

Recall: Model for limited growth

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = rI \left(1 - \frac{I}{K}\right)$$

"Logistic equation"

$$I(0) = I_0$$

$$\int_{I_0}^{I(t)} \frac{dI}{I \left(1 - \frac{I}{K}\right)} = \int_0^t r dt \quad \Rightarrow \quad \ln I - \ln(K-I) \Big|_{I_0}^{I(t)} = rt$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{I} + \frac{1}{K-I}\right) dI$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln \frac{I}{K-I} \Big|_{I_0}^{I(t)} = rt$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln \left( \frac{I(t)}{K-I(t)} \cdot \frac{K-I_0}{I_0} \right) = rt$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{I(t)}{K-I(t)} = \underbrace{\frac{I_0}{K-I_0}}_{=: \alpha} e^{rt}$$

$$\frac{I}{K-I} = \alpha \Rightarrow I = \alpha K - \alpha I \Rightarrow I(1+\alpha) = \alpha K \Rightarrow I = \frac{\alpha}{1+\alpha} K = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\alpha} + 1} K$$

$$I(t) = \frac{1}{\frac{K-I_0}{I_0} e^{-rt} + 1} K = \frac{K I_0}{\underbrace{(K-I_0) e^{-rt} + I_0}_{\rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty}}$$

- $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} I(t) = K$

- $I(0) = \frac{K I_0}{K - I_0 + I_0} = I_0$

Recall initial differential equation

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = rI \left(1 - \frac{I}{K}\right)$$

roots of RHS:  $I=0$  ,  $I=K$

So: if  $I_0=0$  then  $\frac{dI}{dt}=0 \Rightarrow I(t)=0$  for all  $t \geq 0$ .

$I_0=K$  then .....  $I(t)=K$  .....

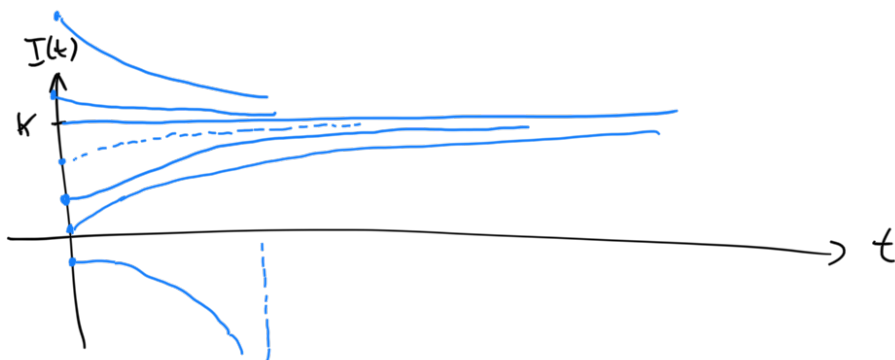
Points where the rate of change is zero are called equilibrium points.

$$\text{When } I_0 > K: \quad \frac{dI}{dt} < 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad I \text{ is decreasing}$$

$$I_0 \in (0, K): \quad \frac{dI}{dt} > 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad I \text{ is increasing}$$

$$I_0 < 0: \quad \frac{dI}{dt} < 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad I \text{ is decreasing}$$

Fact: Solutions are unique: two solution curves cannot cross.



More examples:

① Newton's law of cooling

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = k(A - T)$$

$k > 0$  "rate coefficient"  
 $A$  "ambient temperature"

$$T(0) = T_0$$

$$\int_{T_0}^{T(t)} \frac{dT}{A - T} = \int_0^t k dt$$

$$\Rightarrow -\ln(A - T) \Big|_{T_0}^{T(t)} = kt$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln \frac{A - T_0}{A - T(t)} = kt$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{A - T_0}{A - T(t)} = e^{kt}$$

$$\Rightarrow A - T(t) = (A - T_0) e^{-kt}$$

$$\Rightarrow T(t) = A + (T_0 - A)e^{-\tau t} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} A$$

$$\text{check: } T(0) = A + (T_0 - A) \cdot 1 = T_0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = -3xy \quad y(0) = 1 \quad y = y(x)$$

$$\int_1^{y(x)} \frac{dy}{y} = \int_0^x -3x dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln y \Big|_1^{y(x)} = -\frac{3}{2}x^2 \Big|_0^x$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln y(x) = -\frac{3}{2}x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = e^{-\frac{3}{2}x^2}$$

general problem: "separable differential equations":

$$y' = g(x)h(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{dy}{h(y)} = \int g(x) dx$$

Solve integrals, then solve for  $y(x)$ .

