

Math 2C03 - Class #3

2.5: Solutions By Substitution

Last class: We discussed methods for solving 3 special types of 1st-order DE's:
separable (2.2), linear (2.3), & exact (2.4).

If we encounter a 1st-order DE that doesn't fall into one of these 3 categories, sometimes we can make a substitution to transform the DE into one of our 3 types.

Defⁿ: A function $F: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called homogeneous if $F(tx, ty) = t^\alpha F(x, y)$ for some $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$.

e.g. 1 • $F(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$ is homog. of degree 2, since $F(tx, ty) = t^2 x^2 + t^2 y^2 = t^2 (x^2 + y^2) = t^2 F(x, y)$.

• $F(x, y) = x^2 + y$ is not homog., since $F(tx, ty) = t^2 x^2 + ty = t(t x^2 + y) \dots$ no way to write in form $F(tx, ty) = t^\alpha F(x, y)$.

Defⁿ: A 1st-order DE $M(x, y) dx + N(x, y) dy = 0$ is homogeneous if M & N are homog. functions of the same degree.

Solving 1st-order Homog. DE's (via a substitution):

- 1 Make the substitution $y = ux$ or $x = vy$
 $dy = x du + u dx$ or $dx = y dv + v dy$
try when N simpler than M or try when M simpler than N
- 2 Rearrange to see that your eqⁿ into a separable eqⁿ.

- 3) Solve the separable equation: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{3xy}$
- 4) Substitute back to put your answer in terms of x and y .

eg. 7 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{3xy}$

$\underbrace{3xy}_{N} dy + \underbrace{(-x^2 + y^2)}_M dx = 0$

M and N are both homog. of deg. 2, since

$M(tx, ty) = -t^2x^2 + t^2y^2 = t^2(-x^2 + y^2) = t^2 M(x, y)$
 $N(tx, ty) = 3txty = t^2 3xy = t^2 N(x, y)$

$y = ux$
 $dy = xdu + udx$

$\Rightarrow (-x^2 + u^2x^2) dx + 3x^2u(xdu + udx) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow (-x^2 + 4u^2x^2) dx + 3x^3u du = 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x}(-1 + 4u^2) dx + 3u du = 0$

$\Rightarrow \int \frac{1}{x} dx = \int \frac{-3u}{4u^2 - 1} du$

$\Rightarrow \ln x = -\frac{3}{8} \int \frac{1}{w} dw$

$\Rightarrow \ln x = -\frac{3}{8} \ln(4u^2 - 1) + C$

$\Rightarrow \ln x = \ln((4u^2 - 1)^{-3/8}) + C$

$\Rightarrow x = C(4u^2 - 1)^{-3/8}$

$x = C(4\frac{y^2}{x^2} - 1)^{-3/8}$

$w = 4u^2 - 1$
 $dw = 8u du$
 $\frac{1}{8} dw = u du$

$\Rightarrow x^8(4\frac{y^2}{x^2} - 1)^3 = C$

$\Rightarrow x^8(\frac{1}{x^2}(4y^2 - x^2))^3 = C$

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

Defⁿ: Bernoulli's eqⁿ is a DE of the form

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = F(x)y^n \quad \text{where } n \in \mathbb{R}.$$

[If $n=0$ or $n=1$, then this eqⁿ is linear].

Solving Bernoulli's Eqⁿ:

- 1] Make the substitution $u = y^{1-n}$. $du = (1-n)y^{-n} dy$.
- 2] Solve this linear eqⁿ. $[y^{-n} dy + P(x)y^{1-n} dx = F(x) dx]$
 $\frac{du}{dx} + (1-n)P(x)u = (1-n)F(x)$ linear.
- 3] Write equation in terms of x & y .

e.g.7 Solve $\frac{dy}{dx} - 5y = -\frac{5}{2}xy^3$.

