

6.3 Separable Differential Equations

Ex. 2 Solve the differential equation:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x \cos x^2$$

$$\int dy = \int x \cos x^2 dx$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \int \cos u du$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \sin x^2 + C$$

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

Ex. 3

Solve the differential equation:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x\sqrt{5-x}$$

$$x = 5 - u$$

$$u = 5 - x$$

$$du = -dx$$

$$-du = dx$$

$$\int dy = \int x(5-x)^{1/2} dx$$

$$y = - \int x u^{1/2} du$$

$$y = - \int (5-u) u^{1/2} du$$

$$y = - \int 5u^{1/2} - u^{3/2} du$$

$$- \left[\frac{2}{3} \cdot 5u^{3/2} - \frac{2}{5} u^{5/2} \right] + C$$

$$y = -\frac{10}{3}(5-x)^{3/2} + \frac{2}{5}(5-x)^{5/2} + C$$

Ex. 4

Solve the differential equation:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2 + 2}{3y^2}$$

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

$$\frac{y^3}{3} = \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{x^3}{3} + 2x \right) + C$$

$$y^3 = \frac{x^3}{3} + 2x + C$$

Ex. 5

Solve the differential equation:

$$xy' = y$$

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} = y$$

$$x dy = y dx$$

$$\int \frac{1}{y} dy = \int \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$\ln|y| = \ln|x| + C$$

$$e^{\ln|y|} = e^{\ln|x| + C}$$

$$y = e^{\ln|x|} e^C$$

$$y = xC$$

$$y = Cx$$

(remember: differentials
always in numerator)

Ex. 6

- Sketch the slope field, then solve by hand, .
- Solve analytically (by hand)

see a lot!!

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x}{y} = -\frac{x}{y}$$

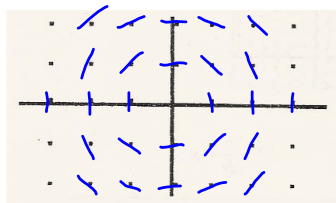
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x}{y}$$

$$\int y dy = -\int x dx$$

$$\frac{y^2}{2} = -\frac{x^2}{2} + C$$

$$y^2 = -x^2 + C$$

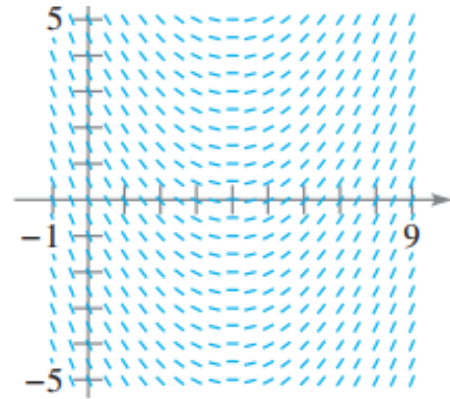
$$x^2 + y^2 = C$$



Ex. 7 *Slope Fields* In Exercises 59–62, (a) write a differential equation for the statement, (b) match the differential equation with a possible slope field, and (c) verify your result by using a graphing utility to graph a slope field for the differential equation. [The slope fields are labeled (a), (b), (c), and (d).] To print an enlarged copy of the graph, go to the website www.mathgraphs.com.

The rate of change of y with respect to x is proportional to the difference between x and 4.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = k(x-4)$$



Stand and Deliver

Logistic Curves

6.3

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = ky\left(1 - \frac{y}{L}\right)$$

