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Section 9.1: Separable Differential Equations

Differential Equations

A differential equation is an equation that involves an unknown function and its first or higher derivatives.

examples. $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - 6e^{2x}$] first order differential equations

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{1}{t+30} \cdot y = 4$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + P(x) \frac{dy}{dx} + Q(x)y = 0$$
] second order (homogeneous) diff. eq.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = F(x, y)$$
] general first order differential equations

Separation of Variables

Separable differential equation: $\frac{dy}{dx} = p(x)q(y)$

examples. $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - 6e^{2x}$ $p(x) = 1 - 6e^{2x}$; $q(y) = 1$

$$y'(x) = 3x^2y \quad p(x) = 3x^2 ; q(y) = y$$

How to solve? Method of separation.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = p(x)q(y) \Leftrightarrow y'(x) = p(x)q(y)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{q(y)} y'(x) = p(x)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \int \frac{1}{q(y)} y'(x) dx = \int p(x) dx$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \int \frac{1}{q(y)} dy = \int p(x) dx$$

Simplified explanation:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = p(x)q(y) \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{q(y)} dy = p(x) dx$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \int \frac{1}{q(y)} dy = \int p(x) dx$$

example. Solve for (i) all solutions and (ii) the solution satisfying $y(0)=5$ of the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - 6e^{2x}$.

(i) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - 6e^{2x}$

$$\int \frac{dy}{dx} dx = \int 1 - 6e^{2x} dx$$

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

(ii) @ $y(0)=5$

$$0 - 3e^0 + c = 5$$

$$-3 + c = 5$$

$$c = 8$$

$$y = x - 3e^{2x} + 8$$

example. Solve for the general solution of $y'(x) = 3x^2y$. Find the particular solution such that $y(0) = -2$.

$$y'(x) = 3x^2y(x)$$

$$\frac{1}{y(x)} y'(x) = 3x^2$$

$$\int \frac{1}{y(x)} y'(x) dx = \int 3x^2 dx$$

$$u = y(x) \quad du = y'(x) dx$$

$$\int \frac{1}{u} du = \int 3x^2 dx$$

$$\ln|u| + c_1 = x^3 + c_2$$

$$\ln|y(x)| = x^3 + (c_2 - c_1)$$

$$e^{\ln|y(x)|} = e^{x^3 + (c_2 - c_1)}$$

$$|y(x)| = e^{c_2 - c_1} \cdot e^{x^3}$$

$$y(x) = \pm A e^{x^3}$$

@ $y(0) = -2$

$$A e^0 = -2$$

$$A = -2$$

$$y(x) = -2 e^{x^3}$$

example. Newton's Law of Cooling states that the rate of cooling of an object is proportional to the temperature difference between the object and its surroundings. A roast turkey is taken from an oven when its temperature is 185°F and is placed on a table in a room where the temperature is 75°F . Temperature of the turkey falls to 150°F after half an hour. Apply Newton's Law of Cooling to find the temperature of the turkey after 45 minutes.

Newton's Law of Cooling: $y' = -K(y - T_0)$; $y(t)$ = temp. of object at time t , K = cooling constant, T_0 = ambient temp.

What we know: $T_0 = 75^{\circ}\text{F}$, $y(0) = 185^{\circ}\text{F}$, $y(30) = 150^{\circ}\text{F}$,

Need to find: K , $y(t)$, $y(45)$

$$y' = -K(y - 75)$$

$$\frac{1}{y-75} y' = -K$$

$$\int \frac{1}{y-75} y' dt = \int -K dt$$

$$\ln|y-75| = -Kt + C$$

$$y-75 = e^{-Kt+C}$$

$$y = e^C e^{-Kt} + 75$$

$$y = A e^{-Kt} + 75$$

$$@ y(0) = 185$$

$$185 = A e^0 + 75$$

$$185 = A + 75$$

$$110 = A$$

$$@ y(30) = 150$$

$$110 e^{-30K} + 75 = 150$$

$$110 e^{-30K} = 75$$

$$e^{-30K} = 75/110$$

$$-30K = \ln\left(\frac{75}{110}\right)$$

$$K = -\frac{1}{30} \ln\left(\frac{75}{110}\right)$$

$$y(t) = 110 e^{-\frac{1}{30} \ln\left(\frac{75}{110}\right)t} + 75$$

$$y(45) = 110 e^{-\frac{1}{30} \ln\left(\frac{75}{110}\right)45} + 75$$

$$= 110 e^{-\frac{3}{2} \ln\left(\frac{75}{110}\right)} + 75$$

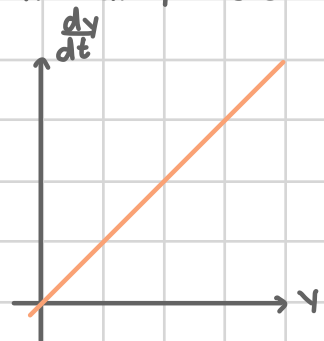
Population Modeling

A population y of a single species with unrestricted growth is given by the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dt} = Ky$ for $K > 0$.

