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# Approximating solutions to higher-order initial-value problems

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## Introduction

- In this topic, we will
  - Discuss 2<sup>nd</sup>-order initial-value problems (IVPs)
  - Explain how to reformulate a 2<sup>nd</sup>-order IVP into a system of two 1<sup>st</sup>-order IVPs
  - Look at an example
  - Consider a 5<sup>th</sup>-order IVP
  - Reformulate that IVP into a system of five 1<sup>st</sup>-order IVPs

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## 2<sup>nd</sup>-order initial-value problems

- You have seen 2<sup>nd</sup>-order initial-value problems (IVPs) written in the form:
 
$$a_2(t)y^{(2)}(t) + a_1(t)y^{(1)}(t) + a_0(t)y(t) = g(t)$$

$$y(t_0) = y_0$$


$$y^{(1)}(t_0) = y_0^{(1)}$$
- Based on the implicit function theorem, we can always write a higher-order IVP as
 
$$y^{(n)}(t) = f(t, y(t), y^{(1)}(t), \dots, y^{(n-1)}(t))$$

$$y(t_0) = y_0$$

$$y^{(1)}(t_0) = y_0^{(1)}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$y^{(n-1)}(t_0) = y_0^{(n-1)}$$



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## 2<sup>nd</sup>-order initial-value problems


- Consequently, a second-order IVP can be written as
 
$$y^{(2)}(t) = f(t, y(t), y^{(1)}(t))$$

$$y(t_0) = y_0$$

$$y^{(1)}(t_0) = y_0^{(1)}$$
- Now, we don't know  $y(t)$ , nor do we know  $y^{(1)}(t)$ 
  - Thus, suppose we define
 
$$w_0(t) = y(t) \qquad w_1(t) = y^{(1)}(t)$$
  - Note therefore that
 
$$w_0^{(1)}(t) = y^{(1)}(t) = w_1(t) \qquad w_0(t_0) = y(t_0) = y_0$$

$$w_1^{(1)}(t) = y^{(2)}(t) = f(t, y(t), y^{(1)}(t)) \qquad w_1(t_0) = y^{(1)}(t_0) = y_0^{(1)}$$

$$= f(t, w_0(t), w_1(t))$$




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## 2<sup>nd</sup>-order initial-value problems

- Consequently, a second-order IVP can be written as a system of two 1<sup>st</sup>-order IVPs
 
$$\begin{aligned}
 y^{(2)}(t) &= f(t, y(t), y^{(1)}(t)) & w_0^{(1)}(t) &= w_1(t) & w_0(t_0) &= y_0 \\
 y(t_0) &= y_0 & w_1^{(1)}(t) &= f(t, w_0(t), w_1(t)) & w_1(t_0) &= y_0^{(1)} \\
 y^{(1)}(t_0) &= y_0^{(1)}
 \end{aligned}$$
- In the last topic, we saw how we can write this with vectors
 
$$\mathbf{w}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} w_0(t) \\ w_1(t) \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{w}^{(1)}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} w_1(t) \\ f(t, w_0(t), w_1(t)) \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{w}(t_0) = \begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ y_0^{(1)} \end{pmatrix}$$

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- For example,
 
$$\mathbf{w}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} w_0(t) \\ w_1(t) \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{w}^{(1)}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} w_1(t) \\ f(t, w_0(t), w_1(t)) \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{w}(t_0) = \begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ y_0^{(1)} \end{pmatrix}$$
- In the last topic, we saw how we can write this with vectors
 

```

vector F( double t, vector w ) {
    return vector{ 2, (double[]){ w(1),
                                  f( t, w ) } };
}

// y''(t) = 2y'(t) - y(t) + sin(t)
double f( double t, vector w ) {
    return 2*w(1) - w(0) + sin(t);
}

```

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## 2<sup>nd</sup>-order initial-value problems

- Consider the following:
 
$$y^{(2)}(t) + 2y^{(1)}(t) + y(t) = \sin(t)$$

$$y(0) = 1$$

$$y^{(1)}(0) = -2$$
- In the last topic, we saw how we can write this with vectors
 

```
vector F( double t, vector w ) {
    return vector{ 2, (double[]){ w(1),
                                   -2*w(1) - w(0) + sin(t) } };
}
```

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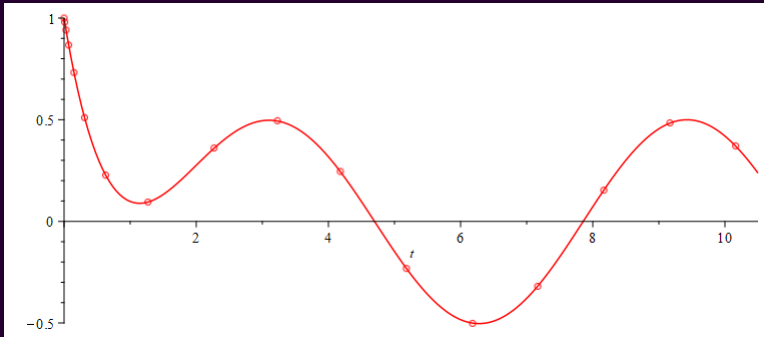
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## 2<sup>nd</sup>-order initial-value problems

- The solution and our approximation is shown here:
 
$$y^{(2)}(t) + 2y^{(1)}(t) + y(t) = \sin(t) \quad y(t) = \frac{3}{2}e^{-t} - \frac{1}{2}te^{-t} - \frac{1}{2}\cos(t)$$

$$y(t_0) = 1$$

$$y^{(1)}(t_0) = -2$$



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## 2<sup>nd</sup>-order initial-value problems

