

EULER'S METHOD ON TI NSPIRE CAS

euler() program can be found in the Catalog:

From Guide for TI Nspire CAS:

euler()
Catalog >

euler(Expr, Var, depVar, {Var0 VarMax}, depVar0, VarStep [, eulerStep]) ⇒ matrix

euler(SystemOfExpr, Var, ListOfDepVars, {Var0, VarMax}, ListOfDepVars0, VarStep [, eulerStep]) ⇒ matrix

euler(ListOfExpr, Var, ListOfDepVars, {Var0, VarMax}, ListOfDepVars0, VarStep [, eulerStep]) ⇒ matrix

Uses the Euler method to solve the system

$$\frac{d \text{depVar}}{d \text{Var}} = \text{Expr}(\text{Var}, \text{depVar})$$

with $\text{depVar}(\text{Var0}) = \text{depVar0}$ on the interval $[\text{Var0}, \text{VarMax}]$. Returns a matrix whose first row defines the *Var* output values and whose second row defines the value of the first solution component at the corresponding *Var* values, and so on.

Expr is the right-hand side that defines the ordinary differential equation (ODE).

SystemOfExpr is the system of right-hand sides that define the system of ODEs (corresponds to order of dependent variables in *ListOfDepVars*).

ListOfExpr is a list of right-hand sides that define the system of ODEs (corresponds to the order of dependent variables in *ListOfDepVars*).

Var is the independent variable.

ListOfDepVars is a list of dependent variables.

$\{\text{Var0}, \text{VarMax}\}$ is a two-element list that tells the function to integrate from *Var0* to *VarMax*.

ListOfDepVars0 is a list of initial values for dependent variables.

VarStep is a nonzero number such that $\text{sign}(\text{VarStep}) = \text{sign}(\text{VarMax} - \text{Var0})$ and solutions are returned at $\text{Var0} + i \cdot \text{VarStep}$ for all $i=0, 1, 2, \dots$ such that $\text{Var0} + i \cdot \text{VarStep}$ is in $[\text{Var0}, \text{VarMax}]$ (there may not be a solution value at *VarMax*).

eulerStep is a positive integer (defaults to 1) that defines the number of euler steps between output values. The actual step size used by the euler method is $\text{VarStep} / \text{eulerStep}$.

Differential equation:
 $y' = 0.001 \cdot y \cdot (100 - y)$ and $y(0) = 10$

euler($0.001 \cdot y \cdot (100 - y), t, y, \{0, 100\}, 10, 1$)

0.	1.	2.	3.	4.
10.	10.9	11.8712	12.9174	14.042

To see the entire result, press ▲ and then use ◀ and ▶ to move the cursor.

Compare above result with CAS exact solution obtained using deSolve() and seqGen():

deSolve($y' = 0.001 \cdot y \cdot (100 - y)$ and $y(0) = 10, t, y$)

$$y = \frac{100 \cdot (1.10517)^t}{(1.10517)^t + 9}$$

seqGen($\frac{100 \cdot (1.10517)^t}{(1.10517)^t + 9}, t, y, \{0, 100\}$)

{ 10., 10.9367, 11.9494, 13.0423, 14.2189 }

System of equations:

$$\begin{cases} y1' = -y1 + 0.1 \cdot y1 \cdot y2 \\ y2' = 3 \cdot y2 - y1 \cdot y2 \end{cases}$$

with $y1(0) = 2$ and $y2(0) = 5$

euler($\{-y1 + 0.1 \cdot y1 \cdot y2, 3 \cdot y2 - y1 \cdot y2\}, t, \{y1, y2\}, \{0, 5\}, \{2, 5\}, 1$)

0.	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
2.	1.	1.	3.	27.	243.
5.	10.	30.	90.	90.	-2070.

DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS TO USE EULER ON TI NSPIRE CAS

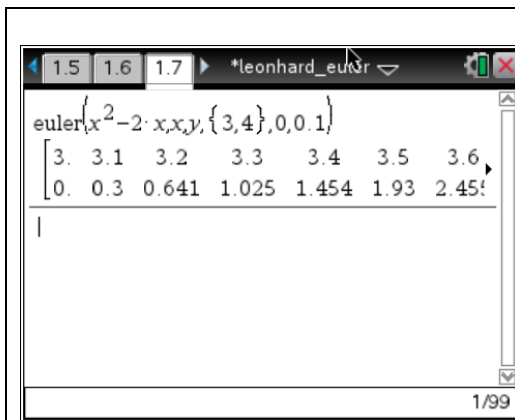
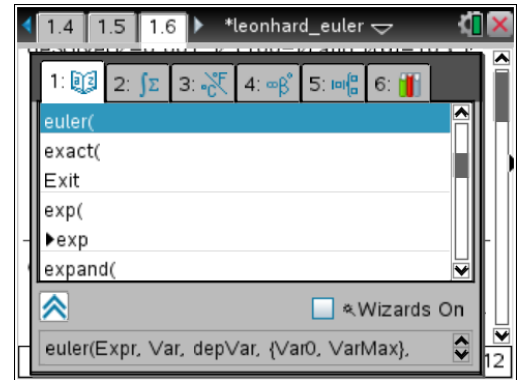
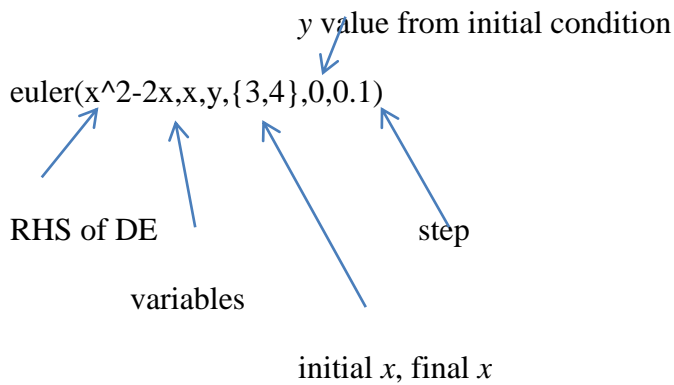
Example 1

Use Euler's method to find $y(4)$ given that

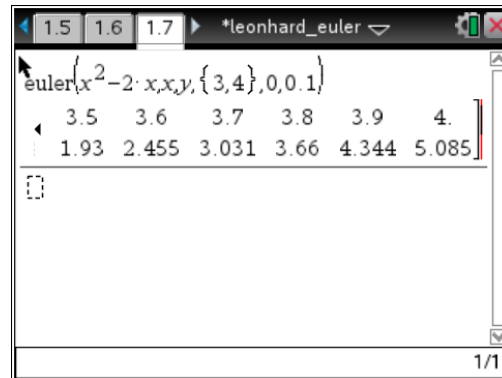
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 - 2x, \quad y(3) = 0.$$

From the Catalogue select Euler:

We need to enter the following:



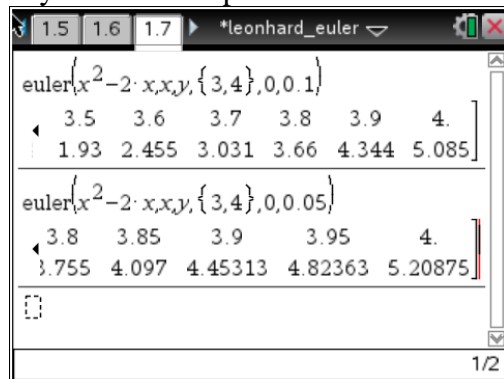
Use up and right arrows to see the right-hand end of the matrix box:



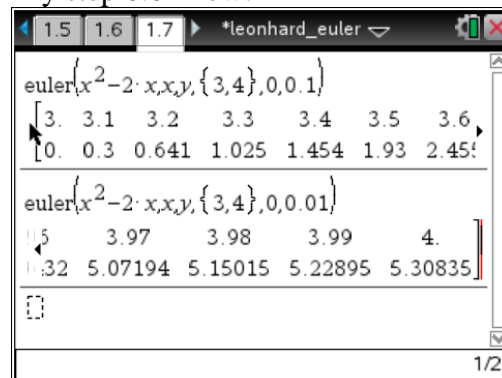
$y(4)=5.085$ with step 0.1

Try step 0.01 now:

Try a smaller step 0.05



$y(4)=5.20875$ with step 0.05



$y(4)=5.30835$ with step 0.01

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Comparing the approximate solution with the actual solution:

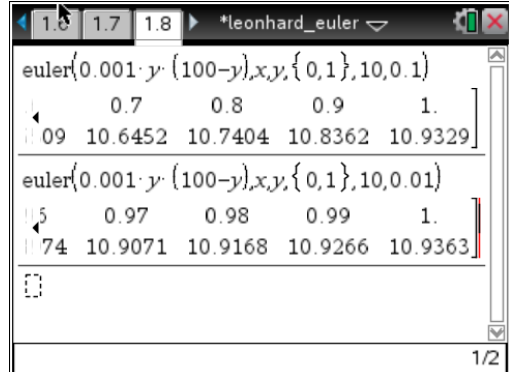
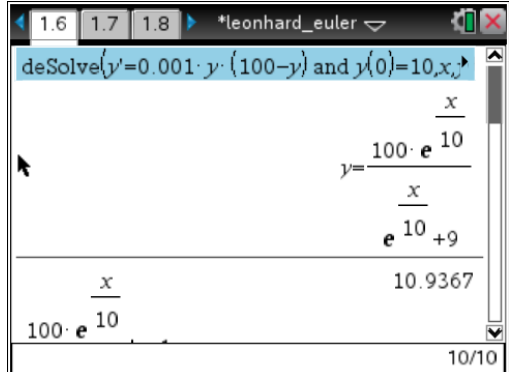
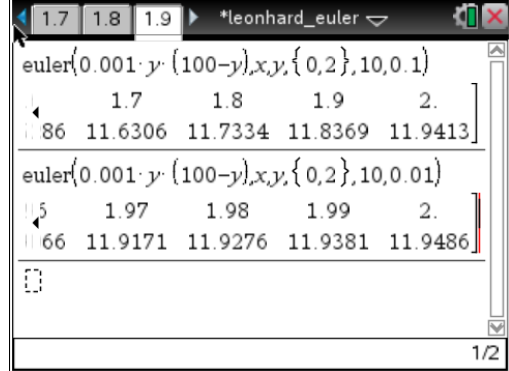
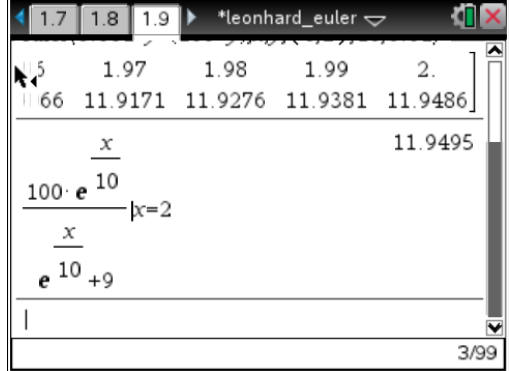
	<p>Clearly, the smaller the step, the more accurate the answer.</p> <p>Note the Euler's method underestimates here.</p> <p>Percentage error= - 0.47%</p>
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Setting in Notes page:

Example 2

- Use Euler method to solve $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0.001y(100 - y)$, $y(0) = 10$ to approximate the value of y at $x = 1$. Use the step 0.1 and 0.01
- Use your CAS calculator to solve the DE and hence find $y(1)$.
- Comment on the accuracy of the solution.
- Now repeat the above to find $y(2)$.

Solution:

<p>a)</p>  <p>TI-Nspire calculator screenshot showing Euler's method results for step 0.1 and step 0.01. The first table shows results for step 0.1, and the second table shows results for step 0.01.</p>	<p>b) c)</p>  <p>TI-Nspire calculator screenshot showing the exact solution for the differential equation: $y = \frac{100 \cdot e^{\frac{x}{100}}}{e^{\frac{x}{100}} + 9}$. The value at $x = 1$ is 10.9367.</p>
<p>$y(1) = 10.9363$ with step 0.01</p> <p>d)</p>  <p>TI-Nspire calculator screenshot showing Euler's method results for step 0.2. The value at $x = 1$ is 11.9413.</p> <p>Percentage error = - 0.0075 Error increases when we approximate further</p>	<p>The actual value $y(1) = 10.9367$ Percentage error = -.004%</p>  <p>TI-Nspire calculator screenshot showing Euler's method results for step 0.2 and the exact solution. The value at $x = 2$ is 11.9495.</p> <p>from the initial point.</p>

Video how to use Euler's method on TI Nspire:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gvmYniqmSo4>

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MYI4YzuCj_w

Example 3: Use Euler's Method of Numerical Integration with a step size of 0.1 to find $y(1)$ if $y' = y - x$ and $y(0) = 2$.

