

Big ideas from week 1: (Sections 2.1, 2.2)

- In many real-world situations, there are simple relations between a function and its derivatives. These can be expressed as ODEs.
  - New technique for solving ODEs: Separation of variables.
  - Exponential growth:  $y' = ky \quad k > 0$   
 Exponential decay:  $y' = ky \quad k < 0$
- $$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Exponential growth: } y' = ky \quad k > 0 \\ \text{Exponential decay: } y' = ky \quad k < 0 \end{array} \right\} y(t) = y_0 e^{kt} \quad y(0) = y_0.$$
- Decay  $\rightarrow$  value:  $y' = k(A - y); \quad k > 0 \quad y(t) = A + Ce^{kt} \quad y(0) = A + C.$
- Difference between the general solution & a particular solution (with initial conditions).

Recalls

Decay  $\rightarrow$  0  $\quad \frac{dy}{dt} = -ky \quad (k > 0)$

$$\int \frac{dy}{y} = \int -k dt$$

$$\ln|y| = -kt + C$$

$$y(t) = e^{-kt+C}$$

$$\boxed{y(t) = Ce^{-kt}}$$

Decay  $\rightarrow$  A  $\quad \frac{dy}{dt} = k(A - y) = -k(y - A)$

$$\int \frac{dy}{y-A} = \int -k dt$$

$$\ln|y-A| = -kt + C$$

$$y(t) - A = e^{-kt+C} = Ce^{-kt}$$

$$\boxed{y(t) = A + Ce^{-kt}}$$

## 2. Basic Physics

Falling object:  $x(t)$  = height of an object

$$v(t) = x'(t) = \text{velocity}$$

$$a(t) = x''(t) = \text{acceleration}$$

Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> law:  $F = ma$ .

On Earth,  $a = -g$ , so  $F = -mg$  ( $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$  or  $32 \text{ ft/s}^2$ )

Think: Why the negative sign?

Together, we get  $x''(t) = -g$

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$$x'(t) = -gt + C$$

$$x(t) = -\frac{1}{2}gt^2 + Ct + D.$$

Note:  $x'(0) = C$  initial velocity,  $v_0$

$x(0) = D$  initial height,  $x_0$ .

Thus  $x(t) = -\frac{1}{2}gt^2 + v_0t + x_0$

Now, assume there's air resistance.

Facts of air resistance:

1. No velocity, no air resistance
2. acts in opposite direction as velocity
3. Doesn't depend on  $x$ .

Together, we conclude  $R(v) = -\underbrace{r(v)}_{\text{non-negative}} v$

It's not exact, but a good model is  $r(v) = \underbrace{r}_{\text{constant}} v$ .

Therefore,  $F = -mg + R(v)$   
 $= -mg - rv.$

Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> law:  $F = ma = m \frac{dv}{dt} = -mg - rv$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = -g - \frac{r}{m} v$$

we can separate variables & solve...

OR, just remember that  $v' = k(A - v)$  has sol'n  $v(t) = A + Ce^{-kt}$ .  
 need to put in this form

$$v' = -g - \frac{r}{m} v$$

$$= \frac{r}{m} \left( -\frac{mg}{r} - v \right) \quad A = -\frac{mg}{r}, \quad k = -\frac{r}{m}$$

$$v(t) = Ce^{-\frac{rt}{m}} - \frac{mg}{r}$$

Note:  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} v(t) = -\frac{gm}{r}$  (terminal velocity)

Now, let's solve for  $x(t)$ .

Recall:  $v(t) = \frac{dx}{dt}$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = Ce^{-\frac{rt}{m}} - \frac{mg}{r}$$

Integrate:  $x(t) = -\frac{m}{r} Ce^{-\frac{rt}{m}} - \frac{gm}{r} t + D$

↑ const. of integration.

Question: Does a falling object ever reach terminal velocity?

