

Section 3.1

3. Recall the equation of the Malthusian model $P(t) = Ce^{rt}$. The constant C is the initial population $P(0)$, so the tripling condition is stated as $P(10) = P(0)e^{10r} = 3P(0)$. Thus, $r = (1/10)\ln 3 \approx 0.1099$. The population doubles precisely when $P(t) = 2P(0) = P(0)e^{(t \ln 3)/10}$, that is, when $(t \ln 3)/10 = \ln 2$. Solving, one obtains $t = (10 \ln 2)/\ln 3 \approx 6.3093$.

10. To find the minimum and maximum growth rate, use the first derivative test on the growth rate dP/dt . That is, set $d^2P/dt^2 = 0$. Obtain

$$\frac{d^2P}{dt^2} = rP' \left(1 - \frac{2P}{k} \right).$$

Thus, dP/dt reaches an extremum when $P' = 0$ and when $P = k/2$. One wants to show that dP/dt is a maximum when $P = k/2$. So, one checks that d^2P/dt^2 changes sign from positive to negative at $P = k/2$. When $P = k/2$, $P' = r(k/2)(1 - (k/2)/k) = rk/4$, which is positive. So any possible change in sign of d^2P/dt^2 is in the third factor $(1 - 2P/k)$. This factor does change sign from positive to negative at $P = k/2$, so d^2P/dt^2 changes sign from positive to negative at $P = k/2$. Therefore dP/dt reaches a maximum at $P = k/2$.

12. The carrying capacity $K = 20,000$, and the initial condition $P_0 = 1000$, and it is given that $P(10) = 2000$. Using equation (1.13), one obtains

$$2000 = \frac{(20000)(1000)}{1000 + (19000)e^{-10r}}.$$

Solving gives $r = -(\ln(9/19))/10 \approx 0.0747$. After 25 hours, the population is

$$P(25) = \frac{(20000)(1000)}{1000 + (19000)e^{2.5 \ln(9/19)}} \approx 5084.$$

Now, find t so that $P(t) = K/2 = 10000$. This gives

$$e^{\frac{1}{10} \ln(9/19)t} = \frac{2000 - 1000}{19000}.$$

That is, $t = 10(-\ln(19))/(\ln(9/19)) \approx 39.4055$.

16. (a) Since the population is measured in thousands, the fishing rate is $h = 0.1$ thousand fish per day. The modified model is $P' = 0.1P(1 - P/10) - 0.1$.
- (b) We look for roots of $0.1P(1 - P/10) - 0.1 = 0$. This leads to the quadratic equation $P^2 - 10P + 10 = 0$, which has roots $P = 5 \pm \sqrt{15}$. Using the graph of $0.1P(1 - P/10) - 0.1$ we see that $P_1 = 5 - \sqrt{15} \approx 1.127$ is an unstable equilibrium point, and $P_2 = 5 + \sqrt{15} \approx 8.873$ is an asymptotically stable equilibrium point.
- (c) We have $P' = 0.1P(1 - P/10) - 0.1 > 0$ for $P_1 < P < P_2$ and negative elsewhere. It follows using qualitative analysis that for any starting population greater than P_1 , the population tends to the stable equilibrium at P_2 . For any starting population smaller than P_1 , the population decreases until it dies out. In particular a population of 1000 is doomed while a population of 2000 tends to P_2 .

Section 3.3

3. Let $P(t)$ represent the balance in the account t years after the initial investment. Let r represent the annual rate, d the yearly deposit, and P_0 the initial investment. Then,

$$P' = rP + d, \quad P(0) = P_0.$$

This equation is linear, with integrating factor e^{-rt} . Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} (e^{-rt}P)' &= de^{-rt}, \\ e^{-rt}P &= -\frac{d}{r}e^{-rt} + C, \\ P &= -\frac{d}{r} + Ce^{rt}. \end{aligned}$$

Use $P(0) = P_0$ to produce $C = P_0 + d/r$ and

4. Let $P(t)$ represent the balance in the account t years after Jason's day of birth. Let r represent the annual rate, d the annual deposit. Since no initial investment is required,

$$P' = rP + d, \quad P(0) = 0.$$

This equation is linear, with integrating factor e^{-rt} . Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} (e^{-rt}P)' &= de^{-rt}, \\ e^{-rt}P &= -\frac{d}{r}e^{-rt} + C, \\ P &= -\frac{d}{r} + Ce^{rt}. \end{aligned}$$

Use $P(0) = 0$ to produce $C = d/r$ and

$$P(t) = \frac{d}{r}(e^{rt} - 1).$$

Because $P(18) = 50000$,

$$\begin{aligned} 50000 &= \frac{d}{r}(e^{r(18)} - 1), \\ d &= \frac{50000r}{e^{18r} - 1}, \\ d &= \frac{50000(0.0625)}{e^{18(0.0625)} - 1}, \\ d &\approx \$1,502.25 \end{aligned}$$

5. Let $P(t)$ represent the balance in the account after t years. Let r represent the annual rate, w the yearly withdrawal, and P_0 the amount of the inheritance. Then

$$P' = rP - w \quad P(0) = P_0.$$

The equation is linear with integrating factor e^{-rt} . Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} (e^{-rt}P)' &= -we^{-rt}, \\ e^{-rt}P &= \frac{w}{r}e^{-rt} + C, \end{aligned}$$

Use $P(0) = P_0$ to produce $C = P_0 - w/r$ and

$$P(t) = \frac{w}{r} + \left(P_0 - \frac{w}{r}\right)e^{rt}.$$

Now, to find when the funds are depleted, set $P(t) = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \frac{w}{r} + \left(P_0 - \frac{w}{r}\right)e^{rt}, \\ e^{rt} &= \frac{w/r}{w/r - P_0}, \\ t &= \frac{1}{r} \ln \frac{w/r}{w/r - P_0}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the account will be depleted in

$$t = \frac{1}{0.05} \ln \frac{8000/0.05}{8000/0.05 - 50000} \approx 7.5 \text{ years.}$$

Section 3.4

4. The model equation is $Q' + Q/2 = 5 \cos 3t$. The solution is
11. The model equation is $I' + I/10 = 10 - 2t$. The solution is

$$I(t) = 300 - 20t - 300e^{-t/10}.$$