

## 1.1 Basic Models; Direction Fields.

A. Start by considering  $\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y)$ ;  $y = y(t)$

Solution to this equation is a function of  $t$ .

Any solution  $y = y(t)$  satisfies  $y'(t) = f(t, y(t))$  for all  $t$ .

B. Consider the example  $\frac{dy}{dt} = y$

1. Solution has property that its derivative is itself.  $y(t) = e^t$

2. Is this the only solution?

$$\boxed{y(t) = e^t + 2 \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = e^t}$$

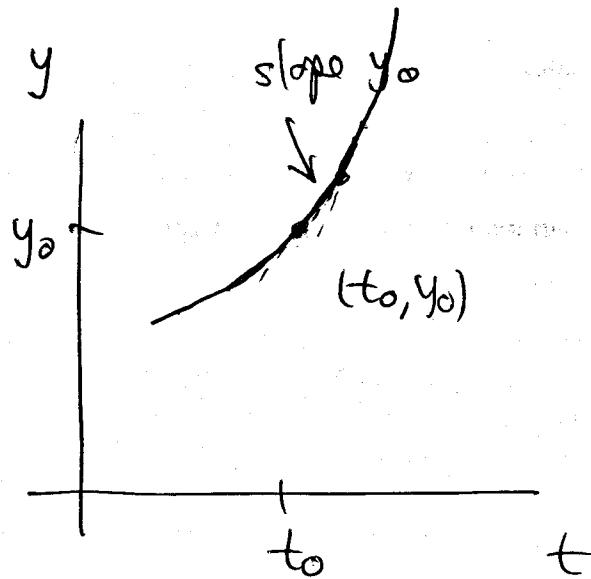
$$y(t) = 2e^t \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = 2e^t$$

$$y(t) = 0$$

3. All solutions have the form  $y = ce^t$  where  $c = \text{constant}$ .

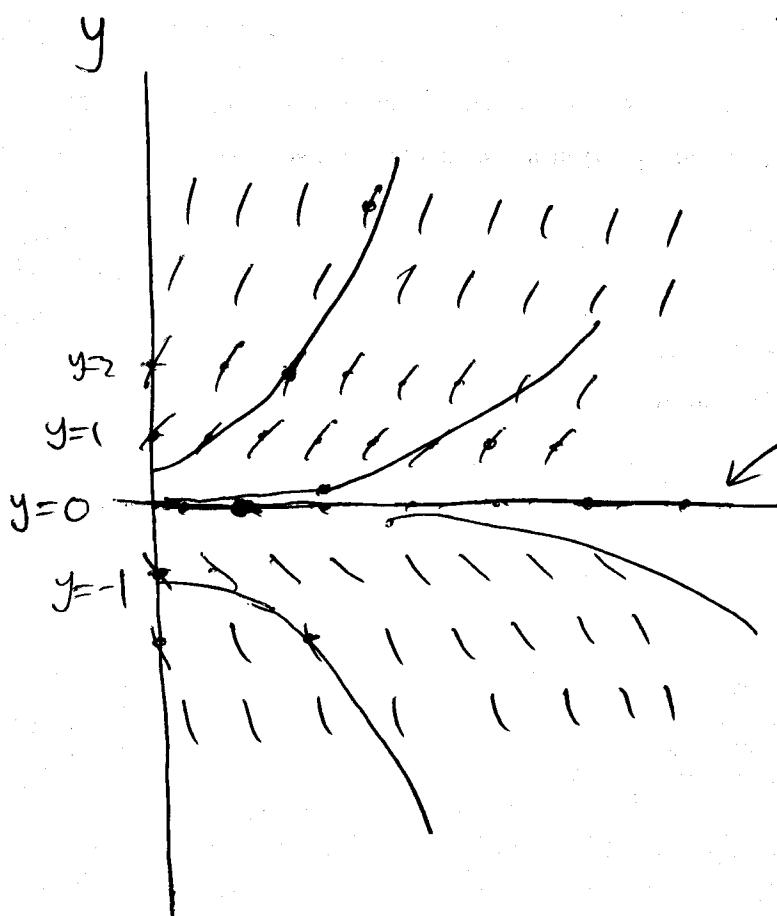
4. Consider another approach.

$\frac{dy}{dt} = y$  means that the slope of  $y(t)$  is same as the value of  $y(t)$



5. Direction Field. In our example

$$f(t, y) = y.$$



At each  $(t, y)$  draw a line segment with slope  $f(t, y) = y$ .

solution  $y=0$  is an equilibrium solution.  
(this equilibrium solution is repelling)

### C. Example: Falling object.

$t$  = time in seconds

$v$  = velocity in m/sec.

