

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + q(x) \frac{dy}{dx} = r(x) \quad \text{not quite an O.D.E.}$$

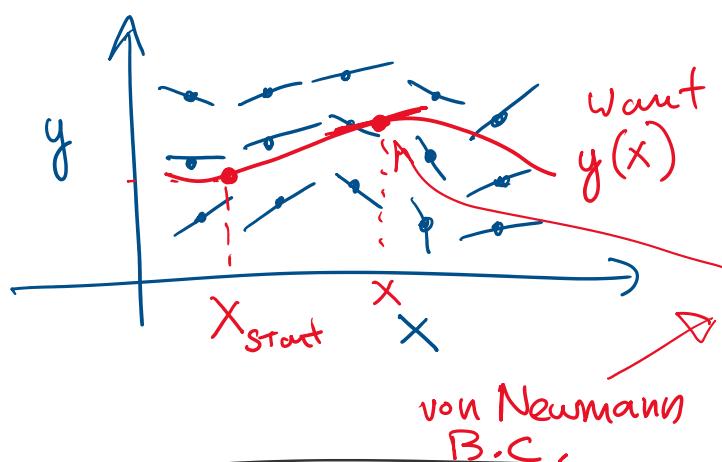
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$$\frac{dy}{dx} = z(x)$$

$$\frac{dz}{dx} = r(x) - q(x) \cdot z(x)$$

In general: N-Functions and N-equations

$$\frac{dy_i(x)}{dx} = f_i(x, y_0, y_1, \dots, y_{N-1}) \quad i = 0, \dots, N-1$$



Boundary Conditions  
Initial Conditions

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(x_{\text{start}}) = \text{slope}$$

$$y(x_{\text{start}}) = y_s$$

Dirichlet B.C.

$$\int_{y_0}^{y_1} dy = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(x, y) dx$$

$y_0$        $x_0$

We want  $y(x)$  with a certain accuracy:

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

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

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

$h$  - step size

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

$$y_0 \rightarrow y_1 \rightarrow y_2 \rightarrow y_3 \rightarrow \dots$$

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

Truncation Error: Error associated with the algorithm or method, and not the precision of the floating point calculation.

Local Error: Error of one Step

Global Error: Error over a fixed interval.

$\Delta x$  a global interval

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

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

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

$$= h \cdot f(x_n, y_n) + h^2 f(x_n, y_n) f'(x_n, y_n)$$

Local Error of  $\mathcal{O}(h^2)$

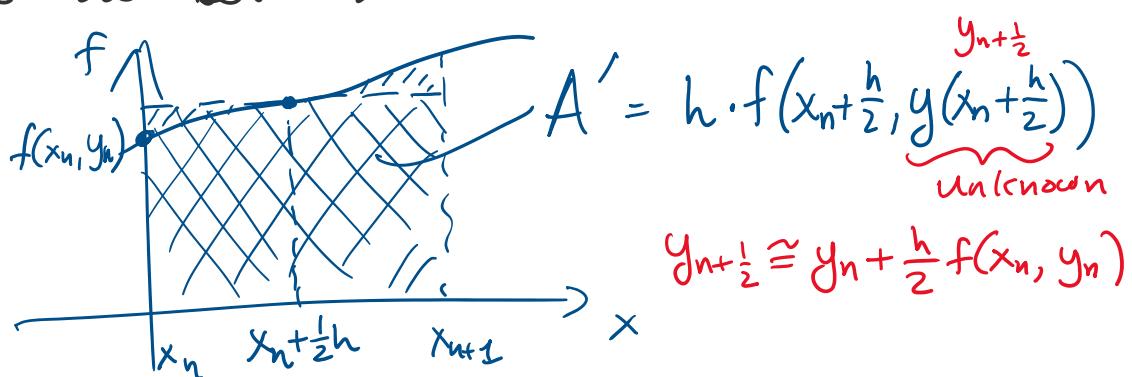
How many Steps  $N_{\text{steps}} = \frac{\Delta x}{h}$

Global Error  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}(h)$

Forward Euler Method

Never use  
except in  
assignments :)

Can we do better?



