

Application: Population growth

$P(t)$ population at time t

$\beta(t)$ Birth rate

$\delta(t)$ Death rate

← $\frac{\text{unit of population}}{\text{unit of time}}$

In some interval $[t, t + \Delta t]$

$$\# \text{ Births} = \beta(t) \cdot P(t) \cdot \Delta t$$

$$\# \text{ Death} = \delta(t) \cdot P(t) \cdot \Delta t$$

$$\Delta P = (\beta(t) - \delta(t)) \Delta t$$

$$\frac{\Delta P}{\Delta t} = (\beta(t) - \delta(t)) \quad \text{So as } \Delta t \rightarrow 0$$

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = (\beta - \delta) P$$

General
Population equation

This is separable and so in theory we can solve.

In the real world, growth usually bounded, lack of food, space, etc.

Let's assume β dec. linearly and δ inc. linearly:

$$\beta = \beta_0 - \beta_1 P$$

$$\delta = \delta_0 + \delta_1 P$$

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = (\beta_0 - \delta_0)P - (\beta_1 + \delta_1)P^2$$

$$r = \beta_0 - \delta_0$$

$$K = r / (\beta_1 + \delta_1)$$

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = r \left(1 - \frac{P}{K}\right) P$$

Logistic
growth
model

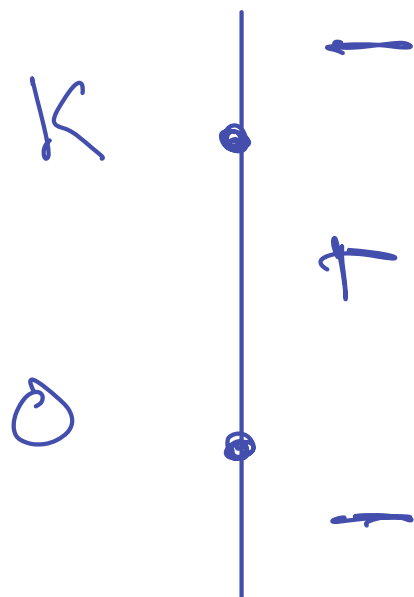
r = growth rate

K = Carrying Capacity

This is autonomous, so let's
do qualitative analysis:

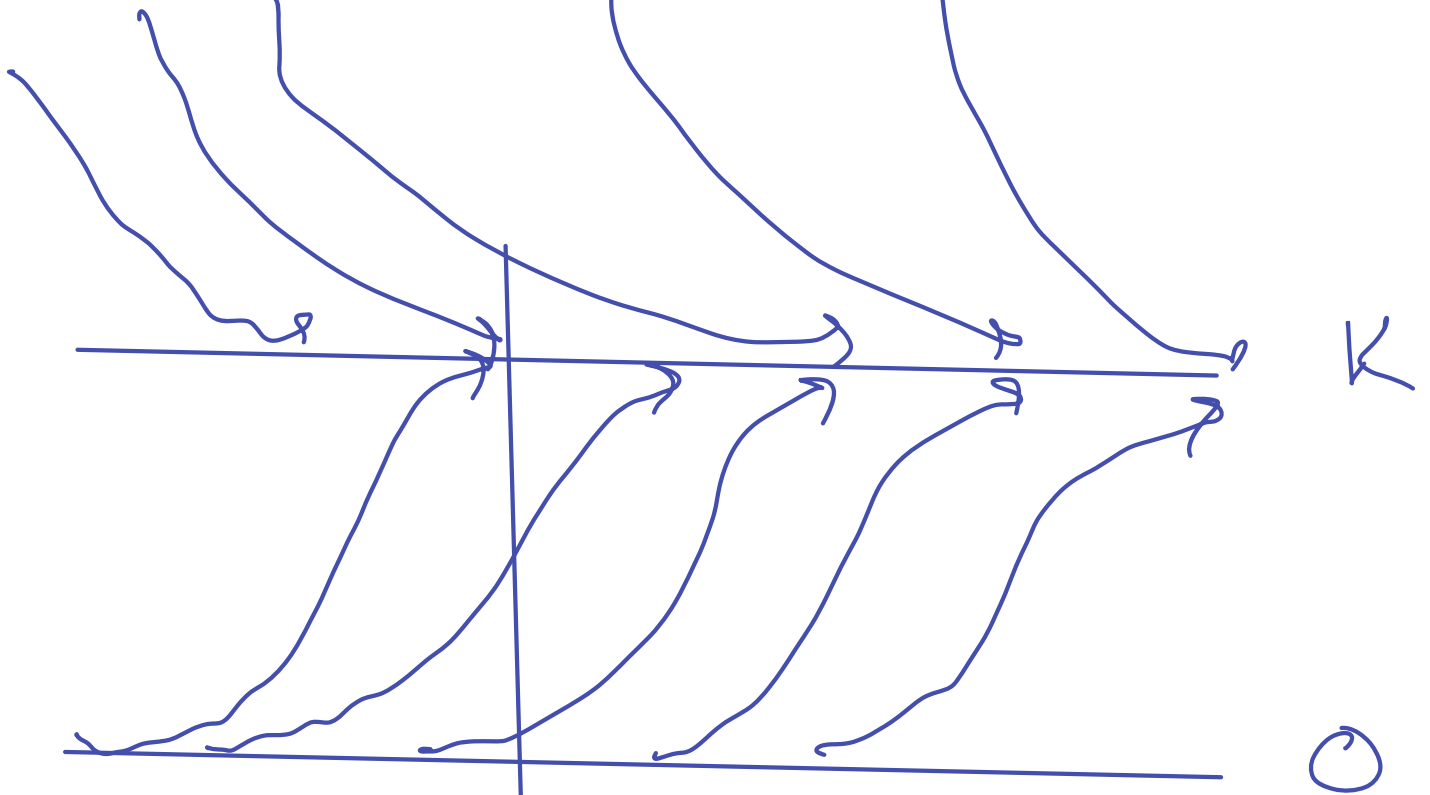
Equilibrium points: $r \left(1 - \frac{P}{K}\right) P = 0$

