

# Last Review

Math 1B

## Differential Equations!

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A.

### Separation of Variables

- use if can separate equation into y's one side, x's on other
- simplest technique - use if possible

(Note don't forget to include an integrating constant!)

1) Solve  $x - y^2 \cdot y' = 0$  with  $y(0) = 2$

2) Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x+1}{y^4+1}$

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(B)

### Integrating Factors

- Use for diff. eqns of form  $y' + P(x)y = Q(x)$

Steps: Find  $I(x) = e^{\int P(x) dx}$

don't need to write this down { Multiplying both sides of diff. eqn. yields

$$I(x)[y' + P(x)y] = \frac{d}{dx}[I(x)y] = I(x) \cdot Q(x)$$

$$\text{so } I(x) \cdot y = \int I(x) \cdot Q(x) dx$$

$$\text{or } y = \frac{1}{I(x)} \int I(x) \cdot Q(x) dx$$

3) Solve  $y' = 4xy - 3x$  with  $y(0) = 1$

(C) Power Series Solutions

→ write  $y = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + \dots$

so  $y' = a_1 + 2a_2x + 3a_3x^2 + \dots$

and if needed:  $y'' = 2a_2 + 6a_3x + \dots$

} write down as many  $a_n$ 's as you're asked to find

→ Sub these series in to your diff. eq. and match up powers of  $x$ , then solve for the coefficients  $a_n$ .

Note! if something is multiplied by a constant or  $x$ , then just multiply through, e.g.  $3xy = 3x(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots)$   
 $= 3a_0x + 3a_1x^2 + 3a_2x^3 + \dots$

4) Solve  $y'' + 4y = 0$  with  $y(0) = 1$  and  $y'(0) = 0$  using power series.  
 Find the coefficients  $a_n$  for  $0 \leq n \leq 5$ .

### ④ Checking Solutions

- Easy enough, use given function, calculate its derivative (and second derivative if necessary).
- Then sub back into original diff. eq., check to see if it's always true.

5) Is  $y(x) = 2e^{-x} + xe^{-x}$  a solution of  $y'' + 2y' + y = 0$ ?

6) Is  $y(x) = 3$  a solution of  $y'' + 2y' + y = x$ ?

### (E) Concentration/Dilution Problems

→ Let  $A(t)$  = amount of substance (salt, pollutant, chemical, etc.)

→ Write  $\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{rate of change} \\ \text{of amount} \end{array}\right) = \frac{dA}{dt} = \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{rate} \\ \text{in} \end{array}\right) - \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{rate} \\ \text{out} \end{array}\right)$

Note: (rate in) is often just a constant (i.e. 3 lbs/minute)

(rate out) is usually of form  $\left(\frac{\text{volume going out per time}}{\text{total volume}}\right) \cdot A(t)$

- 7) A tank holds 100 gallons of water containing 1 lb. of salt. A solution containing 1 lb. of salt per gallon is poured in at a rate of 3 gallons/minute, and the well-stirred mixture flows out the bottom of the tank at the same rate. Find the amount of salt in the tank at time  $t$ .

Note if volume going in is different from volume going out then the "total volume" you need in the (rate out) part varies with time too!

- 8) What is different in #7 if only 1 gallon of mixture goes in, per minute, while 3 go out per minute?

## F Qualitative Analysis

If you're given  $\frac{dy}{dt} = F(y)$ , a function of  $y$  alone

Then:  $\rightarrow$  Equilibrium solutions = roots of  $F(y)$

$\rightarrow$  sign of  $F(y)$  for different values of  $y$  = sign of  $\frac{dy}{dt}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  solution increases for  $F(y)$  positive  
 decrease ... negative

( $\rightarrow$  sometimes useful (only check if asked for it though!!))  
 concavity  $\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = \frac{d}{dt}(F(y))$  (need chain rule)

and point of inflections occur where  $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2}$  changes sign

9) The number of birds in my attic is governed by the equation  $\frac{dB}{dt} = 12B(200 - B)$  ( $t=0 = \text{Jun } 1, '00$ )  
 $t$  in days

a) Find equilibrium solutions for  $B(t)$ , the population of birds at time  $t$ .

