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**UNIT - IV**  
**INITIAL VALUE PROBLEMS FOR ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS**

**01.** Write down the fourth order Taylor's algorithm.

Answer :

Let  $y' = f(x, y)$  with  $y(x_0) = y_0$

Then the Taylor algorithm is given by

$$y(x_1) = y_0 + \frac{h}{1!} y_0' + \frac{h^2}{2!} y_0'' + \frac{h^3}{3!} y_0''' + \frac{h^4}{4!} y_0^{(4)} + \dots$$

$$\text{where } x_1 = x_0 + h \quad \text{and} \quad y_0^{(r)} = \frac{d^r y}{dx^r} \text{ at } (x_0, y_0).$$

**02.** What are the merits and demerits of the Taylor series method of solution?

Answer :

It is a powerful single step method.

It is the best method if the expression for higher order derivatives are simpler.

The major demerit of this method is the evaluation of higher order derivatives become tedious for complicated algebraic expressions.

**03.** Given  $y' = x + y$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ . Find  $y(0.1) = 1$  By Taylor's method.

Answer :

$$y' = x + y; \quad y'' = 1 + y'; \quad y''' = y'' \dots \dots$$

$$x_0 = 0, \quad y_0 = 1. \quad \text{Then } y(0.1) = y_1 = y_0 + \frac{h}{1!} y_0' + \frac{h^2}{2!} y_0'' + \dots$$

$$\text{when } h = 0.1. \quad \therefore y(0.1) = 1 + 0.1 + \frac{0.01}{2} (2) + \frac{0.001}{6} 6 (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow y(0.1) = 1.1103$$

**04.** Find  $y(0.1)$  by Euler's method, given that  $y' = 1 - y$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ .

Answer :

$$y_1 = y_0 + h f(x_0, y_0) = 0.01[1 - 0] = 0.1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad y(0.1) = 0.1$$

**05.** Using Euler's method compute for  $x = 0.1$  &  $0.2$  with  $h = 0.1$  given

$$y' = y - \frac{2x}{y}, y(0) = 1.$$

Answer :

$$y_1 = 1 + 0.1[1 - 0] = 1.10 \Rightarrow y(0.1) = 1.10$$

$$y_2 = 1.1 + 0.1 \left[ 1.1 - \frac{0.2}{1.1} \right] = 1.19 \Rightarrow y(0.2) = 1.19$$

**06.** Find  $y(0.1)$  by Euler's method, given that  $y' = x + y$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ .

Answer :

$$y_1 = 1 + 0.1[0 + 1] = 1.10 \Rightarrow y(0.1) = 1.10$$

**07.** Given  $y' + y = 0$  and  $y(0) = 1$ . Find  $y(0.01)$  and  $y(0.02)$  by Euler's method

Answer :

$$y_1 = y_0 + h f(x_0, y_0) = 0.01[1 - 0] = 0.1 \Rightarrow y(0.1) = 0.1$$

**08.** Using Euler's method compute for  $x = 0.1$  &  $0.2$  with  $h = 0.1$  given

$$y' = y - \frac{2x}{y}, y(0) = 1.$$

Answer :

$$y_1 = 1 + 0.01[-1] = 0.99 \Rightarrow y(0.01) = 0.99$$

$$y_2 = 0.99 + 0.01[-0.99] = 0.9801 \Rightarrow y(0.02) = 0.9801$$

**09.** State the algorithm for modified Euler's method, to solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y)$ ,  $y(x_0) = y_0$ .

Answer :

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

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

$$\text{where } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \text{ and } x_{n+1} = x_n + h$$

**10.** State Rung-Kutta fourth order formulae for solving  $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y)$ ,  $y(x_0) = y_0$ .

