

# Laboratory 1: Solving differential equations with MAPLE

## Functions and graphic representation

A single variable function can be defined as follows:

```
> f:=x->sin(x)/x;
```

$$f := x \rightarrow \frac{\sin(x)}{x}$$

```
> f(3*Pi/2),f(1.5);
```

$$-\frac{2}{3\pi}, 0.6649966577$$

```
> f(a+b);
```

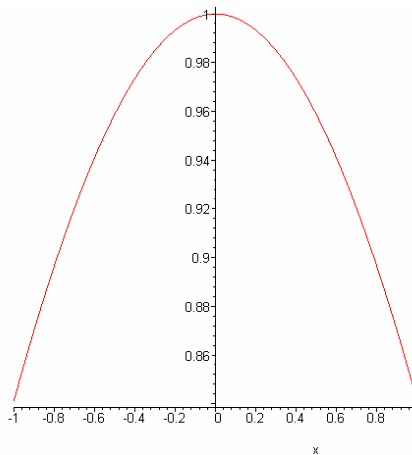
$$\frac{\sin(a+b)}{a+b}$$

For graphical representation we need to load **plots** package using **with** command

```
> with(plots):
```

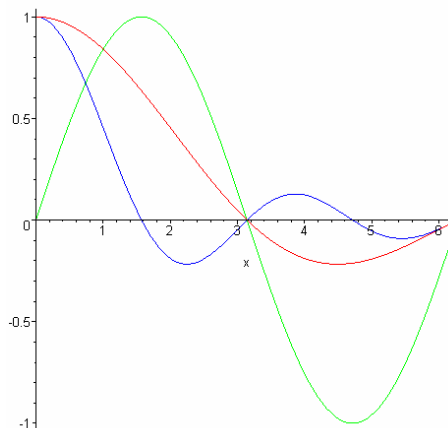
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```
> plot(f(x),x=-1..1);
```



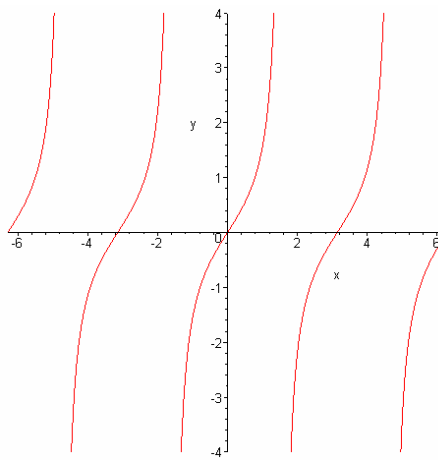
We can represent more than one function in the same window:

```
> plot([f(x),f(2*x),sin(x)],x=0..2*Pi,color=[red,blue,green]);
```



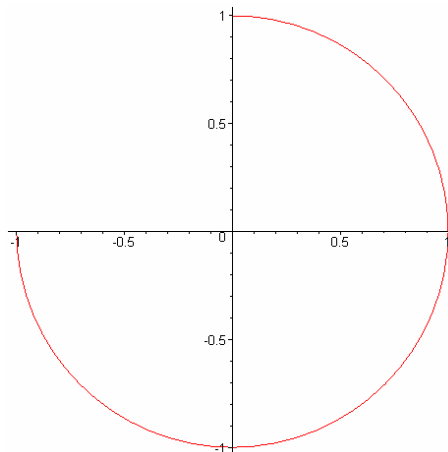
In the case of discontinuous points we need to use the option **discont = true**:

```
> plot(tan(x), x = -2*Pi..2*Pi, y = -4..4, discont = true);
```



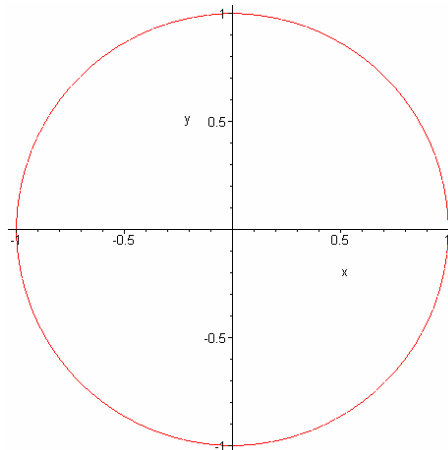
If a curve is given in a parametric form (for example:  $x(t) = \sin(t)$ ,  $y(t) = \cos(t)$ ,  $t = 0 .. \pi$ ;) we use the instruction:

```
> plot([sin(t),cos(t),t=0..3/2*Pi]);
```



In the case of a curve given by the implicit equation we use the instruction **implicitplot**:

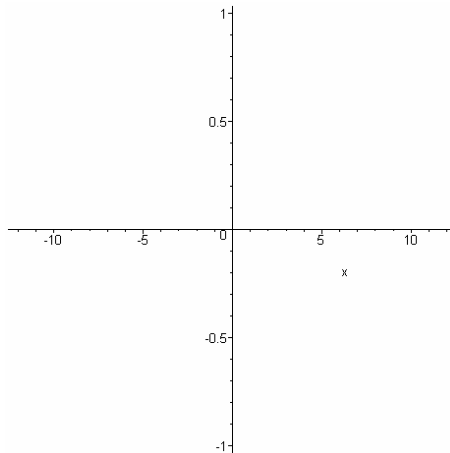
```
> implicitplot(x^2+y^2=1,x=-1..1,y=-1..1);
```



In the case we need to visualize the parameter dependence of a function we can use the command **animate**

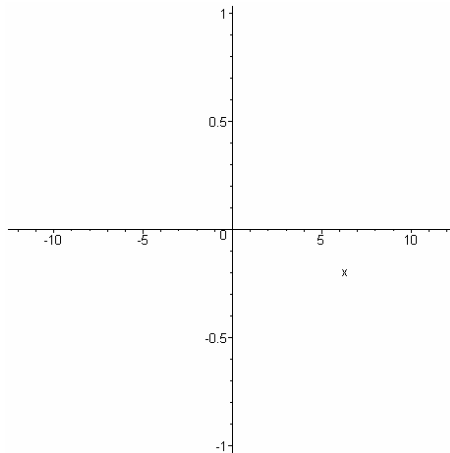
(right click on the image, select *Animation* and *Play*)

```
> animate(sin(x*t),x=-4*Pi..4*Pi,t=0..2,color=red);
```



If we need more precision we can increase the number of point and frames:

```
> animate(sin(x*t),x=-4*Pi..4*Pi,t=0..2,color=red,numpoints=100,frames=100);
```



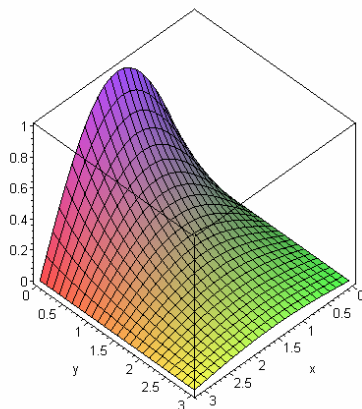
A function with more than one variable can be defined as follows:

```
> g:=(x,y)->sin(x)*exp(-y);
```

$$g := (x, y) \rightarrow \sin(x) e^{(-y)}$$

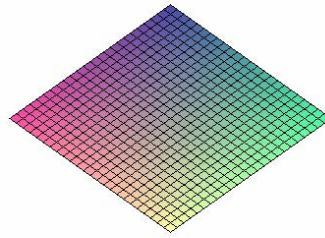
For 3d graphical representation we use the command **plot3d**:

```
> plot3d(g(x,y),x=0..Pi,y=0..3,axes=boxed);
```



The animation of 3D graphs can be made using the instruction **animate3d**:

```
> animate3d(g(t*x,y),x=0..Pi,y=0..3,t=0..2);
```



## The derivation of the functions

The derivation of the functions can be made in two ways: using **diff** command or using the derivation operator **D**:

```
> f:=x->exp(x^2)+3;
```

$$f := x \rightarrow e^{(x^2)} + 3$$

The **diff** command execute the derivation of the given expression with respect to the specified variable. The derivation operator **D** returns the derivate as a function.

