# Section 1.8 – Exponential Models

### Review

### **Definition**

The *number e* is that number in the domain of the *natural logarithm* satisfying

$$\ln e = 1 \quad and \quad \int_{1}^{e} \frac{1}{t} dt = 1$$

The *natural logarithm* of a number x > 0, denoted by  $\ln x$ , is defined as

$$\ln x = \int_{1}^{x} \frac{1}{t} dt$$

# $\frac{d}{dx} (\ln x) > 0 \implies \ln x \text{ is increasing for } x > 0$ $y = \ln x$ $\lim_{x \to \infty} \ln x = \infty$ $0 \qquad (1, 0) \qquad x$ $\frac{d^2}{dx^2} (\ln x) < 0 \implies \text{concave down}$ $\lim_{x \to \infty} \ln x = -\infty$

### **Example**

Evaluate

$$\int_0^4 \frac{x}{x^2 + 9} dx$$

### Solution

$$\int_{0}^{4} \frac{x}{x^{2} + 9} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{4} \frac{1}{x^{2} + 9} d\left(x^{2} + 9\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(x^{2} + 9\right) \Big|_{0}^{4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\ln 25 - \ln 9)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (2\ln 5 - 2\ln 3)$$

$$= \ln \frac{5}{3}$$

### The inverse of lnx and the Number e

The function  $\ln x$ , being increasing function of x. Domain  $(0, \infty)$  and range  $(-\infty, \infty)$ 

The inverse function  $\ln^{-1} x$  with  $Domain(-\infty, \infty)$  and  $range(0, \infty)$ 

The function  $\ln^{-1} x$  is usually denoted as  $\exp x$   $\left(e^{x}\right)$ 

**Inverse Equations for**  $e^x$  **and**  $\ln x$ 

$$e^{\ln x} = x \quad (all \ x > 0)$$
  $\ln \left( e^x \right) = x \quad (all \ x)$ 

# The Derivative and Integral of $e^{x}$

The natural exponential function is differentiable because it is the inverse of a differentiable function whose derivative is never zero.

$$\ln(e^x) = x$$
 Inverse relationship
$$\frac{d}{dx}\ln(e^x) = 1$$
 Differentiate both sides.
$$\frac{1}{e^x}\frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = 1$$
 
$$\frac{d}{dx}\ln u = \frac{1}{u}\cdot\frac{du}{dx}$$
 
$$\frac{d}{dx}e^x = e^x$$

### **Theorem**

For real numbers x,

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(e^{u(x)}\right) = u'(x)e^{u(x)} \quad and \quad \int e^x dx = e^x + C$$

### **Example**

Evaluate

$$\int \frac{e^x}{1+e^x} dx$$

**Solution** 

$$\int \frac{e^x}{1+e^x} dx = \int \frac{1}{1+e^x} d\left(1+e^x\right)$$

$$= \ln\left(1+e^x\right) + C$$

# **Definition**

If a > 0 and u is a differentiable of x, then  $a^u$  is a differentiable function of x and

$$\frac{d}{dx}a^{u} = a^{u} \ln a \frac{du}{dx} \quad \& \quad \frac{d}{dx} \left( \log_{a} u \right) = \frac{1}{u} \cdot \frac{1}{\ln a} \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\int a^u du = \frac{a^u}{\ln a} + C$$

Evaluate

$$\int x 3^{x^2} dx$$

**Solution** 

$$\int x3^{x^{2}} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int 3^{x^{2}} d(x^{2})$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\ln 3} 3^{x^{2}} + C$$

# **Example**

Evaluate

$$\int_{1}^{4} \frac{6^{-\sqrt{x}}}{\sqrt{x}} dx$$

**Solution** 

$$\int_{1}^{4} \frac{6^{-\sqrt{x}}}{\sqrt{x}} dx = -2 \int_{1}^{4} 6^{-\sqrt{x}} d\left(-\sqrt{x}\right)$$

$$= -\frac{2}{\ln 6} 6^{-\sqrt{x}} \Big|_{1}^{4}$$

$$= -\frac{2}{\ln 6} \left(\frac{1}{36} - \frac{1}{6}\right)$$

$$= \frac{5}{18 \ln 6}$$

$$d\left(-\sqrt{x}\right) = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}dx$$