$P=0$ and $P=K$



$P=K$ Stable

$P=0$ unstable



Note: Population shouldn't be negative so don't care about those graphs.

We see $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P(t) = K$

which is why it's called the carrying capacity.

Explicit solⁿ:

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = r \left(1 - \frac{P}{K}\right) P$$

$$K \frac{dP}{dt} = r (K - P) P$$

$$\frac{K}{(K - P) P} dP = r dt$$

Note that $\frac{K}{(K - P) P} = \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{K - P}$

\Rightarrow

$$\int \frac{1}{P} + \frac{1}{K - P} dP = \int r dt$$

$$\ln|P| = \ln|K-P| = rt + C$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P}{K-P} = Ce^{rt}$$

$$P(t) = \frac{KCe^{rt}}{1 + Ce^{rt}}$$

If we let
 $P_0 = P(0)$

$$P_0 = \frac{KC}{1+C} \Rightarrow C = \frac{P_0}{K-P_0}$$

$$P(t) = \frac{KP_0}{P_0 + (K-P_0)e^{-rt}}$$

One can easily then see that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P(t) = K.$$

Ex: Suppose we have a pond that can support 1000 fish. Let's say you have 100 fish initially in the pond. Suppose after 1 year, there ^{are} 200 fish in the pond. How long to hit 90% capacity?

$$K = 1000 \quad P_0 = 100$$

$$P(1) = 200$$

$$P(t) = \frac{1000 \cdot 100}{900 e^{-rt} + 100}$$

\Rightarrow

$$200 = \frac{1000 \cdot 100}{900 e^{-r} + 100} \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$r = \ln(9/4)$$

$$900 = P(t)$$

$$900 = \frac{1000 \cdot 100}{900 e^{-rt} + 100}$$

$$\Rightarrow t \approx 5.419 \text{ years}$$

Harvesting: Suppose we have a pond and we're trying to model population of fish in the pond.

Suppose our model is

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = P\left(1 - \frac{P}{200}\right)$$

Let's say we allow for H fish to be fished each year.

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = P\left(1 - \frac{P}{200}\right) - H$$

Let's start by investigating behavior for certain values of H .

$$H=32: \quad \frac{dp}{dt} = p\left(1 - \frac{p}{200}\right) - 32$$

$$\text{Equilibrium pts:} \quad p\left(1 - \frac{p}{200}\right) - 32 = 0$$

$$p = 40, 160$$

40 unstable

160 stable



If P drops below 40, the population will die off!

$$H = 100:$$

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = P\left(1 - \frac{P}{200}\right) - 100$$

$$\text{Equilibrium pts: } P\left(1 - \frac{P}{200}\right) - 100 = 0$$

No real sol^{ns}!

