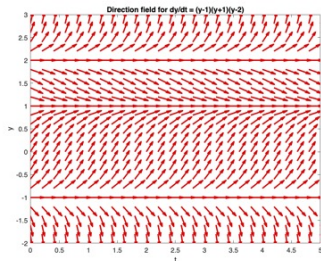


MATH 226:Differential Equations



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Notes on Assignment 2
Assignment 3
Direction Field for $y' = f(t, y)$

Qualitative Analysis of Autonomous Differential Equation

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = f(y)$$

1. Find Equilibrium Solutions ($f(y) = 0$)

2. Create Phase Line

Determine when $f(y) > 0$ and where $f(y) < 0$
Label with arrows.

3. Classify Equilibrium Solutions

Asymptotically Stable: $\rightarrow \bullet \leftarrow$

Semistable: $\rightarrow \bullet \rightarrow$ or $\leftarrow \bullet \leftarrow$

Unstable: $\leftarrow \bullet \rightarrow$

Asymptotically Stable Semistable Unstable

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4. Sketch Solutions

Increasing, Decreasing, Concavity

Determining Concavity of y as a Function of t

$$y'(t) = f(y(t)) \text{ or more simply } y' = f(y)$$

- ▶ Use Second Derivative:

$$y''(t) = f'(y(t)) \times y'(t) = \frac{df}{dy} \times \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{df}{dy} \times f(y)$$

- ▶ Use Graph of $f(y)$ as a function of y

Determining Concavity of y as a Function of t

Example: $y' = (y - 1)(y + 1)(y - 2) = (y^2 - 1)(y - 2)$

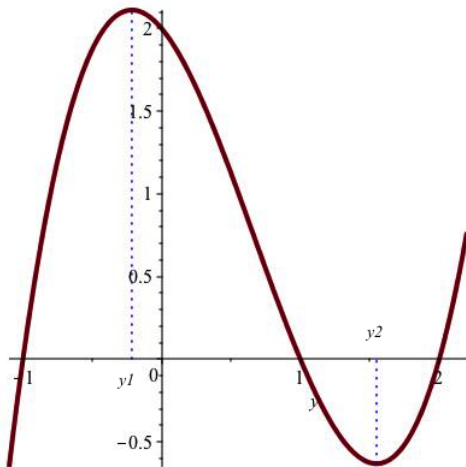
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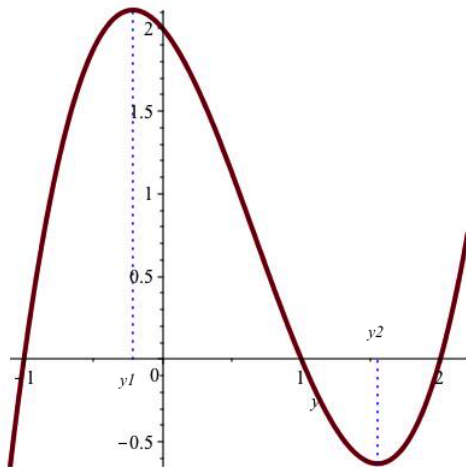
$$y'' = [3y^2 - 4y - 1][(y^2 - 1)(y - 2)]$$

- Use Graph of $f(y)$ as a function of y

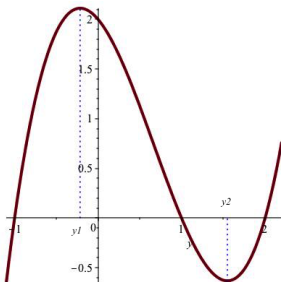
Graph of $f(y) = (y^2 - 1)(y - 2)$ as a function of y



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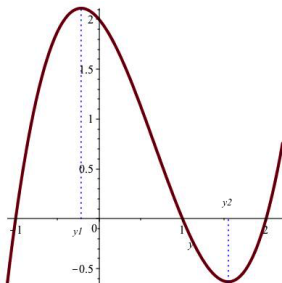
$$y_1 \sim -0.215, y_2 \sim 1.549$$



Since $y'(t) = f(y(t))$, we have $y''(t) = \frac{df}{dy} \frac{dy}{dt} = f''(y(t))y'(t)$

Interval of y values	Behavior of Derivative as function of y	$y''(t) = \frac{dy'}{dt} = \frac{dy'}{dy} \frac{dy}{dt}$
$y < -1$	Negative and Increasing	$(+)(-) = -$
$-1 < y < y_1$	Positive and Increasing	$(+)(+) = +$
$y_1 < y < 1$	Positive and Decreasing	$(-)(+) = -$
$1 < y < y_2$	Negative and Decreasing	$(-)(-) = +$
$y_2 < y < 2$	Negative and Increasing	$(+)(-) = -$
$y > 2$	Positive and Increasing	$(+)(+) = +$

