

ODE . Lecture I.

Notations:

Defn	Definition	fcn	function
Thm	Theorem	i.e.	that is
Ex	Example	pt	point
\Rightarrow	therefore	elt	element
Rmk	Remark		
Pf	Proof		
HW	homework		

Homework will be assigned everyday after class.

and collected before the class on each M, W, F.

Questions are encouraged to ask during the class.

After every lecture, I will try my best to upload lectures notes for that day on webpage.

The class on everyday is composed of 3 lectures: 1:00-1:50, 2:00-2:50, 3:00-3:50.
The rest part, please read syllabus on webpage.

As concerned with next Monday, I heard there won't be class on that day. But I will make corresponding adjustment about homework and exams when I make sure of news.

(§2.1, §2.2)

Defn. An ordinary equation is an equation involving an unknown function of a single variable together with one or more of its derivatives.

Ex. $xy' + 4y = x$. (1)

$$y' = y^2 - t \quad (2)$$

$$ty' = y \quad (3)$$

$$y'' + t^2y = \cos t. \quad (4)$$

Rmk: (1) (2) (3) are first-order equations.

(4) is second-order equations.

hence $ty''' + ty'' + y' = \sin t$.

is Third-order equations.

To solve things more general, we place differential equations into normal form

Defn. A first-order differential equation of the form

$$y' = f(t, y)$$

is said to be in normal form.

Similarly, an equation of order n has the form

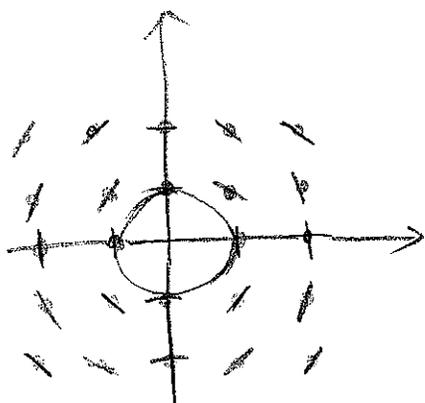
$$y^{(n)} = f(t, y, y', y'', \dots, y^{(n-1)})$$
 is said to be in normal form.

Direction Field.

Defn. A direction field is an association of little line elts to every pt on the plane.

Remark: We always just draw little line elts on some pts to represent it.

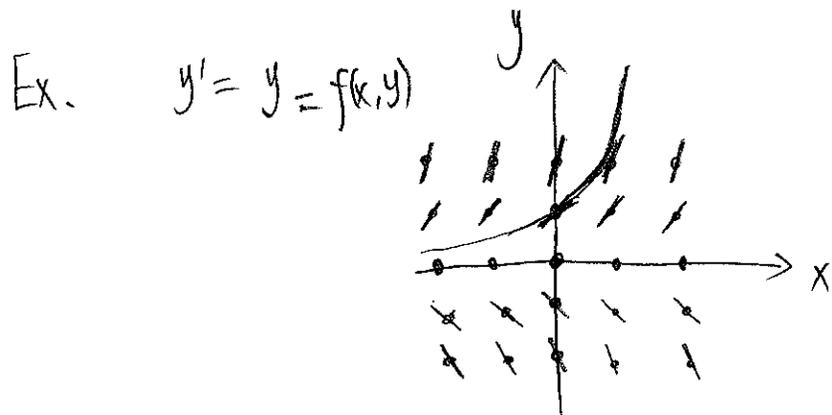
Like: Can first consider a lattice.



Draw little line elts at these pts.

①. For $y' = f(x, y)$, how to get a direction field of $y' = f(x, y)$.

At pt (x, y) , draw little line elt with slope $f(x, y)$.



$$O_n(x, y) = (0, 0), f(x, y) = y = 0$$

$$O_n(x, y) = (1, 0), f(x, y) = y = 0$$

$$O_n(x, y) = (x, 1), f(x, y) = y = 1$$

$$O_n(x, y) = (x, 2), f(x, y) = y = 2$$

$$O_n(x, y) = (x, -1), f(x, y) = y = -1$$

$$O_n(x, y) = (x, -2), f(x, y) = y = -2$$

Integral Curve

Defn. An integral curve of a direction field is a curve which has the direction of direction field as tangent vectors at every pt of this curve.