Note that $P\left(1 - \frac{P}{200}\right)$ has

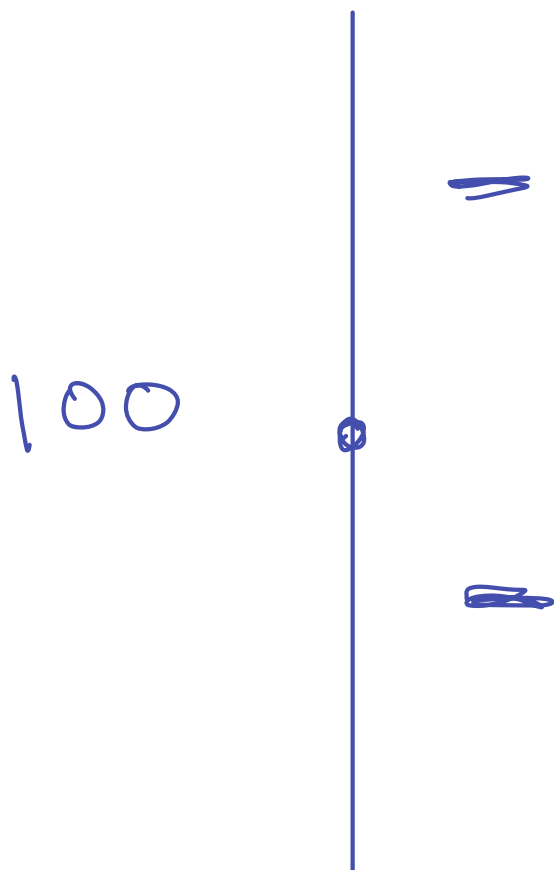
maximum value of 50,

$$\text{and so } \frac{dP}{dt} < 0$$

\Rightarrow population always dies off!

$$H = 50: \quad \frac{dP}{dt} = P\left(1 - \frac{P}{200}\right) = 50$$

Equilibrium pts: $P = 100$



Population good as long
as $P \geq 100$.

What's going on?

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = rP(1 - P/K) - H$$

Equilibrium pts:

$$rP(1 - P/K) - H = 0$$

$$-rP^2 + rKP - KH = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow P = \frac{K}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{K^2}{4} - \frac{KH}{r}}$$

$$\Delta = \frac{K^2}{4} - \frac{KH}{r}$$

$$\Delta < 0: \quad H > rK/4$$

no real solⁿ \Rightarrow no equil.
pts and $\frac{dP}{dt} < 0$

So population is doomed!

$\Delta > 0$: $H < rK/4$ two

equilibrium pts:

$$\frac{K}{2} + \sqrt{\Delta} \quad \text{Stable}$$

$$\frac{K}{2} - \sqrt{\Delta} \quad \text{Unstable}$$

$$\Delta = 0 : \quad H = \frac{rK}{4}$$

$$\frac{K}{2} \quad \text{Semistable}$$

The behavior depends drastically on the parameter H .

In our case.. $H=50$ is

"Special": we call it a
bifurcation point because

equal pts changes from
2 to 1 to 0 as we
pass through it.

In general:

$$y' = f_{\lambda}(y)$$

\uparrow

$$f_{\lambda}(y)$$

depends
on some
parameter
 λ

One parameter family of
ODEs

bifurcation at $\lambda = \lambda_0$

if # equilibrium pts changes

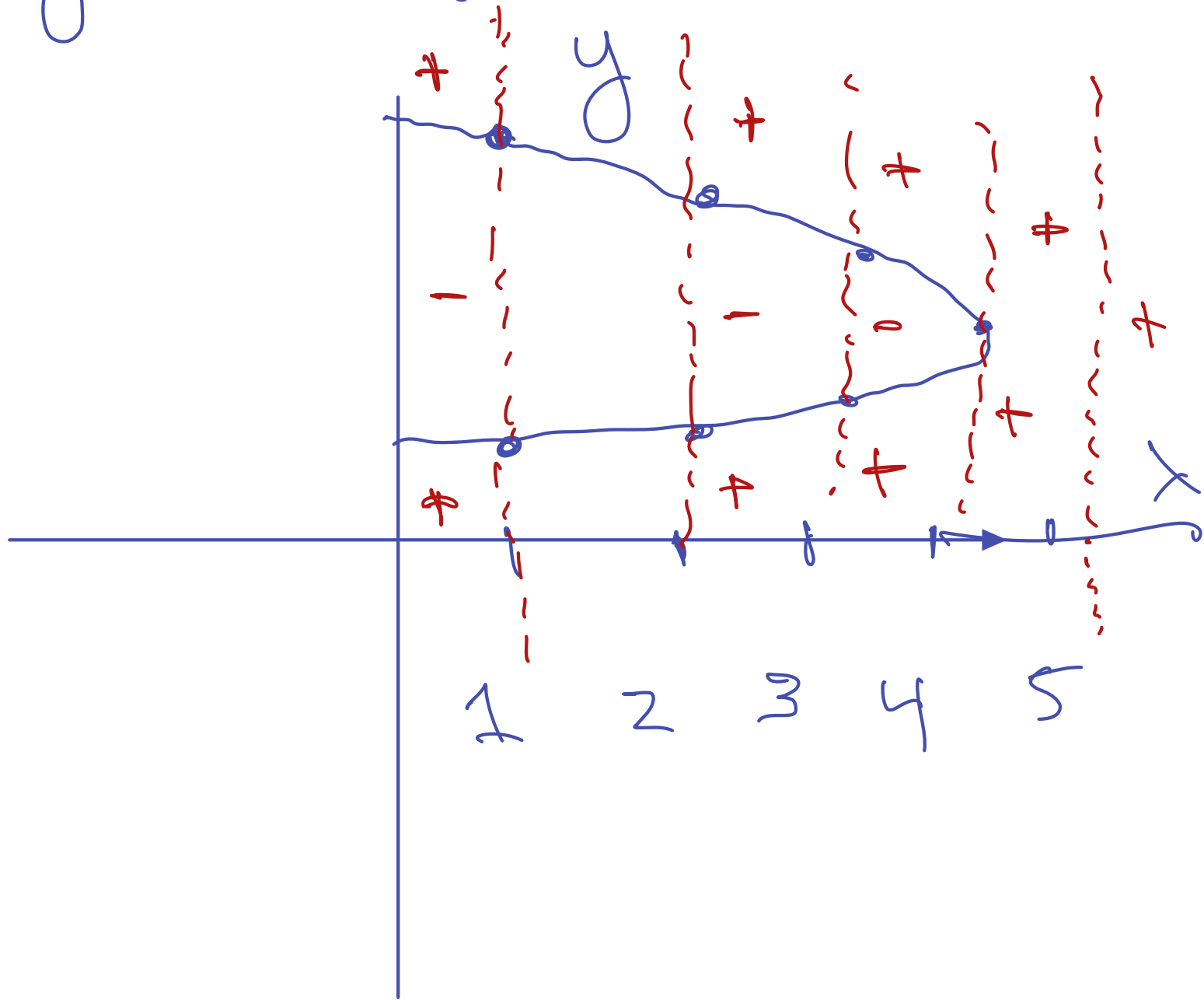
Usually analyze this with
something called a

bifurcation diagram.