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = y^2 \quad y(1) = 1$$

$$\int_1^{y(x)} \frac{dy}{y^2} = \int_1^x dx$$

$$\Rightarrow -y^{-1} \Big|_1^{y(x)} = x \Big|_1^x$$

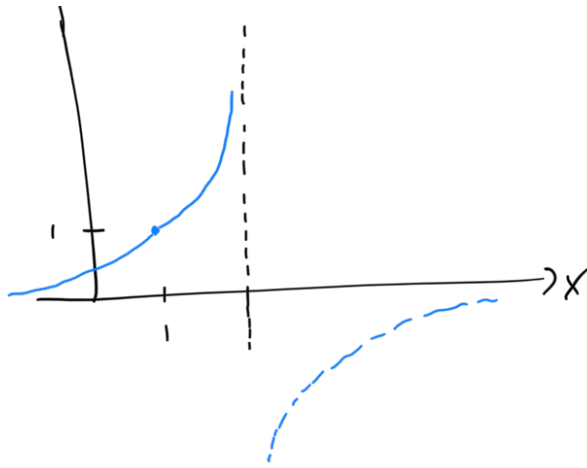
$$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{y(x)} = x - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y(x)} = 2 - x$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = \frac{1}{2-x}$$



"blow-up" at  $x = 2$



④  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{y}$        $y(0) = y_0$

$$\int_{y_0}^{y(x)} y^{-\frac{1}{2}} dy = \int_0^x dx \Rightarrow 2y^{\frac{1}{2}} \Big|_{y_0}^{y(x)} = x \Rightarrow \sqrt{y(x)} = \frac{x}{2} + \sqrt{y_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = \left( \frac{x}{2} + \sqrt{y_0} \right)^2$$

Check:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x}{4} = \frac{x}{2}$

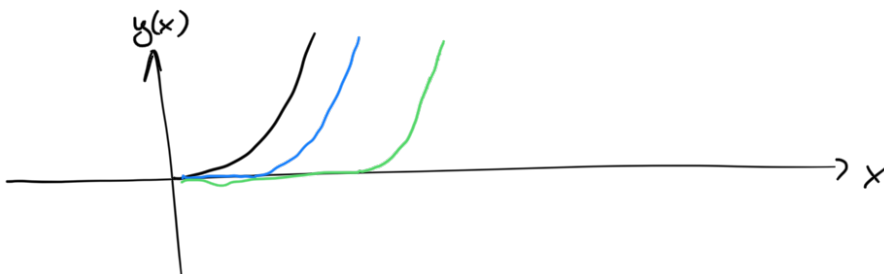
$$\sqrt{y} = \sqrt{\frac{x^2}{4}} = \frac{x}{2}$$

$$y(0) = 0$$

In particular: if  $y_0 = 0$  :  $y(x) = \frac{x^2}{4}$

Note: there is another solution:  $y(x) = 0$

**Violation of uniqueness!!!**



⑤ Volterra-Lotka equations

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = by - rxy$$

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$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -sx + cxy$$

Predator

Equation for  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{by - rxy}{-sx + cxy} = \frac{(b - rx)y}{x(-s + cy)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{-s+cy}{y} dy = \int \frac{b-rx}{x} dx$$
$$\underbrace{\quad}_{-\frac{s}{y} + c} \quad \quad \quad \underbrace{\quad}_{\frac{b}{x} - r}$$

$$\Rightarrow -s \ln y + cy = b \ln x - rx + C$$

Equilibrium points:  $x=y=0$  (not interesting) or

$$b - rx = 0 \text{ and } s - cy = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{b}{r} \quad y = \frac{s}{c}$$