# Power Rule – Definition

For any x > 0 and for any real number n,

$$x^n = e^{n \ln x}$$

# Example

Evaluate the derivative  $f(x) = x^{2x}$ 

**Solution** 

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^{2x}) = \frac{d}{dx}(e^{2x\ln x})$$

$$= e^{2x\ln x}(2x\ln x)'$$

$$= 2e^{2x\ln x}(\ln x + 1)$$

$$= 2x^{2x}(\ln x + 1)$$

# **Exponential Models**

### **Exponential Growth Functions**

Exponential growth is described by functions of the form  $y(t) = y_0(t)e^{kt}$ . The **initial value** of y at t = 0 is  $y(0) = y_0$  and the **rate constant** k > 0 determines the rate of the growth. Exponential growth is characterized by a constant relative growth rate.

### **Example**

Suppose the population of the town of Pine is given by P(t) = 1500 + 125t, while the population of the town of Spruce is given by  $S(t) = 1500e^{0.1t}$ , where  $t \ge 0$  is measured in years. Find the growth rate and the relative growth rate of each town.

**Solution** 

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = 125$$

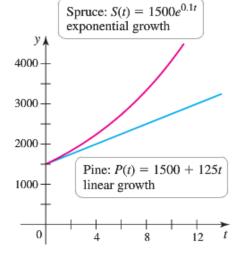
$$\frac{dS}{dt} = 150e^{0.1t}$$

The relative growth rate of Pine is

$$\frac{1}{P}\frac{dP}{dt} = \frac{125}{1500 + 125t}$$
, which decreases in time.

The relative growth rate of Spruce is

$$\frac{1}{S} \frac{dS}{dt} = \frac{150e^{0.1t}}{1500e^{0.1t}} = \frac{0.1}{1500e^{0.1t}}$$
 Contant for all times



The linear population function has a constant absolute growth rate and the exponential population function has a constant relative growth rate.

### **Definition**

The quantity described by the function  $y(t) = y_0 e^{kt}$  for k > 0, has a constant doubling time of  $T_2 = \frac{\ln 2}{k}$ , with the same units as t.

**Formula** To find either k or T:

$$A = A_0 e^{kt} \quad \Rightarrow \quad kT = \ln \frac{A}{A_0}$$

**Proof** 

$$A = A_0 e^{kt} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{A}{A_0} = e^{kt}$$

$$\ln \frac{A}{A_0} = \ln e^{kt}$$

$$\frac{\ln \frac{A}{A_0} = kt}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

Human population growth rates vary geographically and fluctuate over time. The overall growth rate for world population peaked at an annual rate of 2.1% per year in the 1960s. Assume a world population of 6.0 billion in 1999 (t = 0) and 6.9 billion in 2009 (t = 10)

- a) Find an exponential growth function for the world population that fits the two data points.
- b) Find the doubling time for the world population using the model in part (a).
- c) Find the (absolute) growth rate y'(t) and graph it, for  $0 \le t \le 50$ .
- d) How fast was the population growing in 2014 (t = 15)?

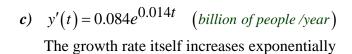
### Solution

**Given**: y(0) = 6, y(10) = 6.9

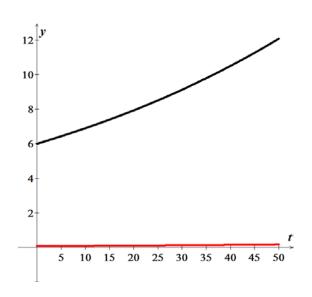
a) 
$$k = \frac{1}{T} \ln \left( \frac{y}{y_0} \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{6.9}{6}$$
$$\approx 0.014$$

The growth function is:  $y(t) = 6e^{0.014t}$ 

b) 
$$T_2 = \frac{\ln 2}{0.014}$$
  $T = \frac{\ln 2}{k}$   $\approx 50 \text{ years}$ 



d) 
$$y'(t=15) = 0.084e^{0.014(15)}$$
  
 $\approx 0.104 \ bil/yr$ 



### **Financial Model**

The balance in the account increases exponentially at a rate that can be determined from the advertised *annual percentage yield* (or **APY**) of the account.

