

At several places, we have assumed that  $\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y)$  has only one solution passing thru. one point in  $t-y$ -plane.  
[Recall geometric method].

This means that we assume that IVP

$$\text{IVP} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y) \\ y(t_0) = y_0 \end{array} \right.$$

has unique solution.

Aim: To understand, that when the above assumption is correct.

### Existence and Uniqueness theorems

- Cauchy-Peano's existence thm.
- Picard's existence and uniqueness thm.
- Picard's iteration method to approximate solution of IVP.

### Main questions

- Does a solution exist?
- If a solution exists, is it unique?
- If solution exists uniquely, can we find it?  
or can we write it in form of elementary func?

To write them we need to define one notation

First see one definition

Let  $f(t, y)$  be a <sup>real</sup> function defined on  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ .

Then  $f$  is called Lipschitz continuous in its second variable (i.e.  $y$ ) if the following condition holds

$$\boxed{|f(t, y_1) - f(t, y_2)| \leq K |y_1 - y_2| \quad \forall (t, y_1), (t, y_2) \in D}$$

Here  $K$  is called Lipschitz constant. (Lip. condition)

Notation

$\text{Lip}(D, K) = \{f(t, y) : D \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : f \text{ is Lipschitz continuous in its second variable with Lipschitz constant } K\}$

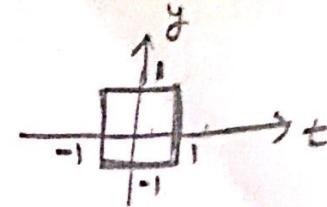
Note: Lipschitz condition  $\equiv \frac{|f(t, y_1) - f(t, y_2)|}{|y_1 - y_2|} \leq K \quad \forall (t, y_1), (t, y_2) \in D.$

Test  $\left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right| \leq K \text{ in } D \Rightarrow f \in \text{Lip}(D, K)$  (sufficient test)  
only

functions with bdd slope (wrt  $y$ ).

## Examples

①  $D = \{(t, y) : |t| \leq 1, |y| \leq 1\}$



$$f(t, y) = \sin y + t$$

$$\left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right| = |\cos y| \leq 1 \quad \forall (t, y) \in D$$

Hence  $f \in \text{Lip}(D, 1)$ .

②  $D$  is same as in Ex 1.

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

Here  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$  does not exist at  $(t, 0)$

But try to verify the Lipschitz condition

$$|f(t, y_1) - f(t, y_2)| = ||y_1| - |y_2|| \leq |y_1 - y_2|$$

Thus  $f \in \text{Lip}(D, 1)$

This example shows that our derivative test is sufficient and not necessary.

③  $D$  is same as in Ex 1.

$$f(t, y) = \sqrt{y} = y^{1/2}$$

Check Lip. condition around t-axis

$$\frac{|f(t, y_1) - f(t, 0)|}{|y_1 - 0|} = \frac{\sqrt{y_1}}{y_1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{y_1}} \quad (y_1 > 0)$$

is not bdd if  $y_1 \leq 0$ .

Hence  $f$  is not Lipschitz continuous in  $D$ .

From sufficient test, we can not disprove the Lipschitz continuity

## Cauchy-Peano's thm. (w/p) (Existence thm)

Consider the following IVP

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y)$$

$$y(t_0) = y_0$$

Let  $D = \{(t, y) : |t - t_0| \leq a, |y - y_0| \leq b\}$

(Assumptions)  
Let  $f$  be continuous and bounded on  $D$ ,

Let  $|f(t, y)| \leq L \quad \forall (t, y) \in D$ .

