

Systems: $y'' = f(x, y, y')$

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ex: $y'' = y y'$. $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = \frac{1}{2}$.

$$y' = z, \quad y'' = z \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$$

so $z \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = y z$. $z = 0$ is a soln. but doesn't satisfy initial cond.

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = y \Rightarrow z = \frac{1}{2} y^2 + c$$

$\Rightarrow y' = \frac{1}{2} y^2 + \frac{1}{2}$ \swarrow $y'(0) = z(0) = \frac{1}{2}$ since $y(0) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2 dy}{1 + y^2} = dx$$

III $y'' = f(x, y)$

$$y'' + 4y = 0$$

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$$y = A \sin(2x)$$

$$y'' = -4y, \quad z' = y, \quad z \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -4y$$

$$z \partial z = -4y \partial y$$

$$\frac{z^2}{2} = -2y^2 + C$$

$$z^2 = -4y^2 + C$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial z} = \pm \sqrt{C - 4y^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\sqrt{C - 4y^2}} = dz$$

So look at $\text{III} \quad y'' = f(x, y) \quad y(x_0) = y_0, \quad y'(x_0) = y_1$

$\varphi(x)$ solution. $\varphi''(x) = f(x, \varphi(x)), \quad \varphi(x_0) = y_0, \quad \varphi'(x_0) = y_1$

$$\varphi'(x) = y_1 + \int_{x_0}^x f(t, \varphi(t)) dt$$

$$\varphi(x) = y_0 + y_1(x - x_0) + \int_{x_0}^x \int_{x_0}^s f(t, \varphi(t)) dt ds$$

$$y(x) = y_0 + y_1(x-x_0) + \int_{x_0}^x \int_{x_0}^t f(s, y(s)) ds dt$$

$$= y_0 + y_1(x-x_0) + \int_{x_0}^x dt \int_t^x \underbrace{f(s, y(s))}_{\text{the of } s} ds$$

$$= y_0 + y_1(x-x_0) + \int_{x_0}^x f(t, y(t)) (x-t) dt$$

is the solution. this can probably be generalized

How about general case:

$$y^{(n)} = f(x, y, y', \dots, y^{(n-1)})$$

$$y(x_0) = \alpha_0$$

$$y'(x_0) = \alpha_1$$

$$\vdots$$

$$y^{(n)}(x_0) = \alpha_{n-1}$$

Let $y_1 = y, y_2 = y', \dots, y_n = y^{(n-1)}$

equation becomes a system of order 1.

$$y_1' = y_2, y_2' = y_3, \dots, y_{n-1}' = y_n, y_n' = y^{(n)}$$

$$= f(x, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$$

system of eqns

$$\text{Let } Y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad \leftarrow \text{where } y \text{ is defined}$$
$$\downarrow F$$
$$Y' = (y_2, y_3, \dots, f(x, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n))$$

$$\text{So } Y' = F(x, Y), \quad Y(x_0) = \alpha = (\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{n-1})$$

$$\text{So } \Phi(x) = \alpha + \int_{x_0}^x F(t, \Phi(t)) dt \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

So can use approx. method for Φ .