- The output of the Dormand-Prince method is:

t	y	y'
0	< 1	-2>
0.01	< 0.9801495012466744	-1.970149501662508 >
0.03	< 0.9413366004450955	-1.911336633992595 >
0.07	< 0.8671814460390597	-1.797182432449922 >
0.15	< 0.7321233276597681	-1.582143788605167 >
0.31	< 0.5103193853011617	-1.200680330337188 >
0.63	< 0.2271084350598108	-0.6028457398035203 >
1.27	< 0.09484159082902341	0.09414765884974807>
2.27	< 0.360724134043294	0.29190279275873 >
3.22870270906355	< 0.4949570390741321	-0.06046514781695389>
4.180454048644937	< 0.2454653632568291	-0.4306789648656997 >
5.180454048644937	<-0.2319093306500261	-0.4427291816128475 >
6.180454048644937	<-0.5018483904660588	-0.04756916700176944>
7.167318861458502	<-0.3196352998086384	0.3892455074943849 >
8.167318861458501	< 0.1533886469424242	0.4763189756994295 >
9.167318861458501	< 0.4843038344873439	0.1262539232541798 >
10.16224322948684	< 0.3711291770716665	-0.3375822706119238 >

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## 2<sup>nd</sup>-order initial-value problems

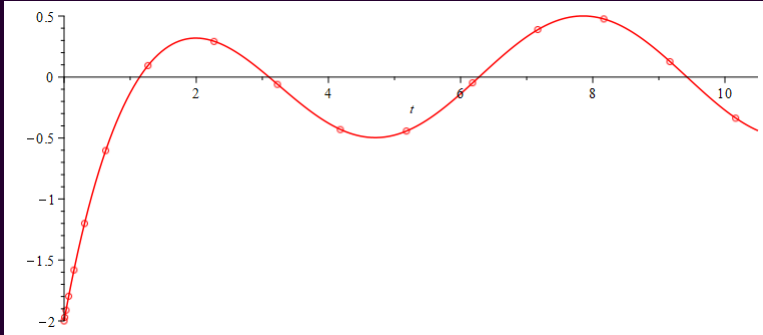
- The solution and our approximation is shown here:

$$y^{(2)}(t) + 2y^{(1)}(t) + y(t) = \sin(t)$$

$$y(t_0) = 1$$

$$y^{(1)}(t_0) = -2$$

$$y(t) = \frac{3}{2}e^{-t} - \frac{1}{2}te^{-t} - \frac{1}{2}\cos(t)$$

$$y^{(1)}(t) = -\frac{3}{2}e^{-t} - \frac{1}{2}e^{-t} + \frac{1}{2}te^{-t} + \frac{1}{2}\sin(t)$$


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## Higher-order initial-value problems

- The process is the same for a higher-order IVP:

$$12.5y^{(5)}(t) + 17.5y^{(4)}(t) + 132.625y^{(3)}(t) + 128.95y^{(2)}(t) + 136.25y^{(1)}(t) + 91.304y(t) = \cos(t)$$

$$y(0) = 1.0$$

$$y^{(1)}(0) = -0.8$$


$$y^{(2)}(0) = 0.7$$

$$y^{(3)}(0) = 0.6$$

$$y^{(4)}(0) = -0.5$$

- This is the function:

```
vector F( double t, vector w ) {
    return vector{ 5, (double[]){
        w(1), w(2), w(3), w(4),
        (cos(t) - 17.5 *w(4) - 132.625*w(3)
         - 128.95 *w(2) - 136.25 *w(1)
         - 91.304*w(0))/12.5
    } };
}
```

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## Higher-order initial-value problems


- This piece of code would print the appropriate output

```
int main() {
    auto result{ dp45(
        F, std::make_pair( 0.0, 10.0 ),
        vector{ 5, (double[]){ 1.0, -0.8, 0.7, 0.6, -0.5 } },
        std::make_pair( 1e-4, 1.0 ), 1e-2
    ) };

    std::cout << "n = " << std::get<0>( result ) << std::endl;

    for ( unsigned int k{0}; k <= std::get<0>( result ); ++k ) {
        std::cout << std::get<1>( result )[k] << ", "
            << std::get<2>( result )[k] << std::endl;
    }

    return 0;
}
```

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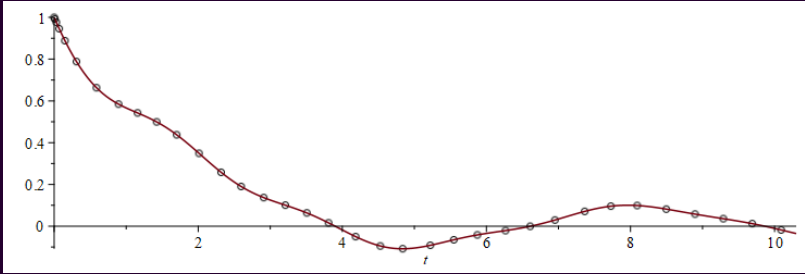
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## Higher-order initial-value problems

- This is the solution to this 5<sup>th</sup>-order IVP and our approximations




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## Summary

- Following this topic, you now
  - Have a better understanding of 2<sup>nd</sup>- and higher-order initial-value problem
  - Understand how we can reformulate an  $n^{\text{th}}$ -order IVP into a system of  $n$  1<sup>st</sup>-order IVPs
  - Have seen examples of a 2<sup>nd</sup>- and a 5<sup>th</sup>-order IVP

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