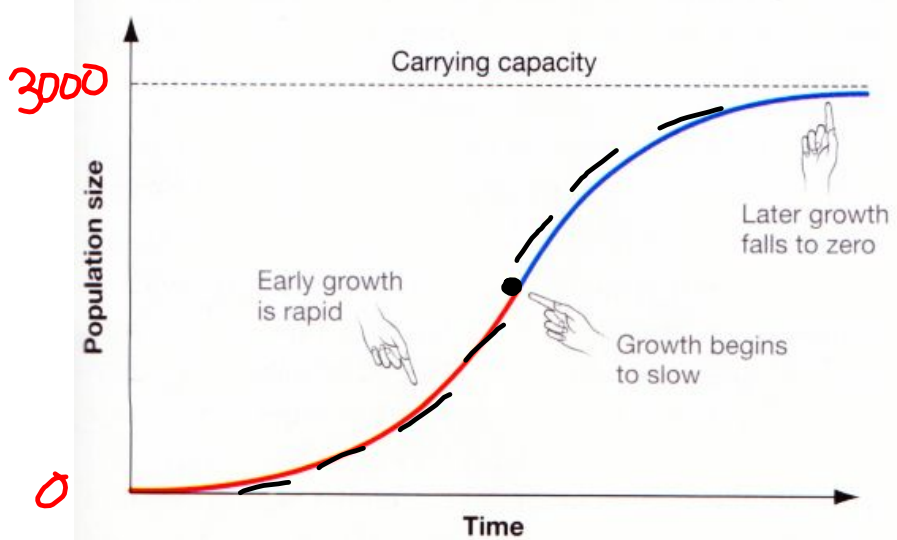
$$y = \frac{L}{1 + be^{-kt}}$$

L = Carry capacity (upper horizontal limit)

k = proportionality constant

memorize these two so avoid integrating on p. 427

(a) Density dependence: growth rate is a function of population size.



EXAMPLE 9 Deriving the General Solution

Solve the logistic differential equation $\frac{dy}{dt} = ky\left(1 - \frac{y}{L}\right)$.

Solution Begin by separating variables.

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = ky\left(1 - \frac{y}{L}\right)$$

Write differential equation.

$$\frac{1}{y(1 - y/L)} dy = k dt$$

Separate variables.

$$\int \frac{1}{y(1 - y/L)} dy = \int k dt$$

Integrate each side.

$$\int \left(\frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{L - y}\right) dy = \int k dt$$

Rewrite left side using partial fractions.

$$\ln|y| - \ln|L - y| = kt + C$$

Find antiderivative of each side.

$$\ln\left|\frac{L - y}{y}\right| = -kt - C$$

Multiply each side by -1 and simplify.

$$\left|\frac{L - y}{y}\right| = e^{-kt - C} = e^{-C} e^{-kt}$$

Exponentiate each side.

$$\frac{L - y}{y} = be^{-kt}$$

Let $\pm e^{-C} = b$.

Solving this equation for y produces $y = \frac{L}{1 + be^{-kt}}$. ■

26. The population $P(t)$ of a species satisfies the logistic differential equation $\frac{dP}{dt} = P\left(2 - \frac{P}{5000}\right)$, where the initial population $P(0) = 3,000$ and t is the time in years. What is $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P(t)$?
- (A) 2,500 (B) 3,000 (C) 4,200 (D) 5,000 (E) 10,000

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dY}{dt} &= KY\left(1 - \frac{Y}{L}\right) \\ &= 2P\left(1 - \frac{P}{10,000}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Horizontal asymptote
Carrying Capacity

answer...E

13. A population of wolves is modeled by the function P and grows according to the logistic differential equation $\frac{dP}{dt} = 5P\left(1 - \frac{P}{5000}\right)$, where t is the time in years and $P(0) = 1000$. Which of the following statements are true?

- I. $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P(t) = 5000$
- II. $\frac{dP}{dt}$ is positive for $t > 0$.
- III. $\frac{d^2P}{dt^2}$ is positive for $t > 0$.

- (A) I only
- (B) II only
- (C) I and II only
- (D) I and III only
- (E) I, II, and III

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Ex. 1

Solve the differential equation:

$$\cancel{dx} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = (x^3 - 4x) dx$$

$$\int dy = \int x^3 - 4x dx$$

$$y = \frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{4x^2}{2} + C$$

$$y = \frac{x^4}{4} - 2x^2 + C$$