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Example: Drop a brick from the top of a building, 250m high. Mass = 2g, air resistance force  $R(v) = -4v$ . How long will it take to reach the ground?

$$v' = -g - \frac{r}{m}v = -9.8 - \frac{4}{2}v = 2(-4.9 - v) = k(A - v)$$

$$k = 2, A = -4.9 \Rightarrow v(t) = A + Ce^{-kt} = \boxed{-4.9 + Ce^{-2t}}$$

$v(0) = -4.9 + C = 0 \Rightarrow C = 4.9$ . The particular solution is:

$$\boxed{v(t) = 4.9e^{-2t} - 4.9} = 4.9(e^{-2t} - 1)$$

We want time  $t$ , when  $x(t) = 0$ .

$$x(t) = 4.9\left(-\frac{1}{2}e^{-2t} - t\right) + D$$

$$x(0) = -\frac{4.9}{2} + D = 250 \Rightarrow D = 252.45$$

$$x(t) = 4.9\left(\frac{1}{2}e^{-2t} - t\right) + 252.45$$

The brick hits the ground when  $x(t) = 0$ .

$$4.9\left(-\frac{1}{2}e^{-2t} - t\right) + 252.45 = 0$$

Solves for  $t$  (with calculator/computer).

# Linear equations

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Recall high school algebra:

A linear equation is  $f(x) = ax + b$ .

In Math 208:

A (1<sup>st</sup> order) linear differential equation is  $x' = a(t)x + f(t)$   
(wrt  $x$ ,  $a(t)$  &  $f(t)$  are constants)

A (1<sup>st</sup> order) homogeneous linear diff eq. is  $x' = a(t)x$

<u>Ex:</u>	$x' = t^2 x + 5$	linear
	$x' = t x^2 + 5$	non-linear
	$x' = t \sin x$	non-linear
	$x' = (\sin t) x$	linear, homogeneous
	$x' = t^3 - 2t^2 + t + 1$	linear
	$x' = x x'$	non-linear.

We'll see two methods for solving linear ODEs.

- Integrating factor
- Variation of parameters.

First, consider the homogeneous case:  $x' = a(t)x$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = a(t)x \Rightarrow \int \frac{dx}{x} = \int a(t) dt \Rightarrow \ln|x| = \int a(t) dt + C$$

$$|x| = e^{\int a(t) dt + C} \Rightarrow |x| = e^C e^{\int a(t) dt} \Rightarrow \boxed{x(t) = C e^{\int a(t) dt}}$$

Think: why did we drop the abs. value sign?

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 Now that we can solve  $x'(t) = a(t)x(t)$ , let's solve  $x'(t) = a(t)x(t) + f(t)$ .  
homogeneous eq'n inhomogeneous eq'n

Method #1: integrating factor ("product rule in reverse")

write as  $x' - ax = f$ .

Suppose "a" is a constant:  $x' - ax$  "almost the product rule"  
 $e^{-ax} x' - a e^{-ax} x$  (multiply by  $e^{-ax}$ )  
 $= (x e^{-ax})'$  (product rule)

Let's try the same thing here.

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

$(x e^{-\int a(t) dt})' = f(t) e^{-\int a(t) dt}$  now, integrate both sides

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

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

Example 1:  $y' = 2y + t$  Think: why won't separation of variables work?

$y' - 2y = t$ . Integrating factor:  $e^{-2t}$

$y' e^{-2t} - 2y e^{-2t} = t e^{-2t}$

$\int (y e^{-2t})' = \int t e^{-2t}$

$y e^{-2t} = -\frac{1}{4} e^{-2t} (2t + 1) + C$

$y(t) = -\frac{1}{2} t - \frac{1}{4} + C e^{2t}$

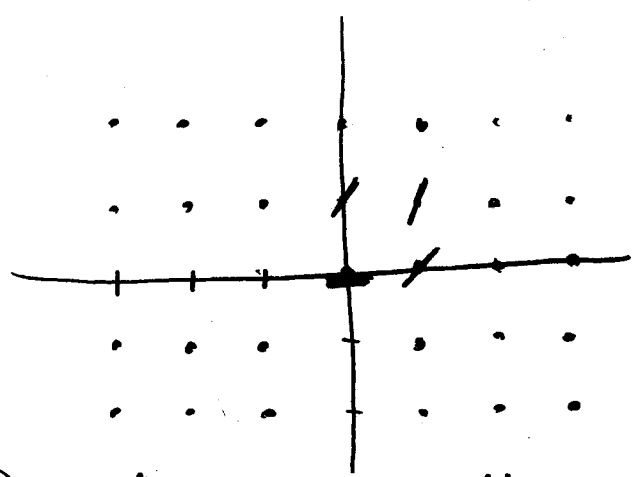
Check:  $y'(t) = -\frac{1}{2} + 2C e^{2t} - 2$ ,  $y + 2y(t) = t + \frac{1}{2} + 2C e^{2t}$   
 And  $y' - 2y = t$  ✓ (i.e.,  $y(t)$  solves this ODE).

