

In [2]: `from sympy import *` # You need to start by importing this symbolic package

Example 1 (part a): Verify  $y = Ce^{at}$  is a solution to the ODE  $dy/dt = a * y$ . **NOTE: The second part of this solution will be important for all future computer assignments!!!**

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In [3]: t=symbols('t') # Defines t as a symbolic variable
C,a=symbols('C a') # Defines C and a as symbolic variables at the same time
y=C*exp(a*t)
LHS=diff(y,t)
RHS=a*y
print('LHS =',LHS,'and RHS =',RHS) # the print command produces output and explanatory text
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LHS =  $C*a*exp(a*t)$  and RHS =  $C*a*exp(a*t)$

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In [4]: # *****Let's actually solve the ODE using the dsolve command *****
y=Function('y') # Defines y as a symbolic function
deq=diff(y(t),t)-a*y(t) # PERSONAL PREFERENCE: I like to move everything to one side to solve EXPRESSION = 0
ysoln=dsolve(deq,y(t))
print('The solution to the ODE is',ysoln)
print('Eq stands for "Equation". Arguments are LHS and RHS.')
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The solution to the ODE is  $Eq(y(t), C1*exp(a*t))$

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Example 1 (part b): If  $y(0)=10$ , we can use the **ics** option to solve an IVP

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In [5]: ysoln=dsolve(deq,y(t),ics={y(0):10})
print('The solution to the IVP is',ysoln)
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The solution to the IVP is  $Eq(y(t), 10*exp(a*t))$

Example 3: Find the values of  $r$  for which  $y = t^r$  is a solution to the ODE  $t^2y''' - 4ty'' + 4y' = 0$

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In [6]: r,t=symbols('r t')
y=t**r
LHS=t**2*diff(y,t,3)-4*t*diff(y,t,2)+4*diff(y,t)
print('Equation becomes',LHS,'=0, or ',LHS.factor(),'=0')
# Solution seems obvious, but will solve in Python to confirm
r_soln=solve(LHS,r)
print('Values of r are',r_soln)
# Confirming with dsolve
y=Function('y')
LHS=t**2*diff(y(t),t,3)-4*t*diff(y(t),t,2)+4*diff(y(t),t)
dsolve(LHS,y(t))
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Equation becomes  $-4*r*t**r*(r - 1)/t + r*t**r*(r**2 - 3*r + 2)/t + 4*r*t**r/t = 0$ , or  $r*t**r*(r - 5)*(r - 2)/t = 0$   
 Values of r are  $[0, 2, 5]$

Out[6]:  $y(t) = C_1 + C_2 t^2 + C_3 t^5$

Example 4: Object dropped from rest. Forces are the weight of the object ( $m g$ ) and air resistance ( $c v$ ). By Newton's Second Law,  $F = ma = mg - cv$ , or  $mv' = mg - cv$  and the initial condition is  $v(0)=0$  ("from rest")

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In [10]: t,m,g,c=symbols('t m g c')
v=Function('v')
deq=m*diff(v(t),t)-m*g-c*v(t) # moved everything to one side
vsoln=dsolve(deq,v(t),ics={v(0):0}) # assumed deq = 0
print('The solution to the ODE is',vsoln.expand())
# General solution without the initial condition:
gensoln=dsolve(deq,v(t))
print('Without the initial condition, the solution is',gensoln.expand())
print('Note that exp(C1*c/m) is also an arbitrary constant and can be replaced with C1')
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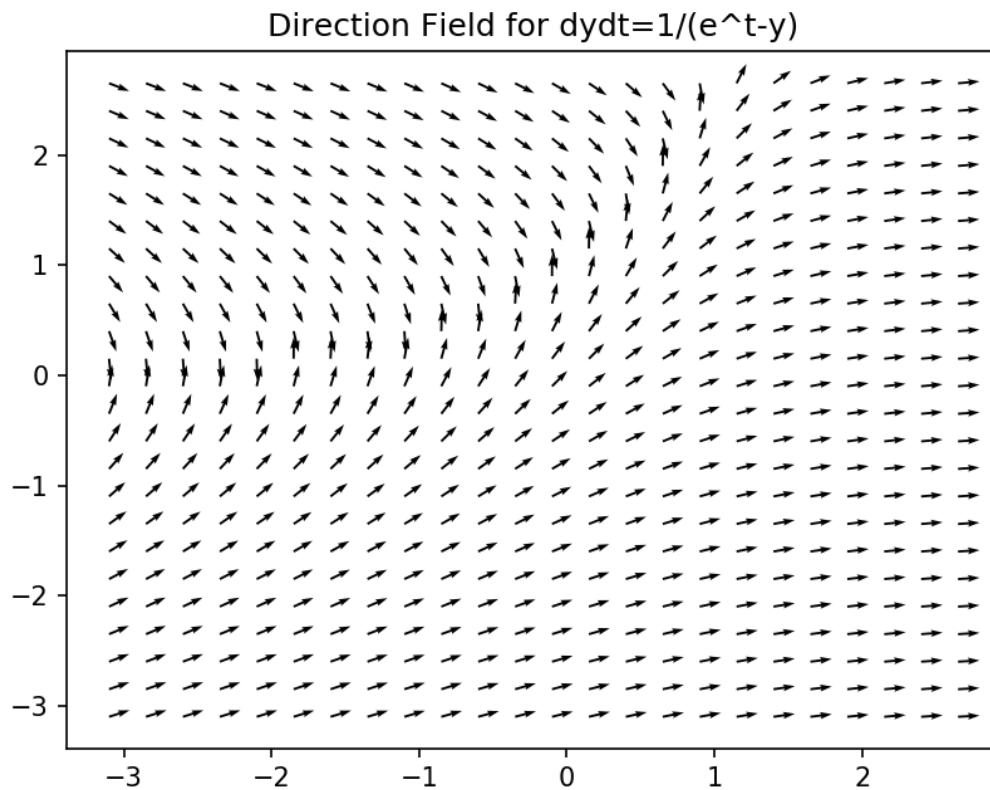
The solution to the ODE is  $\text{Eq}(v(t), g*m*\exp(c*t/m)/c - g*m/c)$   
 Without the initial condition, the solution is  $\text{Eq}(v(t), -g*m/c + \exp(C1*c/m)*\exp(c*t/m)/c)$   
 Note that  $\exp(C1*c/m)$  is also an arbitrary constant and can be replaced with  $C1$

