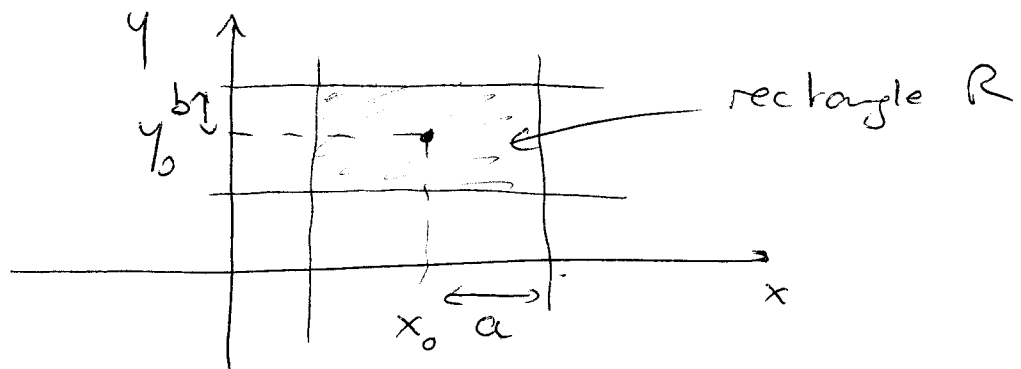


# Equations of the form $y' = g(x, y)$ (continued)

## Existence & uniqueness theorems



Continuity of  $g(x, y)$  in  $R$

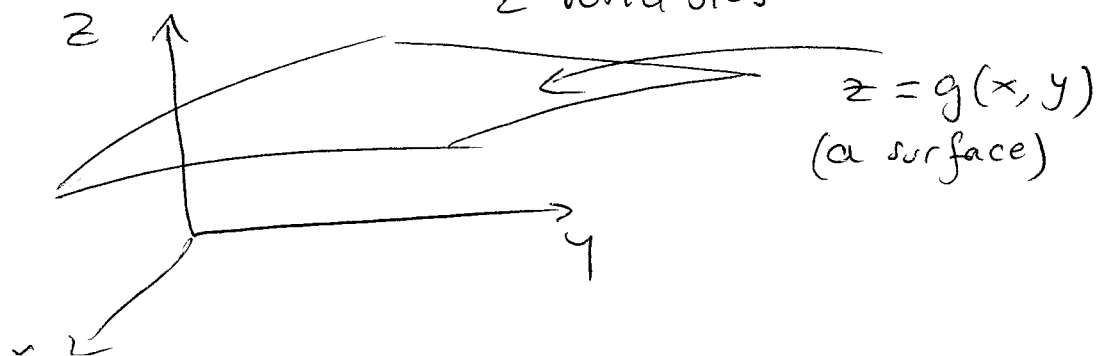
$\Rightarrow$  existence of a solution "near"  $\begin{pmatrix} x = x_0 \\ y = y_0 \end{pmatrix}$