Here $n=3$, so let $u = y^{1-3} = y^{-2}$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = -2y^{-3} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

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

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{du}{dx} = y^{-3} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

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

$$-\frac{1}{2} \frac{du}{dx} - 5u = -\frac{5}{2}x$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} + 10u = 5x$$

$$\int P(x) dx = \int 10 dx = 10x$$

$$u = e^{-10x} \left[\int e^{10x} (5x) dx \right]$$

$$= 5e^{-10x} \left[\frac{1}{10} x e^{10x} - \frac{1}{10} \int e^{10x} dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{e^{-10x}}{2} \left[x e^{10x} - \frac{1}{10} e^{10x} + c \right]$$

$$= \frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{20} + c e^{-10x}$$

$$\therefore y^{-2} = \frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{20} + c e^{-10x}$$

implicit solution

[An example of a DE not in this form would be $\frac{dy}{dx} = (x+y)^2 + x^2$]

Reduction to Separation of Variables:

A DE of the form $\frac{dy}{dx} = F(Ax + By + c)$, for $A, B, c \in \mathbb{R}$, $B \neq 0$ can be reduced to a separable eqⁿ via the substitution $u = Ax + By + c$.

e.g. $\frac{dy}{dx} = (-2x + y)^2 - 1$ has this form.

The function $F(u) = u^2 - 1$. $u = -2x + y$. So,

$$A = -2, B = 1, c = 0.$$

[This example is worked out on pg. 73].

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

Here the function is $F(u) = -u - 1 + (u + 2)^{-1}$. $u = x - y$
 $[A = 1, B = -1, c = 2]$.

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 1 - \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$1 - \frac{du}{dx} = -u - 1 + (u + 2)^{-1} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = u + 2 - \frac{1}{u + 2}$$

$$w = (u + 2)^{-1} \\ dw = -2(u + 2)^{-2} du \\ \frac{1}{2} dw = -\frac{1}{(u + 2)^2} du$$

$$\int \frac{(u + 2)}{(u + 2)^2 - 1} du = \int dx$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{w} dw = x + c$$

$$\ln|(u + 2)^2 - 1| = 2x + c$$

$$(u + 2)^2 = ce^{2x} + 1$$

$$(x - y + 2)^2 = ce^{2x} + 1$$

implicit solution

$$(x, y) = (x, y) = F$$

Recap: Homog. DE's \rightsquigarrow Separable

Bernoulli's Fy^n $u = y^{-n}$ \rightsquigarrow linear

$\frac{dy}{dx} = F(Ax + By + c)$ $u = Ax + By + c$ \rightsquigarrow Separable



2.1: Solution Curves Without a Solution

The past few classes we've been focusing on analytically solving 1st-order DE's. However, sometimes there is no way to symbolically write down what the solution is. In fact, in most real-world applications, this is the case!

Therefore, it's useful to analyze the behavior of solutions of DE's qualitatively (i.e. Existence & Uniqueness Theorem) & geometrically (direction fields, phase portraits).

Def'n: A direction field of the DE $\frac{dy}{dx} = F(x, y)$ is the vector field $F(x_0, y_0) = (1, \frac{dy}{dx}(x_0, y_0))$.

i.e. Each pt (x_0, y_0) in the xy -plane corresponds to a vector $(1, \frac{dy}{dx}(x_0, y_0))$.

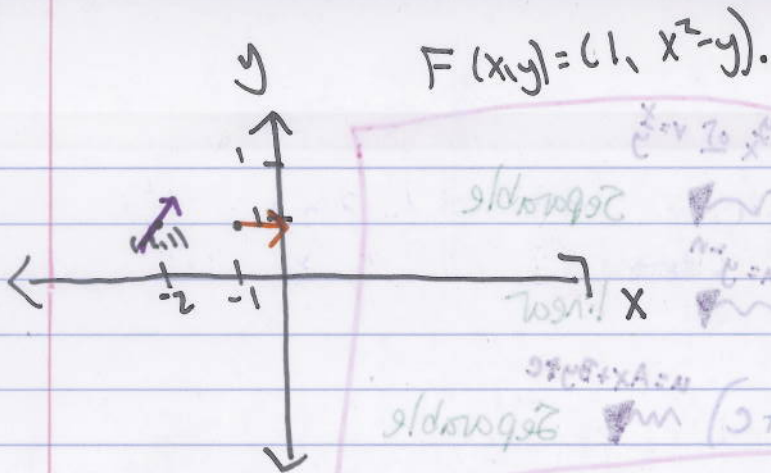
Here $\frac{dy}{dx}(x_0, y_0) = F(x_0, y_0)$ is the slope of the tangent line at (x_0, y_0) on the solution curve.

e.g. $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 - y$

The graph of a solution to this DE that passes through the point $(-2, 1)$ must have a slope $(-2)^2 - 1 = 3$.

i.e. $F(-2, 1) = (1, 3)$. $F(-1, 1) = (1, (-1)^2 - 1) = (1, 0)$.