Let's plot this:  $y(t) = -\frac{1}{2}t - \frac{1}{4} + Ce^{2t}$

But how???

Go back to the ODE:  $y' = 2y + t$ .

Method 1: On a grid, draw the slope field point-by-point.



$y' = 2y + t$

↑ slope

$(0,0) \rightsquigarrow y' = 0$   
 $(0,1): y' = 2$   
 $(1,0): y' = 1$   
 $(1,1): y' = 3$

Damnside: TEDIIOUS!!!

Method 2: Isoclines.

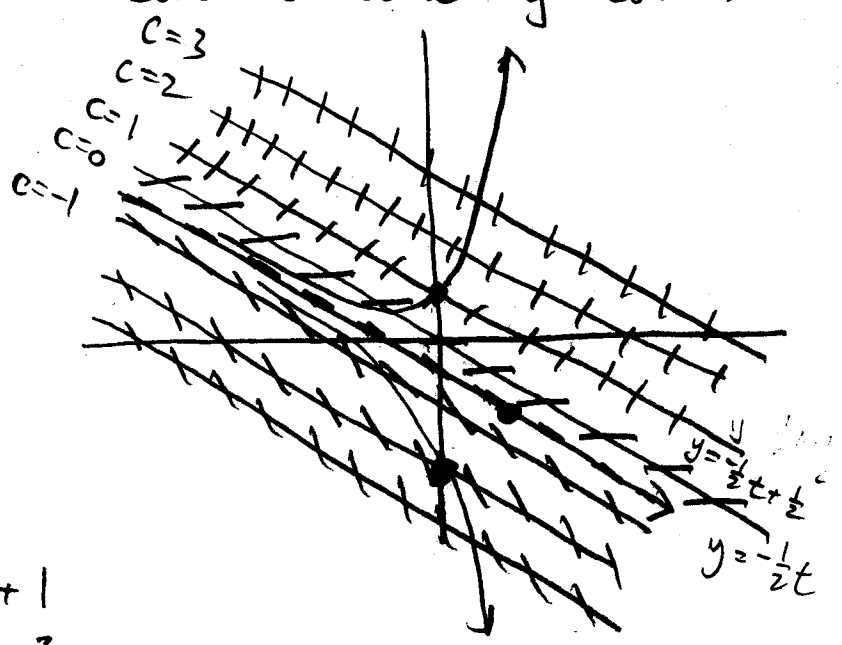
Def: An isocline is a line or curve on which  $y' = \text{const}$ .

Q: When is  $y' = 0$ ?

A: When  $2y + t = 0$ ,  
 i.e.,  $y = -\frac{1}{2}t$ .

Q: When does  $y' = 1$ ?

A: When  $2y + t = 1$   
 i.e.,  $y = -\frac{1}{2}t + \frac{1}{2}$



Continue:  $y' = 2 \Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{2}t + 1$

$y' = 3 \Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{2}t + \frac{3}{2}$

$y' = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{2}t - \frac{1}{4}$

Sketch the sol'n curves satisfying:

(i)  $y(0) = 1$

(ii)  $y(1) = -\frac{3}{4}$

(iii)  $y(0) = -1$

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$$y' = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0$$

