

Exponential (uninhibited) growth model:

Rate of change is proportional to size:

$$1 \quad \frac{dP}{dt} = kP$$

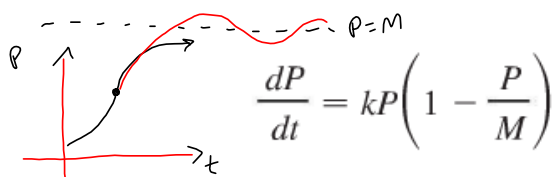
$$\frac{dP}{dt} = kP$$

$$\int \frac{dP}{P} = \int k dt$$

Assume  $P > 0$

$$\ln |P| = kt + \hat{C}$$

Verhulst, Lotke, Volterra with the "limited growth" model, called the Logistic model, based on this very simple idea.



$M = \text{carrying capacity.}$

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = kP \left( 1 - \frac{P}{M} \right)$$

$$\ln P = kt + \hat{C}$$

$$P = e^{kt + \hat{C}} = e^{kt} e^{\hat{C}}$$

$$= e^{kt} \cdot C \quad \forall C \in \mathbb{R}$$

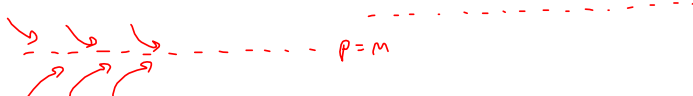
$$= C e^{kt}$$

Equilibrium Solution - A constant solution, basically. Some y-value such that any solution hitting that y-value will stay at that y-value

Two Types:

$P=M, P=0$ , for Logistic

Stable



Unstable



## Spring Model, Hooke's Law

restoring force =  $-kx$ 

$$\boxed{3} \quad m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -kx$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\frac{k}{m}x$$

$$y'' = -\frac{k}{m}x$$

$$y' = \int$$

$$y = \iint$$

 $x=0$  @ rest $x$  = how far it's stretched

$$3^{\text{rd}} \text{ order: } \frac{d^3x}{dt^3}$$

2<sup>nd</sup>-order  
Ordinary Differential eq'n.

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$$

1. Show that  $y = \frac{2}{3}e^x + e^{-2x}$  is a solution of the differential equation  $y' + 2y = 2e^x$ .

$$y' = \frac{2}{3}e^x - 2e^{-2x}$$

$$y' + 2y = \frac{2}{3}e^x - 2e^{-2x} + 2\left(\frac{2}{3}e^x + e^{-2x}\right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}e^x - 2e^{-2x} + \frac{4}{3}e^x + 2e^{-2x}$$

$$= \frac{6}{3}e^x = 2e^x \quad \checkmark$$

$$(fg)' = f'g + fg'$$

2. Verify that  $y = -t \cos t - t$  is a solution of the initial-value problem

$$ty' = t \frac{dy}{dt} = y + t^2 \sin t \quad y(\pi) = 0$$

$$y' = -\cos t + t \sin t - 1$$

$$ty' = -t \cos t + t^2 \sin t - t \stackrel{?}{=} y + t^2 \sin t \quad ?$$

$$= \underbrace{-t \cos t - t}_y + t^2 \sin t \quad \text{Yes!}$$

9. A population is modeled by the differential equation

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = 1.2P \left( 1 - \frac{P}{4200} \right)$$

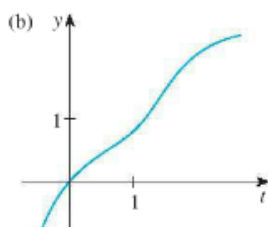
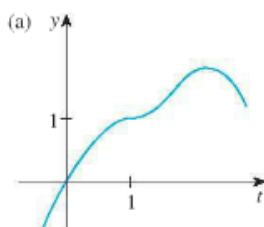
- (a) For what values of  $P$  is the population increasing? (a)  $0 < P < 4200$  RHS  $> 0$   
(b) For what values of  $P$  is the population decreasing? (b)  $P > 4200$  RHS  $< 0$   
(c) What are the equilibrium solutions? (c)  $P = 0, P = 4200$  RHS  $= 0$

4. (a) For what values of  $k$  does the function  $y = \cos kt$  satisfy the differential equation  $4y'' = -25y$ ?
- (b) For those values of  $k$ , verify that every member of the family of functions  $y = A \sin kt + B \cos kt$  is also a solution.




11. Explain why the functions with the given graphs *can't* be solutions of the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = e^t(y-1)^2$$



(a)  $e^t(y-1)^2 \geq 0$

But graph does 

(b)  $y=1 \Rightarrow y'=0$ , but  
 $y' > 0$  when  $y=1$  in graph

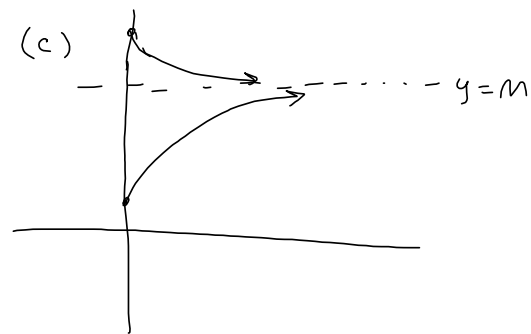
15. Psychologists interested in learning theory study **learning curves**. A learning curve is the graph of a function  $P(t)$ , the performance of someone learning a skill as a function of the training time  $t$ . The derivative  $dP/dt$  represents the rate at which performance improves.

- (a) When do you think  $P$  increases most rapidly? What happens to  $dP/dt$  as  $t$  increases? Explain.  
 (b) If  $M$  is the maximum level of performance of which the learner is capable, explain why the differential equation

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = k(M - P) \quad k \text{ a positive constant}$$

is a reasonable model for learning.

- (c) Make a rough sketch of a possible solution of this differential equation.



- (a) when  $P$  is small, is when it's increasing most rapidly  
 $P' = k(M - P) > 0$  when  $P$  is small and shrinks as  $P$  grows

(b) Model is reasonable, because it slows down when  $P$  gets bigger. More advanced stuff is tougher.