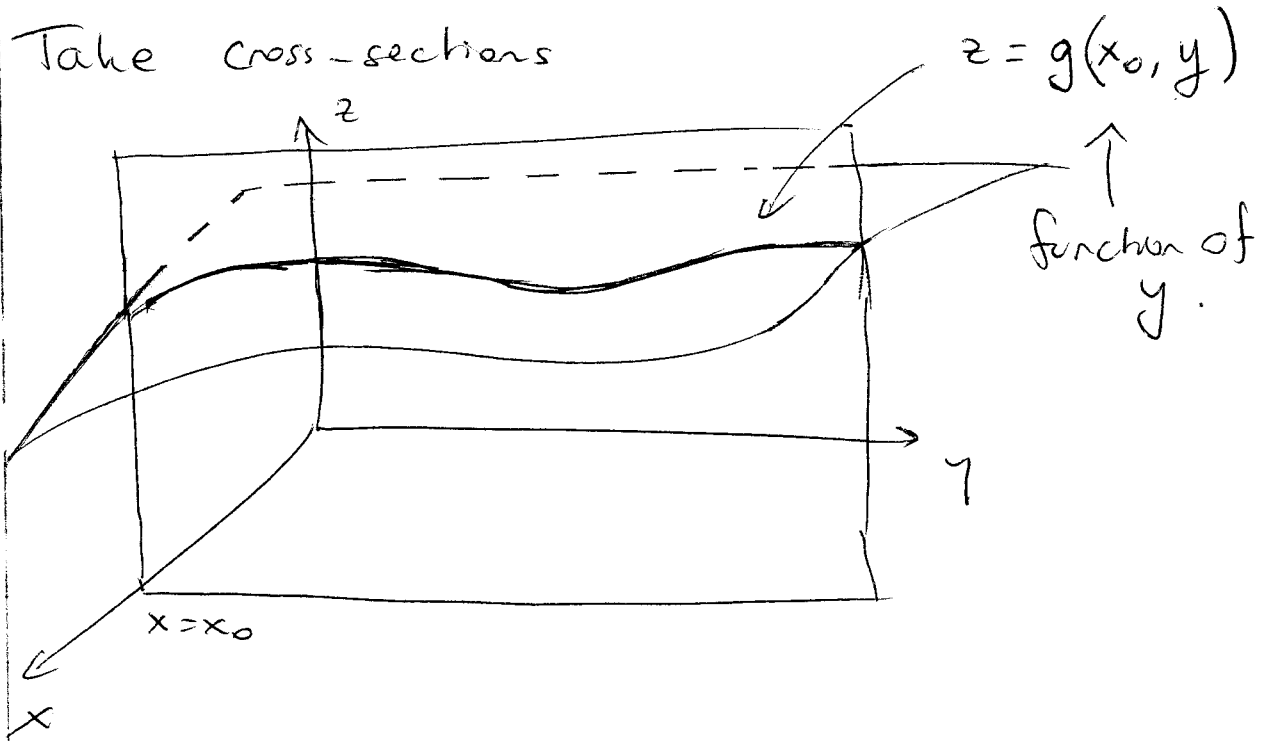
but not necessarily everywhere.

Uniqueness: Find  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} g(x, y)$  & check that

it is continuous on  $R$ .

Partial derivatives:  $g(x, y)$  is a function of 2 variables





Partial derivative of  $g$  with respect to  $y$  is denoted by

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(x_0, y) = \frac{d}{dy} g(x_0, y)$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)$$

$$= \lim_{y \rightarrow y_0} \frac{g(x_0, y) - g(x_0, y_0)}{y - y_0}$$

Example:  $g(x, y) = x y^2$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0) = \lim_{y \rightarrow y_0} \frac{g(x_0, y) - g(x_0, y_0)}{y - y_0}$$

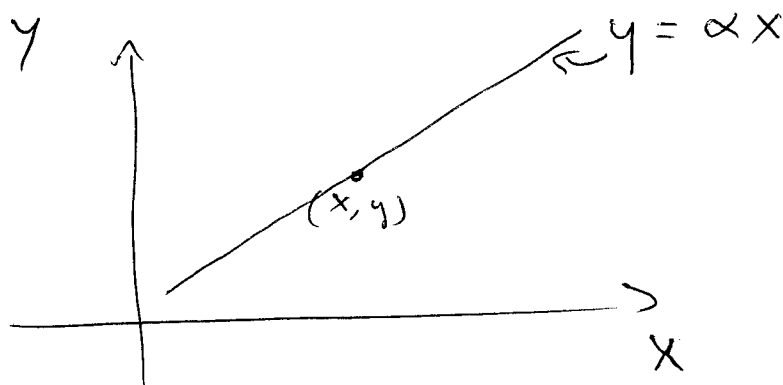
$$= \lim_{y \rightarrow y_0} \frac{x_0 y^2 - x_0 y_0^2}{y - y_0} = \lim_{y \rightarrow y_0} \frac{x_0 (y^2 - y_0^2)}{y - y_0}$$

$$= \lim_{y \rightarrow y_0} [x_0 (y + y_0)] = 2 x_0 y_0$$

$$\text{So } \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x y^2) = 2 x y$$

Example: without using the limit

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\sin(x) \cos(y)) = -\sin(x) \sin(y)$$



Look at function with  $y = \alpha x$

$$\sin(x) \sin(y) = \sin(x) \sin(\alpha x)$$

& ask whether the function is continuous in  $x$ ,  
for every  $\alpha$ .