## Euler's Method for Solving $\frac{dX}{dt} = f(X)$ , $X(0) = x_0$

- 1. Choose a stepsize  $\Delta t$ . Set t=0
- 2. Using the current value of X, the equation tells us rate of change:  $\frac{dX}{dt} = f(X)$ .
- 3. Use this rate of change to determine next value for X:

$$X(t + \Delta t) = X(t) + \left(\frac{dX}{dt} \times \Delta t\right)$$
 (1)

- 4. Increase t by  $\Delta t$ :  $t \longrightarrow t + \Delta t$ .
- 5. Go to step 2

Choose smaller and smaller  $\Delta t$  until the solution curve X(t) stops changing.