The following spread sheet can be designed:

n	x_n	y_n	$f(x,y)h$	$y_{n+1} = y_n + f(x, y) h$
0	0	2	0.2	2.2
1	0.1	2.2	0.21	2.41
2	0.2	2.41	0.221	2.631
3	0.3	2.631	0.2331	2.864
4	0.4	2.864	0.2464	3.111
5	0.5	3.111	0.2611	3.372
6	0.6	3.372	0.2772	3.649
7	0.7	3.649	0.2949	3.944
8	0.8	3.944	0.3144	4.258
9	0.8	4.258	0.3358	4.59374
10	1.0	4.59374		

Using euler() program on TI Nspire CAS:

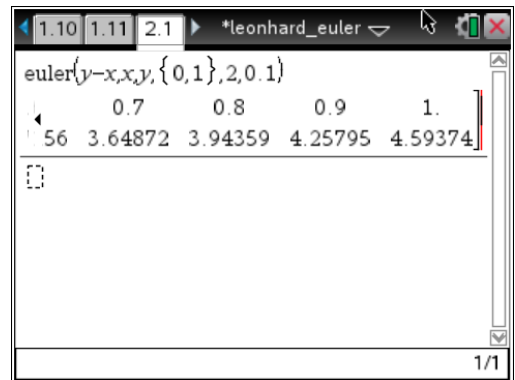
Use deSolve and find the percentage error. (Answer: about 2.64%)

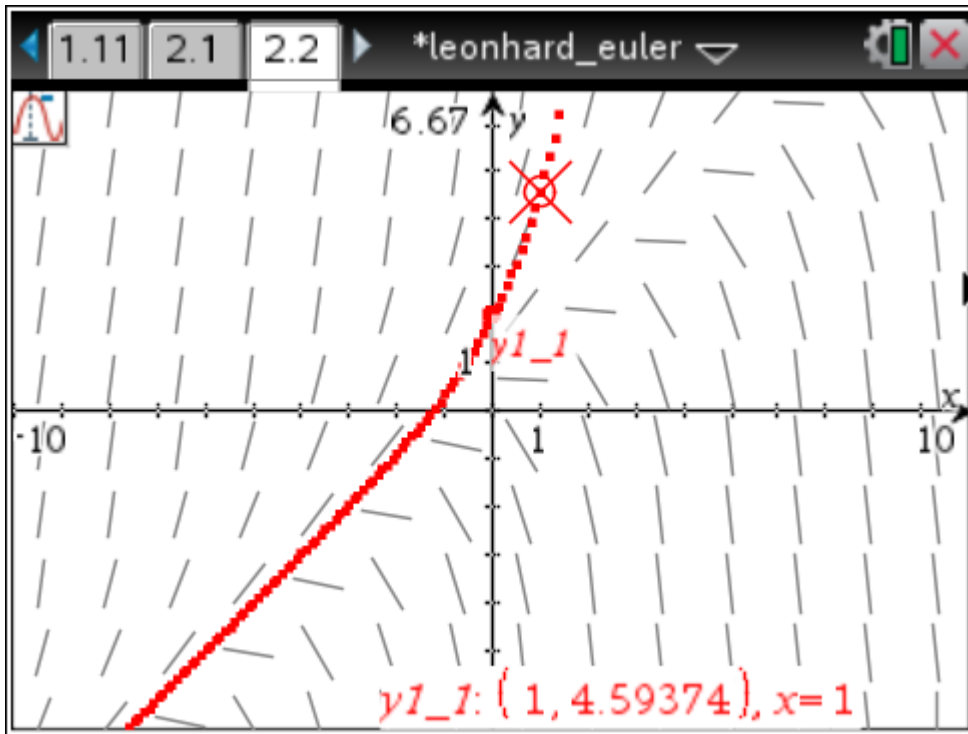
Repeat with the step 0.05 (% error about 1.38%.)

Reducing the step size by half reduces the absolute error by roughly a half. However, reducing the step size also increases the amount of computation thereby increasing the potential for round-off error.

Solving graphically:

Plot a DE with initial conditions, check that Euler is selected, then Trace graph





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Example 4

- a. Use Euler's method to find y_2 if $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$, given that $y_0 = y(1) = 1$ and $h = 0.1$.

Express your answer as a fraction.

- b. Solve the differential equation given in **part a.** to find the value y which is estimated by y_2 . Express your answer in the form $\log_e(a) + b$, where a and b are positive constants.

(2 + 2 = 4 marks)

