

# Calculus for the Life Sciences I

## Lecture Notes – The Derivative of $e^x$ and $\ln(x)$

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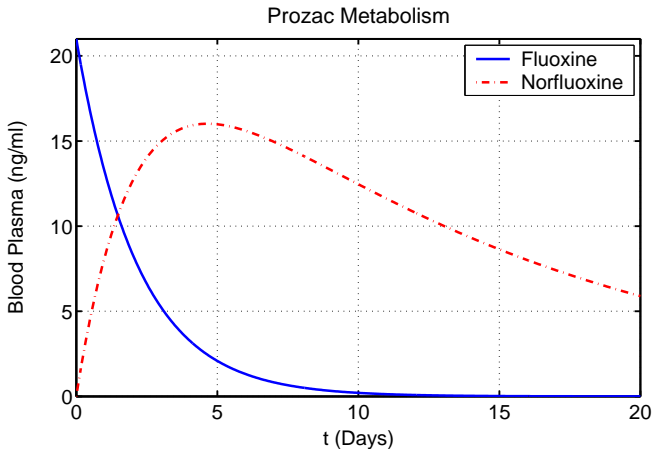
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From the definition of the derivative and using the properties of exponentials

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**Example:** Find the derivative of

$$f(x) = 5e^{-3x}$$

**Solution:** From our rule of differentiation and the formula above

$$f'(x) = -15e^{-3x}$$

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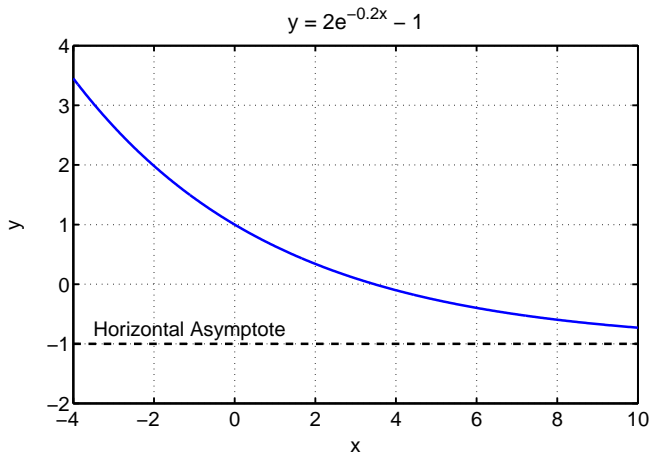
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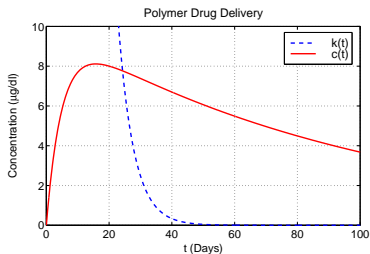
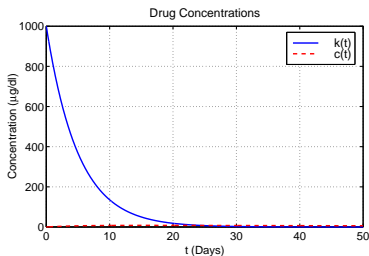
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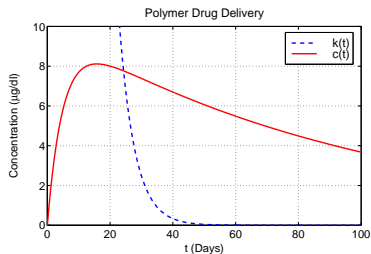
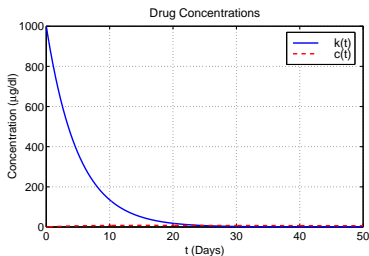
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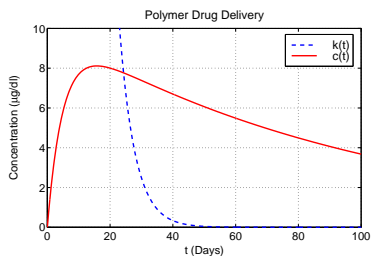
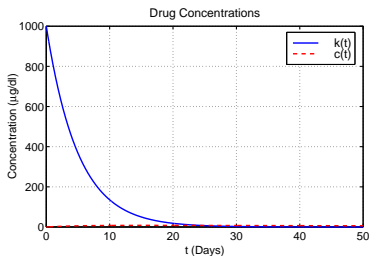


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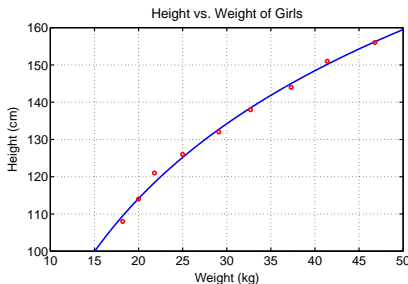
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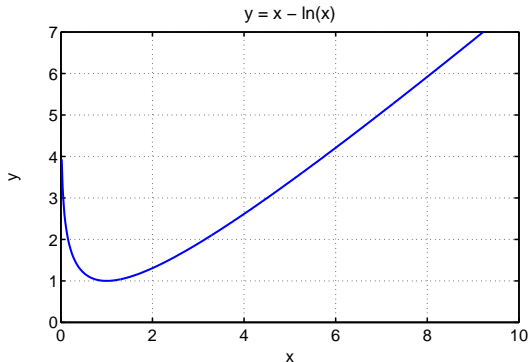
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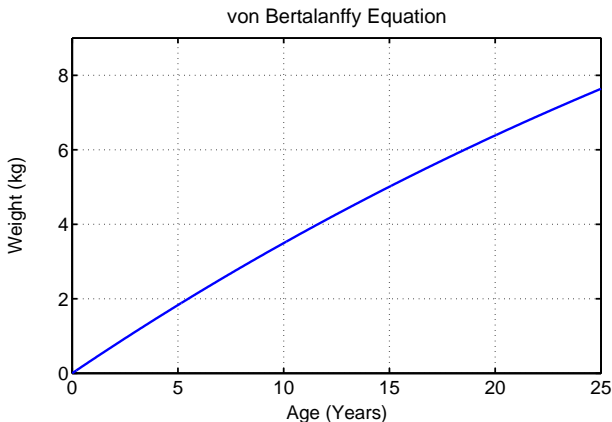
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- Since the function  $W(a)$  passes through the origin, its inverse function also passes through the origin

$$a(0) = 158.2 - 52.63 \ln(20.2) = 0$$

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