

Mathematics 172

Quiz 1

Name: Key

You must show your work to get full credit.

1. Let $N(t)$ be a solution to the initial problem

$$N'(t) = .12N(t), \quad N(0) = 5$$

(a) Give a formula for $N(t)$.

$$N(t) = \underline{5e^{-.12t}}$$

(b) What is $N(20)$?

$$N(20) = \underline{5e^{-.12(20)} = 55.116}$$

2. Let r be a constant and $P(t)$ such that

$$P'(t) = rP(t), \quad P(0) = 200, \quad P(5) = 175.$$

Find r and $P(20)$.

$$r = \underline{-.0267}$$

$$P(t) = P(0)e^{rt} = 200e^{rt}$$

$$\text{so } P(5) = 200e^{5r} = 175$$

$$e^{5r} = \frac{175}{200}$$

$$5r = \ln(175/200)$$

$$r = \frac{\ln(175/200)}{5}$$

$$= -.0267$$

$$P(20) = \underline{117.24}$$

Thus $P(t) = 200e^{-.0267t}$

and therefore $P(20) = 200e^{-.0267(20)}$
 $= 117.24$