

6.4 Exponential Growth and Decay

Ex 1) Solve the initial value problem.

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

$$y \cdot dy = -x dx$$

$$\int y dy = \int -x dx$$

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

$$x = 4, y = 3$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

Steps

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

Ex 2) Solve the initial value problem $\ln x = y$
 $e^y = x$
 $x = 0, y = 3$

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

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

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

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

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

$$\ln 3 = C$$

$$\ln y = x^2 + \ln 3$$

$$e^{x^2 + \ln 3} = y$$

OR $\ln y - \ln 3 = x^2$

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

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

$$3e^{x^2} = y$$

Ex3) Solve the initial value problem.

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

$$x = 0, y = 0$$

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

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

$$\int \sec^2 y dy = \int 1 dx$$

$$\tan y = x + C$$

$$\tan 0 = 0 + C$$

$$0 = C$$

$$\tan y = x$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$x = 0, y = 2$$

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

$$e^2 = 1 + C$$

$$e^2 - 1 = C$$

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

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

$$\begin{array}{l} e^y = x \\ \ln x = y \end{array}$$

Ex 5) Solve the initial value problem

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

$$x = e, y = 1$$

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

$$\frac{1}{4} \int y^{-1/2} \cdot dy = \int \frac{\ln x}{x} \cdot dx \quad \text{let } u = \ln x$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \cdot y^{1/2} \cdot 2 = \int u \cdot du$$

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

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

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

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

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

\sqrt{y}

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

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

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

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

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

$$\ln y = k \cdot t + C$$

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

$$\ln 200 = C$$

$$\ln y = k \cdot t + C$$

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

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

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

$$e^C = y$$

$$y_0 = y$$

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

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

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

$$200e^{-0.5t} = y$$

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

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

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

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

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

$$\ln y = kt + C$$

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

Finding e^C

$$e^{kt} \cdot e^C = y \quad t=0, y=60$$

$$e^{(k \cdot 0)} \cdot e^C = 60$$

$$e^C = 60$$

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

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

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

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

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