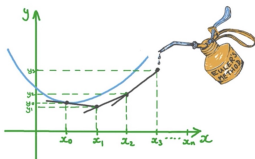


# MATH 226 Differential Equations

## EULER'S METHOD



$$\frac{df}{dx} = F(x, y); y(x_0) = y_0$$

$$y_n = y_{n-1} + hF(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1})$$

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Project 3  
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# Numerical Methods For Studying Differential Equations

## Euler's Method

Numerical Accuracy

Improved Euler

Runge-Kutta. Method

Numerical Methods for First Order Systems

# Euler's Method

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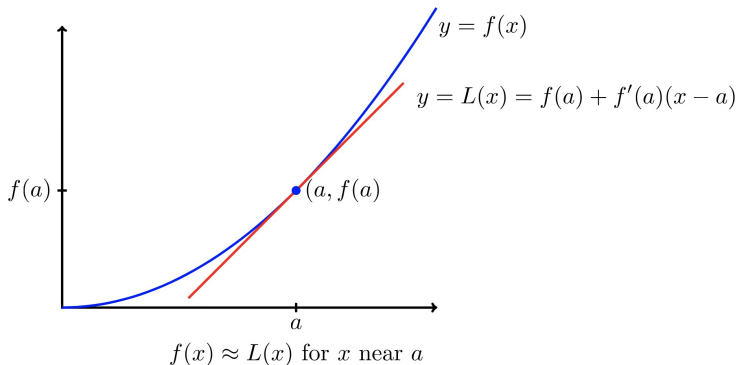
April 15, 1707 – September 18, 1783

Swiss mathematician, physicist, astronomer, geographer, logician  
and engineer

[Link To Euler's Biography](#)

# The Most Important Diagram in Calculus

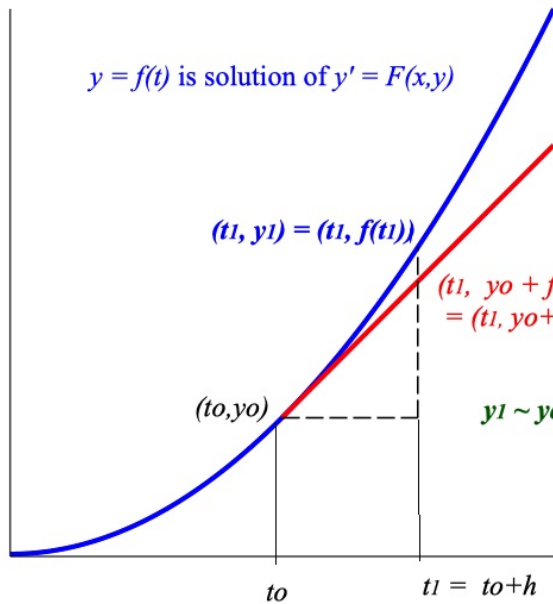
## Linear Approximation



$$f(x) \approx f(a) + f'(a)h \text{ where } h = x - a$$

Suppose  $f$  is the solution of the Differential Equation

$$y' = \frac{dy}{dx} = F(x, y) \text{ with initial condition } y_0 = f(x_0)$$



$y = f(t)$  is solution of  $y' = F(x,y)$

$(t_1, y_1) = (t_1, f(t_1))$

$(t_0, y_0)$

$(t_1, y_0 + f'(t_0)h)$   
 $= (t_1, y_0 + f'(t_0)h) = (t_1, y_0 + F(t_0, y_0)h)$

$y_1 \sim y_0 + F(t_0, y_0)h$

$t_0$

$t_1 = t_0 + h$

Given  $y' = F(x, y)$  with  $f(t_0) = y_0$

$$y_1 = y_0 + F(t_0, y_0)h$$

$$y_2 = y_1 + F(t_1, y_1)h \text{ where } t_1 = t_0 + h$$

$$y_3 = y_2 + F(t_2, y_2)h \text{ where } t_2 = t_1 + h$$

$$y_4 = y_3 + F(t_3, y_3)h \text{ where } t_3 = t_2 + h$$

...

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + F(t_n, y_n)h \text{ where } t_n = t_{n-1} + h$$