Ex. as above.

Remark = the integral curve is the graph of solution $y=y(x)$ to $y'=f(x,y)$.

so: solving equation of $y'=f(x,y) \iff$ draw integral curve of direction field of $y'=f(x,y)$

Now we first consider:

First - Order ODEs

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

written in normal form.

Ex. $y' = \frac{x}{y}$;

↑
solvable

separable
equation.

$y' = x - y^2$;

↑
unsolvable

(namely, no elementary

functions can be written down as solutions)

$y' = y - x^2$.

↑
solvable

linear equation.

Geometric View of ODE's

Analytic.

$y' = f(x, y)$

Geometric

Direction field.

a solution $y(x)$

(we can have many solutions)

①
②

Integral curve.

Let me explain what's "Direction field" and "Integral curve".

(See next page).

i.e. $y(x)$ is solution to $y' = f(x, y) \Leftrightarrow$ graph of $y(x)$ is an integral curve of direction field of $y' = f(x, y)$.

What the left side mean?

$$y'(x) = f(x, y(x)).$$

What the right side mean?

slope of $y(x)$ = slope of direction field at $(x, y(x))$
 \parallel
 exactly $f(x, y(x))$.

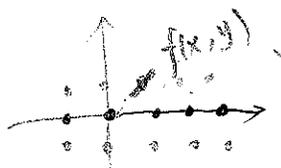
Same!

So we see they mean same thing!

Draw Direction Field.

Computer Method:

1. Pick (x, y) .
2. $f(x, y)$ - find (calculation).
3. Draw a little line elt has slope $f(x, y)$ at (x, y) .



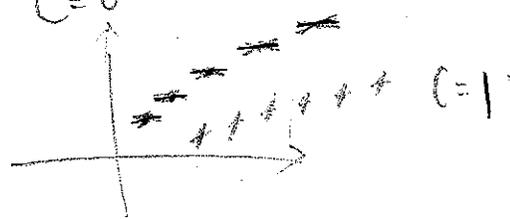
Human Method:

1. Pick slope C , (constant C).
2. $f(x, y) = C$. Plot the equation. Find x, y satisfy this equation, which is a curve.
3. make the curve dotted, and draw little line elts based on pts of dotted curve.

$C = -1$

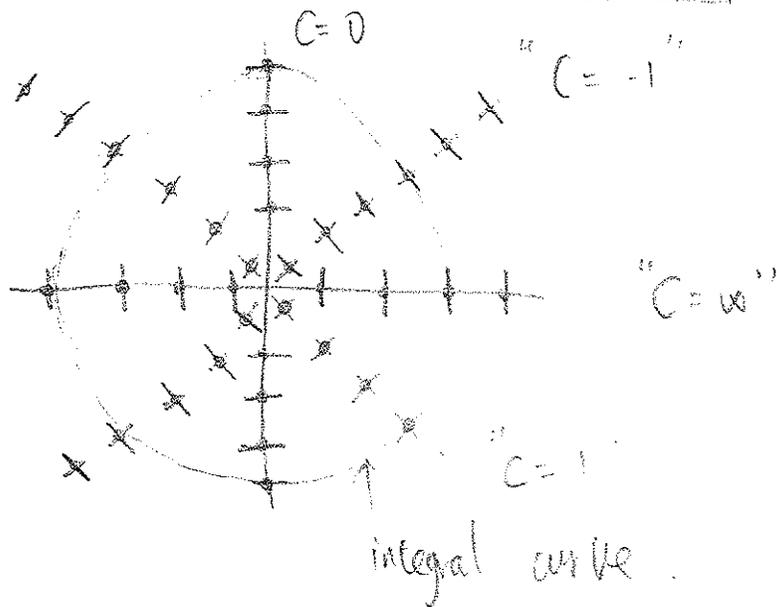


Ex. $C = 0$



Ex. $y' = -\frac{x}{y}$.