# Effective Rate

The *effective rate* corresponding to a started rate of interest *r* compounded *m* times per year is

$$r_e = \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^m - 1$$

**APY** is also referred to as *effective rate* or true interest rate.

The APY of a savings account is the percentage increase in the balance over the course of a year. Suppose you deposit \$500 in a savings account that has an APY of 6.18% per year. Assume that the interest rate remains constant and that no additional deposits or withdrawals are made. How long will it take the balance to reach \$2500?

### **Solution**

In one year the balance:  $y(1) = (1 + .0618) y_0 = 1.0618 y_0$ 

$$k = \frac{1}{T} \ln \left( \frac{y(1)}{y_0} \right) = \ln 1.0618 \approx 0.05997$$

$$y(t) = 500e^{0.05997t}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{k} \ln \left( \frac{y}{y_0} \right) = \frac{1}{0.05997} \ln \left( \frac{2500}{500} \right) \approx 26.8 \text{ yrs}$$

### **Resource Consumption**

The rate at which energy is conssumed is called *power*.

The basic unit power is the watt (W).

The basic unit energy is the *joule* (**J**).

$$1 W = 1 J / s$$

Total energy used = 
$$\int_{a}^{b} E'(t) = \int_{a}^{b} P(t) dt$$

E(t): the total energy used

P(t): Power is the rate at which energy used

# Example

At the beginning of 2010, the rate energy consumption for the city of Denver was 7,000 megawatts (MW), where  $1 MW = 10^6 W$ . That rate is expected to increase at an annual growth rate of 2% per year.

- a) Find the function that gives the power or rate of energy consumption for all times after the beginning of 2010.
- b) Find the total amount of energy used during 2014.
- c) Find the function that gives the total (cumulative) amount of energy used by the city between 2010 and any time  $t \ge 0$ .

### **Solution**

a) Let  $t \ge 0$ , be the number of years after the brginning of 2010.

$$k = \frac{1}{T} \ln \left( \frac{P(1)}{P_0} \right)$$

$$= \ln 1.02$$
  
 $\approx 0.0198$ 

$$P(t) = 7,000e^{0.0198t}, t \ge 0$$

**b**) Entire year  $2014 \rightarrow 4 \le t \le 5$ 

Total energy = 
$$\int_{4}^{5} P(t) dt$$
  
=  $\int_{4}^{5} 7,000e^{0.0198t} dt$   
=  $\frac{7000}{0.0198} e^{0.0198t} \Big|_{4}^{5}$   
 $\approx 7652 \ MW - yr\Big|$   
 $\approx 7652 \ (MW \cdot yr) \times 8760 \frac{hr}{yr}$   
 $\approx 6.7 \times 10^{7} \ MWh$ 

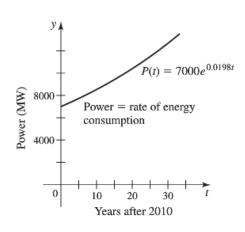
c) The total (cumulative) amount of energy used  $t \ge 0$  is given by

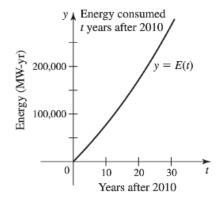
$$E(t) = E(0) + \int_0^t E'(s) ds$$

$$= E(0) + \int_0^t P(s) ds$$

$$= 0 + \int_0^t 7000e^{0.0198s} ds$$

$$\approx 353,535 \left(e^{0.0198t} - 1\right)$$





The total amount of energy consumed increases expotentially.

# **Exponential Decay Function**

**Exponential decay** is described by functions of the form  $y(t) = y_0 e^{-kt}$ .

Rate constant: k > 0.

