

QUIZ # 9

Please show all of your work for maximum credit. Good Luck!!!

1. (2 points) Let $P = f(t) = 37.8(1.044)^t$ be the population of a town (in thousands) in year t .

(a) Find a formula for $f^{-1}(P)$ in terms of P .

Sol. $P = 37.8(1.044)^t$, solve for t

$$\frac{P}{37.8} = (1.044)^t \Rightarrow \ln\left(\frac{P}{37.8}\right) = \ln(1.044)^t \Rightarrow t = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{P}{37.8}\right)}{\ln(1.044)}$$

Thus, $t = f^{-1}(P) = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{P}{37.8}\right)}{\ln(1.044)}$

(b) Evaluate $f^{-1}(50)$. What does this quantity tell you about the population?

Sol. $t = f^{-1}(50) = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{50}{37.8}\right)}{\ln(1.044)} = 6.5$

Thus, it takes 6.5 years for the population to reach 50,000 people.

2. (2 points) The air temperature, T , in $^{\circ}\text{F}$, is given in terms of the chirp rate, R , in chirps per minute, of a snowy tree cricket by the function

$$T = f(R) = \frac{1}{4}R + 40.$$

Suppose one night we record the chirp rate and find that it varies with time, x , according to the function

$$R = g(x) = 20 + x^2 \text{ where } x \text{ is in hours since midnight and } 0 \leq x \leq 10.$$

(a) Find how temperature varies with time by obtaining a formula $T = h(x)$ and simplify completely.

Sol. $T = f(R)$
 $T = f(g(x))$
 $T = f(20 + x^2)$
 $T = \frac{1}{4}(20 + x^2) + 40$

$T = 5 + \frac{1}{4}x^2 + 40$

$T = h(x) = \frac{1}{4}x^2 + 45$

3. (4 points) Geometry tells us that the radius of a sphere is directly proportional to the cube root of its volume.

(a) Use this proportionality relationship and the fact that a sphere of radius 18.2 cm has a volume of $25,252.4 \text{ cm}^3$ to find the equation for this relationship.

Sol $r = k \cdot \sqrt[3]{V}$
 $18.2 = k \cdot \sqrt[3]{25252.4}$

$k = \frac{18.2}{\sqrt[3]{25252.4}} = 0.62035$

$r = 0.62035 \cdot \sqrt[3]{V}$

(b) What happens to the Volume if radius is doubled?

Sol $r = 0.62035 \cdot \sqrt[3]{V}$
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 $\frac{r}{0.62035} = \sqrt[3]{V}$

$(\sqrt[3]{V})^3 = \left(\frac{r}{0.62035}\right)^3$
 $V_{\text{orig}} = \left(\frac{r}{0.62035}\right)^3$

$V_{\text{new}} = \left(\frac{2r}{0.62035}\right)^3$
 $V_{\text{new}} = 8 \cdot \left(\frac{r}{0.62035}\right)^3$
 $V_{\text{new}} = 8 V_{\text{orig}}$

4. (2 points) For the given polynomial function:

$$P(x) = -2x(x+3)^2(x-2)^2$$

State the degree, long-run behavior of $P(x)$ and the end behavior of $P(x)$.

Sol $P(x) \approx -2x \cdot x^2 \cdot x^2 = -2x^5 + \dots$

degree = 5

Long-run behavior = $-2x^5$

End-behavior:

as $x \rightarrow \infty$, $P(x) \rightarrow -\infty$

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If radius is doubled,
Volume increases by
factor of 8.