

Math 3331 - ODEs

we now start to find solⁿs of ODE.

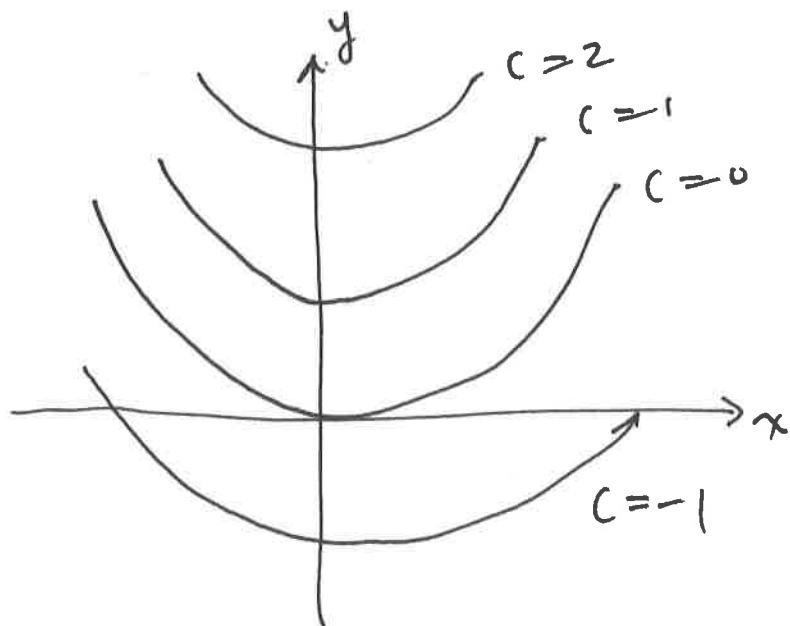
we will start with 1st order

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y)$$

Consider $y = x^2$ so $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x$

Given $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x$ then $dy = 2x dx$

∴ $y = x^2 + c$ ← this solⁿ is a family of parabolas and depending on c gives

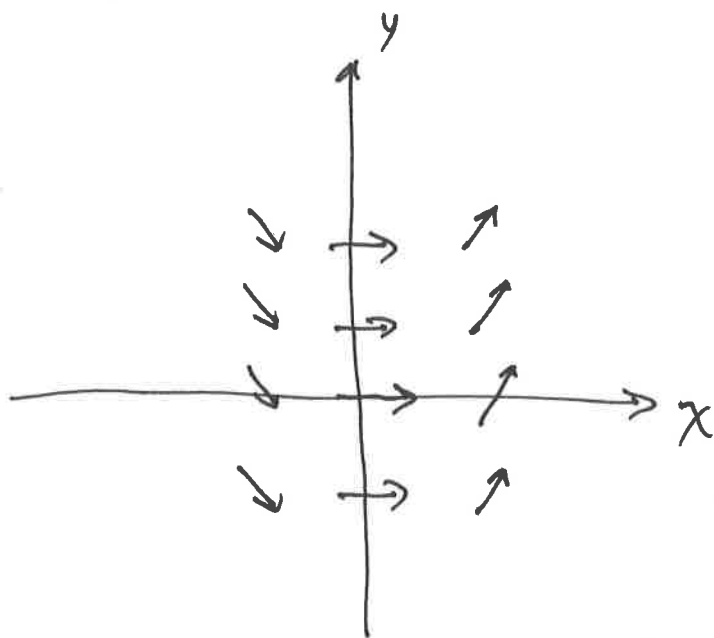


As the parabolas shift up (or) down depending on c

Given $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x$

this is a slope and as we change x , $\frac{dy}{dx}$ changes. So at $(0,0)$ $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

also at $(0,1)$ $(0,2)$ $(0,-1)$ $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$



At

$(1,-1)$, $(1,0)$, $(1,1)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2$$

and at

$(-1,-1)$ $(-1,0)$ $(-1,1)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -2$$

If we keep going like this, at all pts (x,y) there is a slope and a direction the solⁿ will travel. This is called a "direction field" and once we have a starting pt

we follow the arrows.

See Schaums Outline pg 157-

We now consider the ODE's

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

$$(2) \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = x + y^2$$

$$(3) \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = y(1-y)$$

and consider the IC's (initial conditions)

$$(i) \quad y(1) = 0$$

$$(ii) \quad y(0) = 1$$

$$(iii) \quad y(1) = -1$$

