

Numerical Calculus and Differential Equations

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The sum of a sequence

- ▶ The `sum` function can add all the elements of a vector.
- ▶ For example, the sum of $[1 \ 3 \ 0 \ 10]$ can be obtained as follows:

```
>> x = [1 3 0 10];  
>> s = sum(x);
```
- ▶ This gives us $s = 14$.
- ▶ When the parameter to `sum` is a matrix, each column is treated independently.

The cumulative sum of a sequence

- ▶ The `cumsum` function returns the cumulative sum of a vector.
- ▶ For example, the cumulative sum of $[1 \ 3 \ 0 \ 10]$ can be obtained as follows:

```
>> x = [1 3 0 10];  
>> cs = cumsum(x);
```
- ▶ This gives us $cs = [1 \ 4 \ 4 \ 14]$.
- ▶ When the parameter to `cumsum` is a matrix, each column is treated independently.

The difference of a sequence

- ▶ The `diff` function finds the difference between numbers next to each other in a vector.
- ▶ For example, the difference of $[1 \ 4 \ 9 \ 16 \ 25]$ can be obtained as follows:

```
>> x = [1 4 9 16 25];  
>> d = diff(x);
```
- ▶ This gives us $d = [3 \ 5 \ 7 \ 9]$.
- ▶ Passing the result to `d` again gives us:

```
>> d2 = diff(d);
```
- ▶ This gives us $d2 = [2 \ 2 \ 2]$.
- ▶ These two steps can be combined using:

```
>> d2 = diff(x, 2);
```
- ▶ When the first parameter to `diff` is a matrix, each column is treated independently.

The product of a sequence

- ▶ The `prod` function can multiply all the elements of a vector.
- ▶ For example, the product of $[1 \ 3 \ 0.5 \ 10]$ can be obtained as follows:

```
>> x = [1 3 0.5 10];  
>> p = prod(x);
```
- ▶ This gives us $p = 15$.
- ▶ When the parameter to `prod` is a matrix, each column is treated independently.

The cumulative product of a sequence

- ▶ To `cumprod` function returns the cumulative product of a vector.
- ▶ For example, the cumulative product of $[1 \ 3 \ 0.5 \ 10]$ can be obtained as follows:

```
>> x = [1 3 0.5 10];  
>> cp = cumprod(x);
```
- ▶ This gives us $cp = [1 \ 3 \ 1.5 \ 15]$.
- ▶ When the parameter to `cumprod` is a matrix, each column is treated independently.

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Differentiating vectors

- ▶ Let $\mathbf{y} = [1 \ 2 \ 4 \ 8 \ 10]$.
- ▶ To differentiate, use the gradient function.
- ▶ If the x -spacing is 1, we type:
`>> dy = gradient(y);`
- ▶ This gives us $\mathbf{g} = [1 \ 1.5 \ 3 \ 3 \ 2]$.
- ▶ Note that:

$$g_1 = (y_2 - y_1)/(x_2 - x_1) = (y_2 - y_1)/1$$

$$g_2 = (y_3 - y_1)/(x_3 - x_1) = (y_3 - y_1)/2$$

$$g_3 = (y_4 - y_2)/(x_4 - x_2) = (y_4 - y_2)/2$$

$$g_4 = (y_5 - y_3)/(x_5 - x_3) = (y_5 - y_3)/2$$

$$g_5 = (y_5 - y_4)/(x_5 - x_4) = (y_5 - y_4)/1$$

Differentiating vectors with non-unit spacing

- ▶ Let $\mathbf{y} = [1 \ 2 \ 4 \ 8 \ 10]$.
- ▶ Suppose that the x -spacing between each value of y is 0.5.
- ▶ For this non-unit spacing, we type:
`>> dy = gradient(y, 0.5);`
- ▶ This gives us $\mathbf{g} = [2 \ 3 \ 6 \ 6 \ 4]$.
- ▶ Note that:

$$g_1 = (y_2 - y_1)/(x_2 - x_1) = (y_2 - y_1)/0.5$$

$$g_2 = (y_3 - y_1)/(x_3 - x_1) = (y_3 - y_1)/1$$

$$g_3 = (y_4 - y_2)/(x_4 - x_2) = (y_4 - y_2)/1$$

$$g_4 = (y_5 - y_3)/(x_5 - x_3) = (y_5 - y_3)/1$$

$$g_5 = (y_5 - y_4)/(x_5 - x_4) = (y_5 - y_4)/0.5$$

Differentiating polynomials

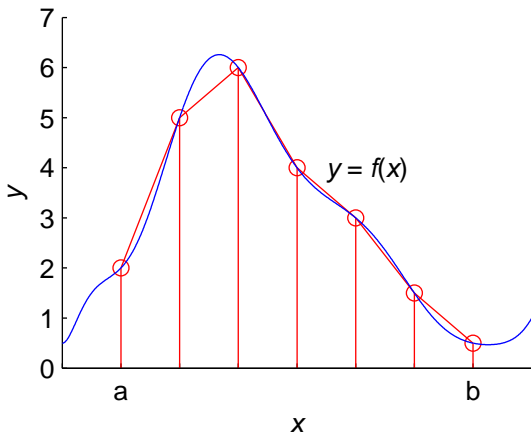
- ▶ The `polyder` function differentiates polynomials.
- ▶ For example, to differentiate $3x^2 - 2x + 5$, type:

```
>> p = [3 -2 5];  
>> pd = polyder(p);
```
- ▶ The resulting polynomial is $[6 \ -2]$, that is, $6x - 2$.
- ▶ `polyder` can also differentiate polynomial fractions.
- ▶ To differentiate $\frac{x-2}{x^2+2}$, type:

```
>> num = [1 -2]; den = [1 0 2];  
>> [numa, dena] = polyder(num, den);
```
- ▶ The result is $\text{numa} = [-1 \ 4 \ 2]$ and $\text{dena} = [1 \ 0 \ 4 \ 0 \ 4]$,
that is, $\frac{-x^2 + 4x + 2}{x^4 + 4x^2 + 4}$.

Trapezoidal integration

► $\sum \text{Area of trapezium} \approx \int_a^b f(x)$



The trapz function

- ▶ The `trapz` function computes an approximation of the integral using the trapezoidal method.
- ▶ `trapz` operates on data points, not on functions.
- ▶ If we have two vectors, \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} , we can write:

```
>> area = trapz(x, y);
```

Integration of a function

- ▶ When we have a function instead of data points, we do not use trapezoidal integration.
- ▶ The quad function uses an adaptive Simpson's rule.
- ▶ Let us compute the integral

$$\int_0^{\pi} \sin(x) dx$$

- ▶ This can be done using:

```
>> a = quad(@sin, 0, pi);
```
- ▶ This gives us $a = 2$.

Integrating polynomials

- ▶ The `polyint` function integrates polynomials.
- ▶ Unlike `polyder`, `polyint` does not work on polynomial fractions.
- ▶ To integrate the polynomial $3x^2 - x + 1$, type:

```
>> p = [3 -1 1];  
>> pint = polyint(p);
```
- ▶ The resulting polynomial is $[1 \quad -0.5 \quad 1 \quad 0]$, that is, $x^3 - 0.5x^2 + x$.
- ▶ The constant of integration was assumed to be zero.
- ▶ To use 5 as the constant of integration, type:

```
>> pint2 = polyint(p, 5);
```
- ▶ The new result is $[1 \quad -0.5 \quad 1 \quad 5]$, that is, $x^3 - 0.5x^2 + x + 5$.

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Ordinary differential equations

- ▶ An ordinary differential equation (ODE) contains functions of only one independent variable.
- ▶ An ODE can contain one or more derivatives of the same variable.
- ▶ Examples of ODEs:

$$\frac{dy(x)}{dx} = y(x)$$
$$\frac{d^2 y(x)}{dx^2} + 3 \frac{dy(x)}{dx} = \sin y(x) + x$$

- ▶ The following equation is **not** an ODE, because it has two independent variables, y and z .

$$\frac{dy(x)}{dx} = y(x) + z(x)$$

- ▶ Note that $\frac{dy(x)}{dx}$ can be written as y' , $\frac{d^2 y(x)}{dx^2}$ as y'' , and so on.