Ex: $y' = f_\lambda(y) = y^2 - 4y + \lambda$

The equil. solutions are

$$y = 2 \pm \sqrt{4-\lambda}$$



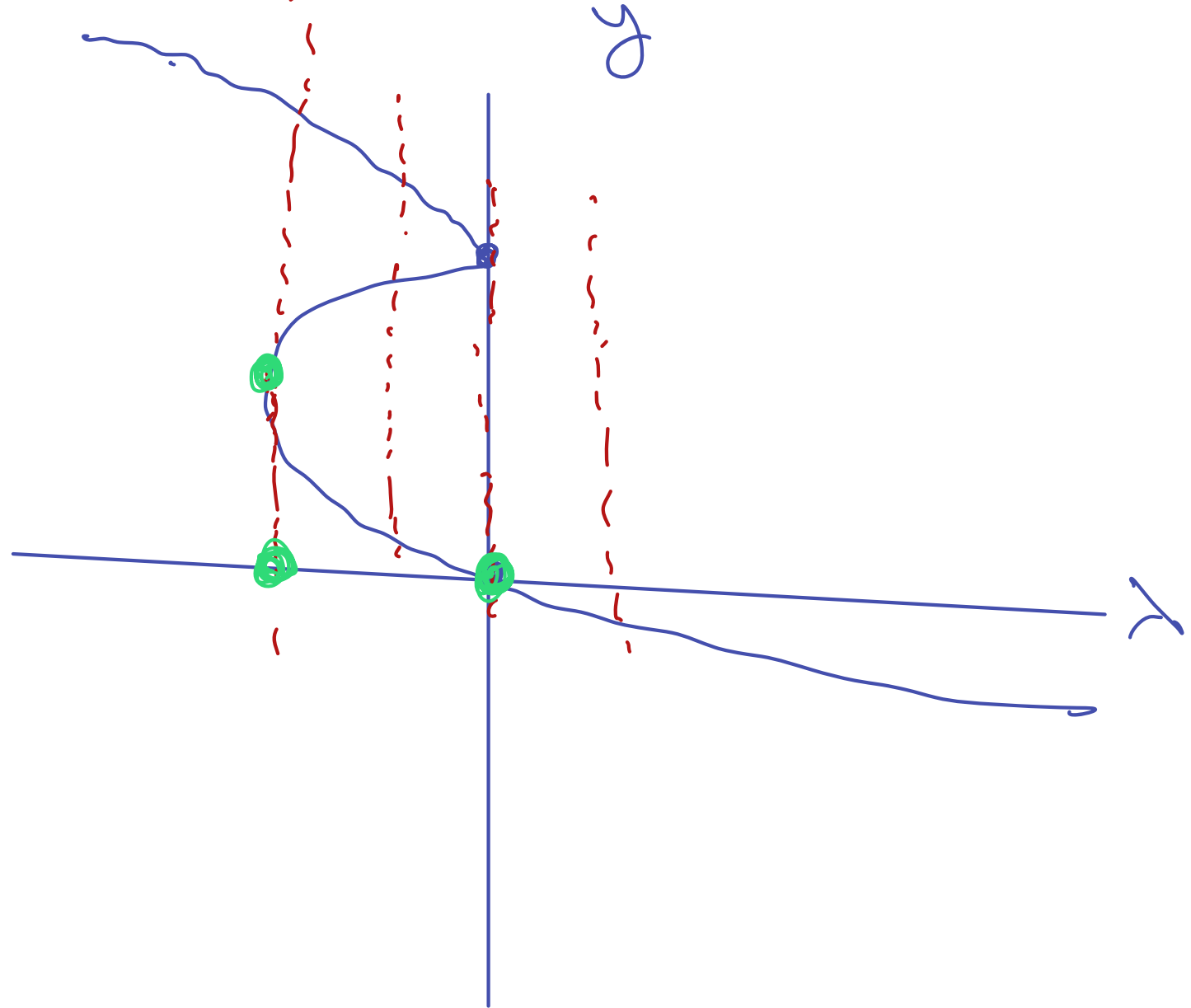
We plot $y^2 - 4y + \lambda = 0$
in the λ - y plane. For
each choice of λ , we see

How many equil. pts there are and if we want can figure out phase diagram at each pt.

We can see at $\lambda = 4$ we have bifurcation b/c
Change from 2 to 1 to 0
equilibrium pts.

Ex. $y' = f_{\lambda}(y) = y(y-2)^2 + \lambda$

Bifurcation diagram:



$$y(y-2)^2 + \lambda = 0$$

We have two bifurcation
values. How to find
them?

The left most bifurcation
will happen when

$$f'_\lambda(y) = 0.$$

$$f'_\lambda(y) = 3y^2 - 8y + 4 = 0$$

$$y = 2$$



$$y = 2/3$$



$$\lambda = 0$$

$$\frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{4}{3} \right)^2 + \lambda = 0$$

$$\lambda = -32/27$$

In general, y value where
bifurcation

happens: $f'_\lambda(y) = 0$

Plug into equation to
find bifurcation value λ .

Second order ODEs



$$y'' = f(t, y, y')$$

a solⁿ is a function $y(t)$
that is twice continuously
differentiable

Many problems in physics
give rise to second order
ODEs

e.g. $\vec{F} = m\vec{a}$, harmonic
oscillation, etc.

