

MAT 22B Group Work 3 (Due 7/9 11:59 PM)

The goal of this assignment is to use Euler's method and compare the numerical method to the exact solution.

1. Consider the following initial value problem

$$y' = 3 \cos(t) - 2y, \quad y(0) = 0.$$

- (a) By hand, find the exact solution of the initial value problem.
- (b) Implement Euler's method to solve the initial value problem for  $t \in [0, 4\pi]$ .
- (c) Let  $n = 2^k$  and  $h = \frac{4\pi}{n-1}$ . For  $k = 4, 7, 10, 14$ , plot the numerical solution and exact solution. MATLAB's subplot<sup>1</sup> allows multiple plots to be displayed in a single figure.

2. Let  $n = 2^k$  and  $h = \frac{4\pi}{n-1}$ . For  $k = 4, \dots, 14$ , compute the error

$$\|e_k\|_2 = \|\tilde{y} - y\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n |\tilde{y}_i - y_i|^2}$$

where  $\tilde{y}$  is the numerical solution and  $y$  is the exact solution. You can use MATLAB's norm<sup>2</sup> function. Produce a loglog<sup>3</sup> plot of the error. What is the slope of the line in the loglog plot?

3. (Bonus) Repeat problems 1 and 2 using the implicit Euler's method. How does the error of the two methods compare?

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<sup>1</sup><https://www.mathworks.com/help/matlab/ref/subplot.html>

<sup>2</sup><https://www.mathworks.com/help/matlab/ref/norm.html>

<sup>3</sup><https://www.mathworks.com/help/matlab/ref/loglog.html>