

## 2.4 Differences Between Linear and Nonlinear Eqs. Existence and Uniqueness of Solutions

### I. Linear Equations

Theorem: If  $p(t)$  and  $g(t)$  are continuous functions on an open interval  $I: \alpha < t < \beta$  containing the point  $t = t_0$ , then there exists a unique function  $y = \phi(t)$  that satisfies the diff. eq.

$$y' + p(t)y = g(t)$$

for all  $t \in I$ , and that also satisfies the I.C.

$$y(t_0) = y_0$$

where  $y_0$  is an arbitrary initial value.

Rem. In this case  $y(t) = \frac{1}{\mu(t)} \left[ \int \mu(t)g(t) dt + C \right]$

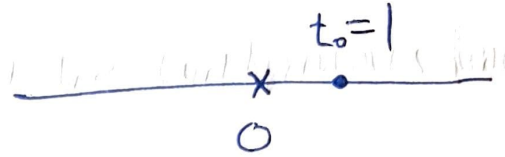
$$y(t) = \frac{1}{\mu(t)} \left[ \int_{t_0}^t \mu(s)g(s) ds + y_0 \right], \mu(t) = e^{\int_{t_0}^t p(s) ds}$$

Ex. Find an interval in which the IVP

$$ty' + 2y = 4t^2, \quad y(1) = 2$$

has a unique solution.

$$y' + \frac{2}{t}y = 4t$$



$$p(t) = \frac{2}{t}, \quad g(t) = 4t$$

$p(t)$  is continuous on  $(-\infty, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$

$g(t)$  is continuous on  $(-\infty, \infty)$

$$I = (0, \infty).$$

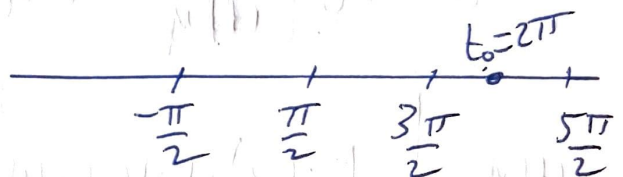
$$3. \quad y' + \frac{\sin t}{\cos t}y = \sin t, \quad y(2\pi) = 0$$

$$p(t) = \frac{\sin t}{\cos t} \text{ Conts on } (-\infty, \infty) \setminus \left\{ \frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi \right\}$$

$n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$

$$g(t) = \sin t \text{ Conts on } (-\infty, \infty)$$

$$I = \left( \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{2} \right).$$



## II Nonlinear Equations

Consider the diff. eq.  $\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y)$

$\Rightarrow f$  is defined at point in the  $ty$ -plane

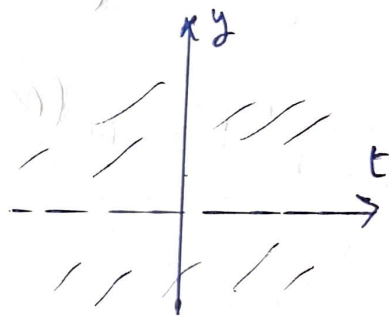
we can differentiate  $f$  with respect to  $t$  and  $y$ .

ex.  $f(t, y) = ty$  defined at all points in the  $ty$ -plane

$$f_y = t \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = t$$

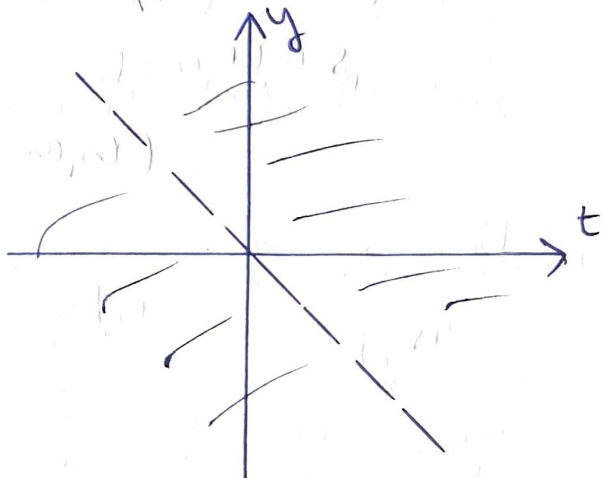
ex.  $f(t, y) = \frac{t}{y} \Rightarrow y \neq 0$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = f_y(t, y) = -\frac{t}{y^2}, \quad y \neq 0$$



ex.  $f(t, y) = \frac{1}{t+y}$ ,  $t+y \neq 0 \Rightarrow y \neq -t$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = f_y(t, y) = -\frac{1}{(t+y)^2}$$



