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Picard's Approximation Method: (to solve integral eqn $\varphi(x) = y_0 + \int_{x_0}^x f(t, \varphi(t)) dt$)

$$\varphi_0(x) = y_0$$

$$\varphi_1(x) = y_0 + \int_{x_0}^x f(t, \varphi_0) dt$$

$$\varphi_2(x) = y_0 + \int_{x_0}^x f(t, \varphi_1(t)) dt$$

⋮

$$\varphi_{n+1}(x) = y_0 + \int_{x_0}^x f(t, \varphi_n(t)) dt$$

$$[x_0 - a, x_0 + a] \times [y_0 - b, y_0 + b]$$

Problem: $\varphi_1(t)$ may not be in D (where $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.)

$$M = \sup_{(x,y) \in D} |f(x,y)|$$

$$\text{but } |\varphi_1(t) - y_0| = \left| \int_{x_0}^t |f(t, y_0)| dt \right| \leq M |x - x_0| \leq b.$$

So we must take a new domain:

$$\left\{ |x - x_0| \leq \min\left\{a, \frac{b}{M}\right\}, |y - y_0| \leq b \right\}$$

$$\text{by induction, } \forall n, |\varphi_n - y_0| \leq M |x - x_0|.$$

Suppose true for φ_{n-1} .

Then same argument goes thru

$$|\varphi_{n+1}(x) - \varphi_n(x)| \leq \int_{x_0}^x |f(t, \varphi_n(t)) - f(t, \varphi_{n-1}(t))| dt$$

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Lipschitz Condition on f :

$$|f(x, y_1) - f(x, y_2)| \leq K |y_1 - y_2|$$

$$\forall x, y_1, y_2$$

Sufficient to check

$$\sup_{(x,y) \in D} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x,y) \right| \leq K < \infty$$

(if f has Lipschitz)

$$\leq K \int_{x_0}^x |\varphi_n(t) - \varphi_{n-1}(t)| dt$$

$$\leq MK \int_{x_0}^x |t - x_0| dt$$

$$= MK \left| \int_0^{x-x_0} u du \right|$$

$$= \frac{MK |x - x_0|^2}{2}$$

So guess:

$$|\varphi_n(x) - \varphi_{n-1}(x)| \leq M \frac{K^{n-1} |x - x_0|^n}{n!} \xrightarrow{\text{fast}} 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\text{so } p_n \rightarrow \varphi.$$

Since
$$y_0 + (p_1(x) - p_0(x)) + (p_2(x) - p_1(x)) + \dots$$

→ limit if it exists
of p_n

and it exists by comparison test,