$m$  = mass in kg

$\delta$  = drag coefficient in kg/sec

(depends on mass + shape of object)

$g = 9.8 \text{ m/sec}^2$  acceleration due to gravity

$$m \frac{dv}{dt} = mg - \delta v$$

↑                      ↑                      ↓  
 mass x              force due              force of  
 acceleration      to gravity              air resistance  
 = force

$\frac{dv}{dt} > 0$   
 means object  
 is falling

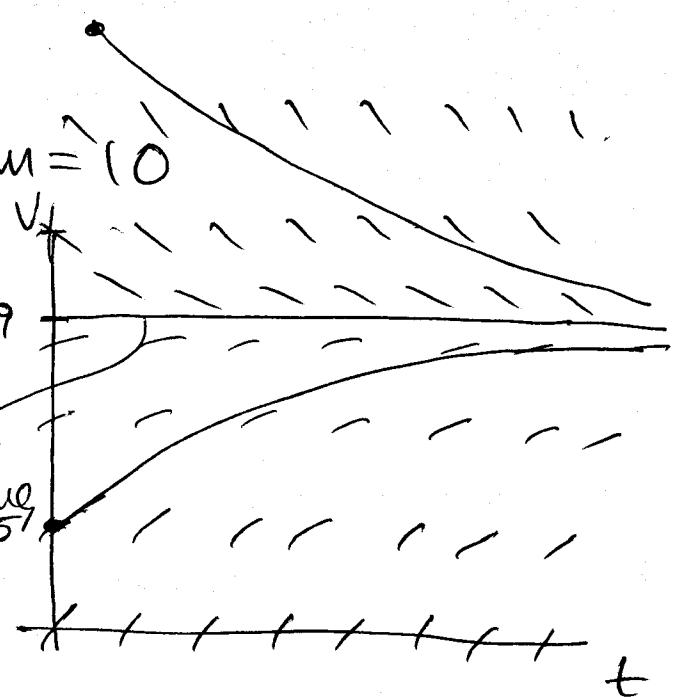
$$\frac{dv}{dt} = g - \frac{\delta}{m} v$$

e.g.  $g = 9.8 \quad \delta = 2$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 9.8 - .2v$$

Equilibrium soln:  
 $9.8 - .2v = 0$  is solution  
 is attractive

$$v = \frac{9.8}{.2} = 49 \frac{m}{sec}$$



## D. Example: Of Mice and Owls.

$t$  = time in months

$P$  = mouse population (in mice)

$r$  = rate constant or growth rate

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = rP \quad (\text{growth model in absence})$$

of predation

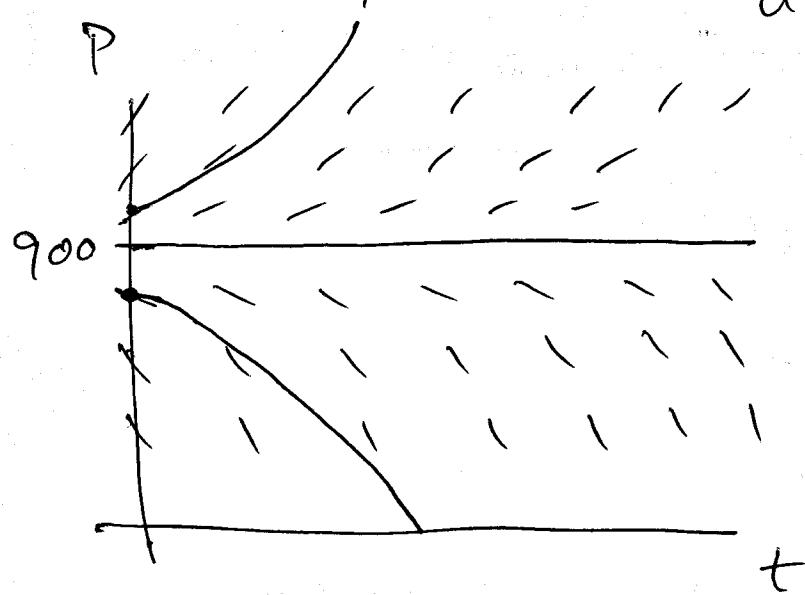
Assume fixed rate of predation by owls.  
that is owls eat  $k$  mice/month.

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = rP - k$$

$$\text{If } r=.5, k=450 \quad \frac{dP}{dt} = .5P - 450$$

$$.5P - 450 = 0$$

$$P = 900$$



#20) 2 equilibrium solutions

$$y=0, y=3$$

(e)  $y' = y(y-3)$  (h)  $y' = y(3-y)$

$y=0$ : attracting

$y=3$ : repelling.

