

Section 2.1

Solution Curves



Slope of the **tangent line** is exactly $y' = f(x, y)$

Doing it systematically - Slope Field used to Find Solution

Autonomous Equations: $y' = f(y)$

Goal - to understand behavior of solutions without actually finding those solutions

Critical points - Also: Nodes, Equilibrium points, Fixed points

represent solutions that are constant

Ex: $y' = y^2 - 1$, $f(y) = y^2 - 1 = 0 \iff y = \pm 1$
 $y' = 0, y^2 - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0$

Function: $y = 1$ is a solution

This leads to the classification of critical points:

1. Asymptotically stable (Sink): if solutions begin near y_0 approach y_0 as x increases, moving
2. Unstable (Source): if solution that begin near y_0 , move away from y_0 as x increases
3. Semi-stable: neither a sink or source, stable on one side and unstable on another side

Ex: $y' = y^2 - 1$, Critical points: $y = \pm 1$



$y_1 < -1, y' = y^2 - 1$ at $y_1, y_1^2 - 1 > 0, y$ increase towards -1

$-1 < y_2 < 1, y' = y^2 - 1$ at $y_2, y_2^2 - 1 < 0, y$ decreases towards -1

-1 : stable

1 : not stable \rightarrow source

$y_3 > 1, y' = y^2 - 1$ at $y_3, y_3^2 - 1 > 0, y_3$ increases away from 1

Summary:

1. set function $= 0$, solve, find critical points

2. draw line, plot critical points

3. check sign of $f(y)$ in each interval

$f(y) > 0, y \uparrow$, increase

$f(y) < 0, y \downarrow$, decrease

4. mark arrows on interval and make classification

\hookrightarrow arrows point to number, $\rightarrow \# \leftarrow$, i.e; increase, decrease = Stable

arrows point away from number, $\leftarrow \# \rightarrow$, i.e; decrease, increase = Unstable

arrows point same direction, $\rightarrow \# \rightarrow$ or $\leftarrow \# \leftarrow$, i.e; increase, increase or decrease, decrease = Semi-stable

Section 2.2

Separable Equations - 1st order, ODE of the form, keyword = separable

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = g(x)h(y)$$

Solving: separate x away from y

$$\frac{dy}{h(y)} = g(x)h(y) \iff \frac{dy}{h(y)} = g(x) dx \quad \text{integrate both sides}$$

$\int \frac{dy}{h(y)} = \int g(x) dx + c$, Evaluate indefinite integrals \rightarrow Implicit solutions

Ex: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{1+x} = y \cdot \frac{1}{1+x}$

1. $\frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dx}{1+x}$

2. $\int \frac{dy}{y} = \int \frac{dx}{1+x}$

3. $\ln(y) + c = \ln(1+x) + c$ = implicit general solution

Don't need c on both sides

Implicit: relation of y and x

Explicit: y written as a function of x

4. $e^{\ln(y)} = e^{\ln(1+x) + c}$

5. $y = e^c(1+x)$ = explicit solution

Remember - opposite of derivative is Integral

Ex: $y' = (x+1) \cos(x^2+2x)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (x+1) \cos(x^2+2x)$$

$$\int dy = \int (x+1) \cos(x^2+2x) dx$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \sin(x^2+2x) + C$$

u-sub: $u = x^2+2x$, $du = 2x+2 dx$, $\int (x+1) \cos(x^2+2x) dx = \int \cos u \frac{du}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \sin u + C = \frac{1}{2} \sin(x^2+2x)$

Ex: $y' = (x+1) \cos(x^2+2x)$, $y(0) = 2020$ (IVP)

1. Find general Solution

2. plug in numbers (initial conditions) to determine constants

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \sin(x^2+2x) + C$$

$$y(0) = 2020 \rightarrow 2020 = \frac{1}{2} \sin(0^2+2 \cdot 0) + C$$

$$2020 = \frac{1}{2} \sin(0) + C = C$$

$$\text{Solution to IVP: } y = \frac{1}{2} \sin(x^2+2x) + 2020$$