

Assignment #3

Name Answer Key

Due 30 January 2015

1. Solve the equations or evaluate some integrals?
2. The half-life of Beryllium-11 (^{11}Be) is 13.81 seconds.
 - (a) How much of a 150g sample of Beryllium-11 sample remains after 10 seconds?

$$k = \frac{\ln(.5)}{13.81} = -.0501917$$

$$A(10) = 150 e^{(-.0501917)(10)} = 90.8 \text{ g.}$$

- (b) How long will it take for a sample of Beryllium-11 to be reduced to one-third of its original mass?

$$50 = 150 e^{kt}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = e^{kt}$$

$$\ln(1/3) = kt$$

$$t = \frac{\ln(1/3)}{-.0501917}$$

$$t \approx 21.89 \text{ secs.}$$

3. You invest \$500.00 into an account paying an annual interest rate of 6%. Calculate how much money is in the account after 5 years under each of the following compounding schemes:

- (a) the interest is compounded monthly;

$$A(5) = 500 \left(1 + \frac{.06}{12}\right)^{5 \times 12} = 674.43.$$

- (b) the interest is compounded daily;

$$A(5) = 500 \left(1 + \frac{.06}{365}\right)^{365 \times 5} = 674.91$$

- (c) the interest is compounded continuously.

$$A(5) = 500 e^{(.06)5} = 674.93.$$

4. Use properties of logs and exponential functions to evaluate the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad \log_2(\sqrt{32}) + \log_2(16^{2/3}) &= \log_2(2^{5/2}) + \log_2(2^{8/3}) \\ 32 &= 2^5 \\ 16 &= 2^4 \\ &= \frac{5}{2} + \frac{8}{3} = \frac{31}{6}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad 100^{\log_{10}(3)} &= 10^{2 \log_{10}(3)} \\ &= 10^{\log_{10}(9)} = 9. \end{aligned}$$

5. Evaluate $\int_0^1 \frac{4^x}{4^x + 1} dx$.

$$\begin{aligned} u &= 4^x + 1 \\ du &= 4^x \ln(4) dx. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{\ln(4)} \int_2^5 \frac{1}{u} du = \frac{1}{\ln(4)} (\ln 5 - \ln 2). \\ &= \frac{\ln(5/2)}{\ln(4)}. \end{aligned}$$

6. Rewrite the function $f(x) = x^{\ln(x)}$ and evaluate $f'(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= e^{\ln(x^{\ln(x)})} = e^{\ln(x) \ln(x)} = e^{(\ln(x))^2} \\ f'(x) &= e^{(\ln(x))^2} \cdot \left\{ 2 \ln(x) \cdot \frac{1}{x} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$