## Pre-class Warm-up!!!

Which of the following is the slope field for the equation dy/dx = x/y?



Another question. Which of these is the direction field for x' = y, y' = x?

Also D.

Ignore the vertical

## 7.1 First order linear systems of equations

We learn:

- what is a linear system of equations
  how to convert a high order differential equation into a system of first order equations
- occasionally, how to convert a system of equations into a higher order differential equation
- a theorem about existence of solutions to systems of equations
- what are direction fields

Vocabulary:

- direction field, solution curve or trajectory, phase plane portrait
- homogeneous means the same thing that it did before, except in a new context.





Section 1.6 question 46: Solve x y'' + y' = 4x

This time it's significant there is no term in y.





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We can solve this a. by separating the variables / b. as a first order linear equation c. by making another substitution Then solve the equation for 1 that

Question: Recall 1.6 question 46 above! What does the equation xy'' + y' = 4x look like when we write it as a linear system? a.  $\begin{pmatrix} v \\ y \end{pmatrix}' = \begin{bmatrix} v \\ -\frac{v}{x} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$  C.  $\begin{bmatrix} y \\ -\frac{v}{x} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{v}{x} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$  $\int b \cdot \begin{bmatrix} y \\ y \end{bmatrix}' = \begin{bmatrix} v \\ -\frac{v}{x} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$  d. None of the above.



## Theorem 1.

Given a first order system X' = PX + F and a vector B, if the functions P and F are continuous around some number t = a, then there is a unique solution satisfying X(a) = B.