AMSC/CMSC 460 Quiz 8 ,

Fall 2002

1. (10) Let

$$y' = y^2 - 5t$$
$$y(0) = 1$$

Determine whether this problem is stable or unstable at t = 0.

**Answer:**  $f(t,y) = y^2 - 5t$ , so  $f_y = 2y$ . At t = 0,  $f_y = 2$ , so the problem is unstable.

2. (10) Apply Euler's method with a stepsize of h = .1 to the problem

$$y' = y^2 - 5t$$
$$y(0) = 1$$

to compute approximations for y(.1), y(.2), and y(.3).