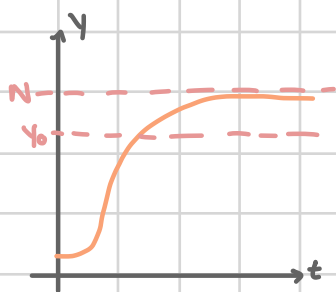
The issue is that this model allows growth with unlimited resources. There are no caps or restrictions.

The logistic Model

In reality there are restrictions like a max population.



unlimited population



max population N



$\frac{dy}{dt}$ with restrictions

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = C y (N - y) = \underbrace{CN}_K y \left(1 - \frac{y}{N}\right) ; N = \text{carrying capacity}, K = \text{intrinsic growth rate}$$

example. A population of fish grows with growth constant (intrinsic growth rate) of 0.5 in a lake of carrying capacity of 10 thousand is modeled by the logistic differential equation $\frac{dp}{dt} = 0.5p\left(1 - \frac{p}{10}\right)$ where p is its population measured in thousands. If the initial population is 5 thousand, find a formula for $p(t)$.

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = 0.5p\left(1 - \frac{p}{10}\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{p(1-\frac{p}{10})} \cdot dp = 0.5 dt$$

$$\int \frac{1}{p(1-\frac{p}{10})} dp = \int 0.5 dt$$

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① partial fraction

$$\frac{10}{p(10-p)} = \frac{A}{p} + \frac{B}{10-p}$$

$$10 = A(10-p) + Bp$$

$$B - A = 0$$

$$10A = 10$$

$$A = 1, B = 1$$

$$\int \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{10-p} dp$$

$$= \ln|p| - \ln|10-p| + C_1$$

$$\ln|p| - \ln|10-p| = 0.5t + C$$

$$@ p(0) = 5$$

$$\ln|5| - \ln|10-5| = 0.5(0) + C$$

$$\ln|5| - \ln|5| = C$$

$$0 = C$$

$$\ln\left|\frac{p}{10-p}\right| = 0.5t$$

$$\frac{p}{10-p} = e^{0.5t}$$

$$p = e^{0.5t} (10-p)$$

$$p = 10e^{0.5t} - pe^{0.5t}$$

$$p + pe^{0.5t} = 10e^{0.5t}$$

$$p(1 + e^{0.5t}) = 10e^{0.5t}$$

$$p = \frac{10e^{0.5t}}{1 + e^{0.5t}}$$

② $\int 0.5 dt$

$$= 0.5t + C_2$$

First Order Linear Differential Equations

example. Solve the initial value problem: $xy' + y = e^{2x}$ and $y(1) = 0$.

Note the left hand side $xy' + 1y$, this resembles a product rule $\frac{dy}{dx}(xy) = xy' + 1y$.

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(xy) = e^{2x}$$

$$@ y(1) = 0$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2x} e^{2x} + \frac{(-e^2/2)}{x}$$

$$\int \frac{dy}{dx}(xy) dx = \int e^{2x} dx$$

$$0 = \frac{1}{2(1)} e^{2(1)} + \frac{c}{(1)}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2x} e^{2x} - \frac{e^2}{2x}$$

$$xy = \frac{1}{2} e^{2x} + c$$

$$0 = \frac{1}{2} e^2 + c$$

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

$$y = \frac{1}{2x} e^{2x} + \frac{c}{x}$$

$$c = -\frac{1}{2} e^2$$

Standard form: $y' + A(x)y = B(x)$

The key to solve it is to have something like $\frac{d}{dx}(\alpha(x)y)$ on the left hand side (LHS) and a function only in terms of x on the right hand side (RHS).

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\alpha(x)y) = \alpha(x)y' + \alpha'(x)y$$

In order to get $y' + A(x)y$ to resemble $\frac{d}{dx}(\alpha(x)y)$ we must multiply by $\alpha(x)$ on both sides:

$$\alpha(x)y' + \alpha(x)A(x)y = \alpha(x)B(x)$$

For the two LHSs to be equivalent we need a function $\alpha(x)$ such that:

$$\alpha'(x) = \alpha(x)A(x)$$

We can use separation of variables to solve this:

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dx} = \alpha A(x)$$

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} d\alpha = A(x) dx$$

$$\int \frac{1}{\alpha} d\alpha = \int A(x) dx$$

$$\ln|\alpha| = \int A(x) dx$$

$$|\alpha| = e^{\int A(x) dx}$$

All this to say:

$$\alpha = e^{\int A(x) dx}$$

We can now integrate both sides:

$$\alpha(x)y' + \alpha(x)A(x)y = \alpha(x)B(x)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\alpha(x)y(x)) = \alpha(x)B(x)$$

$$\int \frac{d}{dx}(\alpha(x)y(x)) dx = \int \alpha(x)B(x) dx$$

$$\alpha(x)y(x) = \int \alpha(x)B(x) dx$$

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{\alpha(x)} \int \alpha(x)B(x) dx$$

All this to say:

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{\alpha(x)} \left[\int \alpha(x)B(x) dx + c \right]$$

is the general solution.

