

3.5 Logarithmic Models

1.) Bacterial Growth

The number N of bacteria in a culture is modeled by

$$N = 250e^{kt}$$

where t is the time in hours. If $N = 280$ when $t = 10$, estimate the time required for the population to double in size.

$$\frac{280}{250} = \frac{250e^{10k}}{250}$$

$$1.12 = e^{10k}$$

$$\frac{\ln 1.12}{10} = \frac{10k}{10}$$

$$.0113 = k$$

$$500 = 250e^{.0113T}$$

$$2 = e^{.0113T}$$

$$\ln 2 = .0113T$$

$$61.3 \text{ hours} = T$$

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2.) Value of a Painting

The value V (in millions of dollars) of a famous painting can be modeled by:

$$V = 10e^{kt}$$

where t represents the year, with $t = 0$ corresponding to 1990.

In 2004, the same painting was sold for \$65 million. Find the value of k , and use the results to predict the value of the painting in 2010.

$$65 = 10e^{14k}$$

$$6.5 = e^{14k}$$

$$\frac{\ln 6.5}{14} = k = .1337$$

$$V = 10e^{(.1337 \cdot 20)}$$

$$V = 144.98 \text{ million}$$

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Newton's Law of Cooling

$$\rightarrow T(t) = T_m + (t_0 - T_m)e^{-kt}$$

T_m : the temperature of the surrounding medium

T_0 : initial temperature of the object

3.) A hard boiled egg at temperature T_0 is placed in water to cool. Four minutes later the temperature of the egg is 45°C . Use Newton's Law of Cooling to determine when the egg will be 20°C .

T_m
 16°C

$$45 = 16 + (96 - 16)e^{-4k}$$

$$45 = 16 + 80e^{-4k}$$

$$29 = 80e^{-4k}$$

$$.3625 = e^{-4k}$$

$$k = .2537$$

$$20 = 16 + 80e^{-.2537T}$$

$$4 = 80e^{-.2537T}$$

$$.05 = e^{-.2537T}$$

$$\ln .05 = -.2537T$$

$$11.8 \text{ min} = T$$

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Newton's Law of Cooling

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4.) A casserole is removed from a 375°F oven, and it cools to 200°F after 15 minutes in a 75°F room. How long (from the time it is taken out of the oven) does it take to cool to 100°F ? Round k to four decimal places and your final answer to the nearest tenth.

$$200 = 75 + (375 - 75)e^{-15k}$$

$$125 = 300e^{-15k}$$

$$\frac{125}{300} = e^{-15k}$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{125}{300}\right) = -15k$$

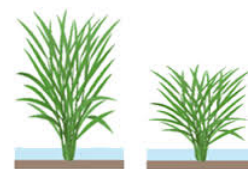
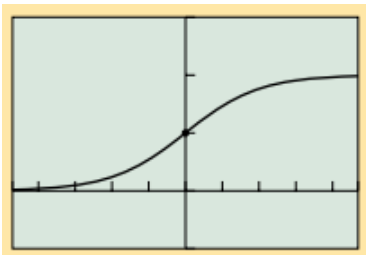
$$k = .0584$$

$$100 = 75 + (300)e^{-.0584T}$$

$$T = 42.5 \text{ min}$$

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3.5 Logistic Growth Functions



$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$



DEFINITION Logistic Growth Functions

Let a , b , c , and k be positive constants, with $b < 1$. A **logistic growth function** in x is a function that can be written in the form

$$f(x) = \frac{c}{1 + a \cdot b^x} \text{ or } f(x) = \frac{c}{1 + a \cdot e^{-kx}}$$

where the constant c is the **limit to growth**.

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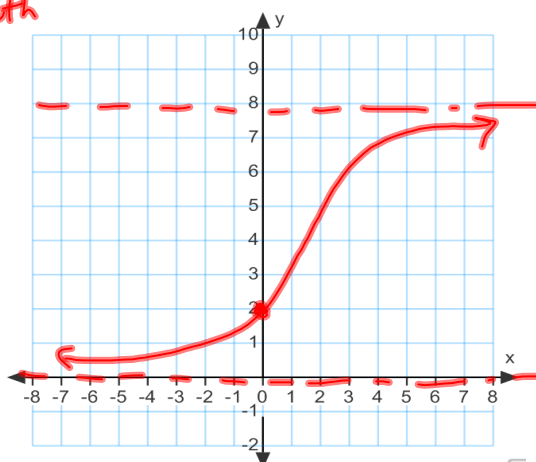
Graphing Logistic Growth Functions

Graph the function. Find the y-intercept and the horizontal asymptotes.