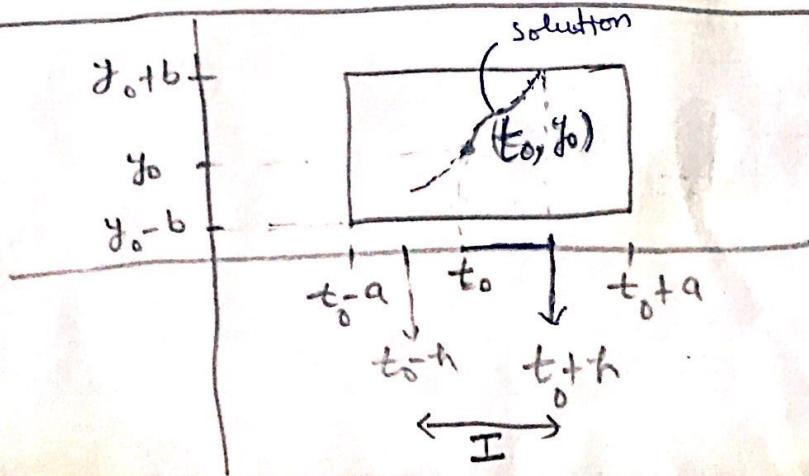
Let  $h = \min\{a, \frac{b}{L}\}$

Let  $I = [t_0 - h, t_0 + h]$

Then IVP has a solution on  $I$ .

### Remarks

- ① Under assumptions, IVP has solution on  $I$ . But thm. does not stop the IVP to have a solution on larger interval  $I = [t_0, t_0 + h^*]; h^* > h$ .
- ② Assumptions set sufficient conditions, i.e. solution may exist if any/all assumptions do not hold.



In rough sense  
If  $f(t, y)$  is  
continuous around  
( $t_0, y_0$ ) then  
solution exists

on  $I = [t_0 - h, t_0 + h]$

# Picard's Thm. (Existence and Uniqueness Thm.)

Consider the following IVP

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y)$$

$$y(t_0) = y_0.$$

Let  $D = \{(t, y) : |t - t_0| \leq a, |y - y_0| \leq b\}$ .

Let  $f$  be continuous and bounded on  $D$ .

Let  $|f(t, y)| \leq L \quad \forall (t, y) \in D$ .

Let  $f \in \text{Lip.}(D, K)$  extra than  
Cauchy-Peano  
Thm.

$$\text{Let } h = \min\left\{a, \frac{b}{L}\right\}$$

$$\text{Let } I = [t_0 - h, t_0 + h]$$

Then IVP has a solution on  $I$ .

Moreover the solution is unique.

Remarks (i) Interval  $I$  may be extended.  
 (ii) Assumptions set sufficient conditions.

(iii) Hint on proof

$$\text{IVP} \equiv \boxed{y(t) = y_0 + \int_{t_0}^t f(s, y(s)) ds} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Integral} \\ \text{equation} \end{array}$$

introduce iteration (Picard's iterations) to compute approximate

$$\boxed{y_{i+1} = y_0 + \int_{t_0}^t f(s, y_i(s)) ds} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{solution of IVP OR} \\ \text{take integral equation} \end{array}$$

$y_0(0) = y_0$  and start

computing  $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots$ . This sequence converges to  $\boxed{y(t)}$ .

Example

Use Picard's iterations to find approximate solution of following IVP

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -y$$

$$y(0) = 1$$

Ist iteration

$$\begin{aligned} y_1(t) &= y_0 + \int_{t_0}^t f(s, y_0(s)) ds \\ &= 1 + \int_0^t f(s, 1) ds = 1 + \int_0^t (-1) ds \\ &= 1 + (-s) \Big|_0^t = 1 + (-t + 0) = 1 - t \end{aligned}$$

Given :-  
 $f(t, y) = -y$   
 $y_0 = 1$  (constant function)  
 $t_0 = 0$

IInd iteration

$$\begin{aligned} y_2(t) &= y_0 + \int_{t_0}^t f(s, y_1(s)) ds \\ &= 1 + \int_0^t -\left(1 - s\right) ds = 1 - \left(s - \frac{s^2}{2}\right) \Big|_0^t = 1 - t + \frac{t^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

IIIrd iteration

$$\begin{aligned} y_3(t) &= 1 + \int_0^t -\left(1 - s + \frac{s^2}{2}\right) ds = 1 - \left(s - \frac{s^2}{2} + \frac{s^3}{3!}\right) \Big|_0^t \\ &= 1 - t + \frac{t^2}{2} - \frac{t^3}{3!} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