To graph these, identify the point $(-2, 1)$, & draw the vector $(1, 3)$ at that pt.



[Print this VF & give as handout].

- A single solution curve that passes through a direction field must follow the flow pattern of the field. i.e. at each point the curve must be tangent to the slope vector at that point.

Defⁿ: An autonomous DE is a DE in which the independent variable does not appear explicitly. i.e. IF x is independent & y dependent, then an autonomous 1st-order DE has the form $\frac{dy}{dx} = F(y)$.

e.g. $\frac{dy}{dx} = y + 7$ is autonomous, but

$\frac{dy}{dx} = xy$ is not.

Notice: Autonomous DE's are separable!

- * We're going to look at autonomous DE's b/c
- 1] Autonomous DE's appear in lots of real-world applications.
 - 2] They're relatively easy to analyze geometrically. *

Defⁿ: Given $\frac{dy}{dx} = F(y)$, the zeros of F (i.e. $F(y) = 0$) are called critical points (a.k.a. equilibrium points).

Notice IF c is a critical point, then $y(x) = c$ is a solution to the DE $y' = F(y)$.

Example: $y' = y - 1$ has critical points at $y = 1$.

Recall: Given a function $y(x)$, the sign of the derivative $\frac{dy}{dx}$ determines where $y(x)$ is increasing/decreasing.

Given an autonomous DE $y' = F(y)$, we keep track of where the solutions of this DE are increasing/decreasing in phase portrait:

Assuming F is cont. on some interval I .

e.g. Consider the autonomous DE $\frac{dy}{dx} = y^2 - y^3 = F(y)$.

$$y^2 - y^3 = 0 \Leftrightarrow y^2(1-y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow y = 0 \text{ or } y = 1.$$

\therefore The critical pts are 0 & 1.

Now we check to see where $y(x)$ is increasing/decreasing on each interval determined by these critical pts:

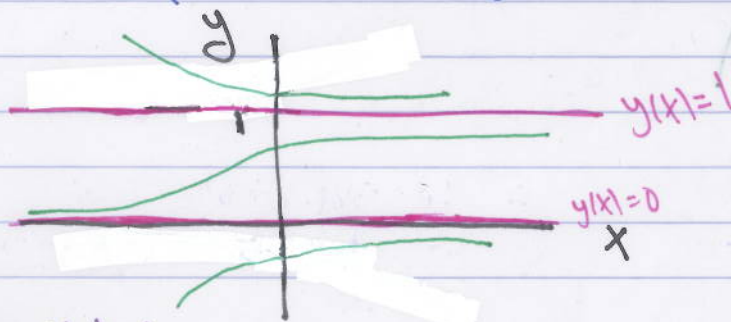
y	-1	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	2
$y' = F(y)$	$\frac{1}{4}$	0	$\frac{1}{8}$	0	-1
sign	$+$		$+$		$-$

The phase portrait is:



i.e. $y(x)$ is increasing on the intervals $(-\infty, 0) \cup (0, 1)$ & is decreasing on $(1, \infty)$.

With this info, we can sketch the solution curves:



\therefore A nonconstant solution must be entirely on one side of an equilibrium solution.

A nonconstant solution can't cross an equilibrium solution, b/c if it did, then the pt it crosses at has 2 unid. IVP solutions. \downarrow

Defⁿ: Critical points c can either be attractors (a.k.a. stable) or repellers (a.k.a. unstable) or semi-stable:



attractor
(stable)

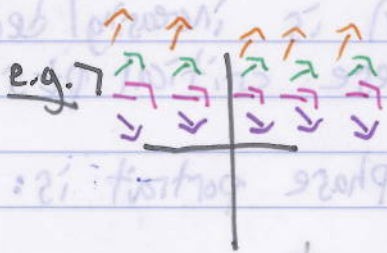


repeller
(unstable)



semi-stable

Notice: In the direction field corr. to an autonomous DE, the slopes of the vectors on a horizontal line will all be the same (since $F(y)$ does not depend on x).