Theorem. Let the functions  $f$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$  be  
Continuous in some rectangle:

$$R: \alpha < t < \beta, \quad \gamma < y < \delta$$

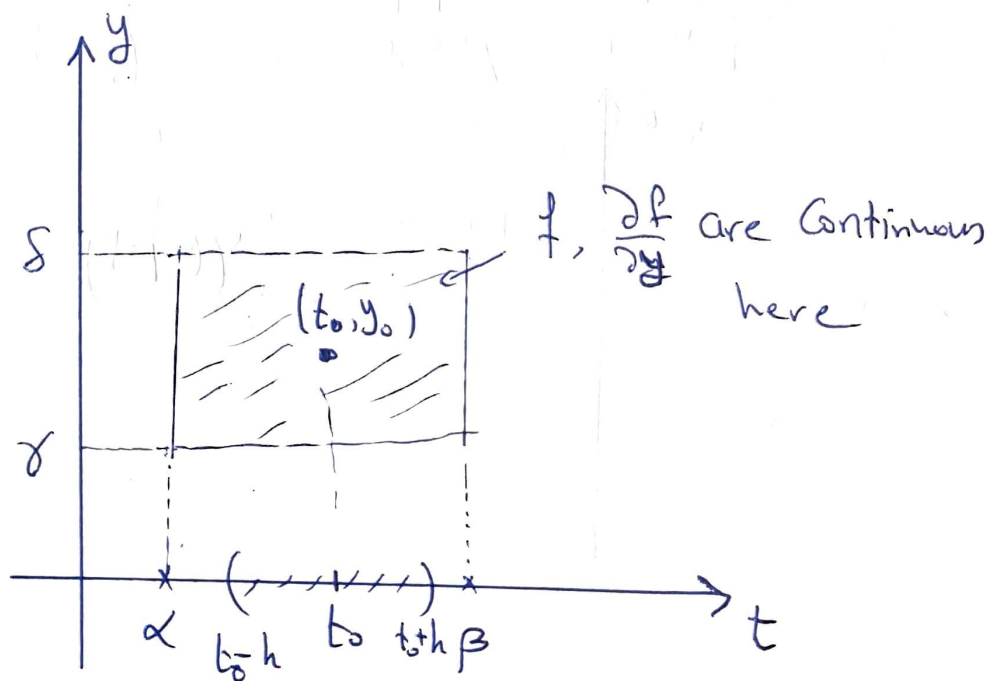
Containing the point  $(t_0, y_0)$ .

Then, in some interval  $t_0 - h < t < t_0 + h$

Contained in  $\alpha < t < \beta$ , there is a unique

Solution  $y = \phi(t)$  of the initial value

problem:  $y' = f(t, y), \quad y(t_0) = y_0$



Ex. Apply the previous theorem to the IVP

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x^2 + 4x + 2}{2(y-1)}, \quad y(0) = -1$$

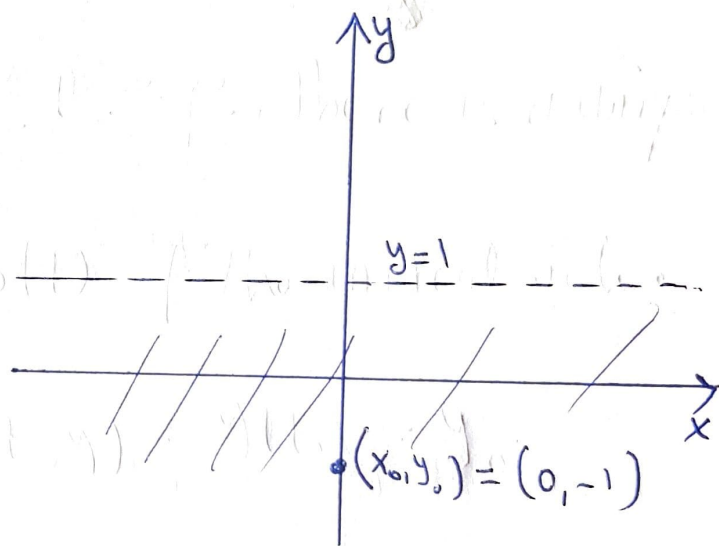
$$f(x, y) = \frac{3x^2 + 4x + 2}{2(y-1)}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) = -\frac{3x^2 + 4x + 2}{2(y-1)^2}$$

Continuous everywhere except on the line  $y=1$

$$R: -\infty < x < \infty$$

$$-\infty < y < 1$$



from Sec. 2.2.