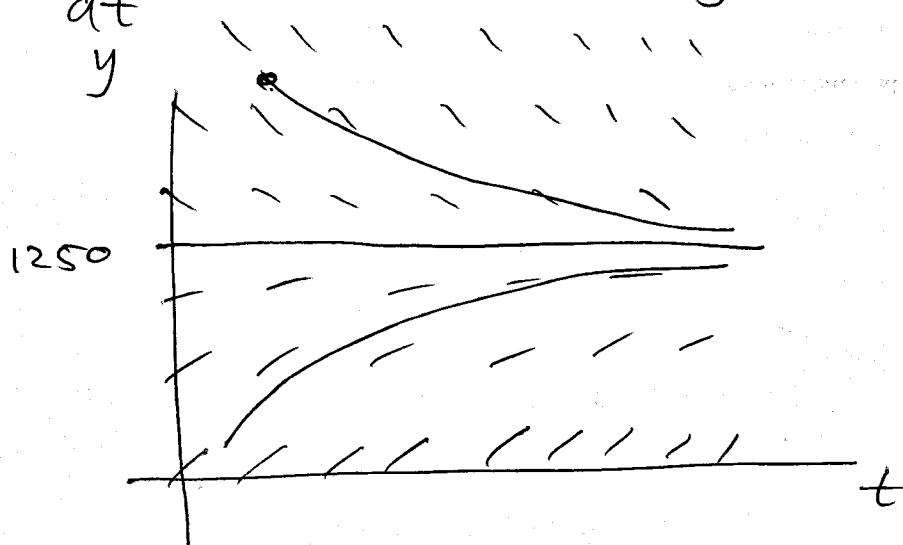
(e)  $y' = y(y-3)$ .

#24)  $t$  = time in hours

$y$  = amount present in bloodstream  
in mg.

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = (\text{rate in}) - (\text{rate out})$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 500 - .4y$$



$$500 - .4y = 0$$

$$y = \frac{500}{.4} = 1250 \text{ mg}$$

As  $t \rightarrow +\infty$

$$y(t) \rightarrow \underline{\underline{1250}}$$

## 1.2 Solutions of some ODE's.

To solve  $\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y)$  we can sometimes find an explicit solution.

A.  $\frac{dp}{dt} = .5p - 450 = \frac{p - 900}{2}$

$$\frac{dp/dt}{p-900} = \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{dp}{p-900} = \frac{1}{2} dt$$

(separation of variables.)

$$\int \frac{dp}{p-900} = \int \frac{1}{2} dt$$

$$\ln|p-900| = \frac{1}{2}t + C$$

$$|p-900| = e^{\frac{1}{2}t+C} = e^C e^{\frac{1}{2}t}$$

$$p-900 = \boxed{\pm e^C} e^{\frac{1}{2}t}$$

↑ call it  $c$

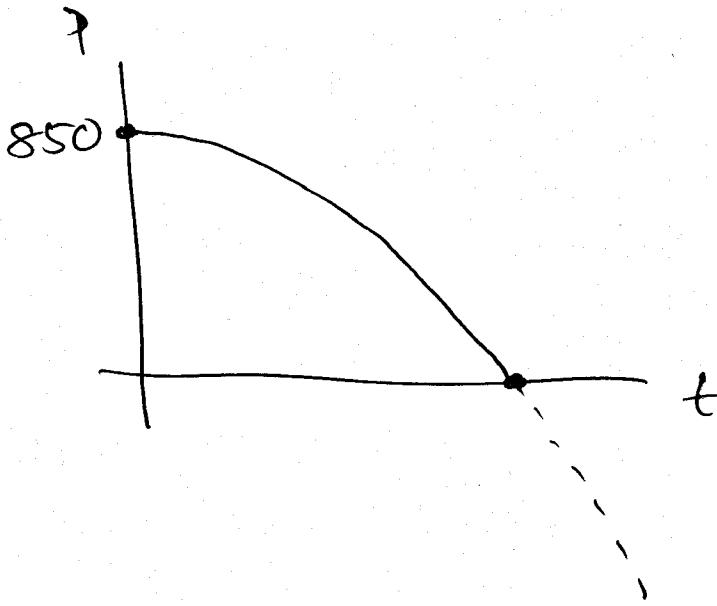
$$\boxed{p = 900 + ce^{\frac{1}{2}t}}$$

What is  $c$ ?  $p(0) = 900 + c e^0 = 900 + c$

initial population  $c = p(0) - 900$

e.g.  $P(0) = 850$      $c = -50$

$$P(t) = 900 - 50e^{-\frac{1}{2}t}$$



$P=0$  at some point.

When?

$$0 = 900 - 50e^{-\frac{1}{2}t}$$

$$50e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} = 900$$

$$e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} = 18$$

$$t = 2 \ln 18$$

$$= 5.8 \text{ months.}$$

B.  $\frac{dv}{dt} = 9.8 - .2v = \frac{49-v}{5}$

$$\int \frac{dv}{49-v} = \int \frac{1}{5} dt$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \ln|49-v| = \frac{1}{t}$$

$$-\ln|49-v| = \frac{1}{5}t + c$$

$$\ln|49-v| = -\frac{1}{5}t - c$$

$$|49-v| = e^{-\frac{1}{5}t} e^{-c}$$

$$49-v = c e^{-\frac{1}{5}t}$$

$$v = 49 - c e^{-\frac{1}{5}t}$$