

5. A population is modeled by a function P that satisfies the logistic differential equation

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = \frac{P}{5} \left(1 - \frac{P}{12} \right).$$

(a) If $P(0) = 3$, what is $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P(t)$?

If $P(0) = 20$, what is $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P(t)$?

(b) If $P(0) = 3$, for what value of P is the population growing the fastest?

(c) A different population is modeled by a function Y that satisfies the separable differential equation

$$\frac{dY}{dt} = \frac{Y}{5} \left(1 - \frac{t}{12} \right).$$

Find $Y(t)$ if $Y(0) = 3$.

(d) For the function Y found in part (c), what is $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} Y(t)$?

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A certain rumor spreads through a community at the rate $\frac{dy}{dt} = 2y(1 - y)$, where y is the proportion of the population that has heard the rumor at time t .

- (a) What proportion of the population has heard the rumor when it is spreading the fastest?
- (b) If at time $t = 0$ ten percent of the people have heard the rumor, find y as a function of t .
- (c) At what time t is the rumor spreading the fastest?

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5. Let f be a function with $f(4) = 1$ such that all points (x, y) on the graph of f satisfy the differential equation

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

Let g be a function with $g(4) = 1$ such that all points (x, y) on the graph of g satisfy the logistic differential equation

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

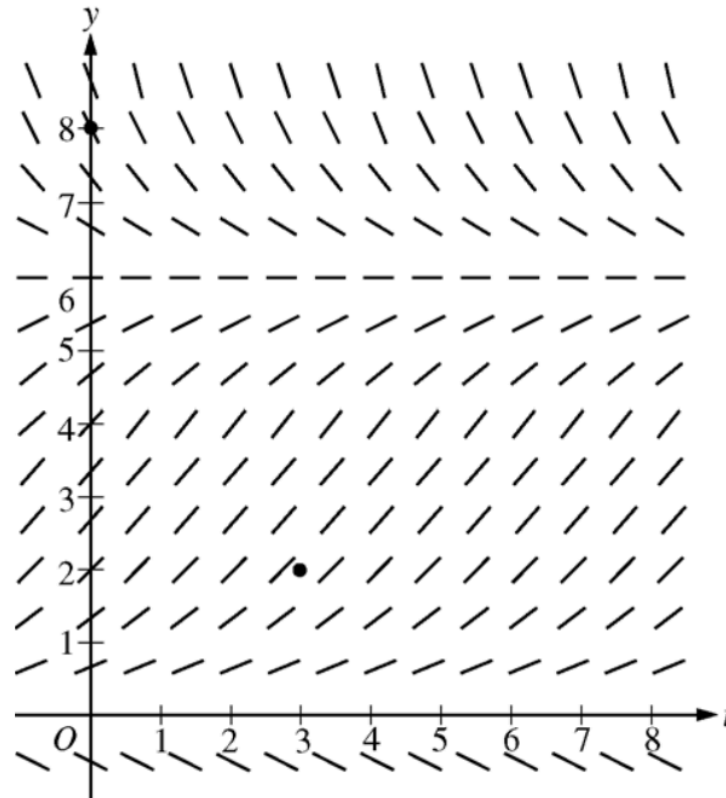
- (a) Find $y = f(x)$.
- (b) Given that $g(4) = 1$, find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} g(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} g'(x)$. (It is not necessary to solve for $g(x)$ or to show how you arrived at your answers.)
- (c) For what value of y does the graph of g have a point of inflection? Find the slope of the graph of g at the point of inflection. (It is not necessary to solve for $g(x)$.)

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6. Consider the logistic differential equation $\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{y}{8}(6 - y)$. Let $y = f(t)$ be the particular solution to the differential equation with $f(0) = 8$.

(a) A slope field for this differential equation is given below. Sketch possible solution curves through the points $(3, 2)$ and $(0, 8)$.

(Note: Use the axes provided in the exam booklet.)

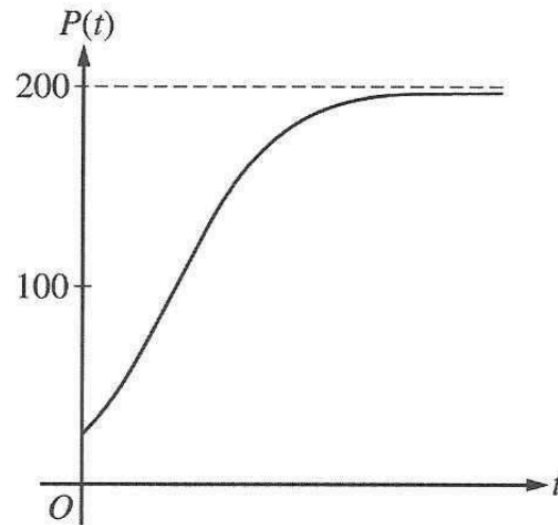


- (b) Use Euler's method, starting at $t = 0$ with two steps of equal size, to approximate $f(1)$.
- (c) Write the second-degree Taylor polynomial for f about $t = 0$, and use it to approximate $f(1)$.
- (d) What is the range of f for $t \geq 0$?

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Section I

Part A



24. Which of the following differential equations for a population P could model the logistic growth shown in the figure above?

(A) $\frac{dP}{dt} = 0.2P - 0.001P^2$

(B) $\frac{dP}{dt} = 0.1P - 0.001P^2$

(C) $\frac{dP}{dt} = 0.2P^2 - 0.001P$

(D) $\frac{dP}{dt} = 0.1P^2 - 0.001P$

(E) $\frac{dP}{dt} = 0.1P^2 + 0.001P$