Example 5: Direction field. To do this, we need to use the NUMPY package instead of SYMPY.

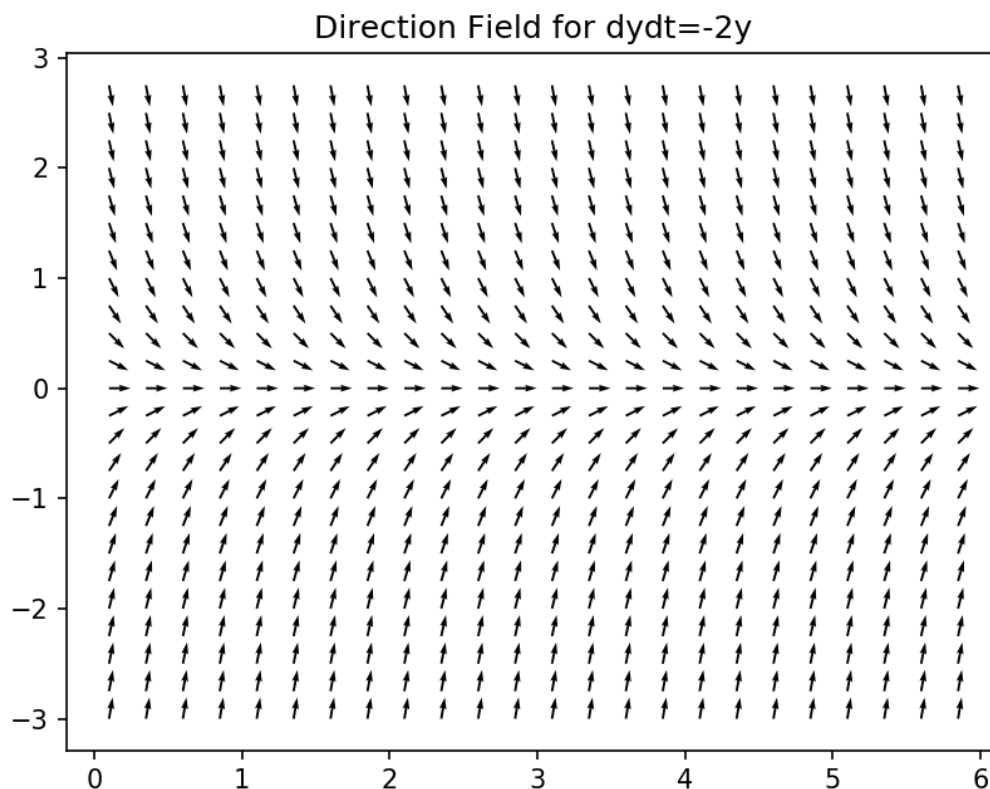
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In [11]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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In [12]: matplotlib notebook
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In [13]: T, Y = np.meshgrid(np.arange(-3.1, 2.9, .25), np.arange(-3.1, 2.9, .25)) #  
         adjust domain and range and spacing as needed  
         dYdT = 1/(np.exp(T)-Y) # put f(t,y) here to find slope  
         U = 1/(1+dYdT**2)**0.5*np.ones(T.shape) # Normalizes the arrows to see near  
         -zero slopes.  
         V = 1/(1+dYdT**2)**0.5*dYdT  
         plt.figure()  
         plt.title('Direction Field for dydt=1/(e^t-y)')  
         Q = plt.quiver(T, Y, U, V) # draws the arrows at (X,Y) with slope dYdX
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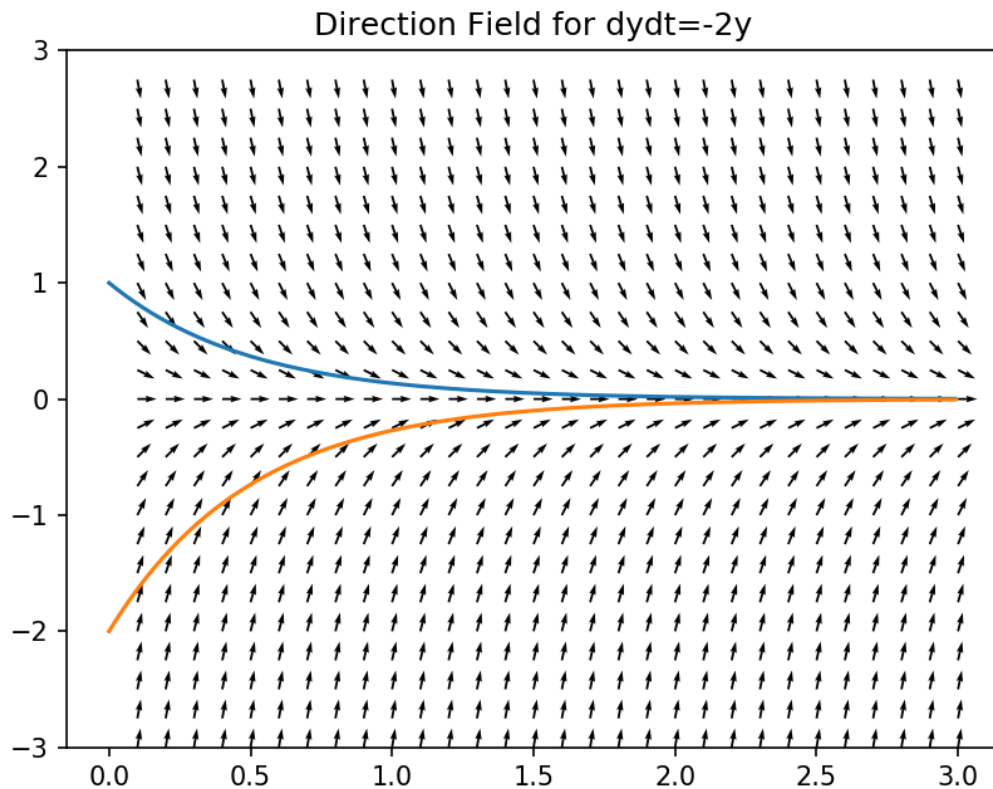
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In [14]: T, Y = np.meshgrid(np.arange(0.1, 6.1, .25), np.arange(-3, 3, .25)) # adjusting to avoid zero denominator
dYdT = -2*Y # put f(t,y) here to find slope
U = 1/(1+dYdT**2)**0.5*np.ones(T.shape) # Normalizes the arrows to see near-zero slopes.
V = 1/(1+dYdT**2)**0.5*dYdT
plt.figure()
plt.title('Direction Field for dydt=-2y')