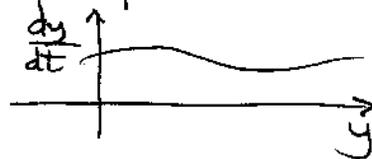
b) graph (sketch as best as possible) possible solution functions for a starting population of 100 birds, and for a starting population of 300 birds.

c) What happens to the number of birds in my attic over the long run?

# ⑥ Qualitative Analysis of Diff Eqs using Graphs.

→ Same ideas as before.

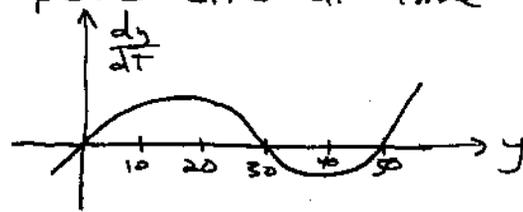
① Know equil. solutions = places where graph of  $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0$



② Solution functions increase where  $\frac{dy}{dt}$  is positive. (decrease... neg.)

③ pts of inflection at local max's/min's.

10) The number of ants invading a picnic site at time  $t$  is given by solutions to the differential equation graphed at right.

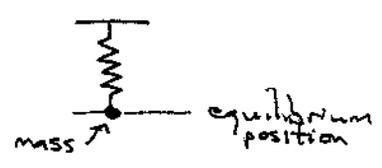


a) Graph possible solutions for  $A(t)$  the number of ants at time  $t$  if the number of ants at time 0 is (respectively) 20, 30, 40 and 60.

b) What are the equilibrium solutions → are they stable or unstable?

# ④ 2<sup>nd</sup> Order Differential Equations

Basic example: springs -



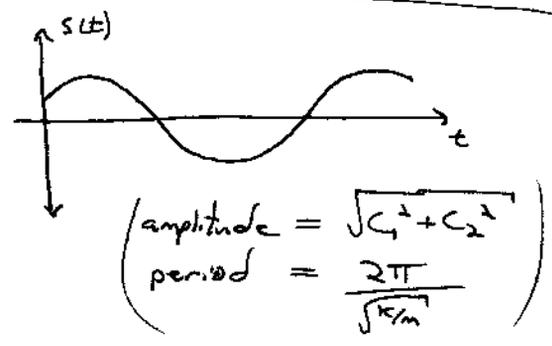
If  $s(t)$  gives the mass' position at time  $t$ , then from  
 $F = m \cdot a \leftarrow \frac{d^2s}{dt^2}$  and  $F = -k \cdot s$  (Hooke's Law)  
 spring constant  $\rightarrow$

then  $\frac{d^2s}{dt^2} = -\left(\frac{k}{m}\right) \cdot s$  or  $\boxed{\frac{d^2s}{dt^2} + \left(\frac{k}{m}\right)s = 0}$

is the differential equation for the motion of a spring (with no friction) or "undamped"

general solution:  $\boxed{s(t) = C_1 \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} t\right) + C_2 \sin\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} t\right)}$

graphically these solutions look like simple oscillations (modified sine curves)



Example problem

1) Solve the initial value problem  $\frac{d^2s}{dt^2} = -2s$   
 with  $s(0) = 10$  and  $s'(0) = -20$ .

## (H) 2<sup>nd</sup> Order Differential Equations continued

Given friction in a spring system then the differential equation governing the motion goes from

$$\frac{d^2s}{dt^2} + \left(\frac{k}{m}\right)s = 0$$

"undamped"

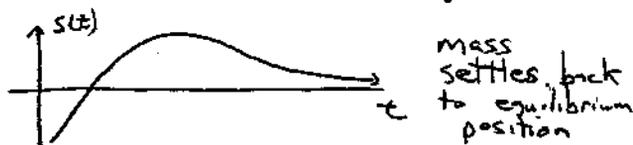
$$\text{to } \frac{d^2s}{dt^2} + \left(\frac{c}{m}\right)\frac{ds}{dt} + \left(\frac{k}{m}\right)s = 0$$

either "overdamped," "critically damped" or "underdamped"