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$$y_n(t) = 1 - t + \frac{t^2}{2} - \frac{t^3}{3!} + \frac{t^4}{4!} - \dots - (-1)^n \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

$\hookrightarrow e^{-t}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

This means  
approximate  
solution,

If you increase the number  
of iterations, you go more close to solution

## Examples to learn about existence and uniqueness thms

① IVP  $\frac{dy}{dt} = 4y^{3/4}$   
 $y(0) = 0$

see that the both of the following functions are solution

①  $y(t) \equiv 0$   
②  $y(t) = t^4$

Verify that  $f(t, y) = 4y^{3/4}$  is continuous around  $(0, 0)$

Hence Peano's thm ensures ~~the~~ existence of solution.

Also verify that  $f(t, y) = 4y^{3/4}$  is not Lipschitz around  $(0, 0)$ .  
Thus Picard's thm is not applicable.

Remember!!

Since Assumptions of Picard's thm are not satisfied around  $(0, 0)$  so the solution is not unique (think!! sufficient conditions)

NOT a CORRECT CLAIM

THINK!!

Sufficient Conditions

(2)

IVP  $\begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{2y}{t} \\ y(t_0) = y_0 \end{cases}$

Subcase-1

IVP  $\begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{2y}{t} \\ y(0) = 0 \end{cases}$

check: each of the following is a solution

$$(i) \quad y(t) = 0$$

$$(ii) \quad y(t) = t^2$$

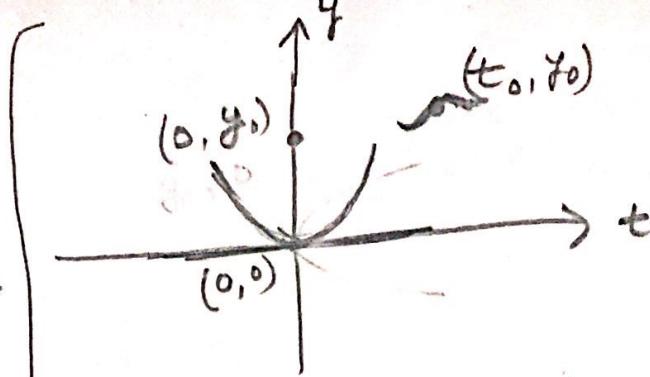
Thus in this case, we

have more than one solutions. But  $f(t, y) = \frac{2y}{t}$   
is not defined at  $(0, 0)$  and  $\lim_{(t, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} f(t, y)$  does not

exist [why; take two paths  $y = t$  and  $y = t^2$ ]

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Hence solution exists around  $(0, 0)$  but Picard's hypothesis are not satisfied. This gives clarification that hypothesis in Picard's thm are sufficient only.



If  $t_0 \neq 0$  then

$$f(t, y) = \frac{2y}{t}$$

continuous around  $(t_0, y_0)$

Moreover  $\left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right| = \left| \frac{2}{t} \right|$  is bdd.

Thus, we have unique solution.

Even if we take

(1) IVP:  $\frac{dy}{dt} = \begin{cases} \frac{2y}{t} & ; t > 0 \\ 0 & ; t \leq 0 \end{cases}$  ;  $y(0) = 0$

(3)  $\frac{dy}{dt} = \begin{cases} \frac{2y}{t} & ; t > 0 \\ 0 & ; t = 0 \\ y(0) = y_0 & \text{and } y_0 \neq 0 \end{cases}$

NO solution.

Again see that both of the following functions are solutions around  $(0, 0)$

①  $y(t) = 0$

②  $y(t) = t^2$

But function

$$f(t, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2y}{t} & ; t > 0 \\ 0 & ; t \leq 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow$$

This function is now well defined everywhere

is not continuous at  $(0, 0)$ .

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why; check

$$\lim_{(t, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} f(t, y) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{does not exist} \\ \text{along path } \begin{cases} y = t \\ y = t^2 \end{cases} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{why} \\ \text{different values.} \end{array}$$

Subcase-2

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{2y}{t}$$

$$y(0) = y_0; (y_0 \neq 0)$$

see general solution of ODE  
 $y = c t^2$  so Initial data  $(0, y_0)$   
where  $y_0 \neq 0$  is not satisfied

In this case, we do not have any solution.

