y' = f(x, y) = x(y+1)$$

$$x_0 = 0, y_0 = 0, n = 1 \Rightarrow h = \frac{0.2 - 0}{1} = 0.2$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = 0.2$$

$$f'(x, y) = f_x + f_y f =$$

$$= (y+1) + x \cdot x(y+1) = y+1 + x^2 y + x^2$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h f(x_i, y_i) + \frac{h^2}{2} f'(x_i, y_i)$$

$$= y_i + 0.2(x_i(y_i+1)) + \frac{h^2}{2}(y_i+1 + x_i^2 y_i + x_i^2)$$

$$i = 0$$

$$y_1 = y_0 + 0.2(x_0(y_0+1)) + \frac{(0.2)^2}{2}(y_0+1 + x_0^2 y_0 + x_0^2)$$

$$y_1 = 0 + 0.2(0(0+1)) + \frac{(0.2)^2}{2}(0+1 + 0 + 0)$$

$$= 0.02$$

$$\text{mean } y(x_1) = y(0.2) \approx y_1 = 0.02$$

**Example:** Use Taylor's method of order 2 for the IVP

$$5y' - y = 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1, \quad y(0) = 1 \text{ with } n = 2$$

What are the values of  $y_0, y_1, y_2$ . Compare your approximate solution with the exact solution  $y(x) = e^{x/5}$

**Solution:**

$$y' = \frac{1}{5}y \Rightarrow f(x, y) = \frac{1}{5}y$$

$$x_0 = 0, y_0 = 1, n = 2 \Rightarrow h = 0.5$$

$$x_1 = 0.5, x_2 = 1$$

$$f'(x, y) = f_x + f_y f = 0 + \frac{1}{5} \left( \frac{1}{5}y \right) = \frac{1}{25}y$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h f(x_i, y_i) + \frac{h^2}{2} f'(x_i, y_i)$$

$$= y_i + h \frac{1}{5} y_i + \frac{h^2}{2} \frac{1}{50} y_i$$

$$i=0 \Rightarrow y_1 = y_0 + \frac{0.5}{5} y_0 + \frac{(0.5)^2}{50} y_0$$

$$= 1 + \frac{0.5}{5} + \frac{(0.5)^2}{50} = 1.105$$

$$\text{mean } y(x_1) = y(0.5) \approx y_1 = 1.105$$

$$i=1 \Rightarrow y_2 = 1.105 + \frac{0.5}{5} (1.105) + \frac{(0.5)^2}{50} (1.105)$$

$$= 1.3868$$

$$\text{mean } y(x_2) = y(1) \approx y_2 = 1.3868$$

Now

$$\text{Error} = | \text{exact} - \text{approx} | = | e^{1/5} - 1.3868 | = 0.1654$$

**Example:** Show that second order Taylor's method for the given IVP  $xy' + xy = x^3$ ,  $y(0) = 0.5$ ,  $n = 2$

Is

$$y(x_{i+1}) \approx y_{i+1} = y_i \left[ 1 - h + \frac{h^2}{2} \right] + x_i \left[ h x_i + h^2 - \frac{h^2}{2} x_i \right]$$

$$i = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1$$

Use it to find approximate of  $y(0.4)$ . compare your approximate solution with the exact solution  $y(x) = -1.5e^{-x} + x^2 - 2x + 2$

**Solution:**

Now  $y' = x^2 - y \Rightarrow f(x, y) = x^2 - y$

$x_0 = 0$ ,  $y_0 = 0.5$ ;  $n = 2$

$\Rightarrow h = \frac{b-a}{n} = \frac{0.4}{2} = 0.2$

$\Rightarrow x_1 = 0.2$  and  $x_2 = 0.4$

$f'(x, y) = f_x + f_y f = 2x + (-1)(x^2 - y) = 2x - x^2 + y$

Now

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h f(x_i, y_i) + \frac{h^2}{2} f'(x_i, y_i)$$