The derivative function

- ▶ A first order ODE is an ODE containing y' but no y'' or higher order derivatives.
- ▶ To solve such an ODE in MATLAB, first make the derivative the subject of the formula.

$$y' + y = \cos x$$
$$y' = \cos x - y$$

- ▶ Then write a MATLAB function that computes this derivative.

```
_____ yder.m _____  
1 function yd = yder(x, y)  
2 yd = cos(x) - y;
```

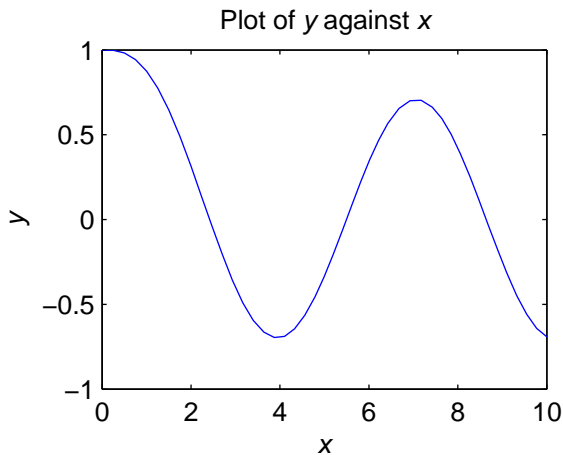
- ▶ Note that the first parameter is the controlled variable, x .
- ▶ **This must be included even if it is not used to calculate y' .**

Solving the ODE

- ▶ Once the `yder` function is ready, we can type:

```
>> xspan = [0 10];  
>> y0 = 1;  
>> [xout yout] = ode45(@yder, xspan, y0);
```
- ▶ `xspan` contains the range of the integration.
- ▶ `y0` is the initial value of y .
- ▶ `yout` can be plotted against `xout`.

The result



Different ODE solvers

- ▶ All the solvers have the same syntax as ode45.

Table : MATLAB ODE solvers

ode45	Nonstiff, medium order. Used most of the time.
ode23	Nonstiff, low order. Used for problems with crude error tolerances.
ode113	Nonstiff, variable order. Used for stringent error tolerances, or for computationally intensive problems.
ode15s	Stiff, variable order. Used if ode45 is slow because the problem is stiff.
ode23s	Stiff, low order.
ode23t	Moderately stiff, low order.
ode23tb	Stiff, low order.

Changing higher-order ODEs to state-variable form

- ▶ To solve an ODE of order 2 or higher, the equation must first be written as a set of first-order equations.

- ▶ Consider the second-order equation

$$y'' + 3y' + 5y = \cos(10t)$$

- ▶ First, solve it for the highest derivative:

$$y'' = \cos(10t) - 5y - 3y'$$

- ▶ Next, define the variables $x_1 = y$ and $x_2 = y'$. Thus,

$$x_1' = x_2$$

$$x_2' = \cos(10t) - 5x_1 - 3x_2$$

- ▶ This form is sometimes called the state-variable form.

The derivative function for the state-variable form

- ▶ The equations are in state-variable form.

$$x_1' = x_2$$

$$x_2' = \cos(10t) - 5x_1 - 3x_2$$

- ▶ Next, write a function that computes the derivative.

```
_____ xder.m _____  
1 function xd = xder(t, x)  
2   xd = zeros(2, 1);  
3   xd(1) = x(2);  
4   xd(2) = cos(10 * t) - 5 * x(1) - 3 * x(2);  
_____
```

- ▶ The return vector must be a column vector.