Then,

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

Midpoint Runge-Kutta

Local error:  $\mathcal{O}(h^3)$

Local error:  $\mathcal{O}(h^3)$   
 Global error:  $\mathcal{O}(h^2)$

## 4<sup>th</sup>-Order Runge-Kutta

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

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

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

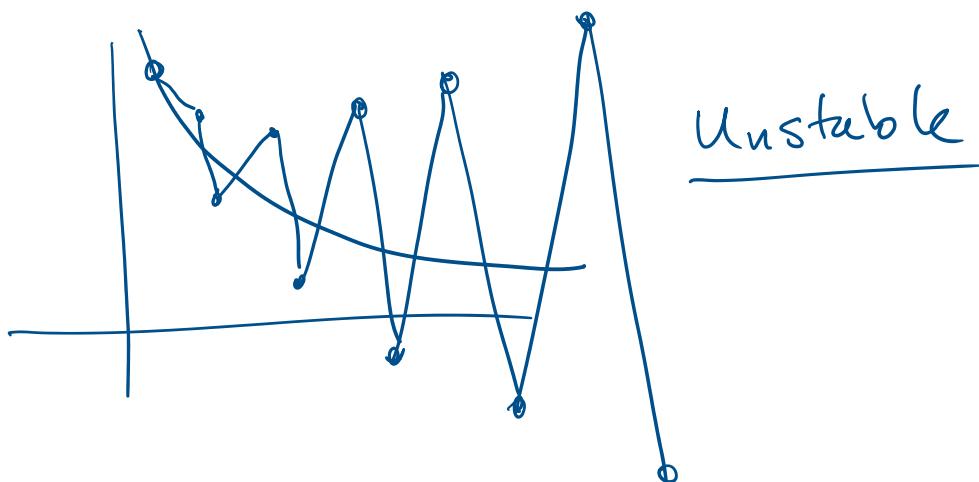
$$k_4 = h \cdot f(x_n + h, y_n + k_3)$$

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

Explicit

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

Implicit Method



Predator - Prey Verhalten  
 Lotka-Volterra Model (1920)

# Lotka-Volterra Model (11a)

Foxes and Mice

f

m

Without foxes the mice population grows without limitation.

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

$\uparrow$  Birth rate (constant)

But if foxes are around then the population reduces proportional to the number of foxes.

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

$$\Delta m = (k_m \cdot m - k_{mf} \cdot \underbrace{m \cdot f}_{\text{Number of encounters}}) \Delta t$$

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

$\uparrow$  Death rate for foxes

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

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

$$dm = b \cdot m - k_{...} \cdot m \cdot f$$

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

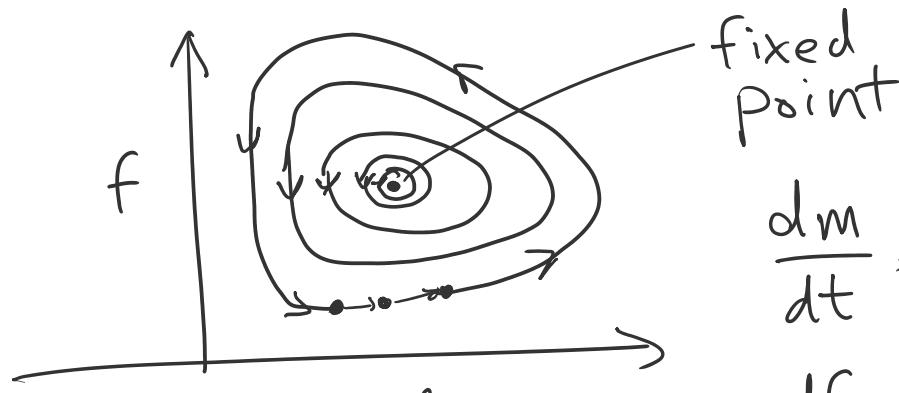
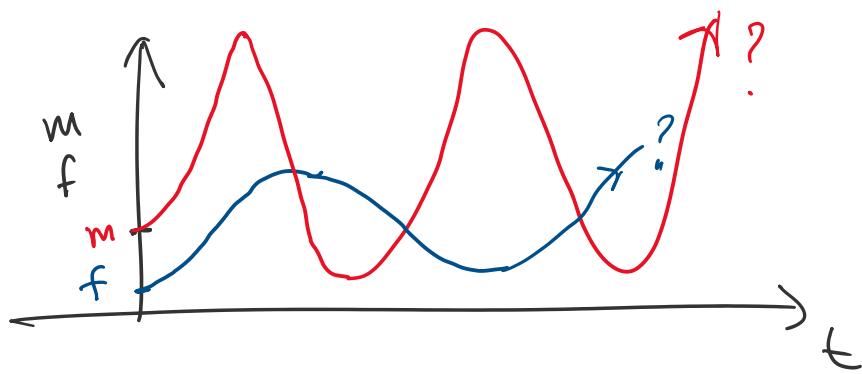
$$\frac{df}{dt} = -k_f \cdot f + k_{fm} \cdot f \cdot m$$

$$\begin{aligned} k_m &= 2 \\ k_{mf} &= 0.02 \\ k_{fm} &= 0.01 \\ k_f &= 1.06 \end{aligned}$$

$$m(0) = 100$$

$$f(0) = 15$$

2 Plots Please:



fixed point

$$\frac{dm}{dt} \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

$$\frac{df}{dt} \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$