Write this 2<sup>nd</sup> order diff. eq. as  $\frac{d^2s}{dt^2} + b\frac{ds}{dt} + c \cdot s = 0$   $b, c$  constants

Then solve the characteristic eqn:  $r^2 + br + c = 0$  for  $r$   
and get 2 real roots, 1 real root or 2 complex conjugate roots

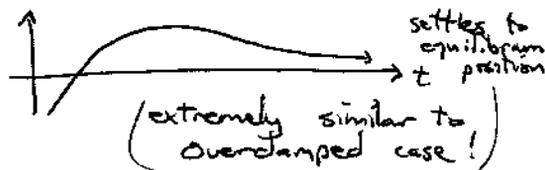
Case 1 "Overdamped" motion  
→ lots of friction → no oscillations



if  $b^2 - 4c > 0$  → 2 real roots  $r_1, r_2$

general solution is  $s(t) = C_1 e^{r_1 t} + C_2 e^{r_2 t}$

Case 2 "Critically damped" motion  
still too much friction for oscillations, but just

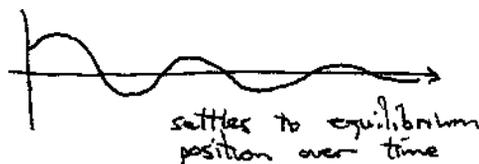


if  $b^2 - 4c = 0$  → one real root  $-\frac{b}{2}$

general solution is  $s(t) = (C_1 t + C_2) e^{-bt/2}$  where  $b$  is the coefficient for  $\frac{ds}{dt}$

Case 3 "Underdamped" motion

some friction, but oscillations still occur just with smaller and smaller amplitudes



if  $b^2 - 4c < 0$  → 2 complex conjugate roots  $\alpha \pm \beta i$

general solution is  $s(t) = C_1 e^{\alpha t} \cos(\beta t) + C_2 e^{\alpha t} \sin(\beta t)$   
 $= e^{\alpha t} (C_1 \cos(\beta t) + C_2 \sin(\beta t))$

(in each case you should solve for the constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  if you're given an initial condition problem)

(H) 2<sup>nd</sup> order Differential Equations continued

12) Solve  $y'' + 6y' + 8y = 0$

13) Solve  $\frac{d^2s}{dt^2} + 2\frac{ds}{dt} + 2s = 0$  given  $s(0) = 10$  and  $s'(0) = -10$

If this is the diff. eqn. governing the motion of a mass on a spring, then is the motion overdamped, critically damped, underdamped or undamped?

14) Give the general solution for  $w'' + 6w' + 9w = 0$

## I Euler's Method

Euler's method can be used to provide estimates for solutions to differential equations of the form  $\frac{dy}{dx} = (\text{function of } x \text{ and } y)$ , if you're given a specific starting or initial point. You have control over the accuracy of the estimates in your choice of size for  $\Delta x$ , the amount  $x$  changes by from step to step.

- Process:
- (1) Make a table of values for  $x$  and  $y$  (start with the initial point given)
  - (2) Calculate  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  at the initial point by substituting in the values of  $x$  and  $y$  at that point
  - (3) Having chosen, or been given, the step size  $\Delta x$  then find the  $x$  value for the next point in the table by adding  $\Delta x$  to the previous one
  - (4) Find the next value of  $y$  in the table by adding  $\frac{dy}{dx} \cdot \Delta x$  to the previous  $y$  value (calculated in step 2)
  - (5) Repeat the process! Go back to (2), recalculate  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  for the new  $x, y$  values in the table and keep going!

- (15) Using a step size of 0.5, estimate  $y(1.5)$  where  $y(x)$  is the solution to  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2 - y$ , starting from the initial point  $y(0) = 1$ .