Solving the ODE

- ▶ Once the `xder` function is ready, we can type:

```
>> tspan = [0 10];
```

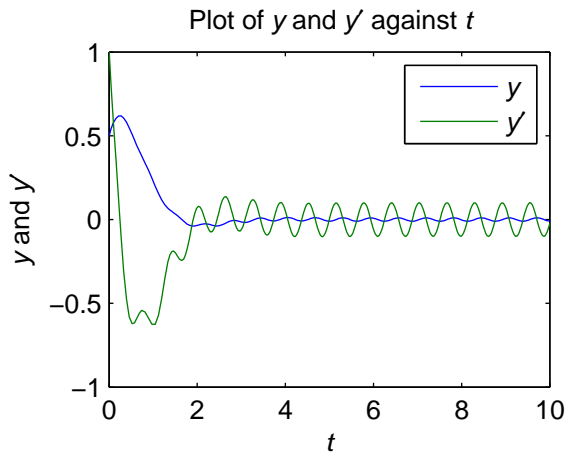
```
>> x0 = [0.5; 1];
```

```
>> [tout xout] = ode45(@xder, tspan, x0);
```

- ▶ `tspan` contains the range of the integration.
- ▶ `x0` is a column vector containing the initial values of \mathbf{x} .
- ▶ `tout` is a column vector containing the time instants of the result.
- ▶ `xout` has two columns.
- ▶ `xout(:, 1)` contains values of x_1 , that is, values of y .
- ▶ `xout(:, 2)` contains values of x_2 , that is, values of y' .
- ▶ To plot y against t , we can type:

```
>> plot(tout, xout(:, 1))
```

The result



Matrix method for state-variable form

- ▶ Suppose we have the ODE

$$50y'' + 3y' + 7y = f(t)$$

- ▶ In state-variable form with $x_1 = y$ and $x_2 = y'$, this becomes

$$\begin{aligned}x_1' &= x_2 \\x_2' &= -\frac{7}{50}x_1 - \frac{3}{50}x_2 + \frac{1}{50}f(t)\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ These equations can be written as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ x_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{7}{50} & -\frac{3}{50} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{50} \end{bmatrix} f(t)$$

- ▶ In compact form that is

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}f(t)$$

$$\text{where } \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{7}{50} & -\frac{3}{50} \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{50} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

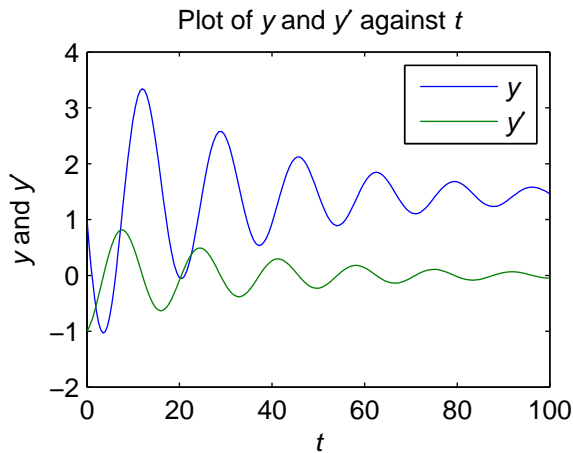
The derivative function for the matrix method

- ▶ Once the ODE is in matrix form, we write a function that computes the derivative.
- ▶ In our example, take $f(t) = 10$.

```
_____ xder.m _____  
1 function xd = xder(t, x)  
2   A = [0 1; -7/50 -3/50];  
3   B = [0; 1/50];  
4   f = 10;  
5   xd = A * x + B * f;
```

- ▶ To solve for $y \in [0, 100]$ with $y_0 = 1$ and $y'_0 = -1$, type:
>> [t, x] = ode45(@xder, [0 100], [1; -1]);

The result



The characteristic roots

- ▶ The plot in the previous slide was decaying and oscillating.
- ▶ This behaviour depends on the characteristic roots of the equation.
- ▶ In state-variable form, the characteristic roots are the eigenvalues of the matrix \mathbf{A} .
- ▶ These can be obtained using:

```
>> A = [0 1; -7/50 -3/50];  
>> r = eig(A);
```
- ▶ In this case, the roots are $-0.03 \pm 0.3730i$.
- ▶ The real part indicates the rate at which the function reaches steady-state response, $e^{-0.03t}$.
- ▶ The imaginary part indicates the frequency of the oscillations, $\cos(0.3730t + \phi)$.