

Practical 1: Solving and plotting first order differential equations

→ `diff(sin(x),x);` /* it differentiates first argument w.r.t second vari
(%o4) $\cos(x)$

→ `'diff(y,x);` /* single quote will tell maxima that y is dependent on
(%o10) $\frac{d}{dx} y$

→ `eqn: 'diff(y,x) = x^2;` /*the differential equation has been given the
(%o11) $\frac{d}{dx} y = x^2$

→ `sol: ode2(eqn,y,x);` /* ode2 is a predefined function for solving ODE
of order upto 2, sol is the name given to the general solution*/
(%o16) $y = \frac{x^3}{3} + \%C$

→ `psol: ic1(sol,x=0,y=1);` /*ic1 stands for initial condition 1,
psol is a particular solution*/
(%o20) $y = \frac{x^3 + 3}{3}$

→ `a: ic1(sol, x=0,y=k);`
(%o22) $y = \frac{x^3 + 3k}{3}$

→ `psoll: ev(a,k=-2);` /*it evaluates a by replacing k=-2*/
(%o23) $y = \frac{x^3 - 6}{3}$

→ `psol2: ev(a, k=1);`

(%o25) $y = \frac{x^3 + 3}{3}$

→ `psol3: ev(a, k=0);`

(%o26) $y = \frac{x^3}{3}$

→ `wxplot2d([rhs(psol1), rhs(psol2), rhs(psol3)], [x, -5, 5]);`

