

# 1.4 Euler's Method

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Definition:

A simple procedure that can be summarized by the recursive formulas

$$\begin{aligned}x_{n+1} &= x_n + h, \text{ where } h \text{ is step size} \\y_{n+1} &= y_n + hf(x_n, y_n), n = 0, 1, 2, \dots\end{aligned}$$

to approximate an initial value problem

# Example.

Use Euler's Method with step size  $h = 1$  to approximate the solution to the initial value problem.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 - y^2, \text{ and } y(0) = 1.$$

Find  $y(5)$ ,

Solution.

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