

Lecture 11 Review

Van der Pol oscillator & ODE solution via RK4 à la GSL

C++ elements: arrays and `while` statement

Simultaneous 2nd-order ODEs

Suppose we have a pair of simultaneous 2nd-order ODEs.

$$\ddot{x} = f(t, x, y, \dot{x}, \dot{y})$$

$$\ddot{y} = g(t, x, y, \dot{x}, \dot{y})$$

What do we do?

$$d\vec{Y}/dt = \vec{f}(t, \vec{Y}) \text{ ("standard "form")}$$

$$\vec{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} Y^{(0)}(t) \\ Y^{(1)}(t) \\ \vdots \\ Y^{(N-1)}(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{F} = \begin{pmatrix} F^{(0)}(t, \vec{Y}) \\ F^{(1)}(t, \vec{Y}) \\ \vdots \\ F^{(N-1)}(t, \vec{Y}) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Y^{(0)}(t) = x(t)$$

$$Y^{(2)}(t) = y(t)$$

$$Y^{(1)}(t) = \dot{x}(t)$$

$$Y^{(3)}(t) = \dot{y}(t)$$

Example of Simultaneous 2nd-order ODEs

What to use for $F^{(0)}$, $F^{(1)}$, ...?

$$F^{(0)}(t, \vec{Y}) = Y^{(1)}(t) \quad (= \dot{x})$$

$$F^{(2)}(t, \vec{Y}) = Y^{(3)}(t) \quad (= \dot{y})$$

$$F^{(1)}(t, \vec{Y}) = \dot{Y}^{(1)}(t) \quad (= \ddot{x})$$

$$F^{(3)}(t, \vec{Y}) = \dot{Y}^{(3)}(t) \quad (= \ddot{y})$$

If we had more coupled equations, we just add pairs of Y and F as here.

Example: Planetary motion. (See CP, sec 15.11)

$$\vec{f} = -\frac{GMm}{r^2} \hat{r}$$
 Attractive force exerted on m by M along center-line.

$$\vec{f} = m\vec{a} = m \frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2}$$

Take to be the sun

$$f_x = f \cos \theta = f \frac{x}{r}$$

$$f_y = f \sin \theta = f \frac{y}{r}$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -GM \frac{x}{r^3}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = -GM \frac{y}{r^3}$$

In class exercise:

Copy and rename rk4.cc → orbit.cc

Modify orbit.cc to accommodate the 2 above simultaneous 2nd-order ODEs.

For simplicity, set GM = 1.

$$f[0] = ?$$

$$f[2] = ?$$

$$f[1] = ?$$

$$f[3] = ?$$

Initial conditions:

$$x(0) = 0.5$$

$$y(0) = 0.0$$

$$v_x(0) = 0.0$$

$$v_y(0) = 1.63$$

Adjust number and size of time steps to see orbit close.

Visualize w/ gnuplot. (later)

Elements of Orbital Mechanics

Consider the case where a small object (e.g., a comet) orbits the Sun.

$$\vec{F} = -\frac{GMm}{|r|^2} \hat{r}$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 - \frac{GMm}{r}$$

$$\vec{L} = \vec{r} \times (m\vec{v})$$

conserved

$$\frac{mv^2}{r} = \frac{GMm}{r^2}$$

$$v = \sqrt{GM/r}$$

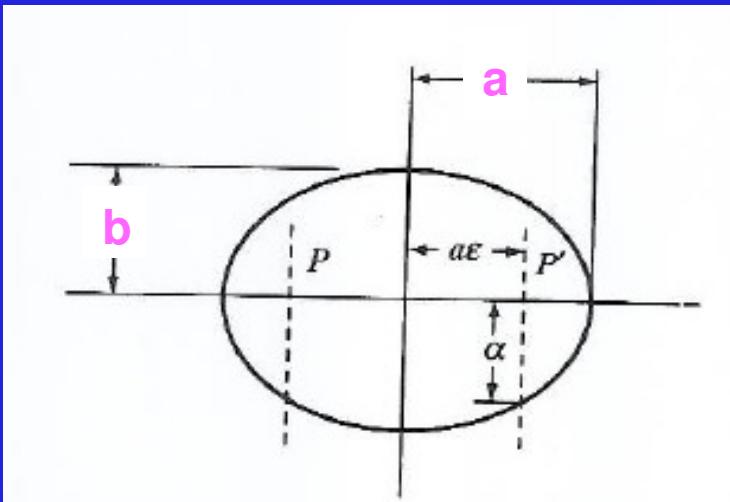
$$E = -\frac{GMm}{2r}$$

Circular orbits only

$$e = \sqrt{1 - b^2/a^2}$$

a = “semi-major axis”

b = “semi-minor axis”



$$\text{Earth}_e = 0.017$$

Elliptical Orbits and Kepler's 3rd Law

For elliptical orbits around Sun, we have:

$$E = -\frac{GMm}{2a}$$

$$v = \sqrt{GM \left(\frac{2}{r} - \frac{1}{a} \right)}$$

$$T^2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{GM} a^3 \quad \text{Exact only for } m \ll M$$

$$G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}\text{-sec}^2$$

$$1 \text{ AU} = 150 \times 10^6 \text{ km} = 1.50 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}$$

$$1 \text{ yr} = \pi \times 10^7 \text{ sec}$$

$$M_{\odot} = 2.0 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$$

[r] = AUs

[t] = years

$$GM_{\odot} = 4\pi^2 \text{ AU}^3/\text{yr}^2$$

Use this for calc's
w/ orbit.cc

C++ file IO (rd_data_file.cc)

```
/* simple code to read from an input file  
and then write to an output file. */  
  
#include <iostream>  
#include <fstream>  
  
using namespace::std;  
  
int main()  
{  
    ifstream in_file;  
    ofstream out_file;  
  
    int r,s,t;  
    // open inoput and output files:  
  
    in_file.open("myjunk.dat");  
    out_file.open("example_out.dat");  
  
    // checking file is open for business:  
    if ( in_file.is_open() )  
    {  
        while(! in_file.eof() ) // still stuff to read  
        {  
            in_file >> r >> s >> t;  
            out_file << "first col = " << r  
                << "\t 2nd col " << s  
                << "\t 3rd col = " << t << endl;  
        }  
    }  
  
    in_file.close(); // good practice  
    out_file.close(); // good practice  
    return 0;  
}
```

Summary

Simultaneous 2nd-order ODEs & solution via RK4 à la GSL

Elliptical orbits as an example of simultaneous 2nd-order ODEs

C++ file IO.

Don't suffer in silence. Scream for help!!!

