

AB 2006 #5

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{y+1}{x} \\ \frac{1}{y+1} dy &= \frac{1}{x} dx \\ \int \frac{1}{y+1} dy &= \int \frac{1}{x} dx \\ \ln|y+1| &= \ln|x| + C \\ e^{\ln|y+1|} &= e^{\ln|x|+C} \\ |y+1| &= e^{\ln|x|} e^C \\ |y+1| &= A|x| \\ y+1 &= \pm A|x| \\ y+1 &= A|x| \\ y &= A|x| - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y(-1) &= 1 \\ \downarrow \\ 1 &= A|-1| - 1 \\ 1 &= A - 1 \\ A &= 2 \\ \downarrow \\ y &= 2|x| - 1 \end{aligned}$$

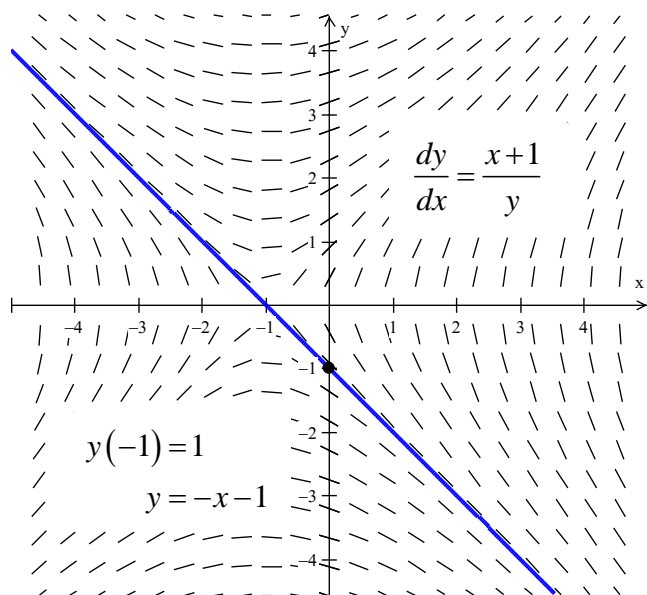
Another possible solution to the differential equation is

$$y = \begin{cases} 2|x| - 1 & x \leq 0 \\ -1 & x > 0 \end{cases}.$$

This function passes through $(-1, 1)$ and is consistent in the slope field.

Since there are two possible functions passing through $(-1, 1)$ that satisfy the differential equation, we restrict the domain of the solution to be the domain of the graph that is common to both/all solutions passing through $(-1, 1)$.

Therefore the domain should be restricted to $x < 0$.



AB 2010 Form B #5

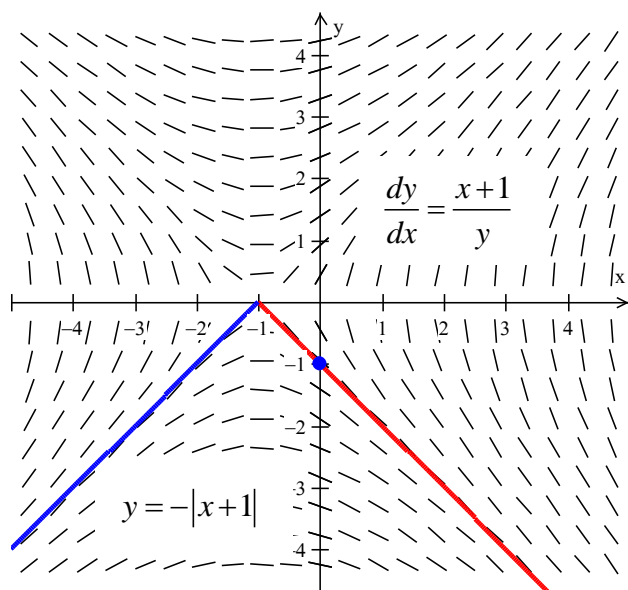
$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{x+1}{y} \\ ydy &= (x+1)dx \\ \int ydy &= \int (x+1)dx \\ \frac{1}{2}y^2 &= \frac{1}{2}x^2 + x + C \\ y^2 &= x^2 + 2x + C \\ \sqrt{y^2} &= \sqrt{x^2 + 2x + C} \\ |y| &= \sqrt{x^2 + 2x + C} \\ y &= \pm\sqrt{x^2 + 2x + C}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}y(0) &= -1 \\ \downarrow \\ -1 &= -\sqrt{(0)^2 + 2(0) + C} \\ 1 &= \sqrt{C} \\ C &= 1 \\ \downarrow \\ y &= -\sqrt{x^2 + 2x + 1} \\ &= -\sqrt{(x+1)^2} \\ &= -|x+1| \\ &= \begin{cases} -x-1 & x > -1 \\ x+1 & x < -1 \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

There is a solution $y = -|x+1|$. However, if one started sketching the solution from the point $(0, -1)$, one would be lead to believe the solution should look like $y = -x - 1$, which is not the case. Since y' at $y = 0$ is -1 , which is not consistent with the slope field.

Since $\frac{dy}{dx}$ DNE could signify either a sharp corner or discontinuity, the graph of the solution can change behavior at that location dramatically.

A relation that would satisfy this differential equation, be consistent with the slope field, and pass through $(0, -1)$ would be $|y| - 1 = x$.



Since all solutions to the differential equation consistent with the slope field, that pass through $(0, -1)$ are guaranteed to have the branch of the graph in red, we state that the solution to the differential equation passing through $(0, -1)$ is $y = -x - 1$ with the restriction that $x > -1$.