$$= y_i + h(x_i^2 - y_i) + \frac{h^2}{2}(2x_i - x_i^2 + y_i)$$

$$= y_i + h x_i^2 - h y_i + h^2 x_i - \frac{h^2}{2} x_i^2 + \frac{h^2}{2} y_i$$

$$= y_i \left[ 1 - h + \frac{h^2}{2} \right] + x_i \left[ h x_i + h^2 - \frac{h^2}{2} x_i \right]$$

$$i = 0$$

$$y_1 = y_0 \left[ 1 - h + \frac{h^2}{2} \right] + x_0 \left[ h x_0 + h^2 - \frac{h^2}{2} x_0 \right]$$

$$y_1 = 0.5 \left[ 1 - 0.2 + \frac{(0.2)^2}{2} \right] + 0 = 0.41$$

$$\text{mean } y(0.2) \approx y_1 = 0.41$$

$$i = 1$$

$$y_2 = y_1 \left[ 1 - h + \frac{h^2}{2} \right] + x_1 \left[ h x_1 + h^2 - \frac{h^2}{2} x_1 \right]$$

$$= 0.41 \left[ 1 - 0.2 + \frac{(0.2)^2}{2} \right] + 0.2 \left[ (0.2)(0.2) + (0.2)^2 - \frac{(0.2)^2}{2} (0.2) \right]$$

$$= 0.3362 + 0.0152 = 0.3514$$

$$\text{mean } y(x_2) = y(0.4) \approx y_2 = 0.3514$$

Now

$$\text{Error} = | \text{exact} - \text{approx} |$$

$$= \left| (-1.5 e^{-0.4} + (0.4)^2 - 2(0.2) + 2) - 0.3514 \right|$$

$$= 0.003119$$

**Example:** Show that Taylor's method of order 2 for the IVP

$$e^y y' - e^x = 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1, y(0) = 1, \text{ with } h = 0.5$$

Is

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h e^{(x_i - y_i)} \left[ 1 + \frac{h}{2} (1 - e^{(x_i - y_i)}) \right], i \geq 0$$

What are the values of  $y_0, y_1, y_2$ . Compare your approximate solution with the exact solution  $y(x) = \ln(e^x + e - 1)$

**Solution:**

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h f(x_i, y_i) + \frac{h^2}{2!} f'(x_i, y_i)$$

$$\text{where } f(x, y) = f_x + f_y f$$

$$\text{Now } y' = \frac{e^x}{e^y} = e^{x-y} = f(x, y)$$

and

$$f'(x, y) = e^{x-y} + e^{x-y} \cdot (-e^{-y}) = e^{x-y} (1 - e^{-y})$$

Now

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h e^{x_i - y_i} + \frac{h^2}{2} \left( e^{x_i - y_i} (1 - e^{-y_i}) \right)$$

$$= y_i + h e^{x_i - y_i} \left[ 1 + \frac{h}{2} (1 - e^{-y_i}) \right]$$

Now to find  $y_0, y_1, y_2$

$$i = 0 \quad h = 0.5, \quad x_0 = 0, \quad y_0 = 1$$

$$i=0$$
$$\Rightarrow y_1 = y_0 + h e^{x_0 - y_0} \left[ 1 + \frac{h}{2} (1 - e^{x_0 - y_0}) \right]$$

$$y_1 = 1 + 0.5 e^{0-1} \left[ 1 + \frac{0.5}{2} (1 - e^{0-1}) \right]$$

$$= 1.213 \quad \text{this mean } y(0.5) = y_1$$

$$i=1 \text{ and } x_1 = 0.5$$
$$\Rightarrow y_2 = y_1 + h e^{x_1 - y_1} \left[ 1 + \frac{h}{2} (1 - e^{x_1 - y_1}) \right]$$

$$= 1.213 + 0.5 e^{0.5 - 1.213} \left[ 1 + \frac{0.5}{2} (1 - e^{0.5 - 1.213}) \right]$$