Example: Consider the Differential Equation

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$$(e^t y)' = 3e^t + te^t$$

$$e^t y = 3e^t + te^t - e^t + C$$

$$y = 3 + t - 1 + Ce^{-t} = t + 2 + Ce^{-t}$$

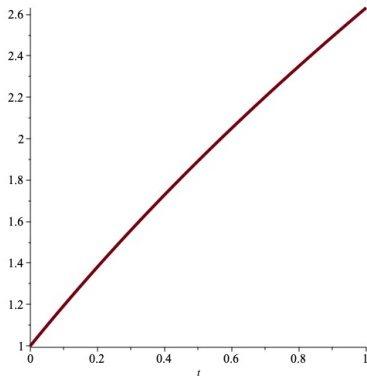
Apply Initial Condition:

$$1 = 0 + 2 + C \text{ so } C = -1$$

$$\text{Solution is } y = t + 2 - e^{-t}$$

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## Euler's Method

$$y' = 3 + t - y \text{ with } y(0) = 1$$

$$\text{Solution is } y = t + 2 - e^{-t}$$

Set Step Size  $h = 0.1$

$$y_0 = 1$$

$$y_1 = y_0 + y'(0)h = 1 + (3 + 0 - 1)h = 1 + 2h = 1 + 2(.1) = 1.2$$

$$\text{True Value is } .1 + 2 - e^{-.1} = 1.195162582$$

$$y_1 = y_1 + y'(.1)h = 1.2 + (3 + .1 - 1.2)(.1) = 1.2 + .19 = 1.39$$

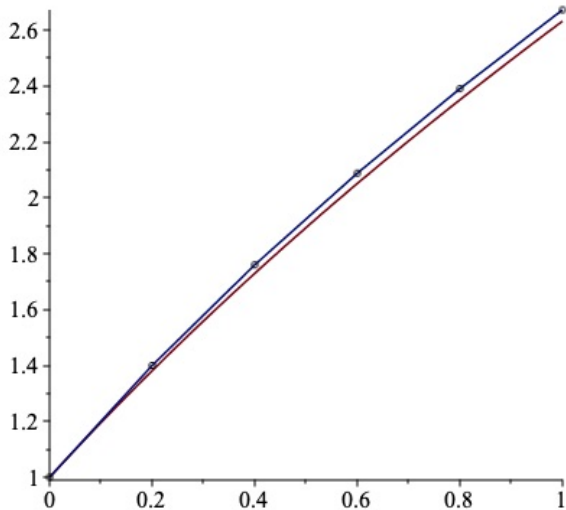
$$\text{True Value is } .2 + 2 - e^{-.2} = 1.381269247$$

t	Exact	$h = 0.1$	$h = 0.05$	$h = 0.025$
0	1.	1.0	1.0	1.0
0.1	1.195162582	1.2	1.1975	1.196312109
0.2	1.381269247	1.39	1.38549375.	1.383348196
0.3	1.559181779	1.571	1.564908109	1.562001654

Euler's Method with  $h = 0.1$

$$y' = 3 + t - y \text{ with } y(0) = 1$$

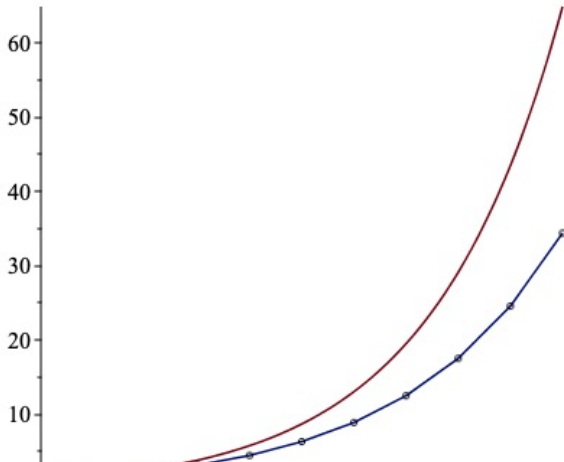
$$\text{Solution is } y = t + 2 - e^{-t}$$



# What Can Go Wrong? Euler's Method with $h = 0.1$

$$y' = 1 - t + 4y \text{ with } y(0) = 1$$

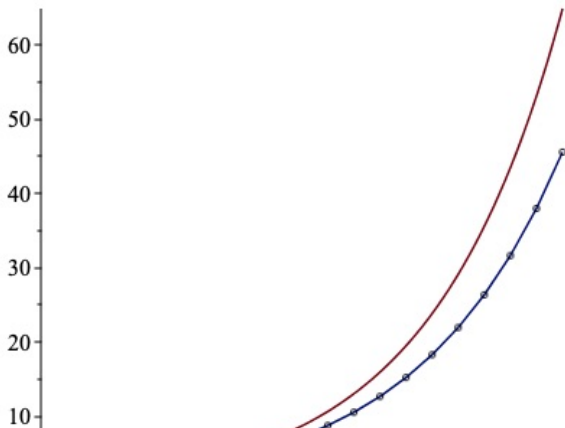
$$\text{Solution is } y = \frac{t}{4} - \frac{3}{16} + \frac{19}{16}e^{4t}$$



What Can Go Wrong?  
Cut Step Size in Half  
Euler's Method with  $h = 0.05$

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## What Can Go Wrong?

Euler's Method with  $h = 0.05$  but extend the interval to  $[0, 2]$

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