so $\frac{-x}{y} = C \Rightarrow \boxed{y = -\frac{1}{C}x}$



are circles : $x^2 + y^2 = C$

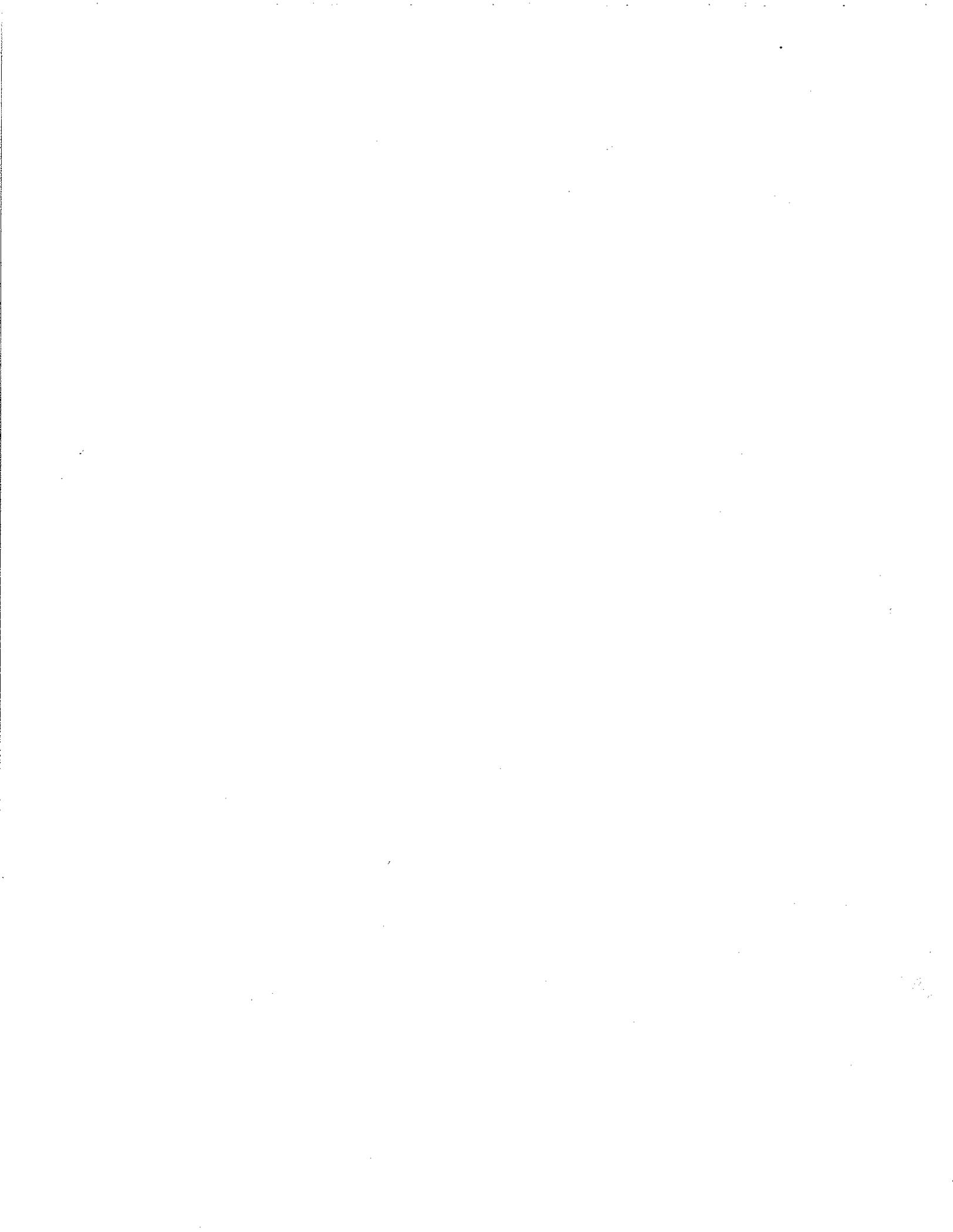
Initial Value Problem

Defn. A first-order differential equation together with an initial condition,
 $y' = f(x, y), y(t_0) = y_0$,
 is called an initial value problem.

Ex. $y' = y^2 - t, y(4) = 0$.

Interval of Existence

Defn. The interval of existence of a solution to a differential equation is defined to be the largest interval over which the solution can be defined and remain a solution.



Solutions to Separable Equations.

Defn. Separable differential Equation.

Equations of form like $\frac{dy}{dt} = g(t)f(y)$.
are called separable differential equations.