$$= 1.4893$$

$$\text{this mean } y(1) \approx y_2$$

Now

$$|y(1) - y_2| = |\ln(e + e^{-1}) - 1.4893|$$

$$= 5.5646 \times 10^{-4}$$

**Example:** Use modified Euler's method to solve the IVP

$$2xy' + y = 2x^2, \quad y(1) = 0.25$$

With  $n = 2$  to get the value of  $y$  at  $x = 1.5$

**Solution:**

*modified Euler's method*

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{h}{2}(K_1 + K_2)$$

$$K_1 = f(x_i, y_i), \quad K_2 = f(x_{i+1}, y_i + hK_1)$$

Now

$$f(x, y) = x - \frac{y}{2x}; \quad x_0 = 1, \quad y_0 = 0.25$$

$$h = 0.25$$

$$i = 0 \Rightarrow y_1 = y_0 + \frac{h}{2}(K_1 + K_2)$$

$$K_1 = f(x_0, y_0) = f(1, 0.25) = 1 - \frac{0.25}{2} = 0.875$$

$$K_2 = f(x_1, y_0 + hK_1) \quad \text{and} \quad x_1 = x_0 + h = 1 + 0.25 = 1.25$$

$$= f(1.25, 0.25 + 0.25(0.875))$$

$$= f(1.25, 0.46875)$$

$$= 1.25 - \frac{0.46875}{2(1.25)} = 1.0625$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = y_0 + \frac{h}{2}(K_1 + K_2)$$

$$= 0.25 + \frac{0.25}{2}(0.875 + 1.0625) = 0.4922$$

$$\text{meanng } y(1.25) = y_1 \approx 0.4922$$

Now  $i=1$

$$y_2 = y_1 + h/2 (K_1 + K_2)$$

where

$$K_1 = f(x_1, y_1) = f(1.25, 0.4922)$$

$$= 1.25 - \frac{0.4922}{2(1.25)} = 1.0531, \quad \boxed{x_2 = 1.5}$$

$$K_2 = f(x_2, y_1 + hK_1) = f(1.5, 0.4922 + 0.25(1.0531))$$

$$= f(1.5, 0.7555)$$

$$= 1.5 - \frac{0.7555}{2(1.5)} = 1.2482$$

$$y_2 = 0.4922 + \frac{0.25}{2} (1.0531 + 1.2482)$$

$$= 0.7799$$

$$\text{mean } y(1.5) = y_2 \approx 0.7799$$

**Example:** Consider the IVP

$$y' - y = x^2, \quad y(0) = 1$$

Use the Runge-kutta method of order 2 (Modified Euler's method) with  $n = 2$  to compute approximation for  $y(0.4)$

**Solution:**

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{h}{2}(k_1 + k_2)$$

$$k_1 = f(x_i, y_i), \quad k_2 = f(x_{i+1}, y_i + hk_1)$$

$$y' = x^2 + y = f(x, y)$$

$$x_0 = 0, \quad y_0 = 1 \text{ and } n = 2 \Rightarrow h = \frac{b-a}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow h = \frac{0.4-0}{2} = 0.2 \Rightarrow x_1 = 0.2, \quad x_2 = 0.4$$

Now  $i = 0$

$$y_1 = y_0 + \frac{h}{2}(k_1 + k_2)$$

$$k_1 = f(x_0, y_0) = f(0, 1) = 1$$

$$k_2 = f(x_1, y_0 + hk_1) = f(0.2, 1 + 0.2(1))$$

$$= f(0.2, 1.2) = (0.2)^2 + 1.2 = 1.24$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = 1 + 0.1/2(1 + 1.24) = 1.112$$

$$\text{mean } y(x_1) = y(0.2) \approx y_1 = 1.112$$

similarly  $i=1$

$$y_2 = y_1 + h/2(k_1 + k_2)$$

$$k_1 = f(x_1, y_1) = f(0.2, 1.112) = (0.2)^2 + 1.112 = 1.152$$

$$k_2 = f(x_2, y_1 + hk_1)$$

$$= f(0.4, 1.112 + 0.2(1.152))$$

$$= f(0.4, 1.3424) = (0.4)^2 + 1.3424 = 1.7424$$

$$\Rightarrow y_2 = 1.112 + \frac{0.2}{2}(1.152 + 1.7424)$$

$$= 1.4014$$

$$\text{mean } y(x_2) = y(0.4) \approx y_2 = 1.4014$$