

## Lesson 34: Exponential growth

Given the differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dt} = zy$ ,  
how do we solve for  $y$ ?

By guess and check!

What functions derivative is just itself?

guess:  $y = e^t$        $\frac{dy}{dt} = e^t = y$

guess:  $y = e^{2t}$        $\frac{dy}{dt} = 2e^{2t} = 2y$

In fact all solutions to  $\frac{dy}{dt} = zy$  are  
of the form  $y = ce^{2t}$  for some constant  $c$ .

In general, given the ODE  $\frac{dy}{dt} = ky$

all solutions are of the form  $y = ce^{kt}$

$c$  is called the initial value

$k$  is called the proportionality const. or growth rate

if  $k$  and  $c$  are both greater than zero, then we say  $y = ce^{kt}$  is an exponential growth model.



$$c > 0, k > 0$$

## Examples

① A population of bacteria,  $P(t)$ , where  $t$  is time in days, is growing proportional to the population itself and the growth rate is 0.2.

If the initial population is 40, what is the population after 40 days?

$$\rightarrow \frac{dP}{dt} = kP = (0.2)P$$

$$P(t) = ce^{0.2t} \quad 40 = P(0) = ce^{0.2(0)} = c$$

$$P(t) = 40e^{0.2t}$$

$$P(40) = 40e^{\frac{2}{10} \cdot 40} = 40e^8 \approx \underline{\underline{119238.32 \text{ bacteria}}}$$

(2) The rate of change of a population of a town is  $\frac{dP}{dt} = kt$ , where  $t$  in years.

If at  $t=3$   $P=30,000$   
 $t=5$   $P=40,000$ , then

what is the population when  $t=10$ ?

$$P(t) = ce^{kt}, \quad P(10) = ??$$

$$30,000 = P(3) = ce^{3k}$$

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$$40,000 = ce^{5k} \quad \text{divide first eq. by second eq.}$$

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$$\ln \frac{4}{3} = \ln(e^{2k}) = 2k$$

$$k = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{4}{3} = \ln \sqrt{\frac{4}{3}} = \ln \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 30,000 &= ce^{3 \ln \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}} \\ &= ce^{\ln \frac{8}{3\sqrt{3}}} \\ &= c \left( \frac{8}{3\sqrt{3}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$C = \frac{30,000}{8} \cdot 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$P(10) = c e^{kt} = \frac{30,000}{8} \cdot 3\sqrt{3} \cdot e^{10 \cdot \ln 2/\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\approx 82112 \text{ people} \quad \checkmark$$

③ Jessica deposited \$40,000 into a savings account with interest compounded continuously.

The annual rate of interest is 3%.

How much money does she have in the account 12 years from now?

$P$  = amount of money in the account

$t$  = time in years

$$P = c e^{kt}$$

$k = 0.03 \leftarrow$  convert the percent to decimal

$$40,000 = P(0) = c e^{0.03 \cdot 0} = c$$

$$P(t) = 40,000 e^{0.03t}$$

$$P(12) = 40,000 e^{0.03 \cdot 12} \approx \$57,333.18$$

④ Shiori deposited \$700 into her savings account in which interest is compounded continuously. After 20 years she has \$1750 in the account.

What is the annual interest rate?

$$\rightarrow P(t) = ce^{kt} \quad \begin{array}{l} P = \$ \text{ in account} \\ t = \text{time in years} \end{array}$$

$$700 = P(0) = ce^{k(0)} = c$$

$$1750 = P(20) = 700e^{k(20)}$$

$$\frac{1750}{700} = e^{20k}$$

$$\ln \frac{1750}{700} = 20k$$

$$k = \frac{1}{20} \ln \frac{1750}{700} \approx 0.05$$

Annual interest rate is 5% ✓

$$\underline{\text{HW 33 \# 5}} \quad \int_{-1.4}^{0.4} \frac{\tan x}{x+5} dx \quad n=3$$

$$b = 0.4 \quad a = -1.4 \quad \Delta x = \frac{b-a}{n} = \frac{0.4 - (-1.4)}{3} = 0.6$$

$$f(x) = \frac{\tan x}{x+5}$$

$$T_3 = \frac{\Delta x}{2} \left[ f(x_0) + 2f(x_1) + 2f(x_2) + f(x_3) \right]$$

$$x_i = a + i\Delta x = -1.4 + i(0.6)$$

$$x_0 = -1.4 \quad x_3 = 0.4$$

$$x_1 = -0.8$$

$$x_2 = -0.2$$

$$T_3 = \frac{0.6}{2} \left[ \frac{\tan(-1.4)}{-1.4+5} + 2 \frac{\tan(-0.8)}{-0.8+5} + 2 \frac{\tan(-0.2)}{-0.2+5} + \frac{\tan(0.4)}{0.4+5} \right]$$

Make sure your calculator is in radians!

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Given the differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dt} = 2y$ , then how do we solve for  $y$ ?

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$$\frac{dy}{dt} = e^t = y \quad \times$$

guess 2:  $y = e^{2t}$

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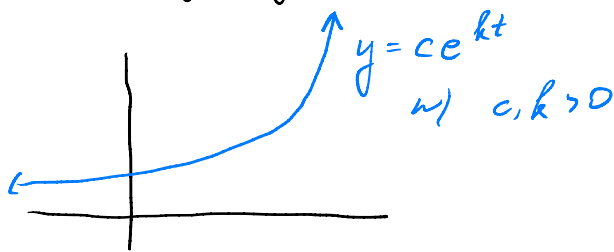
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Bacteria ✓



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 &= c e^{\ln(2/\sqrt{3})^3} \\
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 &= c \frac{8}{3\sqrt{3}}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$c = \frac{30,000}{8} \cdot 3\sqrt{3}$$

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$\approx 82112$  people after 10 years

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