Steps to solve:

1. Write the equation in standard form $y' + A(x)y = B(x)$
2. Compute integrating factor $\alpha(x) = e^{\int A(x) dx}$
3. Find the general solution $y(x) = \frac{1}{\alpha(x)} \left[\int \alpha(x)B(x) dx + c \right]$
4. If required, find a particular solution.

example. $y' - (\tan(x))y = 1$; $y(0) = 3$

$$1. A(x) = -\tan(x); B(x) = 1$$

$$2. \alpha(x) = e^{\int -\tan(x) dx} = e^{\ln|\cos(x)|} = \cos(x)$$

$$3. y(x) = \frac{1}{\cos(x)} \left[\int (\cos(x)) \cdot (1) dx + c \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\cos(x)} [\sin(x) + c]$$

$$= \frac{\sin(x)}{\cos(x)} + \frac{c}{\cos(x)}$$

$$= \tan(x) + \frac{c}{\cos(x)}$$

$$4. @ y(0) = 3$$

$$3 = \tan(0) + \frac{c}{\cos(0)}$$

$$3 = \frac{c}{1}$$

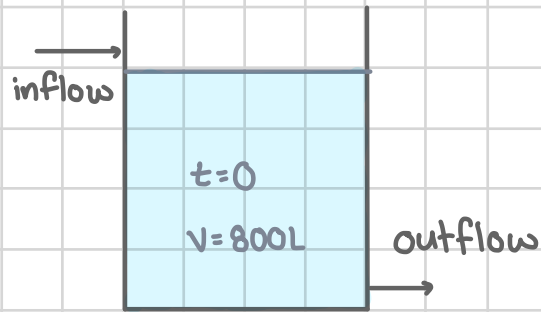
$$3 = c$$

$$y(x) = \tan(x) + \frac{3}{\cos(x)}$$

Mixing Tank Problem

example. (a) A tank contains 800L of fresh water. Brine that contains 0.05kg of salt per liter enters the tank at a rate of 40L/min. Brine is drained from the tank at the same rate of 40L/min. Find an expression for the amount of salt in the tank at any time t .

(b) What if the brine is drained out at a slower rate of 10L/min.? Find an expression for the amount of salt in the tank at any time t in this case.



Let $y(t)$ = amount of salt in the tank in Kg at time t

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \text{salt inflow} - \text{salt outflow}$$

$$= (\text{concentration in})(\text{inflow rate}) - (\text{concentration out})(\text{outflow rate})$$

$$= (0.05) \cdot (40) - \frac{\text{amount of salt in tank, } y(t)}{\text{volume of solution, } v(t)} \cdot (\text{outflow rate})$$

(a) Outflow rate = 40L/min.

$v(t) = 800L$ as flow in = flow out

outflow rate = 40L/min.

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2 - \frac{y}{800} (40)$$

$$= 2 - \frac{y}{20}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{40-y}{20}$$

$$\frac{1}{40-y} dy = \frac{1}{20} dt$$

$$\int \frac{1}{40-y} dy = \int \frac{1}{20} dt$$

$$-\ln|40-y| = \frac{1}{20} t + c$$

$$\ln|40-y| = -\frac{1}{20} t - c$$

$$|40-y| = e^{-\frac{1}{20} t - c}$$

$$40-y = k e^{-\frac{1}{20} t}$$

$$y = 40 - k e^{-\frac{1}{20} t}$$

$$@ y(0) = 0$$

$$0 = 40 - k e^{-\frac{1}{20}(0)}$$

$$0 = 40 - k(1)$$

$$k = 40$$

$$y = 40 - 40 e^{-\frac{1}{20} t}$$

(b) Outflow rate = 10L/min.

$v(t) = 800 + 30t$ as flow in = 40, flow out = 10

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2 - \frac{y}{800+30t} (10)$$

$$= 2 - \frac{1}{80+3t} y$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{1}{80+3t} y = 2 \quad \leftarrow \text{linear first order}$$

$$1. A(x) = \frac{1}{80+3t}; B(t) = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2. \alpha(t) &= e^{\int \frac{1}{80+3t} dt} \\ &= e^{\frac{1}{3} \ln|80+3t|} \\ &= e^{\ln(80+3t)^{1/3}} \\ &= (80+3t)^{1/3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3. y(t) &= \frac{1}{\alpha(t)} \left[\int \alpha(t) B(t) dt + c \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{(80+3t)^{1/3}} \left[\int \frac{1}{(80+3t)^{1/3}} (1) dt + c \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{(80+3t)^{1/3}} \left[\frac{(80+3t)^{4/3}}{4} + c \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4} (80+3t) + (80+3t)^{-1/3} c \end{aligned}$$

$$@ y(0) = 0$$

$$0 = \frac{1}{4} (80+3(0)) + (80+3(0))^{-1/3} c$$

$$0 = 20 + (80)^{-1/3} c$$

$$-20 = (80)^{-1/3} c$$

$$-20(80)^{1/3} = c$$

$$y = \frac{1}{4} (80+3t) - 20(80)^{1/3} (80+3t)^{-1/3}$$