

Separation of variables Technique:-

A first order differential equation of the form

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = g(x)h(y) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

is said to be separable.

Method of solution:-

- ① Make sure at each side we ~~be~~ can have only one variable. That is when there is x in L.H.S of a equation, there can't be y .

Then in separable way, (1) can be written as

$$\frac{dy}{h(y)} = \cancel{dx} g(x) dx \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

- ② Then integrate both side of equation (2), then we get,

$$\int \frac{dy}{h(y)} = \int g(x) dx$$

which will provide you the required result.

Malthusian Model Solution :-

The model is

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = ap$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dP}{P} = a dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln P = at + c$$

$$\Rightarrow P = e^{(at+c)}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(t) = e^{at} \cdot e^c$$

$$\Rightarrow P(t) = C_1 e^{at}$$

where $C_1 = e^c = \text{constant}$

∴ The required solution is

$$P(t) = C_1 e^{at} \text{ ——— ①}$$

Now if at initial time that is at time $t=0$, the population is P_0 i.e. $P(0) = P_0$ ——— ②

Then ① can be written as at $t=0$:

$$P(0) = C_1 e^{a \times 0}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_0 = C_1 \times 1$$

[using ②]

$$\Rightarrow P_0 = C_1 \text{ ——— ③}$$

Then ① becomes,

$$P(t) = P_0 e^{at}$$

which is the solution of the model as an initial value problem

Problem-01:

The population of a town grows at a rate proportional to the population at time t .

The initial population of 500 increases by 15% in 10 years. What will be the population in 30 years.

Solution:- Let $P(t)$:= Total population at time t .

Then, the problem follows Malthusian model

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = aP$$

with $P(0) = 500$

$$P(10) = 500 + 500 \times 0.15 \\ = 500 + 75 = 575$$

Now, $\int \frac{dP}{P} = \int a dt$

$$\Rightarrow \ln P = at + C$$

$$\Rightarrow P(t) = e^{at+C} = e^{at} \cdot e^C = C_1 e^{at}$$

where, $C_1 = e^C$

$$\Rightarrow P(t) = C_1 e^{at} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Since at $t=0$ $P(t) = 500$

$$\therefore P(0) = C_1 e^{0 \times a}$$

$$\Rightarrow 500 = C_1$$

\therefore (1) becomes.

$$P(t) = 500 e^{at} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

~~Also, $P(10) = 500 e^{10a}$~~

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$$\Rightarrow 575 = 500 e^{a \times 10}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{10a} = \frac{575}{500}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{10} \ln \left(\frac{575}{500} \right) = 0.014$$

Then, when, $t = 30$, then (2) implies.

$$P(30) = 500 \times e^{0.014 \times 30} = 760$$