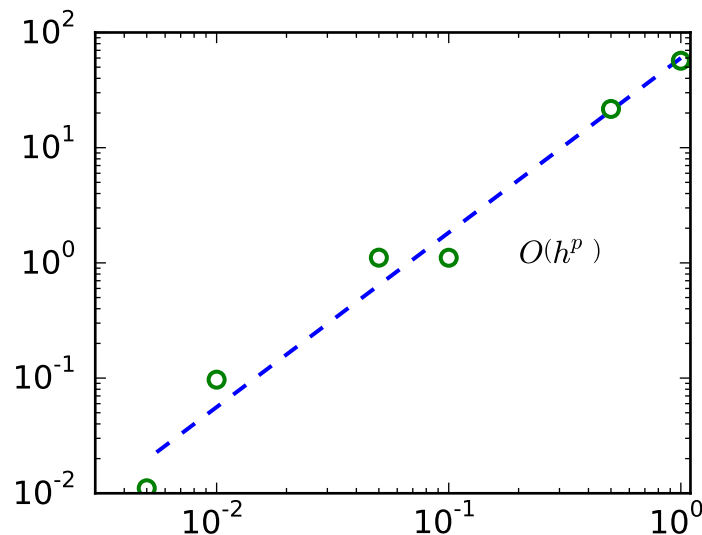


1. Suppose this table of “data” is samples of an  $O(h^p)$  function:

$h$	1.0	0.5	0.1	0.05	0.01	0.005
$Z$	56.859	21.694	1.1081	1.1101	0.096909	0.011051

This data may be fitted (linear regression) by a function  $f(h) = Mh^p$  for some values  $M$  and  $p$ , as in the following figure. Find  $p$  by fitting a straight line to the data, and reproduce the figure. Your version of the figure should have the value of  $p$  filled in.



2. Use Taylor's Theorem to verify the truncation term for the “Centered” row of Table 1.1 of your text. Hint: center all Taylor expansions at the same point.

Substantial partial credit will be awarded for showing the truncation term is  $O(h^2)$ , but try to get the exact expression with its constant. Hint: The average of two numbers lies in between the two numbers.

3. Implement the following schemes for a scalar ODE:

1. Forward Euler
2. Backwards Euler
3. Trapezoidal

Each method should be implemented with a function that takes the following arguments:

1. The right-hand side function  $f(t, u)$ .
2. The initial time  $t_0$ .
3. The initial value  $u_0$ .
4. The final time  $T$ .

5. The number  $M$  of time steps.

It should return a vector of sample times  $t_k$ , and a vector of solution values  $u_k$ .

Test your methods against  $u' = -u$  and  $u' = -\sin(t)$  with initial condition  $u(0) = 1$  and confirm (using the technique of problem 1) that the order of convergence is the theoretically expected order for each method.

4. Consider the linear multistep method

$$u_{n+2} + 4u_{n+1} - 5u_n = h(4f_{n+1} + 2f_n)$$

where  $f_k = f(t_k, u_k)$ .

- Show that this method is consistent.
- In the case  $f = 0$ , the method reduces to a linear recurrence relation

$$u_{n+2} + 4u_{n+1} - 5u_n = 0.$$

The characteristic polynomial of this relation is  $\sigma(\rho) = \rho^2 + 4\rho - 5$ . Show that if  $\rho$  is a root of the characteristic polynomial, then  $u_n = C\rho^n$  is a solution of the recurrence relation for any constant  $C$ . Moreover, if  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$  are roots of the characteristic polynomial, then  $u_n = C_1\rho_1^n + C_2\rho_2^n$  is a solution of the recurrence relation for any constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ .

- Compute the roots of the characteristic polynomial.
- Implement this method (using Euler's method to compute  $u_1$ ) and apply it to the IVP

$$\begin{aligned} u' &= -u \\ u(0) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

on the  $t$ -interval  $[0, 1]$  with  $M = 10, 50$  and  $100$ .

- Compute the global error in each of these three cases. Why is the error growing? Can you give an rough explanation for the rate of growth you observed?