

First Paper HW will be posted later today.

Section 1.4 Separable Equations

consider $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y)$ if $f(x, y)$ does not contain variable y
then solve using antiderivatives

ex. given $\frac{dy}{dx} = -6x$

then $y(x) = \int \frac{dy}{dx} dx = -6 \int x dx$
 $= -3x^2 + C$

ex. given $\frac{dy}{dx} = -6xy$ cannot be solved by just integrating both sides
new method: separation of variables

$\frac{1}{y} dy = -6x dx$ find $y(x)$

$\int \frac{1}{y} dy = -6 \int x dx$

$\ln |y| = -3x^2 + C$

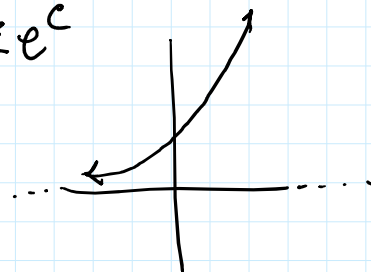
$|y| = e^{-3x^2 + C}$

$y = \pm e^{-3x^2} e^C$

$y = A e^{-3x^2}$

let $A = \pm e^C$

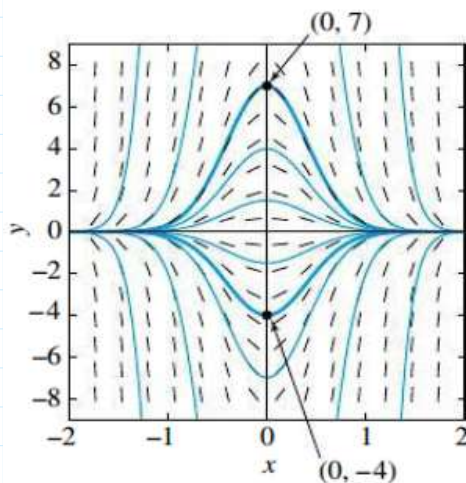
because of HA
UNDEF @ $A = 0$



when $A=1$ $y = e^{-x^2}$

add initial condition $y(0) = 7$ $7 = A e^0$
 $7 = A \Rightarrow y = 7e^{-3x^2}$

or given $y(0) = -4 \Rightarrow 4 = A \Rightarrow y = -4e^{-3x^2}$



is defined as

$A \neq 0$ by def'n however when $A = 0 \Rightarrow y(x) \equiv 0$

because $y = 0 \cdot e^{-3x^2} \Rightarrow 0$

conclude: because of how A is defined: $A = \pm e^c$

$y(x) = A e^{-3x^2}$ provides sol'n for $\frac{dy}{dx} = -6xy$

for ALL values of A including $A = 0$

important: didn't initially capture all solutions since
divided by y in solving process

inadvertently made assumption $y \neq 0$

1st order DE is considered separable when $f(x, y)$ CBW as product
of function of x and function of y

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y) = g(x) \cdot k(y) = \frac{g(x)}{h(y)}$$

$$\text{define } k(y) = \frac{1}{h(y)}$$

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

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

integrate WRT x

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

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

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

↑ technically
y(x)

ex solve $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4-2x}{3y^2-5}$

↙ rational fraction

$$= 4-2x \cdot \frac{1}{3y^2-5}$$

← product

$$= g(x) \cdot k(y)$$

$$3y^2 - 5 = 0$$

$$3y^2 = 5$$

$$y^2 = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$y = \pm \sqrt{\frac{5}{3}} \leftarrow \text{HA}$$

conclude: DE will not have a solution @ $y = \pm \sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}$

i.e. no solution curves of DE will cross horizontal lines $y = \sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}$ or $y = -\sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}$

bc $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is UND along those lines

now we can find the general soln of DE:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4-2x}{3y^2-5}$$

$$\int (3y^2-5) dy = \int (4-2x) dx$$

$$y^3 - 5y = 4x - x^2 + C$$

← arb. constant

← can't readily solve for y
instead solve for C

$$C = y^3 - 5y - (4x - x^2)$$

↓
F(x,y)

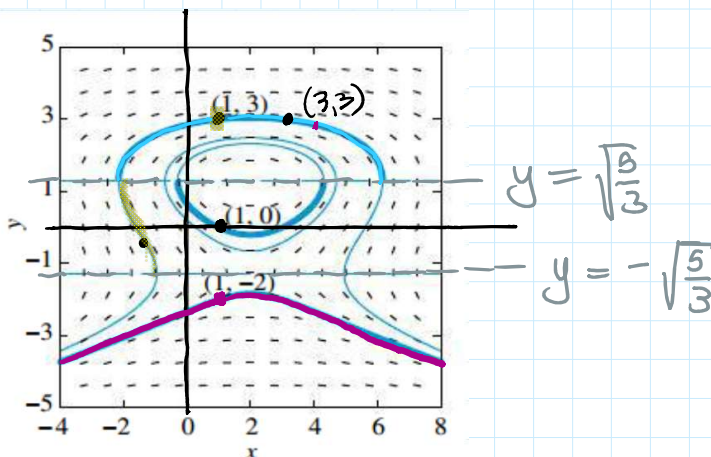
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• when $y = 2 \rightarrow 2^3 - 5(2) - (4 - 1)$

