

Math 2250-1

Fri 8/26

HW for next week will be posted by class time.

Today: separable DE's theory and examples (§1.4)
used to illustrate and understand general existence-uniqueness theorem for first order DE IVP's (§1.3)

- The algorithm for separable DE's, why it works, and assumptions:

DE separable means:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x)\phi(y) = \frac{f(x)}{g(y)} \quad (\text{as long as } \phi(y) \neq 0; g(y) = \frac{1}{\phi(y)})$$

legal math sol'n

$$g(y(x)) y'(x) = f(x)$$

If $\int g(y) dy = G(y)$, $\int f(x) dx = F(x)$
are antiderivs of $g(y)$ & $f(x)$

$$\frac{d}{dx} G(y(x)) = \frac{d}{dx} F(x) \quad \text{on an } x\text{-interval}$$

$$\Rightarrow G(y(x)) = F(x) + C$$

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expresses $y(x)$ implicitly
as a fcn of x .
you may be able to use
algebra to get an
explicit formula for
 y as a fcn of x

algorithm

$$g(y) dy = f(x) dx$$

$$\int g(y) dy = \int f(x) dx$$

$$G(y) = F(x) + C$$

same answer!

issues: if $\phi(y_0) = 0$ then
algorithm fails ($g(y_0)$ not defined)
but you do get constant solutions

$$y(x) = y_0 \quad \forall x.$$

(since for this const. soltn, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$
 $f(x)\phi(y_0) = 0$.)

Exercise 0) Try this for the DE from 1.1.46

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = kv^2$$

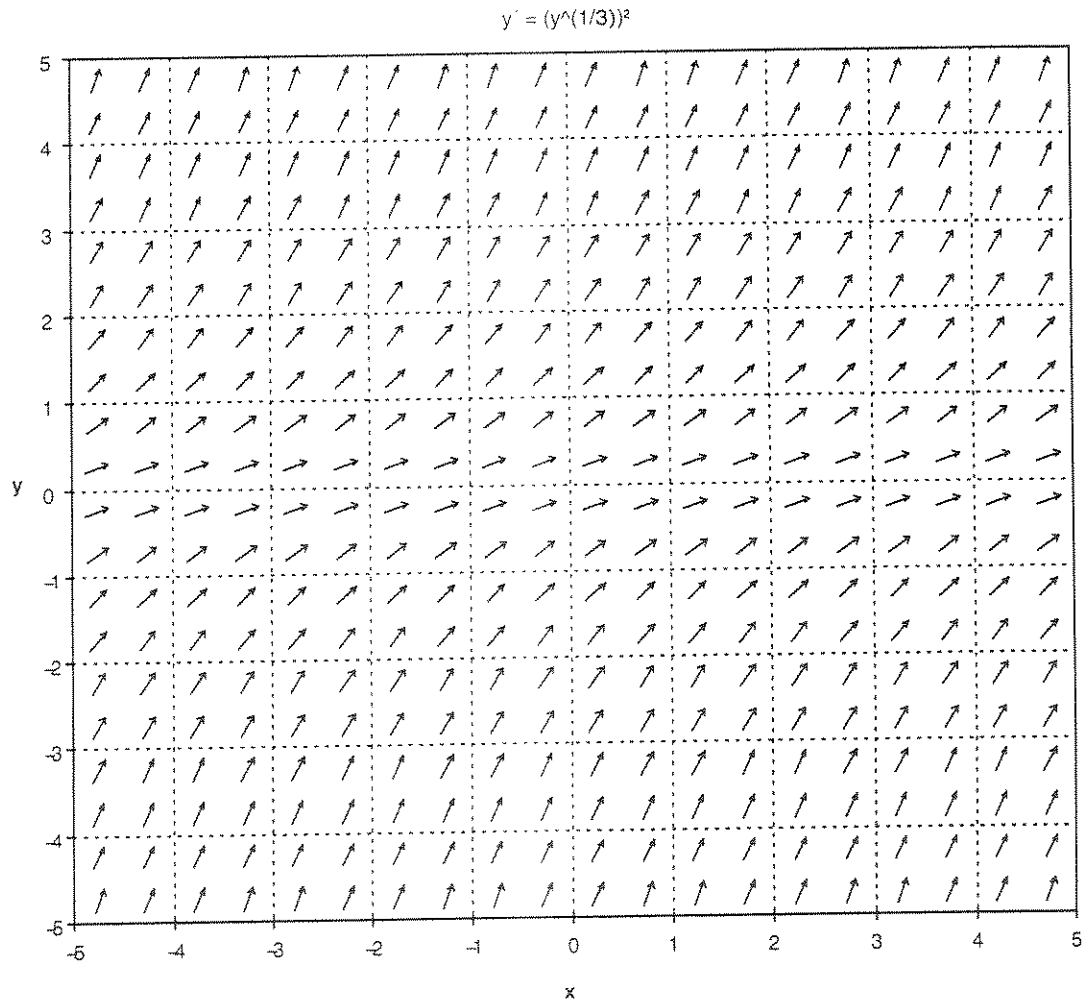
Exercise 2

2a) Solve $\begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dx} = y^{2/3} \\ y(0) = 0 \end{cases}$

use separation of variables

2b) But there are actually a lot more soltns to this IVP! (Ones you don't get from sep. var's are called singular soltns, see page 1.)

2c) Sketch some of these onto the slope field.



§1.3 : slope fields; existence and uniqueness for IVP's.

One reason we've been drawing slope fields is to motivate an existence and uniqueness theorem for 1st order DE initial value problems

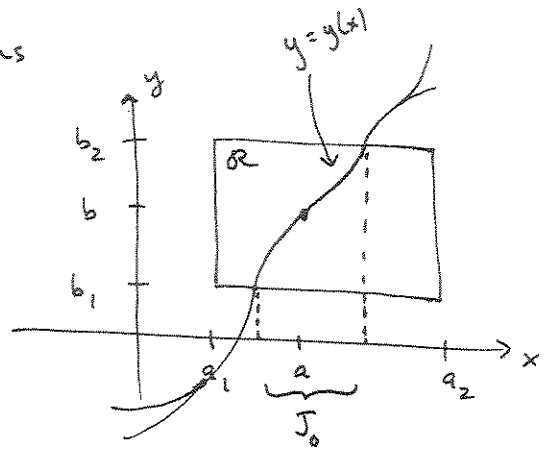
Theorem 1 Existence and uniqueness of solutions
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Consider

$$\text{IVP } \begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dx} = f(x,y) \\ y(a) = b \end{cases}$$

Let the point (a,b) be interior to a coordinate rectangle $\mathcal{R} \left(\begin{matrix} a_1 \leq x \leq a_2 \\ b_1 \leq y \leq b_2 \end{matrix} \right)$

in the x - y plane



- Let $f(x,y)$ be continuous in \mathcal{R}

Then

∃ sol'n to IVP on some interval J containing a in its interior

- If $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ exists and is continuous in \mathcal{R} then this solution is unique on any subinterval J_0 such that the solution graph lies inside \mathcal{R}

proof: Appendix A

intuition: "follow the slope field" to get solns.

$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ continuous turns out to guarantee that multiple solutions can't peel off!

Exercise 3 : Discuss ∃! theorem in previous examples. (where we used calculus and already knew ∃!)

If time, discuss $\exists!$ for

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dx} = 6x(y-1)^{2/3} \\ y(x_0) = x_0 \end{cases}$$

