

6.4 Exponential Growth and Decay

Ex 1) Solve the initial value problem.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x}{y}$$

$$x = 4, y = 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} y \cdot dy &= -x dx \\ \int y dy &= \int -x dx \\ \frac{y^2}{2} &= -\frac{x^2}{2} + C \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{3^2}{2} = -\frac{4^2}{2} + C$$

$$\frac{9}{2} = -\frac{16}{2} + C$$

$$\frac{25}{2} = C$$

$$\frac{y^2}{2} = -\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{25}{2}$$

$$\sqrt{y^2} = \sqrt{x^2 + 25}$$

$$y = \sqrt{25 - x^2}$$

Steps

1. Separate the variables
2. Integrate/Antiderivative
3. Solve for c.
4. Solve for y.

Ex 2) Solve the initial value problem $\ln x = y$
 $e^y = x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2xy$$

$$x = 0, y = 3$$

$$\frac{1}{y} dy = 2x dx$$

$$\int \frac{1}{y} dy = \int 2x dx$$

$$\ln y = x^2 + C$$

$$\ln 3 = 0^2 + C$$

$$\ln 3 = C$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln y &= x^2 + \ln 3 \\ e^{x^2 + \ln 3} &= y \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{OR } \ln y - \ln 3 = x^2$$

$$\ln \frac{y}{3} = x^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} e^{x^2} &= \frac{y}{3} \\ 3e^{x^2} &= y \end{aligned}$$

Ex3) Solve the initial value problem.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \cos^2 y$$

$$x = 0, y = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\cos^2 y} dy = dx$$

$$\tan 0 = 0 + C$$
$$0 = C$$

$$\sec^2 y dy = dx$$

$$\tan y = x$$

$$\int \sec^2 y dy = \int dx$$

$$\boxed{\tan^{-1}(x) = y}$$

$$\tan y = x + C$$

Ex 4) Solve the initial value problem $x^2 \cdot y' = x^{2+m}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{x-y}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^x \cdot e^{-y}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{e^x}{e^y}$$

$$e^y \cdot dy = e^x \cdot dx$$

$$\int e^y \cdot dy = \int e^x \cdot dx$$

$$e^y = e^x + C$$

$$x = 0, y = 2$$

$$e^2 = e^0 + C$$

$$e^2 = 1 + C$$

$$e^2 - 1 = C$$

$$e^y = e^x + e^2 - 1$$

$$\boxed{e^y = x \\ \ln x = y}$$

$$\boxed{\ln(e^x + e^2 - 1) = y}$$

Ex 5) Solve the initial value problem

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4\sqrt{y} \ln x}{x} \quad x = e, y = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{4\sqrt{y}} dy = \frac{\ln x}{x} dx$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \int y^{\frac{1}{2}} dy = \int \frac{\ln x}{x} dx \quad \text{let } u = \ln x \\ \frac{1}{4} \cdot y^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \frac{2}{1} = \int u \cdot du \\ \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{y} = \frac{u^2}{2} + C$$

$$x = e, y = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{y} = \frac{u^2}{2} + C$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{y} = \frac{\ln^2 x}{2} + C$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{y} = \frac{(\ln x)^2}{2} + C$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{y} = \frac{1}{2} + C \quad \underline{\underline{C=0}}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{y} = \frac{\ln^2 x}{2}$$

$$(\sqrt{y})^2 = (\ln^2 x)^2$$

$$\boxed{y = \ln^4 x}$$

$$x > 0$$

Ex 6) Find the solution to the differential equation assuming k is a constant

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = ky$$

$$k = -0.5, y(0) = 200$$

$$\frac{1}{y} dy = k dt$$

$$\int \frac{1}{y} dy = \int k dt$$

$$\ln y = kt + C$$

$$\ln 200 = -0.5(0) + C$$

$$\ln 200 = C$$

$$\ln y = kt + C$$

$$e^{kt+C}$$

$$e^{kt} \cdot e^C = y$$

$$e^{kt} \cdot e^C = y \boxed{|t=0}$$

$$e^{k \cdot 0} \cdot e^C = y$$

$$e^C = y$$

$$y_0 < y$$

$$\ln y = -0.5t + \ln 200$$

$$e^{-0.5t + \ln 200} = y$$

$$\frac{e^{-0.5t} \cdot e^{\ln 200}}{200} = y$$

Law of exponential Change

$$y = y_0 e^{kt}$$

$$y = A e^{kt}$$

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

$$y = e^C e^{kt}$$

Ex 7) Find the solution to the differential equation assuming k is a constant

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = ky$$

$$\int \frac{1}{y} dy = \int k dt$$

$$\int \frac{1}{y} dy = \int k dt$$

$$\ln y = kt + C$$

$$y(0) = 60, y(10) = 30$$

$$\begin{aligned} e^{kt+C} &= y \\ e^{kt} \cdot e^C &= y \quad \text{finding } e^C \\ e^{(k \cdot 0)} \cdot e^C &= 60 \\ e^C &= 60 \end{aligned}$$

$$60e^{kt} = y$$

$$60e^{(k \cdot 10)} = 30$$

$$e^{10k} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\ln \frac{1}{2} = 10k$$

$$\frac{\ln \frac{1}{2}}{10} = k$$

$$y = 60e^{\left(\frac{\ln \frac{1}{2}}{10} t\right)}$$

$$\frac{\ln \frac{1}{2}}{10} = \frac{\ln 1 - \ln 2}{10}$$

$$= -\frac{\ln 2}{10}$$

$$y = 60e^{\left(-\frac{\ln 2}{10} t\right)}$$