## Mathematical Basics I

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$$\frac{dV}{dt} = f(V, t)$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = t^2 - V \rightarrow \text{analytically solvable}$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = t - V^2 \rightarrow \underline{\text{not}}$$
 (trivially) analytically solvable

### Geometric view on Differential Equations



#### **Analytical**

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = f(V, t)$$
  $\Rightarrow$  slope field

(V, t) f (V, t) f (V, t)

solution V(t), with  $t_0$ ,  $V_0 \Rightarrow$  integral curve



#### Recipe for the slope field (Computer)

- Select equally distributed points in space.
- 2 Calculate f(V, t) for the points  $(V_n, t_n)$ .
- 3 Draw the slope of the function at these points.

#### Recipe for the slope field (Human)

- 1 Select an interesting slope C.
- 2 Solve C = f(V, t) for a selected number of interesting points  $t_n$ .
- 3 Draw the so-called isoclines.

## Geometric view on Differential Equations



Isoclines provide information about certain properties of the solution even if the general solution is not determinable, e.g.:

- Identification of areas where the solution has a steep slope.
- Identification of areas where the solutions stray.



Example: slope field

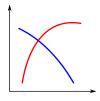
$$\frac{dV}{dt} = 1 + t - V$$

Table transcript

## Geometric view on Differential Equations



In general: Two integral curves don't intersect



Two integral curves don't touch.



For each point  $(t_n, V_n)$  there is only one solution!

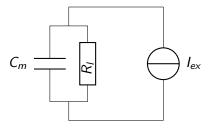
## Fishpond



This approach especially helps to understand dynamic systems.

Fish population in a fishpond. **Table transcript** 

A simple equivalent circuit of a cell:



# Questions?