The IVP has the unique solution

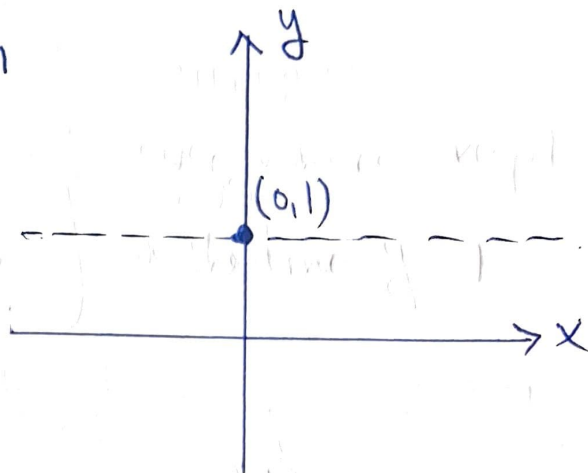
$$y(x) = 1 - \sqrt{x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x + 4}$$

defined on the interval  $(-2, \infty)$ .



Now, Suppose that we change the initial condition to  $y(0) = 1$

No rectangle can be drawn about  $(0, 1)$  in which  $f, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$  are continuous



Solving the IVP we get

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

$$y(0) = 1 \Rightarrow C = -1$$

$$y^2 - 2y - (x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x - 1) = 0$$

Solving the quadratic equation, we get

$$y(x) = 1 \pm \sqrt{x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x}$$

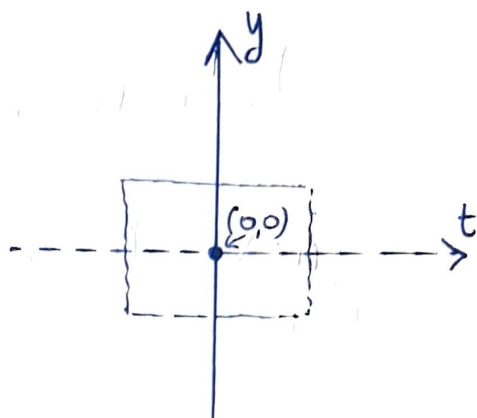
So, we get 2 functions that satisfy the diff. eq. for  $x > 0$ .

Ex. Consider the IVP

$$y' = y^{1/3}, \quad y(0) = 0$$

$$f(t, y) = y^{1/3}$$

$$f_y(t, y) = \frac{1}{3} y^{-2/3} = \frac{1}{3y^{2/3}}$$



$f, f_y$  are Continuous for  $y \neq 0$

the conditions of the existence and uniqueness theorem are not satisfied. There is no

rectangle  $R$  containing  $(0,0)$  in which  $f, f_y$

are continuous.

Solving this separable equation:

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y^{1/3}$$

$$\int y^{-1/3} dy = \int dt$$

$$\frac{3}{2} y^{2/3} = t + c$$

$$y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow c = 0$$

$$y^{2/3} = \frac{2}{3} t, \quad t \geq 0$$

$$y^2 = \left(\frac{2}{3}t\right)^3$$

$$y = \pm \left(\frac{2}{3}t\right)^{3/2}$$

$\Rightarrow y = \phi_1(t) = \left(\frac{2}{3}t\right)^{3/2}$  is a first solution.

$y = \phi_2(t) = -\left(\frac{2}{3}t\right)^{3/2}$  is a second solution

of the IVP.

In fact, this IVP has infinitely many solutions

for any  $t_0$ , the following functions are

solutions of the IVP

$$y = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq t < t_0 \\ \pm \left[\frac{2}{3}(t-t_0)\right]^{3/2}, & t \geq t_0 \end{cases}$$



~ Sec. 2.4

This example shows how the interval of definition depends on the I.C., precisely on  $y_0$ .

Example!  $y' = y^2$ ,  $y(0) = y_0 \Rightarrow f(t, y) = y^2$

Solving this separable equation,

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

$$-y^{-1} = t + c$$

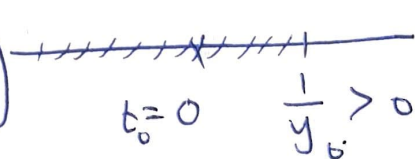
$$y(0) = y_0 \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{y_0} = c$$

$$-y^{-1} = t - \frac{1}{y_0} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1 - y_0 t}{y_0}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{y_0}{1 - y_0 t} \Rightarrow t \neq \frac{1}{y_0}$$