Initial value:  $y_0$ 

Half-life is  $T_{1/2} = \frac{\ln 2}{k}$ 

Researchers determine that a fossilized bone has 30% of the C-14 of a live bone. Estimate the age of the bone. Assume a half-life for C-14 of ~5730 yrs.

### **Solution**

$$k = \frac{\ln 2}{T_{1/2}} = \frac{\ln 2}{5730} \approx 0.000121$$

$$T = \frac{\ln \frac{y}{y_0}}{k} = \frac{\ln 0.3}{-0.000121} \approx 9950 \text{ yrs}$$

### **Example**

An exponential decay function  $y(t) = y_0 e^{-kt}$  models he amount of drug in the blood t hr after an initial dose of  $y_0 = 100$  mg is administred. Assume the half-life of the drug is 16 hours.

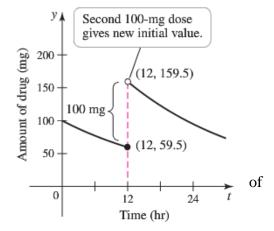
- a) Find the exponential decay function that governs the amount of drug in the blood.
- b) How much time is required for the drug to reach 1% of the initial dose (1 mg)?
- c) If a second 100-mg dose is given 12 hr after the first dose, how much time is required for the drug level to reach 1 mg?

### **Solution**

a) 
$$T_{1/2} = \frac{\ln 2}{k} = \frac{\ln 2}{16} \approx 0.0433$$
  
 $\therefore y(t) = 100e^{-0.0433t}$ 

b) 
$$T = \frac{\ln \frac{1}{100}}{-0.0433} \approx 106 \text{ hrs}$$

It takes more than 4 days for the drug to be reduced to 1% the initial dose.



c) 
$$y(t=12) = 100e^{-0.0433(12)} \approx 59.5 \text{ mg}$$

The second 100-mg dose given after 12 hr increases the amount of drug to 159.5 mg (new initial value)

$$\rightarrow y(t) = 159.5 e^{-0.0433t}$$

The amount of drug reaches 1 mg in

$$t = \frac{\ln \frac{1}{159.5}}{-0.0433} \approx 117.1 \ hrs$$

Approximately 117 hr after the second dose (or 129 hr after the first dose), the amount of drug reaches 1 mg.

# **Exercises** Section 1.8 – Exponential Models

Find the derivative of

1. 
$$y = \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{\sin\theta\cos\theta}}{1 + 2\ln\theta}\right)$$