Remember

Lip continuity  $\Rightarrow$  continuity

$A \Rightarrow B \text{ then } B \Rightarrow A$

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$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{e^{(t^2-1)}}{1-t^2y^2}$$

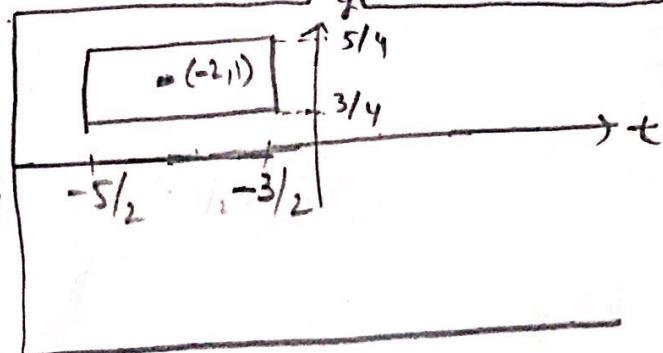
$$y(-2) = 1$$

Take  $D = \{(t, y) : |t+2| \leq \frac{1}{2}, |y-1| \leq \frac{1}{4}\}$

$$= \left\{ (t, y) : -\frac{5}{2} \leq t \leq -\frac{3}{2}, \underbrace{\frac{3}{4} \leq y \leq \frac{5}{4}}_{y \in E_1} \right\}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} t^2 &\geq \frac{9}{4} \\ y^2 &\geq \frac{9}{16} \end{aligned} \Rightarrow |1-t^2y^2| \geq \left|1-\frac{81}{64}\right| = \frac{17}{64} > \frac{1}{4}$$



$$\text{Then } |f(t, y)| \leq 3 \times 4 = 12$$

$$f = \min\left\{a, \frac{b}{E}\right\} = \min\left\{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4 \times 12}\right\} = \frac{1}{48}$$

Thus Picard's Thm ensures that IVP has a unique solution on interval  $[-2 - \frac{1}{48}, -2 + \frac{1}{48}]$ . But I don't know any better framework to find it.

(4)

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \sqrt{1 + e^{-2t}}$$

It is a simple case of separation of variables

$$y(t) = \int (1 + e^{-2t}) dt + C$$

→ can not express this integral in terms of some elementary functions.

Thus examples ③ and ④ explain the need of numerical methods. All numerical methods give approximate solutions.

Remember → Picard's iterations give approximate solution.

Is Picard's iteration technique a good numerical technique??

Other examples

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -e^{\frac{t^2}{2}} \Rightarrow y(t) = \int -e^{\frac{t^2}{2}} dt + C$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{\sin t}{t} \Rightarrow y(t) = \int \frac{\sin t}{t} dt + C$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{dy}{dt} = 1 + y^2 \\ y(0) = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

Take  $D = \{(t, y) : |t| \leq 100, |y| \leq 1\}$ .

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} |f| = |1 + y^2| \leq 2 \\ \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right| = |2y| \leq 2 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow h = \min \left\{ 9, \frac{6}{L} \right\} = \min \left\{ 100, \frac{1}{2} \right\} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Thus, Picard's Thm. ensures the existence of unique solution to IVP on interval  $[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]$ .

But, if you solve IVP by separable technique we obtain  $y(t) = \tan(t)$  and it valid on  $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$ .

See The interval  $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$  is bigger than that predicted by the Picard's thm.

Thus, Picard's thm provides some interval I for unique solution passing th.  $(t_0, y_0)$  but the thm. does not stop the problem to have a solution in bigger interval than I

## Exercises:

- ① Find 4 Picard iterations for IVP

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2t(1-y) ; \quad y(0)=2.$$

Moreover find exact solution of IVP.  
Is your solution unique around  $(0, 2)$ .  
If yes, then verify that Picard +  
iterative approximations converge to the  
unique solution of IVP.