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$$A(t) = A_0 e^{rt}$$

6.5 Exponential Growth and Decay

1. A population P of insects increases at a rate proportional to the current population. Suppose there are 105 insects at time $t = 0$, and 575 insects seven days later.

a). Find an expression for the number $P(t)$ of insects at time $t > 0$, where t is in days.

means $P(0) = 105$

$$P(t) = 105 e^{kt} \quad (k??)$$

means $P(7) = 575$

$$P(7) = 105 e^{7k} = 575$$

$$e^{7k} = \frac{575}{105}$$

$$7k = \ln(575/105)$$

means $\frac{dP}{dt} = kP$

$$\Rightarrow P(t) = P(0) e^{kt}$$

$$k = \frac{1}{7} \ln(575/105)$$

$$P(t) = 105 e^{\frac{1}{7} \ln(575/105) t}$$

$$= 105 \cdot \left(\frac{575}{105}\right)^{t/7}$$

b). How many insects will there be in 51 days?

$$P(51) = 105 \cdot \left(\frac{575}{105}\right)^{51/7}$$

2. Suppose that a particular carbon isotope which is found in living trees has a half-life of 5700 years. Scientists have discovered that the charcoal from a tree burned in a volcanic eruption contains 36 percent of the isotope level that is normally found in living trees. How many years ago did the volcanic eruption occur?

$$m(t) = m_0 e^{kt}$$

Half-life = 5700 $\Rightarrow m(5700) = \frac{m_0}{2} = m_0 e^{k \cdot 5700}$ $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = e^{5700k}$; $\ln(1/2) = 5700k$

$$k = -\frac{\ln(2)}{5700}$$

Charcoal discovered @ t_{now} : $\frac{36}{100} m_0$

$$m(t_{\text{now}}) = \frac{36}{100} m_0 = m_0 e^{kt_{\text{now}}} \Rightarrow e^{kt_{\text{now}}} = \frac{36}{100} \Rightarrow kt_{\text{now}} = \ln(36/100) \Rightarrow t_{\text{now}} = \frac{1}{k} \ln(36/100)$$

$$t_{\text{now}} = 5700 \frac{\ln(100/36)}{\ln(2)} \text{ (years ago)}$$

3. Suppose you have just placed d dollars in a bank account that pays 5 percent (annual) interest, compounded continuously.

a). How much do you have in the account after 7 years?

$$A(7) = d e^{35/100}$$

$$A(t) = A_0 e^{rt} ; A_0 = d ; r = 5/100$$

$$A(t) = d e^{5/100 t}$$

b). How long (in years) will it take your money to double?

$$A(t) = 2d$$

$$d e^{5/100 t} = 2d$$

$$\frac{5}{100} t = \ln 2$$

$$t = 20 \ln(2) \text{ (years)}$$

4. Suppose that the temperature of a cup of soup obeys Newton's law of cooling. If the soup has a temperature of 175°F when served to a customer, and 5 minutes later has cooled to 145°F in a room at 64°F , how much longer must it take the soup to reach a temperature of 110°F ? (how many additional minutes)

$$T(t) = T_s + (T(0) - T_s)e^{kt}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Soup @ } 175^\circ\text{F when served: } & T(0) = 175 \\ \text{5 mins later @ } 145^\circ\text{F} & : T(5) = 145 \\ \text{room @ } 64^\circ\text{F} & : T_s = 64 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(t) &= 64 + (175 - 64)e^{kt} \\ &= 64 + 111e^{kt} \\ T(5) &= 145 \\ &= 64 + 111e^{5k} \end{aligned} \Rightarrow$$

Q: Solve for t : $T(t) = 110$

$$T(t) = 110 \Rightarrow 64 + 111e^{kt} = 110$$

$$111e^{kt} = 46$$

$$e^{kt} = 46/111$$

$$kt = \ln(46/111)$$

$$t = \frac{1}{k} \ln(46/111)$$

$$111e^{5k} = 81 \Rightarrow 5k = \ln(81/111)$$

$$k = \frac{1}{5} \ln(81/111)$$

"how many additional minutes"
 \Rightarrow answer is

this

$$\Rightarrow t = 5 \frac{\ln(111/46)}{\ln(111/81)}$$

$$= 5 \frac{\ln(46/111)}{\ln(81/111)}$$

$$\text{answer} = 5 \frac{\ln(111/46)}{\ln(111/81)} - 5$$

If the same cup of 175°F soup is instead placed into a freezer set at 10°F , what is the time required for the soup to cool from 175°F to 110°F in this situation?

What changes? $T_s = 10 \Rightarrow T(t) = 10 + (175 - 10)e^{kt} = 10 + 165e^{kt}$

Does k change? No, that constant belongs to the same soup.

$$T(t) = 110 \text{ (solve for } t)$$

$$10 + 165e^{kt} = 110; e^{kt} = 100/165; kt = \ln(100/165); t = \frac{1}{k} \ln(100/165)$$

$$t = 5 \frac{\ln(165/100)}{\ln(111/81)}$$

5. Suppose that the temperature of a loaf of baked bread satisfies Newton's law of cooling. Right now the temperature of the bread is 65°C above room temperature but twenty-five minutes ago, it was 70°C above room temperature.

a). How far above room temperature will the bread be thirty-five minutes from now?

In this problem: easier to work w/ $y(t) = T(t) - T_s \Rightarrow y(t) = y(0)e^{kt}$

\Rightarrow Know: $y(0) = 70 \rightarrow y(t) = 70e^{kt}$
 $y(25) = 65 \rightarrow y(25) = 70e^{25k} = 65 ; 25k = \ln(65/70) \quad k = \frac{1}{25} \ln(65/70)$

(a). Find $y(60) = ?$ [Why? 35 mins from now means $y(25+35)$]

$$y(60) = 70e^{60 \cdot \frac{1}{25} \ln(65/70)} = 70 \cdot \left(\frac{65}{70}\right)^{12/5}$$

b). How much greater than room temperature will the bread be 4 hours from now?

Find $y(25+240) = y(265) = ?$
 $y(265) = 70 \cdot e^{265 \cdot \frac{1}{25} \ln(65/70)} = 70 \cdot \left(\frac{65}{70}\right)^{53/5}$

c). In how many minutes (from now) will the temperature of the bread measure 32°C above room temperature?

Solve $y(t) = 32 : 70e^{kt} = 32 ; kt = \ln(32/70) ; t = 25 \frac{\ln(32/70)}{\ln(65/70)}$
 "from now": this -25
 answer? not yet

answer: $25 \frac{\ln(32/70)}{\ln(65/70)} - 25$