

Solution 17.10

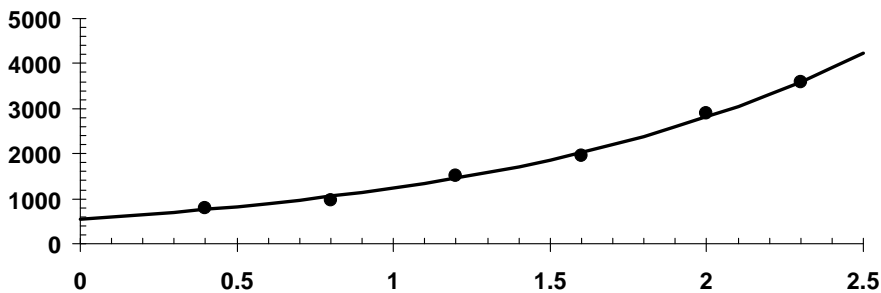
For the data from Prob. 17.9, we regress $\log_{10}(y)$ versus x to give

$$\log_{10} y = 2.737662 + 0.355536x$$

Therefore, $\alpha_5 = 10^{2.737662} = 546.5909$ and $\beta_5 = 0.355536$, and the base-10 exponential model is

$$y = 546.5909 \times 10^{0.355536x}$$

The model and the data can be plotted as



This plot is identical to the graph that was generated with the base- e model derived in Prob. 17.9. Thus, although the models have a different base, they yield identical results.

The relationship between β_1 and β_5 can be developed as in

$$e^{-\beta_1 t} = 10^{-\beta_5 t}$$

Take the natural log of this equation to yield

$$-\beta_1 t = -\beta_5 t \ln 10$$

or

$$\beta_1 = 2.302585\beta_5$$

This result can be verified by substituting the value of β_5 into this equation to give

$$\beta_1 = 2.302585(0.355536) = 0.818651$$

This is identical to the result derived in Prob. 17.9.

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