# Answers

## Differential Equations

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1)  $y^2 \cdot y' = y^2 \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = x$       $y^2 dy = x dx \rightarrow y^3 = \left(\frac{3}{2}x^2 + c'\right)$   
 $\frac{y^3}{3} = \frac{x^2}{2} + c$       $y = \left(\frac{3}{2}x^2 + c'\right)^{1/3}$   
and  $2 = (0+c')^{1/3} \Rightarrow c' = 8$   
so  $y = \left(\frac{3}{2}x^2 + 8\right)^{1/3}$

2)  $(y^4+1) dy = (x+1) dx \Rightarrow \frac{y^5}{5} + y = \frac{x^2}{2} + x + C$   
and can't solve explicitly for y

3)  $y' - 4xy = -3x$       $\int -4x dx = e^{-2x^2}$   
 $I(x) = e^{-2x^2}$

Then  $e^{-2x^2} \cdot y = \int e^{-2x^2} (-3x) dx$  . Let  $u = -2x^2$   
 $du = -4x dx$   
 $-\frac{1}{4} du = x dx$

so  $= \frac{3}{4} \int e^u du = \frac{3}{4} e^u + c$   
 $= \frac{3}{4} e^{-2x^2} + c$

so  $y = \frac{1}{e^{-2x^2}} \left(\frac{3}{4} e^{-2x^2} + c\right) = \left(\frac{3}{4} + c e^{2x^2}\right)$

$y(0) = \left(\frac{3}{4} + c \cdot 1\right) = 1 \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{4}$

so  $y = \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4} e^{2x^2}$

4)  $y = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + a_4 x^4 + a_5 x^5 + \dots$

$y' = a_1 + 2a_2 x + 3a_3 x^2 + 4a_4 x^3 + 5a_5 x^4 + \dots$

$y'' = 2a_2 + 6a_3 x + 12a_4 x^2 + 20a_5 x^3 + \dots$

so  $y'' + 4y = (2a_2 + 4a_0) + (6a_3 + 4a_1)x + (12a_4 + 4a_2)x^2 + (20a_5 + 4a_3)x^3 + \dots = 0$

now initial conditions imply  $y(0) = a_0 = 1$  and  $y'(0) = a_1 = 0$

so we have  $(2a_2 + 4a_0) = 2a_2 + 4 = 0$

$\Rightarrow a_2 = -2$

$(6a_3 + 4a_1) = 0 = 6a_3 + 0 \Rightarrow a_3 = 0$

$(12a_4 + 4a_2) = 0 = 12a_4 + 4(-2) \Rightarrow a_4 = \frac{2}{3}$

$(20a_5 + 4a_3) = 0 = 20a_5 \Rightarrow a_5 = 0$

4) continued

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } y &= a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + \dots \\ &= 1 + 0 \cdot x - 2x^2 + 0x^3 + \frac{2}{3}x^4 + 0x^5 + \dots \\ &= 1 - 2x^2 + \frac{2}{3}x^4 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 5) \quad y(x) &= 2e^{-x} + xe^{-x} \\ y'(x) &= -2e^{-x} - xe^{-x} + e^{-x} = -e^{-x} - xe^{-x} \\ y''(x) &= e^{-x} - (-xe^{-x} + e^{-x}) = e^{-x} + xe^{-x} - e^{-x} = xe^{-x} \\ \text{and then } y'' + 2y' + y &= xe^{-x} + 2(-e^{-x} - xe^{-x}) + 2e^{-x} + xe^{-x} \\ &= 0 \quad \checkmark \\ \text{so yes it's a solution to } y'' + 2y' + y &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 6) \text{ However if } y(x) &= 3, \text{ then } y'(x) = 0, \quad y''(x) = 0, \\ \text{and } y'' + 2y' + y &= 0 + 2 \cdot 0 + 3 = 3 \neq x \\ &\text{for all } x \\ \text{so } y(x) = 3 \text{ is not a solution of } y'' + 2y' + y &= x \end{aligned}$$

$$7) \quad \frac{dA}{dt} = 3 - \left(\frac{3}{100}\right)A \quad \text{and} \quad A(0) = 1$$