We're mostly going to focus
on linear 2nd order ODEs:

$$y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = g(t)$$

if $g(t) = 0$, we call such
an equation homogeneous.

Def. A linear combination of
two functions y_1 and y_2 is
an expression of the form
 $C_1 y_1 + C_2 y_2$ for $C_1, C_2 \in \mathbb{R}$.

Prop: If y_1 and y_2 both solve
 $y'' + p y' + q y = 0$

Then any linear combination
of y_1 and y_2 will solve
this diff eq.

Proof Exercise.

Def: y_1 and y_2 are called
linearly dependent if

$y_1 = k y_2$ for some
constant k .

If y_1 and y_2
are not linearly dependent, they
are called linearly independent

Ex: $y_1(t) = t$ $y_2(t) = t^2$

$y_1(t)$ and $y_2(t)$ are linearly independent on \mathbb{R} .

$y_1(t) = \sin(t)$ $y_2(t) = 4\sin(t)$

$y_1(t)$ and $y_2(t)$ are linearly dependent

Thm: y_1 and y_2 are linearly independent solⁿ to

$y'' + p y' + q y = 0$ then

the general solⁿ is

$$y(t) = C_1 y_1(t) + C_2 y_2(t)$$

for arbitrary C_1, C_2 .

Note: • We study linear ODEs b/c

we can use techniques of

linear algebra. The solⁿ set

to a 2nd order homogeneous

differential eqⁿ forms a 2-dim

vector space, so 2 linearly

independent vectors yield a

basis.

• We still have existence
and uniqueness, then

for 2nd order ODE:

$$y'' - p y' + q y = g$$

$$y(0) = y_0$$

$$y'(0) = y_0'$$

will have unique solution
to IVP on some interval.

given it's sufficiently "nice"

How to tell if two functions
are linearly independent?

Def: The Wronskian $W(y_1, y_2)$

of y_1, y_2 is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} W(y_1, y_2) &= \det \begin{pmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{pmatrix} \\ &= y_1 y_2' - y_2 y_1' \end{aligned}$$

The Wronskian measures how linearly independent two functions are:

Thm: y_1, y_2 are linearly dependent on I . Then $W(y_1, y_2) \equiv 0$ on I .

Alternatively, $W \neq 0$ on I , then y_1, y_2 are linearly independent.

Proof: $y_1 = Ky_2$

$$y_1' = Ky_2'$$

$$W(y_1, y_2) = (Ky_2)y_2' - y_2(Ky_2') = 0$$

Warning: $W \equiv 0 \not\Rightarrow y_1, y_2$ linearly dependent in general!!

Thm: if y_1, y_2 are solⁿ to

$$y'' + py' + qy = 0 \text{ on } I,$$

then $W(y_1, y_2) \equiv 0$ on I

$\Leftrightarrow y_1, y_2$ linearly dependent.

Proof:

\Leftarrow Always holds from above thm.

\Rightarrow Suppose $\omega(y_1, y_2) \equiv 0$ on I . If $y_2 \equiv 0$ on I ,

then $y_2 = 0 \cdot y_1 \Rightarrow$

linearly dependent. otherwise,

$y_2(t_0) \neq 0$ for some $t_0 \in I$.

By continuity, $y_2(t) \neq 0$

In some interval I_0 containing t_0 . Then note

$$\left(\frac{y_1}{y_2}\right)' = \frac{\omega(y_1, y_2)}{y_2^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = Ky_2 \text{ for some } K \in \mathbb{R}$$

on I_0 . Since y_1 and Ky_2

solve the same ODE on I_0

by uniqueness, they must

agree on all of I

$\Rightarrow y_1$ and y_2 linearly

dependent on I_π .

Ex: $y'' + 4 \sin(y) = 0$

$$y(0) = 4$$

$$y'(0) = 2$$

Can check that

$$y_1(t) = \cos(2t)$$

$$y_2(t) = \sin(2t)$$

are both
solⁿ

$$W(y_1, y_2) = \det \begin{pmatrix} \cos(2t) & \sin(2t) \\ -2\sin(2t) & 2\cos(2t) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 2\cos(2t)^2 + 2\sin(2t)^2 = 2.$$

$$\text{So } W \neq 0 \Rightarrow$$

y_1, y_2 linearly independent

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = C_1 \cos(2t) + C_2 \sin(2t)$$

is general solⁿ.