```
> diff(f(x),x);
```

$$2 x e^{(x^2)}$$

the second order derivate is given by

```
> diff(f(x),x,x);
```

$$2 e^{(x^2)} + 4 x^2 e^{(x^2)}$$

also we can use the option **x\$n** to get n-order derivative

```
> diff(f(x),x$2);
```

$$2 e^{(x^2)} + 4 x^2 e^{(x^2)}$$

```
> diff(f(x),x$3);
```

$$12 x e^{(x^2)} + 8 x^3 e^{(x^2)}$$

Using the derivation operator:

```
> D(f)(x);
```

$$2 x e^{(x^2)}$$

```
> D(f)(1);
```

$$2 e$$

```
> (D@D)(f)(x);
```

$$2 e^{(x^2)} + 4 x^2 e^{(x^2)}$$

> (D@D)(f)(1);

6 e

> (D@@2)(f)(x);

$2 e^{(x^2)} + 4 x^2 e^{(x^2)}$

> (D@D@D)(f)(x);

$12 x e^{(x^2)} + 8 x^3 e^{(x^2)}$

> (D@@3)(f)(x);

$12 x e^{(x^2)} + 8 x^3 e^{(x^2)}$

## Initialization of the solving ODE package

> **restart**: clears the memory of all previously saved values and variables

> **with(DEtools)**: load the differential equations package

> **with(plots)**: load the graphical package

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## Define and solve a first order differential equation

Let consider the differential equation  $\frac{d}{dx} y(x) = k y(x)$  where  $k$  is a real coefficient. The differential equation can be introduced in MAPLE as follows:

> **diff\_eq1:=diff(y(x),x) = k\*y(x);**

$diff\_eq1 := \frac{d}{dx} y(x) = k y(x)$

To obtain the general solution of the equation use `dsolve` command

> **dsolve(diff\_eq1,y(x));**

$y(x) = \_C1 e^{(k x)}$

The general solution is seen as an expression. Notice that the undetermined constant is called `_C1`

How can we manipulate this expression?

We can use the function definition command:

> **sol:=(x,k,c)->c\*exp(k\*x);**

$sol := (x, k, c) \rightarrow c e^{(k x)}$

If the expression of the solution is too complicated we can use the command **rhs** (*right hand side*) and **unapply** in order to obtain the solution as a function

> **right\_hand\_expr:=rhs(dsolve(diff\_eq1,y(x)));**

$right\_hand\_expr := \_C1 e^{(k x)}$

Using the **unapply** command we transform the expression `sol1` into a function specifying the variables:

> **sol1:=unapply(right\_hand\_expr,x,k,\_C1);**

$sol1 := (x, k, \_C1) \rightarrow \_C1 e^{(k x)}$

and we get the same result.

## The graphics of ODE solutions

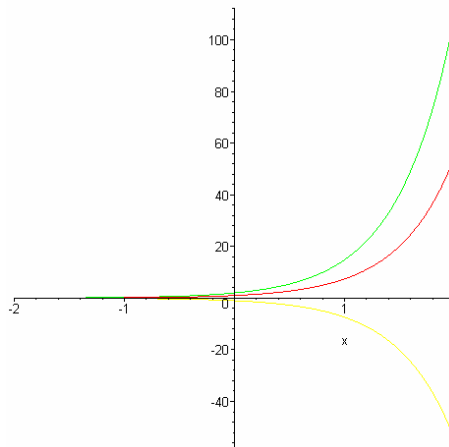
Let suppose that  $k:=2$ . Then the corresponding general solution is:

```
> y:=(x,c)->sol(x,2,c);
```

$$y := (x, c) \rightarrow \text{sol}(x, 2, c)$$

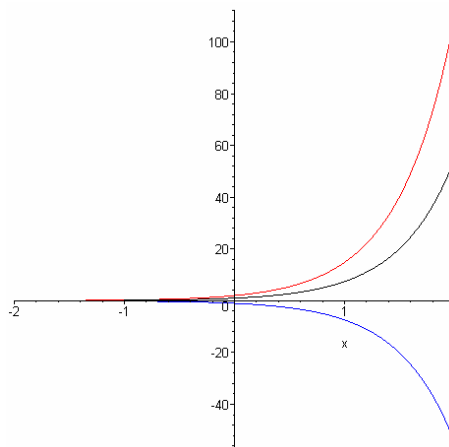
To draw the solutions curves you just assign some values for the constant  $c$ . For example take  $c := 1$   $c := 2$  and  $c := -1$

```
> plot([y(x,1),y(x,2),y(x,-1)],x=-2..2);
```



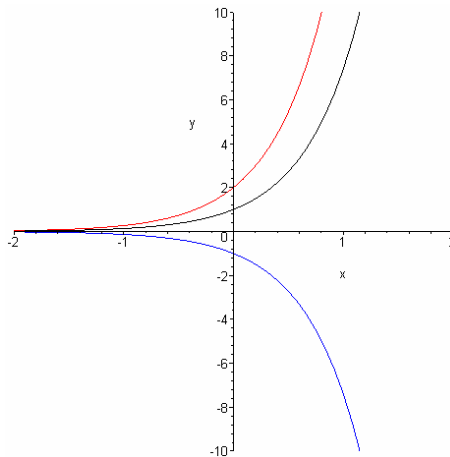
If you want to obtain the solutions with some specified colors use the command:

```
> plot([y(x,1),y(x,2),y(x,-1)],x=-2..2,color=[black,red,blue]);
```



Also you specify the window of the graphic:

```
> plot([y(x,1),y(x,2),y(x,-1)],x=-2..2,y=-10..10,color=[black,red,blue]);
```

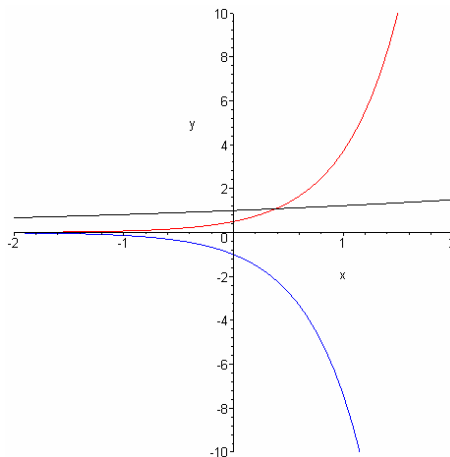


Using this way of manipulation for the solution you can see also how the solution depends on the k parameter. Let us consider  $c := 1$  and assign some values for the parameter k.

```
> y1 := (x, k) -> sol(x, k, 1);
```

```
y1 := (x, k) -> sol(x, k, 1)
```

```
> plot([y1(x, 0.2), y(x, 0.5), y(x, -1)], x = -2..2, y = -10..10, color = [black, red, blue]);
```



## Testing solutions

For a given differential equation we can test if some given function satisfies or does not satisfy that differential equation using **odetest** command. If **odetest** returns **0** then the given function is a solution, if **odetest** returns something **different from 0** then the given function is not a solution. Let us consider the differential equation  $\frac{d}{dx} y(x) = 2 y(x)$  and check if  $y1(x) = 4 e^{(2x)}$ ,  $y2(x) = e^{(3x)}$  and  $y3(x) = \cos(2x)$  are solution for this equation.