where  $A(t)$  = amount of salt in pounds at time  $t$  in minutes.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } \frac{dA}{3 - \left(\frac{3}{100}\right)A} &= dt, \quad \text{sub } u = 3 - \frac{3}{100}A \\ du &= -\frac{3}{100}dA, \quad \text{so } \int \frac{dA}{3 - \frac{3}{100}A} \\ \int \frac{dA}{3 - \frac{3}{100}A} &= \int dt = t + C \\ &= -\frac{100}{3} \int \frac{du}{u} \\ &= -\frac{100}{3} \ln \left| 3 - \frac{3}{100}A \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } -\frac{100}{3} \ln \left| 3 - \frac{3}{100}A \right| = t + C$$

$$\ln \left| 3 - \frac{3}{100}A \right| = -\frac{3}{100}t + C'$$

$$3 - \frac{3}{100}A = \pm e^{-\frac{3}{100}t + C'} = C'' e^{-\frac{3}{100}t}$$

$$\text{so } A(t) = 100 - C'' e^{-\frac{3}{100}t}$$

$$\text{now } A(0) = 1, \text{ so } C'' = 99$$

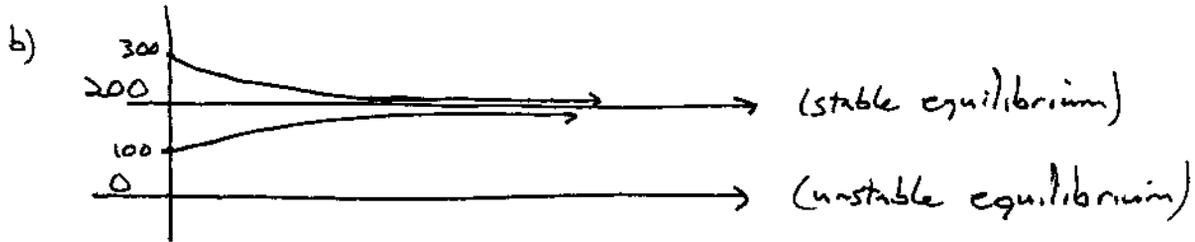
$$\text{so } A(t) = 100 - 99 e^{-\frac{3t}{100}}$$

8) the differential equation now becomes

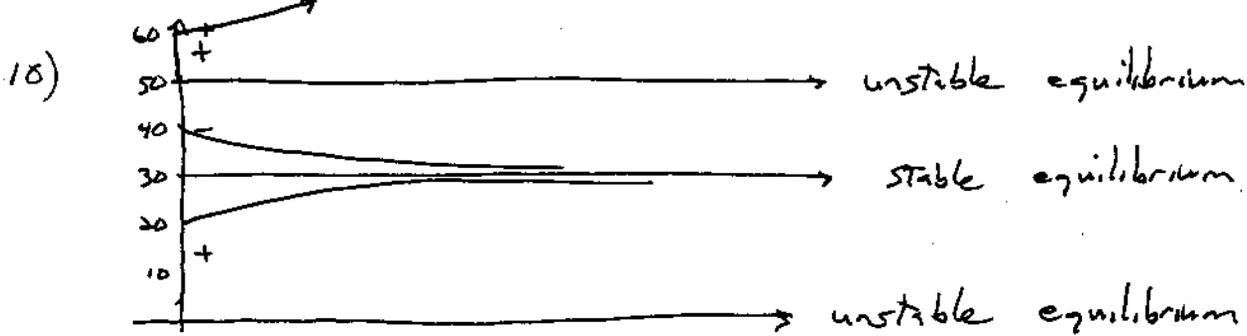
$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 1 - \left(\frac{3}{100-2t}\right)A$$

because total volume in tank goes down from 100 gallons to  $100-2t$  after  $t$  minutes (1 gallon in 3 gallons out per minute)