$$y' = 1 \Rightarrow y = \pm 1$$

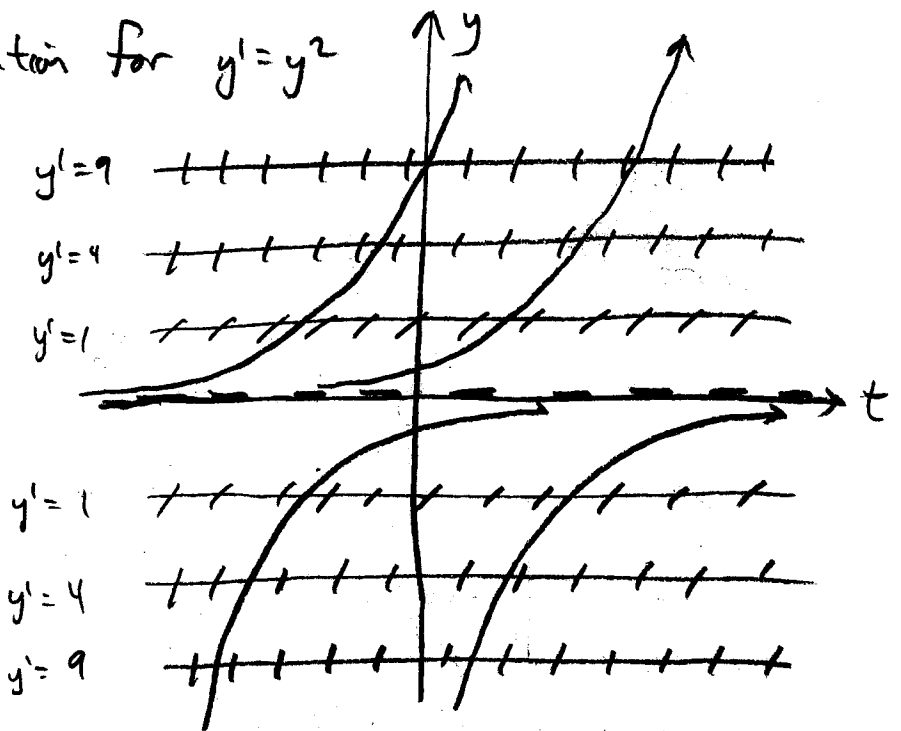
$$y' = 4 \Rightarrow y = \pm 2$$

$$y' = 9 \Rightarrow \emptyset$$

Btw, what is  $y(t)$ ?

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y^2 \Rightarrow \int y^{-2} dy = \int dt$$

$$-\frac{1}{y} = t + c \Rightarrow \boxed{y(t) = \frac{-1}{t+c}}$$



Example: Sketch the solution for  $y' = t^2$

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{3}t^3 + C$$

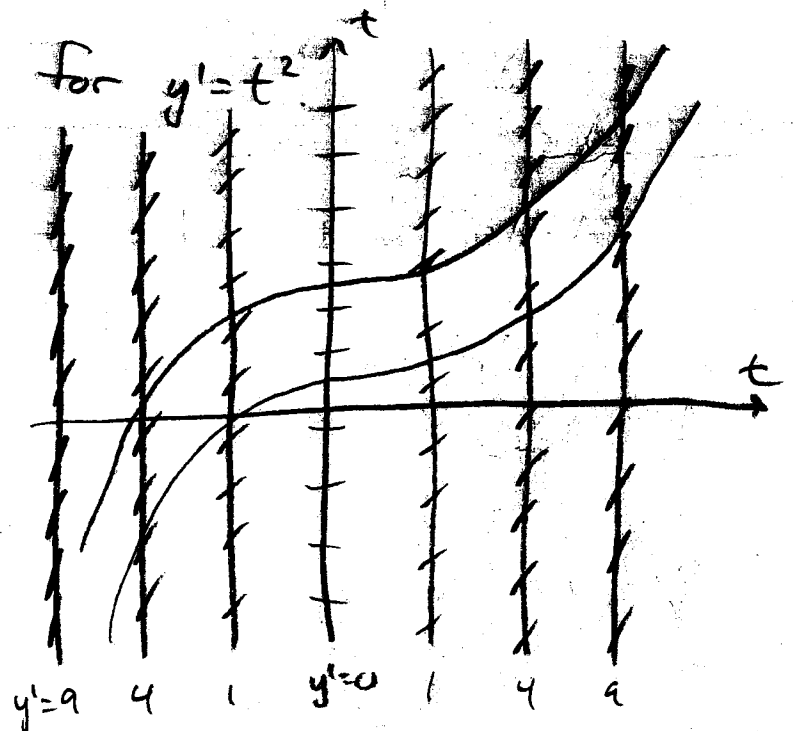
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$$y' = 1 \Rightarrow t = \pm 1$$

$$y' = 4 \Rightarrow t = \pm 2$$

$$y' = 9 \Rightarrow t = \pm 3$$



What have we done?

- We've started with an ODE & plotted it w/o even solving it!



