

Note: Videos from March 25th – April 3rd cover the entire Unit 7. These are selected highlights.

Example 1: The rate of change of the height of a tree, h , in meters, with respect to the age of the tree, t , in years, is inversely proportional to the product of the time and the cube root of the height. Write this situation as a differential equation.

$$\frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{k}{t \cdot \sqrt[3]{h}} = \frac{k}{\sqrt[3]{h \cdot t}} = \frac{k}{t \cdot h^{1/3}}$$

Example 2: For what value of k , if any, will $y = e^{2x} + ke^{-5x}$ be the solution to the differential equation $4y - y'' = 30e^{-5x}$?

$$y' = 2e^{2x} - 5ke^{-5x}; \quad y'' = 4e^{2x} + 25ke^{-5x}$$

$$4(e^{2x} + ke^{-5x}) - (4e^{2x} + 25ke^{-5x}) = 30e^{-5x}$$

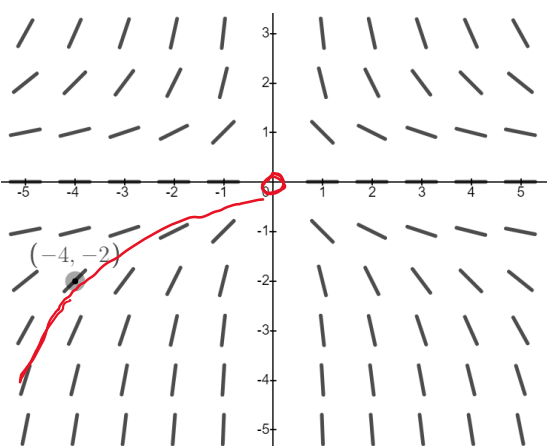
$$4e^{2x} + 4ke^{-5x} - 4e^{2x} - 25ke^{-5x} = 30e^{-5x}$$

$$-21k = 30$$

$$k = -\frac{10}{7}$$

Example 3: Consider the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{y^2}{x}$, $x \neq 0$.

Let $y = f(x)$ be the particular solution to the differential equation with the initial condition $f(-4) = -2$.



(a) Sketch the solution curve to through the point $(-4, -2)$.

(b) Write the equation of the tangent line to the solution curve at the point $(-4, -2)$. $m = \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(-4, -2)} = -\frac{(-2)^2}{-4} = 1$
 $y = -2 + 1(x - (-4))$

(c) Use the equation of the tangent line to approximate $f(-4.1)$.

$$f(-4.1) \approx -2 + (-4.1 + 4) = -2.1$$

(d) Find the particular solution $y = f(x)$ to the given differential equation with initial condition $f(-4) = -2$.

$$\int \frac{dy}{y^2} = \int -\frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$-y^{-1} = -\ln|x| + C$$

$$-\frac{1}{(-2)} = -\ln|-4| + C$$

$$C = \frac{1}{2} + \ln 4$$

$$-y = \frac{1}{-\ln|x| + \frac{1}{2} + \ln 4}$$

$$y = \frac{-1}{-\ln|x| + \frac{1}{2} + \ln 4} = \frac{-2}{1 - \ln\left|\frac{x}{4}\right|}$$

Example 4: Given that $\frac{dG}{d\theta} = \frac{\theta \sin(\theta^2)}{G}$ and that $G\left(\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{3}}\right) = -2$, determine $G\left(\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}\right)$.

$$\int G dG = \frac{1}{2} \int 2\theta \sin(\theta^2) d\theta$$

$$\frac{1}{2} G^2 = -\frac{1}{2} \cos(\theta^2) + C$$

$$\frac{1}{2} (-2)^2 = -\frac{1}{2} \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{3}}\right) + C$$

$$\frac{9}{4} = C$$

$$G(\theta) = -\sqrt{-\frac{1}{2} \cos(\theta^2) + \frac{9}{2}}$$

$$G\left(\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}\right) = \sqrt{4.5}$$

Example 5: The point (1, 2) is on the graph of the solution curve to the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = (x + 2)(3 - y)$. Find the y -coordinate such that the point (2, y) is also on the graph of the solution curve.

$$\frac{dy}{3 - y} = (x + 2) dx$$

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

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

$$C = -2.5$$

@(2, y): $-\ln|3 - y| = 2 + 4 - 2.5$

$$|3 - y| = e^{-(3.5)}$$

$$-y = -3 \pm e^{-3.5}$$

$$y = 3 \mp e^{-3.5} \quad (\text{which form for } (1, 2)?)$$

$$y = 3 - e^{-3.5}$$

Example 6: In a certain locale, there are 2345 confirmed cases of a virus. The number of confirmed cases at time t , in days, is given by $N(t)$. The rate at which the number of confirmed cases is changing can be modeled by the differential equation $\frac{dN}{dt} = 0.336N$. Determine an equation for $N(t)$.

$$N(t) = 2345e^{0.336t}$$