Lösning till övning 3 (2011-11-29)

1 ODE

• Error for Euler's method (Bradie p.558, 7.2.17)

The global error associated with Euler's method is O(h) i.e. $w_h(b) - y(b) = c \cdot h + O(h^2)$ where c is a constant.

$$w_h(b) - y(b) = c \cdot h + O(h^2) \tag{1}$$

$$w_{h/2}(b) - y(b) = c \cdot \frac{h}{2} + O(h^2)$$
 (2)

Using 1 and 2 we get

$$\frac{w_h(b) - w_{h/2}(b)}{w_{h/2}(b) - w_{h/4}(b)} = \frac{c\frac{h}{2} + O(h^2)}{c\frac{h}{4} + O(h^2)} \xrightarrow{h \to 0} 2$$

• Code sketch (Bradie p.558, 7.2.20)

First write a program to solve the ODE with Euler's method as done in Lab 3, exercise 3.2. To show that the global error associated with Euler's method is O(h) one has several options. For example:

- Plot the difference between the approximation in the last point and the exact solution with *loglog* as done in Lab 3, exercise 3.2. The gradient should be one.
- One could use the preceding exercise and look at $\frac{w_h(b)-w_{h/2}(b)}{w_{h/2}(b)-w_{h/4}(b)}$.
- One could bisect h and compare the error of two consecutive calculations (one with h and one with h/2). The error should be reduced by $\frac{1}{2}$ as shown in 1 and 2.
- High order equation (Bradie p.633, 7.8.8)

$$\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ x' \\ y \\ y' \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{u}' = \begin{pmatrix} u'_1 \\ u'_2 \\ u'_3 \\ u'_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_2 \\ u_2^2 + u_1 - \sin(t) \\ u_4 \\ \sqrt{u_3} - tu_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

• Exam example 08-12-17