

homework questions?

"people, history, darwin, and apocalypse"

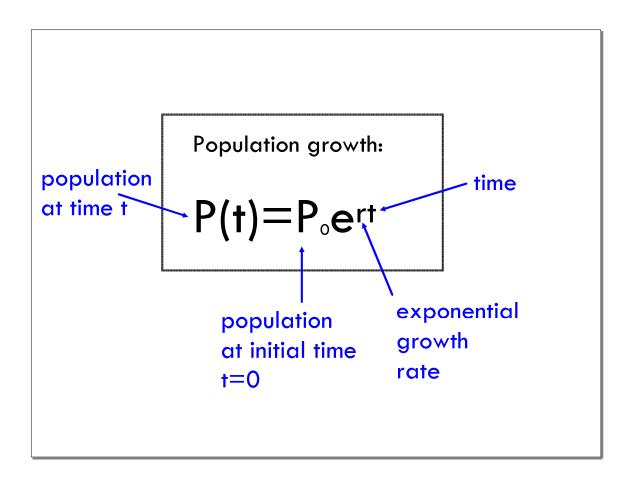
"The mathematics of uncontrolled growth are frightening. A single cell of the bacterium E. coli would, under ideal circumstances, divide every twenty minutes. That is not particularly disturbing until you think about it, but the fact is that bacteria multiply geometrically: one becomes two, two become four, four become eight, and so on. In this way it can be shown that in a single day, one cell of E. coli could produce a supercolony equal in size and weight to the entire planet Earth."

Michael Crichton (1969) The Andromeda Strain, Dell, N.Y. p247

Population growth:

$$P(t)=P_{\circ}e^{rt}$$

NOTE: your book uses Poekt



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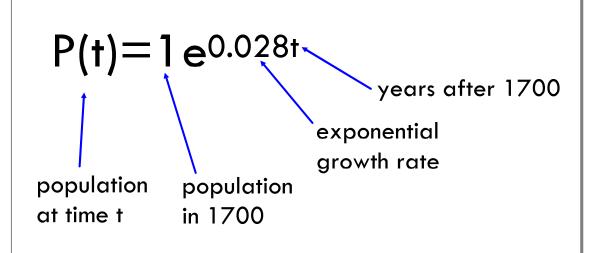
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In 1700, there were about 1 million people in the US. Benjamin Franklin in 1751 noted that the population seemed to double every 25 years.

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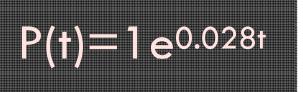
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How did we get the k = 0.028 in the equation above?

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$$P(t)=P_0e^{rt}$$

 $2P_0=P_0e^{r25}$
 $2=e^{r25}$
 $\ln 2 = 25r \ln e$
 $\ln 2 = 25r$
 $\ln 2 / 25 = r$

Because of this technique, if we know the doubling time, we can always find **r**:

$$r = (ln \ 2) / T$$
[T is the doubling time]

Rearranging $\mathbf{r} = (\ln 2) / \mathbf{T}$

we can also find the doubling time if we know **r**:

T = (ln 2) / r

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- (b) What is the period doubling time? $T=(\ln 2)/0.014 \approx 49.51$

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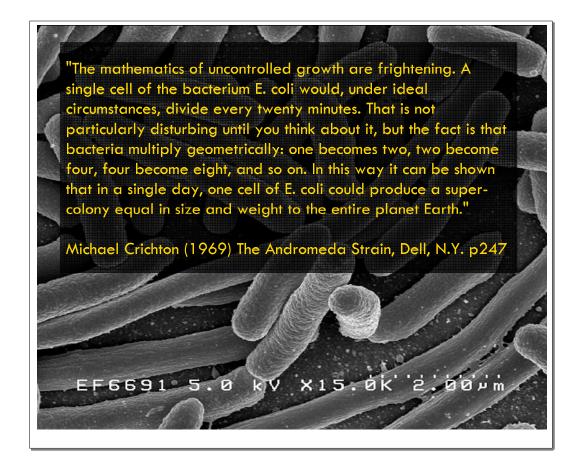
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P(t)=7.323e^{rt} \\ P(10)=8.008=7.323e^{r10} \\ 8.008/7.323=e^{r10} \\ 1.0935=e^{10r} \\ ln(1.0935)=10r \\ r=ln(1.0935)/10=0.0089 \\ So \ P(t)=7.323e^{0.0089t} \ is \ the \ equation \\ And \ the \ doubling \ time \ is \ (ln \ 2)/0.0089, \ which \ is \ about \ 77 \ years.
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You do not need to memorize!

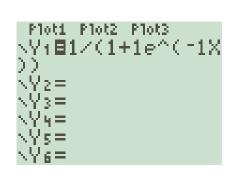
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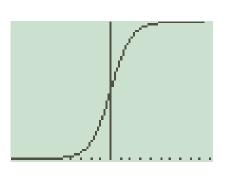
$$P(t) = \frac{a}{1 + be^{-kt}}$$

logistic function:

$$P(t) = \frac{1}{1 + 1e^{-1t}}$$

What does it look like if the constants are all 1?





CHECK: A ship carrying 1000 passengers gets shipwrecked on an island. The natural resources of the island limit the population to 5780. The equation is:

$$P(t) = \frac{5780}{1 + 4.78e^{-0.4t}}$$

- A) Graph the function
- B) Find the pop after 0, 1, 2, 5, 10, and 20 years