9) a) equilibrium solutions are at roots of  $12B(200-B)$ , so at  $B=0, 200$



c) over long run, no matter how many birds you start with you end up approaching a population of 200 birds in the attic



equilibrium solutions are Ant population  $A(t) = 0, 30$  and  $50$

note there are three equilibriums, = 3 roots of graph



11) From  $\frac{d^2s}{dt^2} + 2s = 0$  we know  $s(t) = C_1 \cos(\sqrt{2}t) + C_2 \sin(\sqrt{2}t)$   
 solve for  $C_1, C_2$ :  $s(0) = C_1 \cos(\sqrt{2} \cdot 0) + C_2 \sin(\sqrt{2} \cdot 0) = C_1 \cdot 1 + C_2 \cdot 0 = C_1$   
 $= 10$   $= C_1$

so  $C_1 = 10$

$s'(0) = -C_1 \sin(\sqrt{2} \cdot 0) \cdot \sqrt{2} + C_2 \cos(\sqrt{2} \cdot 0) \cdot \sqrt{2} = \sqrt{2} \cdot C_2$   
 $= -20$

so  $C_2 = -\frac{20}{\sqrt{2}} = -10\sqrt{2}$

so the solution is  $s(t) = 10 \cos(\sqrt{2}t) - 10\sqrt{2} \sin(\sqrt{2}t)$

12) characteristic equation is  $r^2 + 6r + 8 = 0$   
 here  $6^2 - 4 \cdot 2 > 0$  factors as  $(r+4)(r+2) = 0$   
 so 2 real roots so 2 real roots  $-4, -2$   
 ( $\rightarrow$  overdamped if this equation was for a spring's motion)

general solution is then  $y(t) = C_1 e^{-2t} + C_2 e^{-4t}$   
 (since we're not given initial conditions we cannot specify  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ )

13) characteristic equation is  $r^2 + 2r + 2 = 0$   
 $2^2 - 4 \cdot 2 = -4 < 0$  so must be underdamped motion

roots are  $\frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4 \cdot 2}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm 2i}{2} = -1 \pm i$   
 (or  $\alpha = -1, \beta = 1$ )

so general solution is  $s(t) = e^{-t} (C_1 \cos(t) + C_2 \sin(t))$

since  $s(0) = 10$ , and  $s(0) = e^0 (C_1 \cos(0) + C_2 \sin(0)) = C_1$

then  $C_1 = 10$

$s'(t) = e^{-t} (-C_1 \sin(t)) + C_1 \cos(t) \cdot (-e^{-t}) + e^{-t} (C_2 \cos(t)) + C_2 \sin(t) \cdot (-e^{-t})$

so  $s'(0) = -e^0 \cdot C_1 + e^0 \cdot C_2 = -C_1 + C_2 = -10 + C_2$ ,

since  $s'(0) = -10 = -10 + C_2 \Rightarrow C_2 = 0$

so particular solution is  $s(t) = e^{-t} \cdot 10 \cos(t)$   
 $= 10e^{-t} \cos(t)$

14) here  $6^2 - 4 \cdot 9 = 0$  so the solution is just

$w(t) = (C_1 t + C_2) e^{-6t/2} = (C_1 t + C_2) e^{-3t}$

## Answers continued

(15) Make a table

x	y
0	1

initial point  $\rightarrow$   
 $y(0) = 1$

(2) calculate  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2 - y = 2 - 1 = 1$  using the values for  $x, y$  from the initial point

(3) new  $x$  value is  $0 + 0.5$

(4) new  $y$  value is old one 1, plus  $\frac{dy}{dx} \cdot \Delta x = 1 \cdot 0.5 = 0.5$   
so new  $y$ -value is  $1 + 0.5 = 1.5$

Now table is

x	y
0	1
.5	1.5

$\rightarrow$  here  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2 - y = 2 - 1.5 = .5$

next value of  $x$  is  $.5 + .5 = 1$

" "  $y$  is  $1.5 + \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot \Delta x = 1.5 + (.5)(.5) = 1.75$

Now table is

x	y
0	1
.5	1.5
1	1.75

$\rightarrow$  next  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2 - y = 2 - 1.75 = .25$

next  $x$  value is  $1 + .5 = 1.5$

next  $y$  value is  $1.75 + \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot \Delta x = 1.75 + (.25) \cdot .5$   
 $= 1.75 + .125 = 1.875$

so complete table is

x	y
0	1
.5	1.5
1	1.75
1.5	1.875

and so the estimate for  $y(1.5)$  is 1.875  
(and so to get a more accurate estimate you'd have to use a smaller step size for  $\Delta x$ )