

Homework 14

Name: **SOLUTIONS**

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P 1. Solve the differential equation.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-7x^2 - 3x - 8}{(x-1)(x+2)(x^2+1)} \sqrt{y^2+1}$$

Solution: The differential equation is separable.

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{y^2+1}} dy = \int \frac{-7x^2 - 3x - 8}{(x-1)(x+2)(x^2+1)} dx$$

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{y^2+1}} dy = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{(\tan t)^2+1}} \sec^2 t dt$$

$$= \int \sec t dt$$

$$= \ln |\sec t + \tan t| + C_1$$

$$= \ln |\sqrt{y^2+1} + y| + C_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{-7x^2 - 3x - 8}{(x-1)(x+2)(x^2+1)} dx &= \int \frac{x}{x^2+1} - \frac{3}{x-1} + \frac{2}{x+2} dx \\ &= \underbrace{\int \frac{x}{x^2+1} dx}_{u\text{-sub}} - 3 \int \frac{1}{x-1} dx + 2 \int \frac{1}{x+2} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \ln |x^2+1| - 3 \ln |x-1| + 2 \ln |x+2| + C_2 \end{aligned}$$

So, a solution the solution to the differential equation is

$$\ln |\sqrt{y^2+1} + y| = \frac{1}{2} \ln |x^2+1| - 3 \ln |x-1| + 2 \ln |x+2| + C$$

P 2. The number of bacteria in a culture is increasing according to the law of exponential growth. There are 125 bacteria in the culture after 2 hours and 350 bacteria after 4 hours.

- (a) Find the initial population.
- (b) Write an exponential growth model for the bacteria population. Let t represent time in hours.
- (c) Use the model to determine the number of bacteria after 8 hours.
- (d) After how many hours will the bacteria count be 25,000?

Solution: Let B be the number of bacteria after t hours. Then,

$$B = Ce^{kt}.$$

It is given that $B(2) = 125$ and $B(4) = 350$. So we have the following system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} 125 = Ce^{2k} \\ 350 = Ce^{4k} \end{cases}$$

Dividing the first equation from the second we get:

$$350/125 = e^{4k}/e^{2k} \Rightarrow \frac{14}{5} = e^{2k} \Rightarrow k = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{14}{5}$$

Substituting this into the first equation we get:

$$125 = Ce^{\ln \frac{14}{5}} \Rightarrow 125 = C \frac{14}{5} \Rightarrow C = 625/14.$$

So, the exponential model is given by

$$B(t) = \frac{625}{14} e^{\frac{1}{2}t \ln \frac{14}{5}}$$

- (a) The initial population is given by $B(0)$ which is equal to $\frac{625}{14} \approx 44.64$
- (b) The exponential model is

$$B = \frac{625}{14} e^{\frac{1}{2}t \ln \frac{14}{5}}$$

- (c) The number of bacteria after 8 hours is given by $B(8)$ which is equal to

$$B(8) = \frac{625}{14} e^{4 \ln \frac{14}{5}} \approx 2744$$

- (d) Solving the equation

$$25000 = \frac{625}{14} e^{\frac{1}{2}t \ln \frac{14}{5}}$$

gives us the time t at which the bacteria count reaches 25000. So,

$$t = \frac{2}{\ln \frac{14}{5}} \ln (560) \approx 12.2918$$