Answer :

$$y_1 = y(x_0 + h) = y_0 + \frac{1}{6} [k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4] \text{ where}$$

$$k_1 = h f(x_0, y_0)$$

$$k_2 = h f\left(x_0 + \frac{h}{2}, y_0 + \frac{k_1}{2}\right)$$

$$k_3 = h f\left(x_0 + \frac{h}{2}, y_0 + \frac{k_2}{2}\right)$$

$$k_4 = h f(x_0 + h, y_0 + k_3)$$

**11.** What are the distinguishing properties for Runge-Kutta methods?

Answer :

(1). These methods do not require the higher order derivatives and require only the function values at different points.

(2). To evaluate  $y_{n+1}$ , we need only  $y_n$  but not previous  $y$ 's.

(3). The solution by these methods agrees with Taylor series solution up to the terms of  $h^r$

Where  $r$  is the order of Runge-Kutta method.

**12.** Which is the better Taylor series method or Runge – Kutta method? Why?

Answer :

Runge-Kutta method is better since higher order derivatives of  $y$  are not required. Taylor's series method involves use of higher order derivatives which may be difficult in case of complicated algebraic functions.

**13.** State the order of error in R-K method of fourth order.

Answer :

Error of fourth order method is  $O(h^2)$  where  $h$  is the interval of differencing.

**14.** State Milne's Predictor and Corrector formula.

Answer :

$$\text{Predictor : } y_{n+1}^p = y_{n-3} + \frac{4h}{3} [2y'_{n-2} - y'_{n-1} + 2y'_n]$$

$$\text{Corrector : } y_{n+1}^c = y_{n-1} + \frac{h}{3} [y'_{n-2} + 4y'_{n-1} + y'_{n+1}]$$

**15.** State Adam's Predictor and Corrector formula.

Answer :

$$\text{Predictor : } y_{n+1,p} = y_n + \frac{h}{24} [55y'_n - 59y'_{n-1} + 37y'_{n-2} - 9y'_{n-3}]$$

$$\text{Corrector : } y_{n+1,c} = y_n + \frac{h}{24} [9y'_{n+1} + 19y'_n - 5y'_{n-1} + y'_{n-2}]$$

**16.** Write the predictor error and corrector error in Milne's method.

Answer :

$$\text{Predictor error} = \frac{14}{45} h^5 f^{iv}(\mathcal{E})$$

$$\text{Corrector error} = -\frac{h^5}{90} y^{iv}(\mathcal{E})$$

**17.** Distinguish Single – step and Multi – step methods.

Answer :

Single – step methods : To find  $y_{n+1}$ , the information at  $y_n$  is enough.

Multi – step methods : To find  $y_{n+1}$ , the past four values  $y_{n-3}, y_{n-2}, y_{n-1}$  and  $y_n$  are needed.

**18.** State the finite approximations for  $y'$  &  $y''$  with error terms.

Answer :

$$y_i = y(x_i) \text{ and } x_{i+1} = x_i + h, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\text{Then } y'_i = \frac{y_{i+1} - y_{i-1}}{2h}, \quad \text{Error} = O(h^2)$$

$$y''_i = \frac{y_{i-1} - 2y_i + y_{i+1}}{h^2}, \quad \text{Error} = O(h^2)$$

**19.** Solve  $x y'' + y = 0$ ,  $y(1) = 1, y(2) = 2$  with  $h = 0.5$ .

Answer :

Finite difference scheme :  $4 x_i (y_{i+1} - 2 y_i + y_{i-1}) + y_i = 0$

$$\text{For } i = 1, \quad 4 x_1 (y_2 - 2 y_1 + y_0) + y_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 11 y_1 = 18 \quad \Rightarrow y_1 = \frac{18}{11} = 1.6364$$

$$\Rightarrow y(1.5) = 1.6364$$

**20.** Give the finite difference scheme to solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$  numerically.

Answer :

For square mesh of sides

$$\Delta x = h = \Delta y,$$

$$u_{i,j} = \frac{1}{4} [u_{i-1,j} + u_{i+1,j-1} + u_{i,j+1}] \quad \text{where } u_{i,j} = u(x_i, y_i)$$

**21.** What is the purpose of Leibmann's process?

Answer :

The purpose of Leibmann's process is to find the solution of Laplace equation  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$

By iteration over a square with boundary values.