We can solve separable equation using the following 3 steps:

1. Separate the variables: $\frac{dy}{f(y)} = g(t) dt$.
2. Integrate both sides: $\int \frac{dy}{f(y)} = \int g(t) dt$.
3. Solve for the equation $y(t)$, if possible.

Ex. $y' = e^x / (1+y)$? ✓

Separable? $y' = \cos(xy)$? ✗

$y' = xy + y$? ✓

$y' = e^{y/x}$? ✗

Ex: $y' = ty^2$.

Step 1: Write the equation using $\frac{dy}{dt}$ instead of y' ,

so $\frac{dy}{dt} = ty^2$.

Step 2: $\frac{dy}{y^2} = t dt$.

Integrate it.

$$\int \frac{1}{y^2} dy = \int t dt.$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{2}t^2 + C.$$

Step 3: Solve it, get the solution is

$$y(t) = -\frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}t^2 + C}$$
$$= \frac{-2}{t^2 + 2C}.$$

Ex. $x' = \frac{2tx}{1+x}$, $x(0) = 1$.

Step 1: $\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{2tx}{1+x}$.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1+x}{x} dx = 2t dt$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + \frac{1}{x}) dx = 2t dt$$

Step 2. Integrate it, $\int (1 + \frac{1}{x}) dx = \int 2t dt$.

$$\Rightarrow x + \ln|x| = t^2 + C$$

Step 3. Solve for C.

Plug in $x(0) = 1$, i.e. $t = 0$, $x = 1$.

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \ln 1 = 0 + C$$

$$\text{so } 1 = C$$

hence $x + \ln|x| = t^2 + 1$.

Discussion: The function $\ln|x|$ is not defined at $x = 0$.

so our solution can never be equal to 0.

Since our initial condition is positive, and

a solution must be continuous, our solution $x(t)$ must be positive for all t . So $|x| = x$ and our solution is given

implicitly by $x + \ln x = t^2 + 1$. (*)

This is as far as we can go. We can not solve this equation.

So just say the solution is defined implicitly by (*).

Ex. $y' = (\sin x)/y$ $y(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 1$.

Step 1: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sin x / y$

$$\Rightarrow y dy = \sin x dx$$

Step 2: Integrate it.

$$\int y dy = \int \sin x dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}y^2 = -\cos x + C$$

Step 3: Solve for C.

Plug in $y(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 1$, i.e. $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$, $y = 1$.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1^2 = -\cos \frac{\pi}{2} + C$$

$$= 0 + C$$

$$\Rightarrow C = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{so } \frac{1}{2}y^2 = -\cos x + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{hence } y^2 = -2\cos x + 1.$$

$$y(x) = \pm \sqrt{-2\cos x + 1}$$

Check: $y(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 1$.

so only $y(x) = \sqrt{-2\cos x + 1}$ satisfies $y(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 1$.

hence $y(x) = \sqrt{-2\cos x + 1}$ is the solution.

$$y' = y/x.$$

Step 1 = Write the equation using dy/dx instead of y' .

$$\text{so } \frac{dy}{dx} = y/x.$$

$$\text{Step 2: } \frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dx}{x}$$

Integrate it.

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

$$\Rightarrow \ln y = \ln x + C.$$

Step 3 = Solve it, get the solution

$$y(x) = e^{\ln x + C}$$

$$= e^C x.$$

$$\text{Ex 3. } y' = (1 + y^2) e^x.$$

Step 1 = Write the equation using dy/dx instead of y' .

$$\text{so } \frac{dy}{dx} = (1 + y^2) e^x.$$

$$\text{Step 2: } \frac{dy}{1 + y^2} = e^x dx$$

$$\text{Integrate it. } \int \frac{dy}{1 + y^2} = \int e^x dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \arctan y = e^x + C.$$

Step 3: Solve it, get the solution $y(x) = \tan(e^x + C).$

Solving Initial Value Problem. Need use definite integration.

Ex. $y' = e^x/(1+y)$, $y(0) = 1$.

Step 1: $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^x/(1+y)$

$$\Rightarrow (1+y)dy = e^x dx$$

Step 2: Integrate it.

$$\int (1+y)dy = \int e^x dx$$

$$\Rightarrow y + \frac{1}{2}y^2 = e^x + C.$$

Step 3: Solve C.

