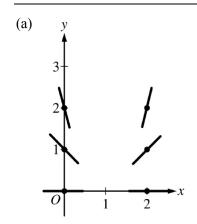
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Question 4

Consider the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^2}{x-1}$.

- (a) On the axes provided, sketch a slope field for the given differential equation at the six points indicated.
- (b) Let y = f(x) be the particular solution to the given differential equation with the initial condition f(2) = 3. Write an equation for the line tangent to the graph of y = f(x) at x = 2. Use your equation to approximate f(2.1).
- (c) Find the particular solution y = f(x) to the given differential equation with the initial condition f(2) = 3.



 $2: \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1: zero \ slopes \\ 1: nonzero \ slopes \end{array} \right.$

(b) $\frac{dy}{dx}\Big|_{(x, y)=(2, 3)} = \frac{3^2}{2-1} = 9$

2: $\begin{cases} 1 : \text{tangent line equation} \\ 1 : \text{approximation} \end{cases}$

An equation for the tangent line is y = 9(x - 2) + 3.

$$f(2.1) \approx 9(2.1 - 2) + 3 = 3.9$$

(c)
$$\frac{1}{y^2} dy = \frac{1}{x - 1} dx$$
$$\int \frac{1}{y^2} dy = \int \frac{1}{x - 1} dx$$
$$-\frac{1}{y} = \ln|x - 1| + C$$
$$-\frac{1}{3} = \ln|2 - 1| + C \implies C = -\frac{1}{3}$$
$$-\frac{1}{y} = \ln|x - 1| - \frac{1}{3}$$
$$y = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{3} - \ln(x - 1)}$$

5: { 1: separation of variables 2: antiderivatives 1: constant of integration and uses initial condition 1: solves for y

Note: max 3/5 [1-2-0-0] if no constant of integration

Note: 0/5 if no separation of variables

Note: This solution is valid for $1 < x < 1 + e^{1/3}$.