$$2. f(x) = e^{\left(4\sqrt{x} + x^2\right)}$$

$$3. \qquad f(t) = \ln\left(3te^{-t}\right)$$

$$4. \qquad f(x) = \frac{e^{\sqrt{x}}}{\ln\left(\sqrt{x} + 1\right)}$$

5. 
$$y = \sqrt{\frac{(x+1)^{10}}{(2x+1)^5}}$$

**6.** 
$$f(x) = (2x)^{4x}$$

7. 
$$f(x) = 2^{x^2}$$

8. 
$$h(y) = y^{\sin y}$$

$$9. f(x) = x^{\pi}$$

$$10. \quad h(t) = (\sin t)^{\sqrt{t}}$$

**11.** 
$$p(x) = x^{-\ln x}$$

**12.** 
$$f(x) = x^{2x}$$

$$13. \quad f(x) = x^{\tan x}$$

$$14. \quad f(x) = x^e + e^x$$

**15.** 
$$f(x) = x^{x^{10}}$$

$$16. \quad f\left(x\right) = \left(1 + \frac{4}{x}\right)^{x}$$

$$17. \quad f(x) = \cos(x^{2\sin x})$$

$$18. \quad f(x) = \ln(\ln x)$$

$$19. \quad f(x) = \ln(\cos^2 x)$$

$$20. \quad f(x) = \frac{\ln x}{\ln x + 1}$$

$$21. \quad f(x) = \frac{\ln x}{x}$$

**22.** 
$$f(x) = \frac{\tan^{10} x}{(5x+3)^6}$$

23. 
$$f(x) = \frac{(x+1)^{3/2} (x-4)^{5/2}}{(5x+3)^{2/3}}$$

**24.** 
$$f(x) = \frac{x^8 \cos^3 x}{\sqrt{x-1}}$$

$$25. \quad f(x) = (\sin x)^{\tan x}$$

**26.** 
$$f(x) = \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{2x}$$

Evaluate the integral

$$27. \quad \int \frac{2y}{y^2 - 25} dy$$

$$28. \quad \int \frac{\sec y \tan y}{2 + \sec y} dy$$

$$29. \quad \int \frac{5}{e^{-5x} + 7} dx$$

$$30. \quad \int \frac{e^{2x}}{4 + e^{2x}} dx$$

$$31. \quad \int \frac{dx}{x \ln x \ln(\ln x)}$$

$$32. \quad \int \frac{e^{\sqrt{x}}}{\sqrt{x}} dx$$

$$33. \quad \int \frac{e^{\sin x}}{\sec x} dx$$

$$34. \quad \int \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{e^x - e^{-x}} dx$$

$$35. \quad \int \frac{4^{\cot x}}{\sin^2 x} dx$$

$$36. \quad \int \frac{4x^2 + 2x + 4}{x + 1} dx$$

$$37. \quad \int \frac{e^x}{4e^x + 6} dx$$

$$38. \quad \int \frac{x+4}{x^2 + 8x + 25} dx$$

$$39. \quad \int \frac{e^{2x}}{\sqrt{e^{2x} + 4}} \, dx$$

**40.** 
$$\int \frac{x^2}{2x^3 + 1} dx$$

$$41. \quad \int \frac{\sec^2 x}{\tan x} dx$$

$$42. \quad \int_{e^2}^{e^8} \frac{dx}{x \ln x}$$

$$43. \quad \int_{1}^{4} \frac{10^{\sqrt{x}}}{\sqrt{x}} \ dx$$

$$44. \quad \int_{\ln 4}^{\ln 9} e^{x/2} dx$$

**48.** 
$$\int_{3}^{4} \frac{dx}{2x \ln x \ln^{3}(\ln x)}$$
 **52.** 
$$\int_{-2}^{2} \frac{e^{z/2}}{e^{z/2} + 1} dz$$

$$52. \quad \int_{-2}^{2} \frac{e^{z/2}}{e^{z/2} + 1} dz$$

**45.** 
$$\int_0^3 \frac{2x-1}{x+1} dx$$

$$49. \quad \int_{e^2}^{e^3} \frac{dx}{x \ln x \ln^2(\ln x)}$$

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$$\int_{e^2}^{e^3} \frac{dx}{x \ln x \ln^2(\ln x)}$$
 **53.** 
$$\int_0^{\pi/2} 4^{\sin x} \cos x \, dx$$

$$46. \quad \int_{e}^{e^2} \frac{dx}{x \ln^3 x}$$

**50.** 
$$\int_0^1 \frac{y \ln^4 \left(y^2 + 1\right)}{y^2 + 1} dy$$
 **54.** 
$$\int_{1/3}^{1/2} \frac{10^{1/p}}{p^2} dp$$

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$$47. \quad \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sin x}{1 + \cos x} dx$$

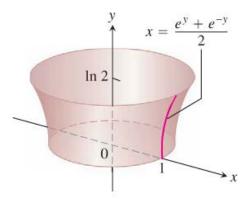
51. 
$$\int_{\ln 2}^{\ln 3} \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{e^{2x} - 2 + e^{-2x}} dx$$
 55. 
$$\int_{1}^{2} (1 + \ln x) x^x dx$$

$$55. \int_{1}^{2} (1 + \ln x) x^{x} dx$$

Find a curve through the origin in the xy-plane whose length from x = 0 to x = 1 is

$$L = \int_{0}^{1} \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{4}e^{x}} dx$$

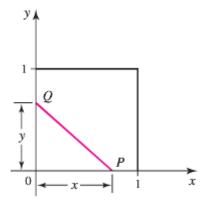
- Find the length of the curve  $y = \ln(e^x 1) \ln(e^x + 1)$  from  $x = \ln 2$  to  $x = \ln 3$
- Find the length of the curve  $y = \ln(\cos x)$  from x = 0 to  $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$ 58.
- Find the area of the surface generated by revolving the curve  $x = \frac{1}{2} \left( e^y + e^{-y} \right)$ ,  $0 \le y \le \ln 2$ , about y-**59.** axis



- The population of a town with a 2010 population of 90,000 grows at a rate of 2.4% /yr. In what year **60.** will the population coudle its initial value (to 180,000)?
- How long will it take an initial deposit of \$1500 to increase in value to \$2500 in a saving account with an APY of 3.1%? Assume the interest rate reamins constant and no additional deposits or withdrawals are made.

