

Notes – Differential Equations
Section 6.3

name Key

$$1) \frac{dy}{dx} = 5x^4$$

$\int dy = \int 5x^4 dx$

$$y = x^5 + C$$

$$2 = 0^5 + C$$

$$C = 2$$

$y = x^5 + 2$

The point must work in the equation!

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

$$y(1) = -3$$

$\int y dy = \int 2x dx$

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

$$\frac{9}{2} = 1^2 + C$$

$$C = \frac{7}{2}$$

$y = -\sqrt{2x^2 + 7}$

since $y(1) = -3$
we have to pick $-\sqrt{\cdot}$.

$$3) y' = 9x^2y \quad y(0) = 2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 9x^2y$$

$$\int \frac{dy}{y} = \int 9x^2 dx$$

$$\ln|y| = 3x^3 + C$$

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

$$C = \ln 2$$

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

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

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

$$4) \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x^2}{e^{2y}} \quad y(0) = 0.5$$

$$\int e^{2y} dy = \int 3x^2 dx$$

$$u = 2y \quad du = 2$$

$$dy = \frac{du}{2}$$

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

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

$$2y = \ln(2x^3 + e)$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \ln(2x^3 + e)$$

Verifying Solutions to Differential Equations

5) Determine whether the function is a solution of the differential equation $y'' - y = 0$.

a) $y = \sin(x)$

$$y' = \cos x \quad y'' = -\sin x$$

$$-\sin x - \sin x = 0 ?$$

No

b) $y = 4e^{-x}$

$$y' = -4e^{-x} \quad y'' = 4e^{-x}$$

$$4e^{-x} - 4e^{-x} = 0$$

Yes!

$y = 4e^{-x}$ is a solution of $y'' - y = 0$

6) Let f be a function with $f(1) = 4$ such that for all points (x, y) on the graph of f the slope is given by

$$\frac{3x^2+1}{2y}.$$

a) Find the slope of the graph of f at the point where $x = 1$.

$$\text{slope} = \frac{3(1)^2+1}{2(4)} = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{when } x=1$$

b) Write an equation for the line tangent to the graph of f at $x = 1$ and use it to approximate $f(1.2)$.

$$y - 4 = \frac{1}{2}(x - 1)$$

$$y - 4 = \frac{1}{2}(1.2 - 1)$$

$$y = 4.1$$

$$f(1.2) \approx 4.1$$

c) Find $f(x)$ by solving the separable differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x^2+1}{2y}$ with the initial condition

$$f(1) = 4.$$

$$\int 2y \, dy = \int (3x^2 + 1) \, dx$$

$$y^2 = x^3 + x + C$$

$$16 = 1 + 1 + C$$

$$C = 14$$

$$y^2 = x^3 + x + 14$$

$$y = \pm \sqrt{x^3 + x + 14}$$

$$f(x) = \pm \sqrt{x^3 + x + 14}$$

7) Exponential Growth and Decay

The rate of growth is directly proportional to the population.

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = k \cdot P$$

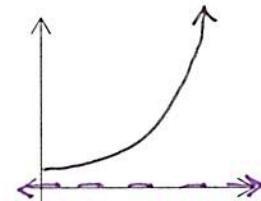
$$\int \frac{dP}{P} = \int k \, dt$$

$$\ln|P| = kt + C$$

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

$$P = e^{kt} \cdot \cancel{e^C}$$

↑ growth constant
 $P = Ce^{kt}$ *↑ time*
Initial Population



Example: A puppy weighs 2.0 pounds at birth and 3.5 pounds two months later. If the weight of the puppy during its first 6 months is increasing at a rate proportional to its weight, then how much will the puppy weigh when it is 3 months old?

t	w
0	2.0
2	3.5
3	?

$$\frac{dw}{dt} = k \cdot t$$

$$w = Ce^{kt}$$

$$w = 2e^{kt}$$

$$3.5 = 2e^{k \cdot 2}$$

$$(1.75)^{\frac{1}{2}} = (e^{2k})^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$e^k = 1.75^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$w = 2(1.75)^{\frac{1}{2}t}$$

$$w(3) = 2(1.75)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 4.630 \text{ lbs}$$