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## Physics Informed Neural Networks

Starting Point: Ordinary Diff Eqs (ODE)'s

Problem: Find  $u(t)$  on  $[0, 1]$   
given  $u(0)$  and  $u'(t) = f(u, t)$

Demo ode\_simple.jl

One classical Method

Assume a finite dimensional vector space as  
a solution guess

e.g.  $u(t) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k t^k$  or  $u(t) = \sum c_k \sin 2\pi k t$  etc

Take  $n$  points  $0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq 1$

Solve 
$$\sum_{k=1}^n k c_k t_i^{k-1} = f\left(\sum_{k=0}^n c_k t_i^k, t_i\right)$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, n$

This is linear if  $u'(t)$  only depends on  $t$

For a PINN we assume  $u(t)$  is a  
neural network

## The Universal Approximation Theorem

In layman's terms, any (nice) function from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$  can be well approximated by a neural network if you allow yourself enough parameters and layers

Polynomials have this property

$$f(x) = \sum a_i x^i$$

or

$$c_0 + \sum c_i x_i + \sum c_{ij} x_i x_j + \sum c_{ijk} x_i x_j x_k + \dots$$

but polynomials tend to need exponentially (in the # parameters) more terms as compared to neural networks

Machine Learning not from data  
but from functions