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Write all work and answers on the blank sheets.

Only attempt problems for which you have not already received a grade of “Master”.

Use algebra or calculus techniques to solve these problems. Appealing to a graph will not earn any credit.

9. The value of a certain savings account (in dollars) can be modeled by $V(t) = 1000e^{0.07t}$, where t is the number of years since the creation of the account.
- (a) What is the value of the account after five years?
 - (b) How long does it take for this account to double its value?
 - (c) At what rate (in dollars per year) is the account growing at the end of the third year?

Solution: For part (a), we know $t = 5$, so the value of the account is $P(5) = 1000e^{0.07 \cdot 5} \approx \1419.07 .

For part (b), we know the value of the account is \$2,000, so we solve

$$\begin{aligned} 2000 &= 1000e^{0.07t} \\ 2 &= e^{0.07t} \\ \ln 2 &= 0.07t \\ \frac{\ln 2}{0.07} &= t \\ 9.9 &\approx t. \end{aligned}$$

The value of the account will double in value after approximately 9.9 years.

For part (c), we first compute the derivative $P'(t) = 70e^{0.07t}$. To determine the rate of change at the third year, we compute $P'(3) = 70e^{0.07 \cdot 3} \approx 86.36$ dollars per year.

10. In each of the following situations, decide whether an exponential function is an appropriate model. If it is, provide the exponential function $f(t)$ and clearly state the units of t and $f(t)$. If an exponential function is not appropriate, explain why not.
- (a) Approximately 4.7 billion bottles of water were sold in the year 2000. Sales continued to grow at a rate of 9.3% per year.
 - (b) A company employs thirty workers and plans to hire two new employees each month.
 - (c) You have a 100 mg sample of Strontium-90, which has a half-life of roughly twenty-five years.

Solution: Part (a) calls for an exponential function since the sales grow at a constant percentage rate. We'll let the units of $f(t)$ be in billions of bottles and t be years, so that an partial solution is $f(t) = 4.7e^{kt}$. We can determine k by finding another point of data. Since sales grow by 9.3% each year, another point of data is $(1, 5.16)$. We can now solve

$$\begin{aligned} 5.16 &= 4.7e^{k \cdot 1} \\ \frac{5.16}{4.7} &= e^k \\ \ln\left(\frac{5.16}{4.7}\right) &= k \\ 0.093 &\approx k. \end{aligned}$$

A good model is therefore $f(t) = 4.7e^{0.093t}$.

Part (b) has a constant rate of change, so it is better suited for a linear function.

Part (c) gives a half-life, which implies an exponential model is appropriate. As in part (a), we start with a partial model $f(t) = 100e^{kt}$, where $f(t)$ gives the remaining mass (in grams) t years from now. Another data point we can use is $(25, 50)$, since the half-life is twenty-five years. We can now solve

$$\begin{aligned} 50 &= 100e^{k \cdot 25} \\ \frac{1}{2} &= e^{25k} \\ \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) &= 25k \\ \frac{\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{25} &= k \\ -0.028 &\approx k. \end{aligned}$$

A good model is therefore $f(t) = 100e^{-0.028t}$.

11. A particle is currently traveling at a rate of $5 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{sec}}$. We will denote its current position as 0 m. From this point, it begins to accelerate according to the function $a(t) = 4t$, where t is measured in seconds. Construct a function $s(t)$ that gives the particles position t seconds after this moment.

Solution: We use indefinite integration to write

$$\begin{aligned} v(t) &= \int s(t)dt \\ &= \int 4t dt \\ &= 2t^2 + C. \end{aligned}$$

The initial velocity condition tells that $v(0) = 5$, so we can solve

$$\begin{aligned}5 &= 2 \cdot 0^2 + C \\5 &= C.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $v(t) = 2t^2 + 5$.

Using indefinite integration again, we now write

$$\begin{aligned}s(t) &= \int v(t)dt \\&= \int (2t^2 + 5)dt \\&= \frac{2}{3}t^3 + 5t + C.\end{aligned}$$

The initial position condition tells that $s(0) = 0$, so we can solve

$$\begin{aligned}0 &= \frac{2}{3}0^3 + 5 \cdot 0 + C \\0 &= C.\end{aligned}$$

Finally, we have $s(t) = \frac{2}{3}t^3 + 5t$.

12. A company estimates that its profit will grow continuously at a rate (in thousands of dollars per day) given by the function $P'(t) = 2e^{0.01t}$, where t is the number of days the business has been open. What is the total profit the company predicts for the first thirty days of business?

Solution: The total profit is given by $\int_0^{30} 2e^{0.01t}dt$. To evaluate this, we first find an antiderivative $F(t) = 200e^{0.01t}$. Now,

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{30} 2e^{0.01t}dt &= F(30) - F(0) \\&= 200e^{0.01 \cdot 30} - 200e^{0.01 \cdot 0} \\&\approx 69.972.\end{aligned}$$

The total profit for the first thirty days is approximately \$69,972.