

# High-order time integration.

Heun's method:

IVP:  $\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y(t))$ ;  $y(t_0) = y_0$ ; find  $y(t_1)$   
 $\Delta t = t_1 - t_0$

Fundamental theorem of Calculus:

$$y(t_1) = y(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \frac{dy}{dt} dt =$$

$$= y(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} f(t, y(t)) dt.$$

Now, numerical integration can be used to estimate the integral.

Rectangular integration: ①  $y(t_1) = y(t_0) + \Delta t \cdot f(t_0, y(t_0))$  - Euler ~~method~~ method

Trapezoidal integration: ②  $y(t_1) = y(t_0) + \frac{\Delta t}{2} (f(t_0, y(t_0)) + f(t_1, y(t_1)))$   
 Not known.

Use ① Euler method to estimate:

$$y(t_1) = y(t_0) + \frac{\Delta t}{2} (f(t_0, y(t_0)) + f(t_1, y(t_0 + \Delta t \cdot f(t_0, y(t_0))))$$

Euler's step, predictor.

RK2 — Heun's method; improved Euler method. Second order.

Let's take a more general look at the IVP.

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y) \quad (*)$$

Taylor series y on t:

$$y(t+\Delta t) = y(t) + \Delta t \cdot \left. \frac{dy}{dt} \right|_t + \frac{\Delta t^2}{2} \left. \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} \right|_t + O(h^3).$$

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from (\*)
from differentiating (\*)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{dy}{dt} \right) &= \frac{d}{dt} (f(t, y)) = \frac{df}{dt} + \frac{df}{dy} \frac{dy}{dt} = \\ &= \frac{df}{dt} + \frac{df}{dy} \cdot f(t, y) \end{aligned}$$

Substitute back:

$$\begin{aligned} y(t+\Delta t) &= y(t) + \Delta t \cdot f(t, y) + \frac{\Delta t^2}{2} \left[ \frac{df}{dt} + \frac{df}{dy} f(t, y) \right] = \\ &= y(t) + \frac{\Delta t}{2} f(t, y) + \frac{\Delta t}{2} \left[ f(t, y) + \Delta t \frac{df}{dt} + \Delta t f(t, y) \frac{df}{dy} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Use multivariate Taylor expansion for f:

$$f(t+\Delta t, y+\Delta y) = f(t, y) + \Delta t \frac{df(t, y)}{dt} + \Delta y \frac{df(t, y)}{dy} + O(h^2)$$

So, the bracket [ ] is equal to  $f(t+\Delta t, y+\Delta t \cdot f(t, y))$  and

$$y(t+\Delta t) = y(t) + \frac{\Delta t}{2} f(t, y) + \frac{\Delta t}{2} f(t+\Delta t, y+\Delta t \cdot f(t, y)) + O(h^3)$$

Or,

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \Delta t \left( \frac{1}{2} k_1 + \frac{1}{2} k_2 \right)$$

$$k_1 = f(t_n, y_n)$$

$$k_2 = f(t_n + \Delta t, y_n + \Delta t \cdot k_1)$$

$O(\Delta t^3)$

Same, as above Heun's method; different formulation.

$k_1$  and  $k_2$  - stages of RK2.

Generally, R-K methods are given by:

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \Delta t \sum_{j=1}^v b_j k_j$$

$$k_1 = f(t_n, y_n)$$

$$k_2 = f(t_n + c_2 \Delta t, y_n + a_{21} \Delta t k_1)$$

$$k_3 = f(t_n + c_3 \Delta t, y_n + \Delta t (a_{31} k_1 + a_{32} k_2))$$

$$k_v = f(t_n + c_v \Delta t, y_n + \Delta t \left( \sum_{j=1}^{v-1} a_{vj} k_j \right))$$

- Derivation of coefficients is very messy.
- Maple dies at 6<sup>th</sup> order (I haven't checked...)
- For higher orders, R-K methods are inefficient because ~~the~~ achievable precision order is less than the number of stages per time step.
- Precise data is still not known for higher orders (> 6)

Still, RK4 is the most popular time integration method. Developed in 1900-th.

RK4 (classical):

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \Delta t \left[ \frac{k_1}{6} + \frac{k_2}{3} + \frac{k_3}{3} + \frac{k_4}{6} \right]$$

$$k_1 = f(t_n, y_n)$$

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

$$k_3 = f\left(t_n + \frac{\Delta t}{2}, y_n + \frac{\Delta t}{2} k_2\right)$$

$$k_4 = f(t_n + \Delta t, y_n + \Delta t k_3)$$