Q = plt.quiver(T, Y, U, V) # draws the arrows at (X,Y) with slope dYdX
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In [15]: matplotlib notebook
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We know the solution to  $y' = -2y$  is  $y = y_0 * e^{-2t}$  based on the first example. Let's plot a couple of solution curves with the direction field

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In [21]: T, Y = np.meshgrid(np.arange(0.1, 3.1, .1), np.arange(-3, 3, .25)) # adjusting to avoid zero denominator
          dYdT = -2*Y # put f(t,y) here to find slope
          U = 1/(1+dYdT**2)**0.5*np.ones(T.shape) # Normalizes the arrows to see near-zero slopes.
          V = 1/(1+dYdT**2)**0.5*dYdT
          plt.figure()
          plt.title('Direction Field for dydt=-2y')
          Q = plt.quiver(T, Y, U, V) # draws the arrows at (X,Y) with slope dYdX
          tplot=np.arange(0,3,0.01) # a range of t-values from 0 to 6 with stepsize .01
          # Let y(0)=1 so solution is y=e^(-2t)
          yplot=np.exp(-2*tplot)
          plt.plot(tplot,yplot)
          #NOW Let y(0)=-2 so solution is y=-2e^(-2t)
          yplot2=-2*np.exp(-2*tplot)
          plt.plot(tplot,yplot2)
          plt.ylim(-3,3) # changes the y-range to match the direction field
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Out[21]: (-3, 3)

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