- **62.** The number of cells in a tumor doubles every 6 weeks starting with 8 cells. After how many weeks doses the tumor have 1500 cells?
- **63.** According to the 2010 census, the U.S. population was 309 million with an estimated growth rate of 0.8% / yr.
  - a) Based on these figures, find the doubling time and project the population in 2050.
  - b) Suppose the actual growth rate is just 0.2 percentage point lower than 0.8% /yr (0.6%). What are the resulting doubling time and projected 2050 population? Repeat these calculations assuming the growth rate is 0.2 percentage point higher than 0.8% /yr.
  - c) Comment on th sensitivity of these projections to the growth rate.
- **64.** The homicide rate decreases at a rate of 3% per *year* in a city that had 800 homicides per *year* in 2010. At this rate, when will the homicide rate reach 600 homicides/yr?
- **65.** A drug is eliminated from the body at a rate of 15% /hr. after how many hours does the amount of drug reach 10% of the initial dose?
- **66.** The mass of radioactive material in a sample has decreased by 30% since the decay began. Assuming a half-life of 1500 *years*, how long ago did the decay begin?
- 67. Growing from an initial population of 150,000 at a constant annual growth rate of 4%/yr, how long will it take a city to reach a population of 1 *million*?
- **68.** A savings account advertises an annual percentage yield (APY) of 5.4%, which means that the balance in the account increases at an annual growth rate of 5.4%/yr.
  - a) Find the balance in the account for  $t \ge 0$  with an initial deposit of \$1500, assuming the APY remains fixed and no additional deposits or withdrawals are made.
  - b) What is the doubling time of the balance?
  - c) After how many years does the balance reach \$5,000?
- **69.** A large die-casting machine used to make automobile engine blocks is purchased for \$2.5 *million*. For tax purposes, the value of the machine can be depreciated by 6.8% of its current value each year.
  - a) What is the value of the machine after 10 years?
  - b) After how many years is the value of the machine 10% of its original value?
- **70.** Roughly 12,000 Americans are diagmosed with thyroid cancer every year, which accounts for 1% of all cancer cases. It occurs in women three times as frequency as in men. Fortunately, thyroid cancer can be treated successfully in many cases with radioactive iodine, or I-131. This unstable form of iodine has a half-life of 8 days and is given in small doses meansured in millicuries.
  - a) Suppose a patient is given an initial dose of 100 millicuries. Find the function that gives the amount of I-131 in the body after  $t \ge 0$  days.
  - b) How long does it take the amount of I-131 to reach 10% of the initial dose?
  - c) Finding the initial dose to give a particular patient is a critical calculation. How does the time reach 10% of the initial dose change if the initial dose is increased by 5%?

- 71. City A has a current population of 500,000 people and grows at a rate of 3% /yr. City B has a current population of 300,000 and grows at a rate of 5%/yr.
  - a) When will the cities have the same population?
  - b) Suppose City C has a current population of  $y_0 < 500,000$  and a growth rate of p > 3% / yr. What is the relationship between  $y_0$  and p such that the Cities A and C have the same population in 10 years?
- 72. Suppose the acceleration of an object moving along a line is given by a(t) = -kv(t), where k is a positive constant and v is the object's velocity. Assume that the initial velocity and position are given by v(0) = 10 and s(0) = 0, respectively.
  - a) Use a(t) = v'(t) to find the velocity of the object as a function of time.
  - b) Use v(t) = s'(t) to find the position of the object as a function of time.
  - c) Use the fact that  $\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{dv}{ds} \frac{ds}{dt}$  (by the *Chain Rule*) to find the velocity as a function of position.
- 73. On the first day of the year (t = 0), a city uses electricity at a rate of 2000 MW. That rate is projected to increase at a rate of 1.3% per *year*.
  - *a)* Based on these figures, find an exponential growth function for the power (rate of electricity use) for the city.
  - b) Find the total energy (in MW-yr) used by the city over four full years beginning at t = 0
  - c) Find a function that gives the total energy used (in MW-yr) between t = 0 and any future time t > 0
- **74.** Two points P and Q are chosen randomly, one on each of two adjacent sides of a unit square.