Plug in $y(0) = 1$, i.e. $x=0$, $y=1$.

$$1 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1^2 = e^0 + C. \Rightarrow 1 + \frac{1}{2} = 1 + C.$$

$$\Rightarrow C = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Step 4: $y + \frac{1}{2}y^2 = e^x + \frac{1}{2}$.

$$\text{so } 2y + y^2 - 2(e^x + \frac{1}{2}) = 0. \quad \text{i.e. } y^2 + 2y - (2e^x + 1) = 0.$$

$$\text{so } y = \frac{1}{2} [-2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 4(2e^x + 1)}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [-2 + 2\sqrt{2e^x + 2}]$$

$$= -1 + \sqrt{2e^x + 2}$$

□

There is no other solution.

Linear Equations.

Defn. A first-order linear equation is of the form
$$x' = a(t)x + f(t).$$

If $f(t) = 0$, the equation is said to be homogeneous.

Otherwise it is inhomogeneous.

Ex. $x' = \sin t \cdot x$. homogeneous.

$x' = e^{2t}x + \cos t$. inhomogeneous.

$y' = x/y$. nonlinear.

Solution of the homogeneous equation.

$$x' = a(t)x.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = a(t)x.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{x} = a(t)dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{dx}{x} = \int a(t)dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln|x| = \int a(t)dt + C.$$

Exponentiating, we get $|x| = e^{\int a(t)dt + C} = e^C e^{\int a(t)dt}$.

Replace constant e^C by A .

we get the general solution is

$$x(t) = A e^{\int a(t) dt}$$

Ex. $x' = \sin(t) x \Rightarrow a(t) = \sin(t)$

get $x(t) = A e^{\int \sin t dt}$

$$= A e^{-\cos t} + C$$

$$= A' e^{-\cos t}$$

Solution of the inhomogeneous equation.

$$x' = a(t)x + f(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow x' - a(t)x = f(t)$$

then we don't know how to do it! (this is not)

Now let's try an easier example?

If $a(t) = k$, i.e.

$$x' - kx = f(t)$$

we can try to solve it.

Recall: $(e^{-kt}x)' = e^{-kt}x' - e^{-kt} \cdot kx = e^{-kt} \underbrace{(x' - kx)}$

We can make use of this.

multiply e^{-kt} on both sides of $x' - kx = f(t)$.

We get $e^{-kt}(x' - kx) = e^{-kt}f(t).$

$$\Rightarrow (e^{-kt}x)' = e^{-kt}f(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int (e^{-kt}x)' = \int e^{-kt}f(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-kt}x = \int e^{-kt}f(t).$$

hence $x(t) = e^{kt} \int e^{-kt}f(t).$

Good!

So how about $x' - a(t)x = f(t).$

Similarly, $(e^{-\int a(t)dt}x)' = e^{-\int a(t)dt}x' - e^{-\int a(t)dt}a(t)x$

$$= e^{-\int a(t)dt} (x' - a(t)x)$$

so multiply $e^{-\int a(t)dt}$ (called integrating factor) on both sides of $x' - a(t)x = f(t).$

we get $e^{-\int a(t)dt}(x' - a(t)x) = e^{-\int a(t)dt}f(t).$

$$\Rightarrow (e^{-\int a(t)dt}x)' = e^{-\int a(t)dt}f(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int (e^{-\int a(t)dt}x)' = \int e^{-\int a(t)dt}f(t) dt$$

so $e^{-\int a(t)dt}x = \int e^{-\int a(t)dt}f(t) dt$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = e^{\int a(t)dt} \int e^{-\int a(t)dt}f(t) dt.$$

□

Summary of the method.

So we've found a general method of solving arbitrary linear Equations.

For $x' = a(t)x + f(t)$.

it can be solved using following 4 steps.