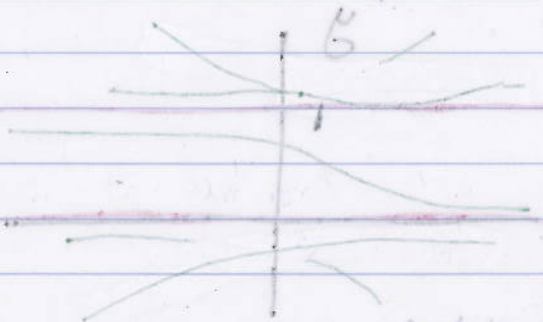
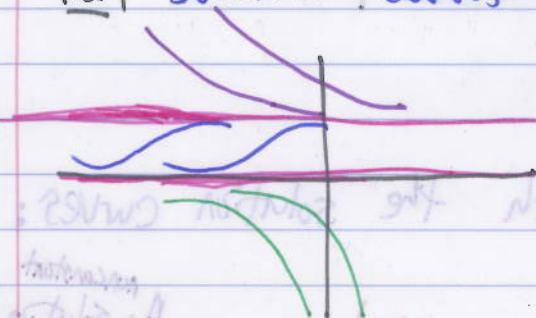


e.g. 7

∴ Solutions of autonomous DEs have the translation property:

If $y(x)$ is a solution of an autonomous DE $y' = F(y)$, then $y_1(x) = y(x - k)$ is also a solution, $k \in \mathbb{R}$.

i.e. 7 Solution curves will look like:



∴ solutions are invariant under translation

Application: Logistic Model [For more info, see 3.2].

Suppose 4 tons of fish are harvested from a fishery per month. A model for the population $P(t)$ of the fishery at month t is given by

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = P(5 - P) - 4, \quad P(0) = P_0, \quad \text{where } P_0$$

is the population of fish in tons at month zero.

- Use phase portraits to sketch solution curves.
- Determine the long-term behaviour of the population.
- Solve the IVP.
- Will the fishery population become extinct in finite time?

a) Critical points are given when $P(5 - P) - 4 = 0$

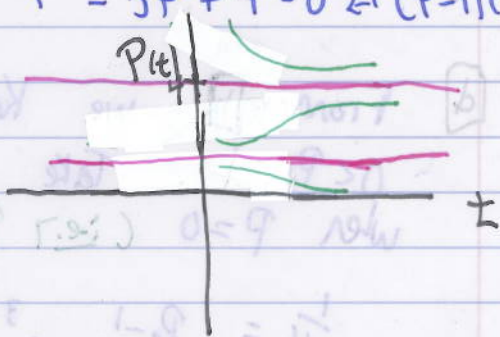
$$\Leftrightarrow 5P - P^2 - 4 = 0 \Leftrightarrow P^2 - 5P + 4 = 0 \Leftrightarrow (P-1)(P-4) = 0$$

$\Leftrightarrow P=1$ or $P=4$.



0	1	2	4	5
	-	+	-	

$\therefore 1$ repeller
 4 attractor.



b) IF $0 < P_0 < 1$, then as t increases the population $P(t)$ tends to 0.

IF $1 < P_0 < 4$, then as t increases, the population tends to 4 tons.

IF $P_0 > 4$, then the population also tends to 4 tons.

$$c) \frac{dP}{dt} = -P^2 + 5P - 4$$

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = -(P-1)(P-4)$$

$$\int \frac{1}{(P-1)(P-4)} dP = \int dt$$

$$\int \frac{-\frac{1}{3}}{P-1} + \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{P-4} dP = t + c$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \ln|P-1| - \frac{1}{3} \ln|P-4| = t + c$$

$$\ln \left| \frac{P-1}{P-4} \right| = 3t + c$$

$$\frac{P-1}{P-4} = ce^{3t}$$

$$P(0) = P_0 \Rightarrow c = \frac{P_0-1}{P_0-4}$$

$$\therefore \frac{P-1}{P-4} = \frac{P_0-1}{P_0-4} e^{3t}$$

implicit solution

d) From b) we know the population tends to 0 for $0 < P_0 < 1$. Take ce^{3t} from c) & solve for t when $P=0$ (i.e. $P=0$ means population extinct).

$$\frac{1}{4} = \frac{P_0-1}{P_0-4} e^{3t}$$

$$\frac{P_0-4}{4P_0-4} = e^{3t}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \ln \left(\frac{P_0-4}{4P_0-4} \right) = t$$

\therefore The population will become extinct at $t = \frac{1}{3} \ln \left(\frac{P_0-4}{4(P_0-1)} \right)$ months, if $0 < P_0 < 1$.