5.) $f(x) = \frac{8}{1 + 3 \cdot 0.7^x}$

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Equations of Logistic Functions

Find the logistic function that satisfies the given conditions.

6.) Initial Value: 10 $\rightarrow (0, 10)$ $\frac{10}{1} = \frac{40}{1+ab^0}$
 Limit to Growth: 40

✓ Passing Through: $(1, 20)$

$$f(x) = \frac{c}{1+ab^x}$$

$$10 + 10a = 40$$

$$10a = 30$$

$$a = 3$$

$$c = 40$$

$$\frac{20}{1} = \frac{40}{1+3b^1}$$

$$20 + 60b = 40$$

$$60b = 20$$

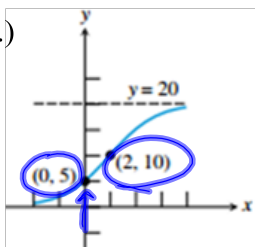
$$b = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{40}{1+3\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x}$$

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Find the logistic function that satisfies the given conditions.

7.)



$$y = \frac{c}{1+ab^x}$$

$$c = 20$$

$$5 = \frac{20}{1+a}$$

$$5 + 5a = 20$$

$$5a = 15$$

$$a = 3$$

$$10 = \frac{20}{1+3b^2}$$

$$10 + 30b^2 = 20$$

$$30b^2 = 10$$

$$b^2 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$b = .5774$$

$$f(x) = \frac{20}{1+3(.5774)^x}$$

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Find the logistic function that satisfies the given conditions.

8.) Initial Population: 16

Max Sustainable

Population: 128

Passing through (5, 32)

$$y = \frac{128}{1 + ab^x}$$

$$C = 128$$

$$16 = \frac{128}{1+a}$$

$$16 + 16a = 128$$

$$16a = 112$$

$$a = 7$$

$$\frac{32}{1} = \frac{128}{1 + 7b^5}$$

$$32 + 224b^5 = 128$$

$$b^5 = .42857$$

$$.8441 = b$$

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Campus Virus

9.) On a college campus of 5000 students, one student returns from vacation with a contagious and long-lasting flu virus. The spread of the virus is modeled by:

$$y = \frac{5000}{1 + 4999e^{-0.8t}}, t \geq 0$$

where y is the total number of students infected after t days. The college will cancel classes when 40% or more of the students are infected. After how many days will the college cancel classes?

$$\frac{2000}{1} = \frac{5000}{1 + 4999e^{-0.8t}}$$

$$\frac{2000(1 + 4999e^{-0.8t})}{2000} = \frac{5000}{2000}$$

$$1 + 4999e^{-0.8t} = 2.5$$

$$\frac{4999e^{-0.8t}}{4999} = \frac{1.5}{4999}$$

$$e^{-0.8t} = (1.5/4999)$$

$$\frac{-0.8t}{-.8} = \frac{\ln(1.5/4999)}{-.8}$$

$$t = 10.14 \text{ days}$$

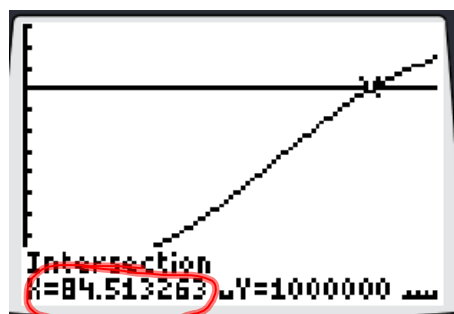
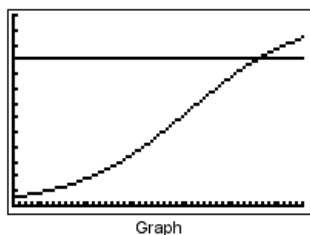
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Dallas

10.) Based on recent census data, a logistic model for the population of Dallas, t years after 1900, is as follows:

$$P(t) = \frac{1,301,642}{1 + 21.602e^{-0.05054t}}$$

According to this model, when was the population 1 million?



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