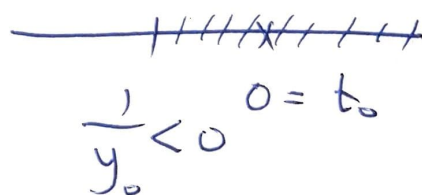
$f, f_y = 2y$  are continuous at all points.  
the thm is satisfied at all points of the  $ty$ -plane.

if  $y_0 > 0 \Rightarrow I = (-\infty, \frac{1}{y_0})$



A horizontal number line with a tick mark at  $t = 0$  and another tick mark at  $\frac{1}{y_0} > 0$ . The region between  $-\infty$  and  $\frac{1}{y_0}$  is shaded with diagonal lines, representing the interval of definition.

if  $y_0 < 0 \Rightarrow I = (\frac{1}{y_0}, \infty)$



A horizontal number line with a tick mark at  $0 = t_0$  and another tick mark at  $\frac{1}{y_0} < 0$ . The region between  $\frac{1}{y_0}$  and  $\infty$  is shaded with diagonal lines, representing the interval of definition.

we choose the interval to which  $t_0 = 0$  belongs.

14.  $y' = 2ty^2$ ,  $y(0) = y_0$ . Find the interval  $I$

$$\int \bar{y}^{-2} dy = \int 2t dt$$

$$-\frac{1}{y} = t^2 + c$$

$$y(0) = y_0 \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{y_0} = c.$$

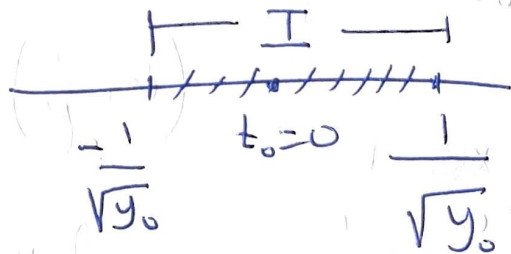
$$-\frac{1}{y(t)} = t^2 - \frac{1}{y_0} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{y(t)} = \frac{1 - y_0 t^2}{y_0}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{y_0}{1 - y_0 t^2}$$

if  $y_0 < 0 \Rightarrow 1 - y_0 t^2 \neq 0 \Rightarrow I = (-\infty, \infty)$

if  $y_0 > 0 \Rightarrow 1 - y_0 t^2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow t = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{y_0}}$

$$\Rightarrow I = \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{y_0}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{y_0}}\right)$$



we choose the interval

in which  $t_0 = 0$  belongs.

# Bernoulli Equations, P77

Bernoulli equations are equations of the form

$$y' + p(t)y = q(t)y^n$$

if  $n=0, 1 \Rightarrow$  this eq. is linear (see 2.1)

So, we assume that  $n=2, 3, 4, \dots$

Dividing both sides by  $y^n$ , we get

$$\bar{y}^{-n} y' + p(t) \bar{y}^{1-n} = q(t)$$

$$\text{Let } v(t) = \bar{y}^{1-n} \Rightarrow v'(t) = (1-n) \bar{y}^{-n} y'$$

substitute into the eq., we get

$$\frac{1}{1-n} v'(t) + p(t)v(t) = q(t).$$

$$v'(t) + (1-n)p(t)v(t) = (1-n)q(t). \quad (*)$$

$$28. t^2 y' + 2ty = y^3, \quad t > 0$$

$$n=3, \text{ divide by } t^2 \Rightarrow y' + \frac{2}{t}y = \frac{1}{t^2}y^3$$

$$p(t) = \frac{2}{t}, \quad q(t) = \frac{1}{t^2}.$$

$$\text{from } (*): \quad v'(t) - \frac{4}{t}v(t) = -\frac{2}{t^2}, \quad v(t) = \frac{1}{y^2}$$

this is a first order linear equation.

the integrating factor is

$$\mu(t) = e^{-4 \int \frac{dt}{t}} = e^{-4 \ln t} = t^{-4}$$

$$v(t) = \frac{1}{t^{-4}} \left[ \int t^{-4} \left( \frac{-2}{t^2} \right) dt + c \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{t^{-4}} \left[ -2 \int t^{-6} dt + c \right]$$

$$= t^4 \left[ \frac{-2 t^{-5}}{-5} + c \right]$$

$$= \frac{2}{5} t^{-1} + c t^4$$

$$v(t) = \frac{2 + c_1 t^5}{5} \quad \text{where } c_1 = 5c$$

$$\text{but } v(t) = \frac{1}{y^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{y^2} = \frac{2 + c_1 t^5}{5}$$

$$y^2 = \frac{5}{2 + c_1 t^5}$$

$$y(t) = \pm \left[ \frac{5}{2 + c_1 t^5} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

This is a first order linear equation.