Example: (of integrating factor AND isoclines). 9

$$y' = y + e^{-t}$$

$$y' - y = e^{-t} \quad \text{integrating factor: } e^{-t}$$

$$e^{-t} y' - e^{-t} y = e^{-2t}$$

$$\int (e^{-t} y)' = \int e^{-2t}$$

$$e^{-t} y = -\frac{1}{2} e^{-2t} + c \quad (\text{Don't forget 'c'!})$$

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

Sketch the direction field:

(using isoclines)

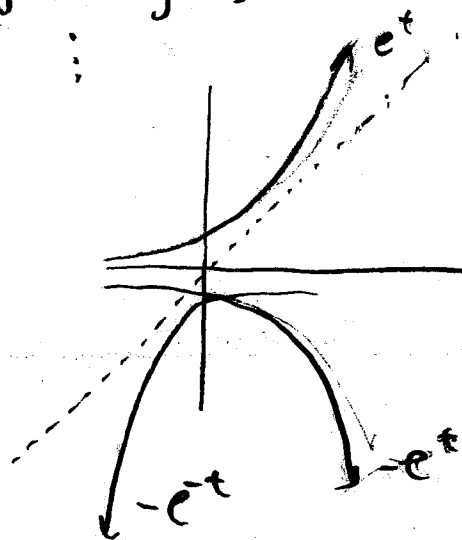
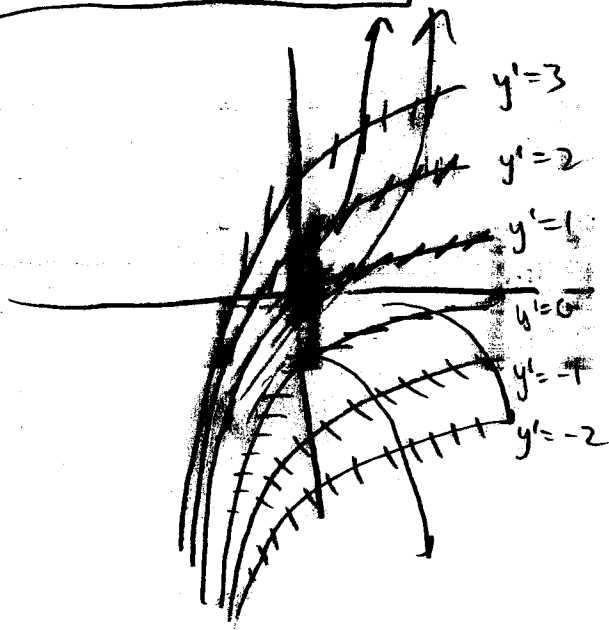
$$y' = 0: \quad y = -e^{-t}$$

$$y' = 1: \quad 1 = y + e^{-t} \\ y = 1 - e^{-t}$$

$$y' = 2: \quad y = 2 - e^{-t}$$

$$y' = 3: \quad y = 3 - e^{-t}$$

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Recall the integrating factor method:

$$\bullet \quad y' + 4y = t^2 \quad \text{int. factor } e^{4t}, \quad \frac{d}{dt} e^{4t} = 4e^{4t}$$

$$e^{4t} y' + 4e^{4t} y = t^2 e^{4t}$$

$$(e^{4t} y)' = t^2 e^{4t} \quad \text{now solve...}$$

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•  $y' + (\sin t)y = 1$      int. factor  $e^{\cos t}$       $\frac{d}{dt} e^{\cos t} = \sin t e^{\cos t}$

$e^{\cos t} y' + \sin t e^{\cos t} y = e^{\cos t}$

$(e^{\cos t} y)' = e^{\cos t}$

•  $y' - 12t^5 y = t^3$      int. factor  $e^{-2t^6}$       $\frac{d}{dt} e^{-2t^6} = -12t^5 e^{-2t^6}$

$e^{-2t^6} y' - 12t^5 e^{-2t^6} y = e^{-2t^6} t^3$

$(e^{-2t^6} y)' = e^{-2t^6} t^3$

•  $y' + \frac{1}{t} y = 1$      int. factor  $e^{\ln t} = t$

$e^{\ln t} y' + \frac{1}{t} e^{\ln t} y = 1$

$\frac{d}{dt} e^{\ln t} = \frac{1}{t} e^{\ln t} = 1$

$t y' + y = 1$

$(ty)' = 1$