Essex County College Division of Mathematics

Sakai Web Project Practice Quiz #1

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Show all work clearly and in order, and box your final answers. Justify your answers whenever possible. You have 20 minutes to take this 10 point quiz.

1. 5 points Given a differential equation of the form

$$y' = kxy^2,$$

find the constant k such that

$$y = \frac{1}{x^2 + 5}$$

is a solution to this differential equation.

Consider the initial value problem

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x(1+y^2)}{2}, \quad y(0) = 1.$$

Sketch the solution to this initial value problem, and use your sketch to estimate y (1). Also, given that

$$y(x) = \tan\left(\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

is a solution to this differential equation, estimate the true value of y(1).

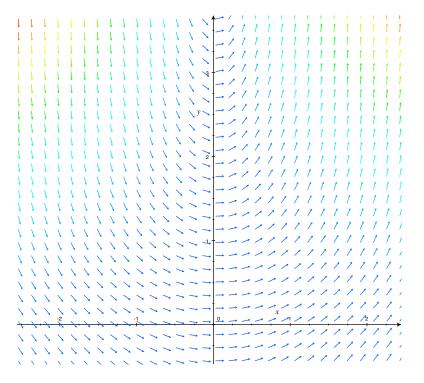


Figure 1: Direction field.