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• given $y(1) = 3 \Rightarrow 27 - 15 - (4 - 1) = 9 = C$
 $= 12 - \left(\frac{4}{3}\right) \Rightarrow 9 = C$

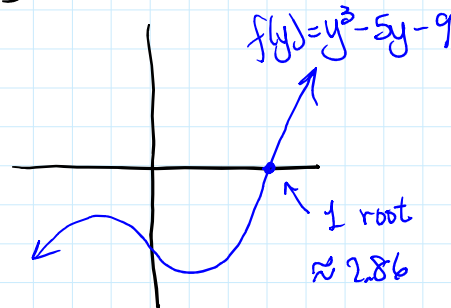
$\therefore$ specific sol'n curve lies on $y^3 - 5y - (4x - x^2) = 9$
 to correct for $y = \sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}$, restrict sol'n curve to $y > \sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}$



• given $y(1) = -2$ $C = -5$ restrict sol'n curve to $y < -\sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}$

• given $y(1) = 0$ restrict sol'n curve to $-\sqrt{\frac{5}{3}} < y < \sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}$

• however, when $x = 4$: $y^3 - 5y - (4(4) - 4(4)) = 9 \leftarrow \text{only } y$
 $\therefore f(y) = y^3 - 5y - 9 = 0$
 $\uparrow$ cubic
 $y(4) \approx 2.86$
 also $y(0) \approx 2.86$



• given $y(3) = 3 \Rightarrow 9 = C$ on same curve as $y(1) = 3$

given sol'n $y = y(x)$ of DE then $k(x, y) = 0$ is called
 an implicit sol'n of DE

note: $k(x, y) = 0$ may not satisfy an initial condition

ex. given $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ circle $r = 2$ center @ $(0, 0)$

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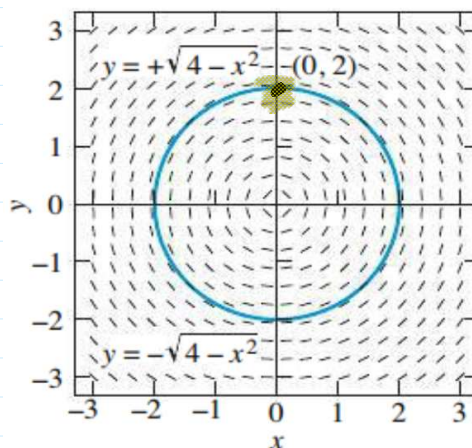
$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 + y^2 = 4)$$

$$2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \rightarrow x + y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$x + y y' = 0 \leftarrow \text{DE}$$

conclude: $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ is an implicit sol'n to $x + y y' = 0$

$$y_1 = +\sqrt{4-x^2} \quad y_2 = -\sqrt{4-x^2}$$



• given initial condition $y(0)=2$ only $y_1 = \sqrt{4-x^2}$ work

ex. find all sol'ns $\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x(y-1)^{2/3}$

$$\int \frac{1}{(y-1)^{2/3}} dy = 6 \int x dx$$

$$\int (y-1)^{-2/3} dy = 3x^2 + C_1 \quad \text{where } C_1 \text{ is arb. constant}$$

$$\frac{3}{1} (y-1)^{1/3} = 3x^2 + \frac{C_1}{3}$$

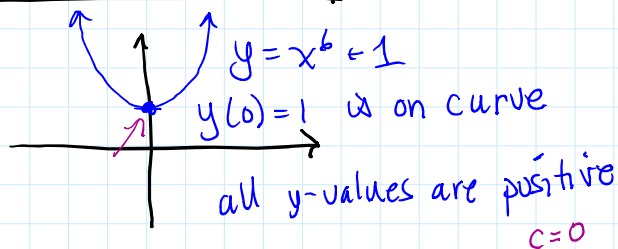
$$(y-1)^{1/3} = x^2 + \frac{C_2}{3} \quad \text{where } C_2 = \frac{C_1}{3}$$

$$y-1 = (x^2 + C)^3$$

$$y = (x^2 + C)^3 + 1$$

continuation 4 feb:

• when $C=0$: $y = (x^2)^3 + 1$
 $y = x^6 + 1$



- when $C > 0$: lie above $y = 1$
- when $C < 0$: can dip below $y = 1$
- no value of C that return $y \equiv 1$
(sol'n got "lost" in separation)

it's what's a singular solution -

cannot be obtained from general sol'n
through an arbitrary choice of C

note: $y(x) \equiv 1$ (horizontal line) satisfies $y(1) = 1$

AND
 $y(x) = (x^2 - 1)^3 + 1$ also satisfies $y(1) = 1$
 ↑ if we consider it outside of separable eq'n
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