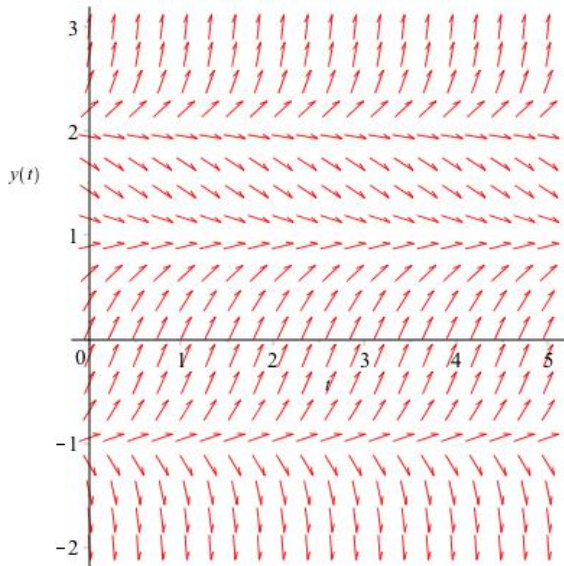
$$y_1 = \frac{2-\sqrt{7}}{3}, y_2 = \frac{2+\sqrt{7}}{3}$$



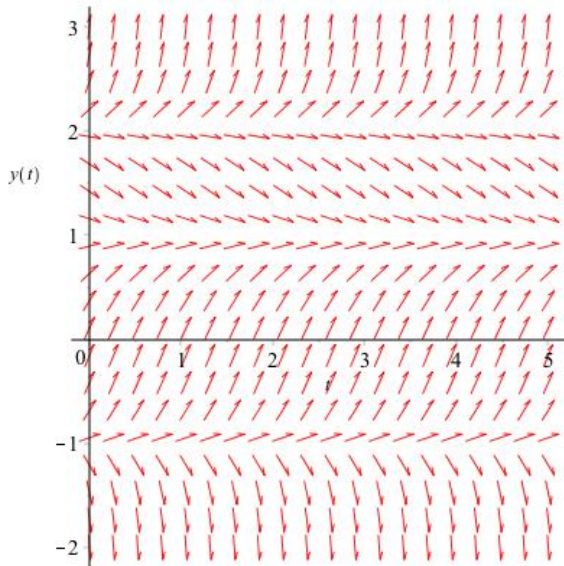
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Interval	$y'(t)$	$y''(t)$	Behavior of Solution
$y < -1$	-	-	Decreasing Concave Down
$-1 < y < r_1$	+	+	Increasing, Concave Up
$r_1 < y < 1$	+	-	Increasing, Concave Down
$1 < y < y_2$	-	+	Decreasing, Concave Up
$y_2 < y < 2$	-	-	Decreasing, Concave Down
$y > 2$	+	+	Increasing, Concave Up

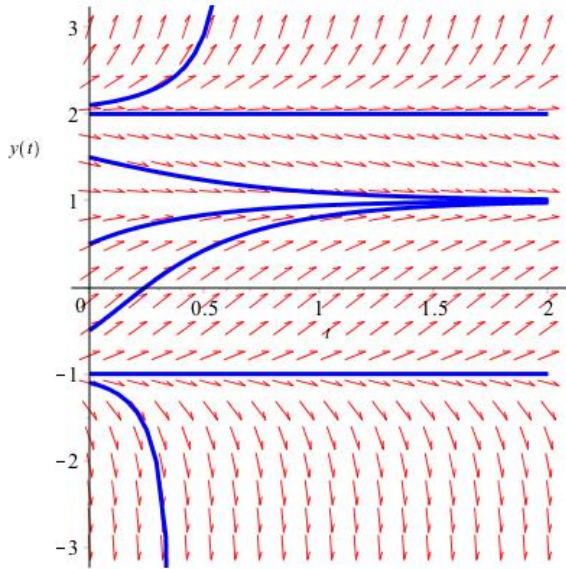
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Direction Field for $y' = (y^2 - 1)(y - 2)$



Some Integral Curves For $y' = (y^2 - 1)(y - 2)$



Some More Integral Curves For $y' = (y^2 - 1)(y - 2)$