1. Rewrite the equation as

$$x' - a(t)x = f(t).$$

2. Multiply by the integrating factor

$$u(t) = e^{-\int a(t) dt}.$$

so the equation becomes

$$(ux)' = u(x' - ax) = uf$$

3. Integrate this equation to obtain.

$$u(t)x(t) = \int u(t)f(t) dt + C.$$

3. Solve for $x(t)$.

Ex. $x' = x + e^{-t}$

Step 1: Rewrite it as $x' - x = e^{-t}$. $a(t) = 1$, $f(t) = e^{-t}$

Step 2: Multiply by the integrating factor

$$u(t) = e^{-\int a(t) dt} = e^{-\int 1 dt} = e^{-t}$$

so the equation becomes

$$(e^{-t} x)' = e^{-t} \cdot e^{-t}$$

Step 3: Integrate this equation to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-t} x(t) &= \int e^{-2t} dt + C' \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} e^{-2t} + C \end{aligned}$$

Step 4: $x(t) = e^t \left(-\frac{1}{2} e^{-2t} + C \right)$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} e^{-t} + C e^t$$

Ex. $x' = x \cos t + \cos t$ $x(0) = 2$.

Step 1: Rewrite this equation as

$$x' - \cos t x = \cos t.$$

$$a(t) = \cos t, \quad f(t) = \cos t.$$

Step 2: Multiply by the integrating factor

$$\mu(t) = e^{-\int a(t) dt} = e^{-\int \cos t dt} = e^{-\sin t}$$

we get, $(e^{-\sin t} x)' = e^{-\sin t} \cos t$.

Step 3: Integrate the equation to obtain

$$e^{-\sin t} x(t) = \int e^{-\sin t} \cos t dt + C$$

$$= \int e^{-\sin t} d(\sin t) + C$$

$$= -e^{-\sin t} + C$$

Step 4: so $x(t) = e^{\sin t} (-e^{-\sin t} + C)$

$$= C e^{\sin t} - 1.$$

For C, plug for $x(0) = 2$. $\Rightarrow 2 = C \cdot e^{\sin 0} - 1 \Rightarrow 2 = C - 1 \Rightarrow C = 3$.

so $x(t) = 3e^{\sin t} - 1$. \square

Ex of Drawing Direction Field by Human Method =

$$y' = ty^2.$$

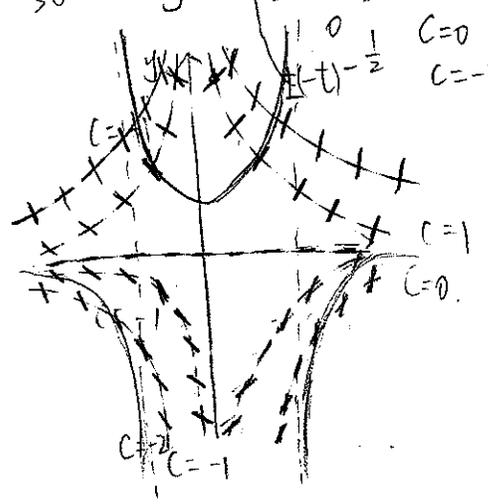
Let $y' = C.$

i.e $ty^2 = C$

so $y^2 = \frac{C}{t}$

$$y = \pm \sqrt{\frac{C}{t}}.$$

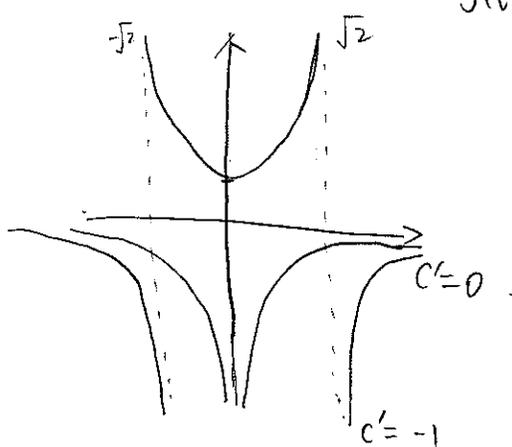
so $y = \int \pm t^{-\frac{1}{2}} dt, \quad C=1$
 $\qquad\qquad\qquad C=0$
 $\qquad\qquad\qquad C=-1$



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chalk!

Check. $y(t) = \frac{2}{t^2 + 2C'}$

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} -\frac{2}{t^2}, & C'=0 \\ -\frac{2}{t^2-2}, & C'=-1 \end{cases}$$



Ex. $y' = (1 + y^2)$.

Ex. $y' = 2 - y$.