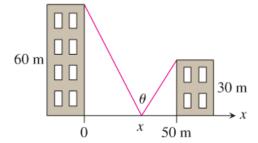


What is the probability that the area of the triangle formed by the sides of the square and the line segment PQ is less than one-fourth the area of the square? Begin by showing that x and y must satisfy  $xy < \frac{1}{2}$  in order for the area consition to be met. Then argue that the required probability is

$$\frac{1}{2} + \int_{1/2}^{1} \frac{dx}{2x}$$
 and evaluate the integral.

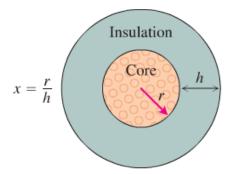
**75.** You are under contract to build a solar station at ground level on the east-west line between the two buildings. How far from the taller building should you place the station to maximize the number of hours it will be in the sun on a day when passes directly overhead? Begin by observing that

$$\theta = \pi - \cot^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{60}\right) - \cot^{-1}\left(\frac{50 - x}{30}\right)$$



Then find the value of x that maximizes  $\theta$ .

**76.** A round underwater transmission cable consists of a core of copper wires surrounded by nonconducting insulation. If x denotes the ratio of the radius of the core to the thickness of the insulation, it is known that the speed of the transmission signal is given by the equation  $v = x^2 \ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$ . If the radius of the core is 1 cm, what insulation thickness h will allow the greatest transmission speed?



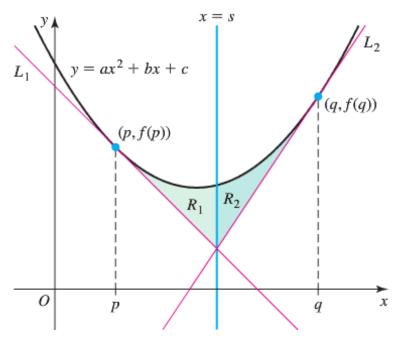
77. A commonly used distribution in probability and statistics is the log-normal distribution. (If the logarithm of a variable has a normal distribution, then the variable itself has a log-normal distribution.) the distribution function is

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-\frac{\ln^2 x}{2\sigma^2}}, \quad for \quad x > 0$$

Where  $\ln x$  has zero mean and standard deviation  $\sigma > 0$ .

- a) Graph f for  $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$ , 1, and 2. Based on your graphs, does  $\lim_{x \to 0^+} f(x)$  appear to exist?
- b) Evaluate  $\lim_{x\to 0^+} f(x)$ . (*Hint*: Let  $x = e^y$ )
- c) Show that f has a single local maximum at  $x^* = e^{-\sigma^2}$
- d) Evaluate  $f(x^*)$  and express the result as a function of  $\sigma$ .

- e) For what value of  $\sigma > 0$  in part (d) does  $f(x^*)$  have a minimum?
- 78. Let  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  be an arbitrary quadratic function and choose two points x = p and x = q. Let  $L_1$  be the line tangent to the graph of f at the point (p, f(p)) and let  $L_2$  be the line tangent to the graph at the point (q, f(q)). Let x = s be the vertical line through the intersection point of  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ . Finally, let  $R_1$  be the region bounded by y = f(x),  $L_1$ , and the vertical line x = s, and let  $R_2$  be the region bounded by y = f(x),  $L_2$ , and the vertical line x = s.



Prove that the area of  $R_1$  equals the area of  $R_2$