**22.** Express  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = f(x, y)$  in finite difference scheme.

Answer :

For a square mesh with interval of differencing  $h$ , we have

$$u_{i+1,j} + u_{i-1,j} + u_{i,j+1} + u_{i,j-1} - 4u_{i,j} = h^2 f(ih, jh)$$

**Part – B**

- Using Taylor series method find  $y$  at  $x = 0.1$  if  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2y - 1$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ .
- Solve  $y' = x + y$ ;  $y(0) = 1$  by Taylor's series method. Find the values  $y$  at  $x = 0.1$  and  $x = 0.2$ .
- Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} = y^2 + x^2$  with  $y(0) = 1$ . Use Taylor's series at  $x = 0.2$  and  $0.4$ . Find  $y$  at  $x = 0.1$ .
- Using Taylor series method find  $y$  at  $x = 0.1$  correct to four decimal places from  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 - y$ ;  $y(0) = 1$ , with  $h = 0.1$ . Compute terms up to  $x^4$ .
- Using Taylor series method, compute  $y(0.2)$  &  $y(0.4)$  correct to four decimal places given  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - 2xy$  and  $y(0) = 0$ .
- Using Euler's method find  $y(0.2)$  &  $y(0.4)$  from  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x + y$ ,  $y(0) = 1$  with  $h = 0.2$ .
- Using Euler's method solve  $y' = x + y + xy$ ,  $y(0) = 1$  compute  $y$  at  $x = 0.1$ , by taking  $h = 0.05$ .
- Using Euler's method find  $y(0.3)$  if  $y(x)$  satisfies the initial value problem.  
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + 1)y^2$ ,  $y(0.2) = 1.1114$ .
- Solve  $y' = 1 - y$ ,  $y(0) = 0$  by modified Euler's method.
- Using modified Euler's method, find  $y(0.1)$  if  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 + y^2$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ .
- Given  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^3 + y$ ,  $y(0) = 2$ . Compute  $y(0.2)$ ,  $y(0.4)$  &  $y(0.6)$  by Runge-Kutta method of fourth order.
- Using Runge-Kutta method of fourth order, solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^2 - x^2}{y^2 + x^2}$  with  $y(0) = 1$  at  $x = 0.2$ .
- Using Runge-Kutta method of fourth order, find  $y(0.1)$  and  $y(0.2)$  for the initial value problem  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x + y^2$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ .
- Apply fourth order Runge-Kutta method to determine  $y(0.2)$  with  $h = 0.1$  from  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 + y^2$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ .
- Find  $y(0.8)$  given that  $y' = y - x^2$ ,  $y(0.6) = 1.7379$  by using Runge-Kutta method of fourth order. Take  $h = 0.1$ .
- Determine the value of  $y(0.4)$  using Milne's method given  $y' = xy + y^2$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ ; use Taylor series method to get the values of  $y(0.1)$ ,  $y(0.2)$  and  $y(0.3)$ .
- Using Milne's method find  $y(0.2)$  if  $y(x)$  is the solution of  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}(x + y)$ , given

$$y(0) = 2, y(0.5) = 2.636, y(1) = 3.595 \text{ \& } y(1.5) = 4.968$$

**18.** Solve  $y' = x - y^2$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y(0.2) = 0.02$ ,  $y(0.4) = 0.0795$ ,  
 $y(0.6) = 0.1762$  by Milne's method to find  $y(0.8)$  &  $y(1)$ .

**19.** Using Milne's method find  $y(4.4)$  given  $5xy' + y^2 - 2 = 0$  given  $y(4) = 1$ ,  $y(4.1) = 1.0049$ ,  $y(4.2) = 1.0097$  &  $y(4.3) = 1.0143$

**20.** Given  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^3 + y$ ,  $y(0) = 2$ . The values of  $y(0.2) = 2.073$ ,  $y(0.4) = 2.452$  &  $y(0.6) = 3.023$  are got by R-K method of fourth order. Find  $y(0.8)$  by Milne's Predictor corrector method taking  $h = 0.2$