Calculus 2, Assignment 4

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1. (a) In this context, k cannot be 0, since k=0 implies there is no relationship between $\frac{\mathrm{d}T}{\mathrm{d}t}$ and T_s-T . This gives us |k|>0. However, I don't see a colloquial reason for k>0, since either or both of T_s and T can be negative. I can see it's in some sense meaningless to take a negative factor, since if a is a factor of b then -a is also a factor of b.

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After having found a value for T, on the other hand, I can see that a negative value of k would lead to a situation where instead of T approaching T_s as t approaches infinity, T would also go to minus infinity (which breaks the model of reality).

(b) $\frac{dT}{dt} = k(T_s - T)$ is a first order variables separable ordinary differential equation and as such we can write

$$\int \frac{1}{T_s - T} dT = k \int dt$$

$$k(t+c) = -\ln(T_s - T)$$

$$e^{-k(t+c)} = T_s - T$$

$$T = T_s - e^{-k(t+c)}.$$

If $T = T_0$ when t = 0 we can write

$$T_0 = T_s - e^{-kc}$$

$$e^{-kc} = T_s - T_0$$

$$c = -\frac{\ln(T_s - T_0)}{k}$$

and

$$\begin{split} T &= T_s - e^{-k \left(t - \frac{\ln(T_s - T_0)}{k}\right)} \\ &= T_s - e^{\ln(T_s - T_0) - kt} \\ &= T_s - \frac{e^{\ln(T_s - T_0)}}{e^{kt}} \\ &= T_s - \frac{T_s - T_0}{e^{kt}}. \end{split}$$

- (c) We are given T(0) = 37 and $T_s = 24$.
 - i. Let the amount of time between death and discovery be A, now T(A) = 34, T(A + 30) = 32 and

$$\begin{split} e^{kA} &= \frac{13}{10} \\ kA &= \ln\left(\frac{13}{10}\right), \\ e^{k(A+30)} &= \frac{13}{8} \\ kA + k30 &= \ln\left(\frac{13}{8}\right). \end{split}$$

Substituting our value for kA into the second equation

$$k = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{13}{8}\right) - \ln\left(\frac{13}{10}\right)}{30}$$
$$= \frac{\ln\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)}{30}.$$

ii. With a value for k, we can write

$$T = T_s - (T_s - T_0) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{A\ln\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)}{30}\right)$$

and

$$34 = 24 - (-13) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{A\ln\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)}{30}\right)$$
$$A = -\frac{30\ln\left(\frac{10}{13}\right)}{\ln\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)}$$
$$\approx 35.2729347...,$$

which tells us the time of death was about 35 minutes before high noon.

- iii. I was returning some video tapes.
- iv. Since the model we have considers surrounding temperature to be constant, I have found in the past that the turning the thermostat up or down before leaving the scene of the crime works nicely. What? Sorry, I have to return some video tapes.
- 2. (a) Since f is even, g(f(-x))=g(f(x)) and so $g\circ f$ is even. Similarly, f(g(-x))=f(-g(x))=f(g(x)) so $f\circ g$ is also even.
 - (b) f(-x)g(-x)=f(x)(-g(x))=-f(x)g(x) so f(x)g(x) is odd. Similarly, $\frac{f(-x)}{g(-x)}=\frac{f(x)}{-g(x)}=-\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ and $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ so is also odd.
 - (c) Differentiable functions are functions such that for any u > 0 there exists v such that f(x) f(x+h) < u for all h < v.