```
> restart:with(DEtools):
```

```
> diff_eq := diff(y(x), x) = 2*y(x);
```

```
diff_eq :=  $\frac{d}{dx} y(x) = 2 y(x)$ 
```

```
> y1 := x -> 4*exp(2*x); y2 := x -> exp(3*x); y3 := x -> cos(2*x);
```

```
y1 :=  $x \rightarrow 4 e^{(2x)}$ 
```

```
y2 :=  $x \rightarrow e^{(3x)}$ 
```

$$y3 := x \rightarrow \cos(2x)$$

```
> odetest(y(x)=y1(x),diff_eq,y(x));
```

$$0$$

for  $y1(x) = 4e^{(2x)}$  **odetest** returns **0**, so  $y1(x)$  is a solution of this equation

```
> odetest(y(x)=y2(x),diff_eq,y(x));
```

$$e^{(3x)}$$

for  $y2(x) = e^{(3x)}$  **odetest** returns  $e^{(3x)}$  which is not **0**, so  $y2(x)$  is not a solution of the equation, in fact **odetest** evaluates  $\left(\frac{d}{dx}y(x)\right) - 2y(x)$  for  $y(x) = y2(x)$ , therefore if we get **0** this means that the function is a solution, if the result is something different from **0** then the function is not a solution for the differential equation.

```
> odetest(y(x)=y3(x),diff_eq,y(x));
```

$$-2\sin(2x) - 2\cos(2x)$$

also  $y3(x)$  is not a solution since the result of **odetest** is different from **0**.

## Solving an IVP

Suppose that we want to solve the IVP  $\frac{d}{dx}y(x) = k y(x)$  with the initial condition  $y(0) := 1$

```
> restart:with(DEtools):
```

```
> diff_eq:=diff(y(x),x) = k*y(x);
```

$$\text{diff\_eq} := \frac{d}{dx}y(x) = k y(x)$$

```
> in_cond:=y(0)=1;
```

$$\text{in\_cond} := y(0) = 1$$

```
> dsolve({diff_eq,in_cond},y(x));
```

$$y(x) = e^{(kx)}$$

Let consider the case  $k := 2$

```
> k:=2;
```

$$k := 2$$

```
> sol:=dsolve({diff_eq,in_cond},y(x));
```

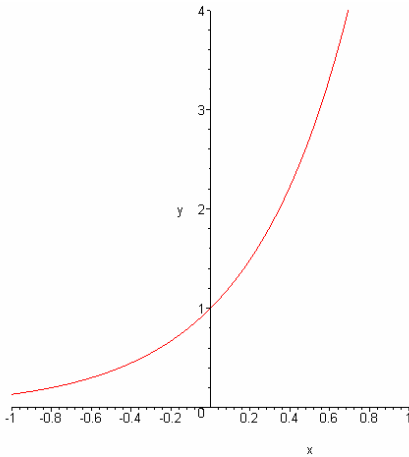
$$\text{sol} := y(x) = e^{(2x)}$$

```
> yy:=x->(rhs(sol));
```

$$\text{yy} := x \rightarrow \text{rhs(sol)}$$

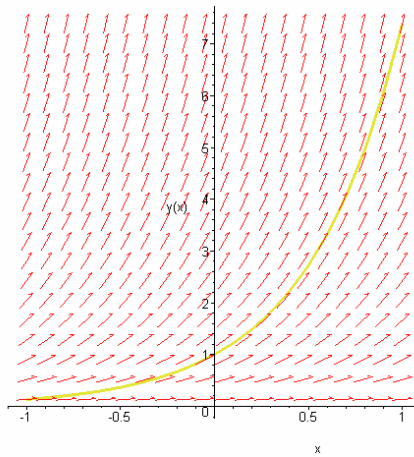
```
> plot(yy(x),x=-1..1,y=0..4);
```





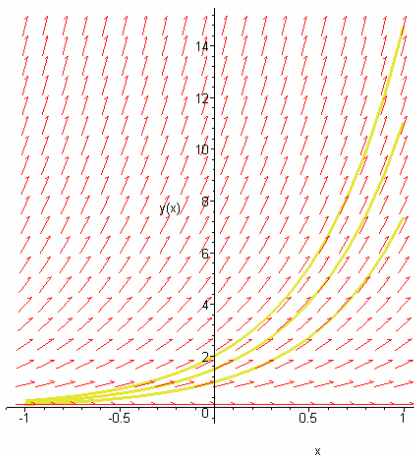
You can obtain the graph the IVP directly using the command DEplot:

```
> DEplot(diff_eq,y(x),x=-1..1,[[in_cond]]);
```



In this graph is also represented the direction field of the equation. If you want the graphs of the solutions for different initial condition ( $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y(0) = 1.5$ ,  $y(0) = 2$ ) you can use the same command and specify the list of initial conditions:

```
> DEplot(diff_eq,y(x),x=-1..1,[[y(0)=1],[y(0)=1.5],[y(0)=2]]);
```



## Solving a second order ODE

```
> restart;
```

```
> with(DEtools):
```

```
> with(plots):
```

```
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```

Consider the linear differential equation with the constant coefficients

$$\left(\frac{d^2}{dx^2} y(x)\right) + 3\left(\frac{d}{dx} y(x)\right) + 2y(x) = 1 + x^2$$

> `deq1:=diff(y(x),x$2)+3*diff(y(x),x)+2*y(x)=1+x^2;`

$$deq1 := \left(\frac{d^2}{dx^2} y(x)\right) + 3\left(\frac{d}{dx} y(x)\right) + 2y(x) = 1 + x^2$$

To obtain the general solution we use the `dsolve` command

> `dsolve(deq1,y(x));`

$$y(x) = \frac{9}{4} + \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{3x}{2} - e^{(-2x)}\_C1 + e^{(-x)}\_C2$$

If we want to study the solution we can use the same technique as in the previous section in order to draw the solution graph.

> `sol:=dsolve(deq1,y(x));`

$$sol := y(x) = \frac{9}{4} + \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{3x}{2} - e^{(-2x)}\_C1 + e^{(-x)}\_C2$$

> `right_hand:=rhs(sol);`

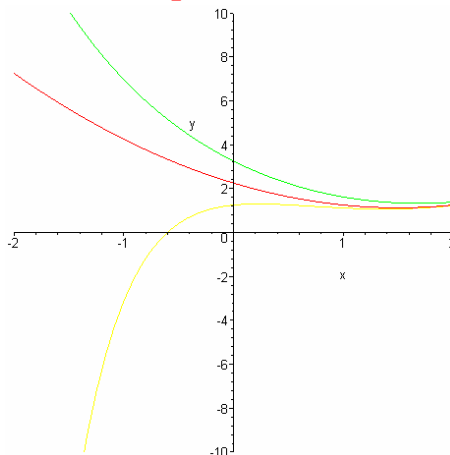
$$right\_hand := \frac{9}{4} + \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{3x}{2} - e^{(-2x)}\_C1 + e^{(-x)}\_C2$$

> `y_sol:=unapply(right_hand,x,_C1,_C2);`

$$y\_sol := (x, \_C1, \_C2) \rightarrow \frac{9}{4} + \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{3}{2}x - e^{(-2x)}\_C1 + e^{(-x)}\_C2$$

Now we are able to one ore more than one solution graphs using the `plot` command.

> `plot([y_sol(x,0,0),y_sol(x,0,1),y_sol(x,1,0)],x=-2..2,y=-10..10);`



In the case of initial value problem we have two initial conditions, for example lets take  $y(0) = 1$  and  $y'(0)=0$ .

> `in_cond:=y(0)=1,D(y)(0)=0;`

$$in\_cond := y(0) = 1, D(y)(0) = 0$$

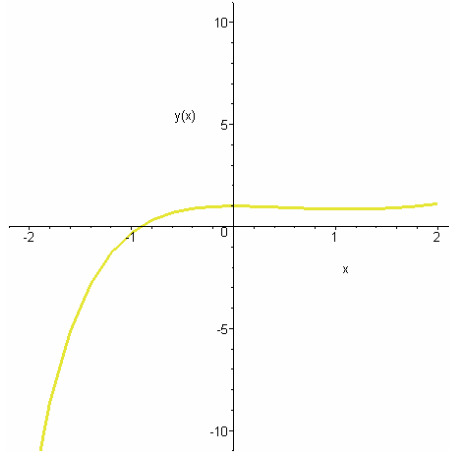
To obtain the corresponding solution we use `dsolve` command in the following form:

> `dsolve({deq1,in_cond},y(x));`

$$y(x) = \frac{9}{4} + \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{3x}{2} - \frac{1}{4}e^{(-2x)} - e^{(-x)}$$

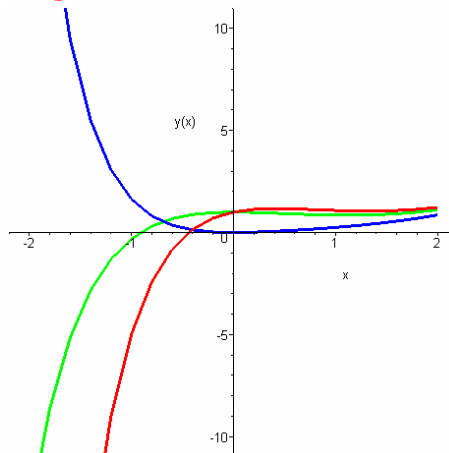
Now we can use the previous technique (**rhs** and **unapply** comands) to construct the solution as a function and after that to represent its graph or we can obtain this graph directly using **DEplot** command.

> **DEplot(deq1,y(x),x=-2..2,y=-10..10,[in\_cond]);**



If we need to draw more than one solution corresponding to different initial value problem we can use the same **DEplot** command specifying the list of initial conditions:

> **DEplot(deq1,y(x),x=-2..2,[y(0)=1,D(y)(0)=0],[y(0)=1,D(y)(0)=1],[y(0)=0,D(y)(0)=0]],y=-10..10,linecolor=[red,blue,green]);**



The general second order linear DE,  $\left(\frac{d^2}{dx^2} y(x)\right) + p(x)\left(\frac{d}{dx} y(x)\right) + q(x) y(x) = f(x)$  :

**Note:** Maple is unable to solve most second-order DE's explicitly. For information on numerically solving DE's, see Numerical Solutions with dsolve.

Consider the differential equation  $\left(\frac{d^2}{dx^2} y(x)\right) + x\left(\frac{d}{dx} y(x)\right) + y(x) = \sin(x)$  . Try to use the **dsolve** command.

> **deq2:=diff(y(x),x\$2)+x\*diff(y(x),x)+y(x)=sin(x);**

$$deq2 := \left(\frac{d^2}{dx^2} y(x)\right) + x\left(\frac{d}{dx} y(x)\right) + y(x) = \sin(x)$$

> **dsolve(deq2,y(x));**

$$y(x) = e^{\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right)} \_C1 \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{1}{2} I \sqrt{2} x\right) + e^{\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right)} \_C2$$

$$+ \frac{1}{4} I \sqrt{2} \sqrt{\pi} e^{(1/2)} \left( \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{1}{2} I \sqrt{2} x - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) + \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{1}{2} I \sqrt{2} x + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) \right) e^{\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right)}$$

> **in\_cond2:=y(0)=1,D(y)(0)=1;**  
*in\_cond2 := y(0) = 1, D(y)(0) = 1*

> **dsolve({deq2,in\_cond2},y(x));**

$$y(x) = -e^{\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right)} \sqrt{\pi} \sqrt{2} \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{1}{2} I \sqrt{2} x\right) I + e^{\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right)}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{4} I \sqrt{2} \sqrt{\pi} e^{(1/2)} \left( \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{1}{2} I \sqrt{2} x - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) + \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{1}{2} I \sqrt{2} x + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) \right) e^{\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right)}$$

Maple expresses the solution in terms of the error function **erf**.

We can obtain the numerical solution using in the dsolve command the option 'type = numeric' and the odeplot comand to draw the corresponding graph.

> **n\_sol:=dsolve({deq2,in\_cond2},y(x),type=numeric);**  
 > **odeplot(n\_sol);**

