

1. For each of the following functions, give the domain. Find the x and y -intercepts, and determine all vertical and horizontal asymptotes for each of these functions, then sketch a graph.

a. $y = 20 - 5e^{-0.5x}$,

b. $y = 6 \ln(5 - x) - 2$,

c. $y = 3 + 2 \ln(x + 1)$,

d. $y = 6e^{x/2} - 2$,

2. Suppose that $e^a = 2.2$ and $e^b = 0.7$. In addition, assume that $\ln(c) = 1.3$ and $\ln(d) = -0.5$. Use the properties of exponentials and logarithms to evaluate the following:

a. $\frac{e^{a+b}}{(e^b + e^0)^2}$

b. $\frac{(e^a)^2(e^0 - e^b)}{e^{2a+b}}$

c. $\frac{(\ln(c^3) - \ln(c) + \ln(1))}{(\ln(c) + \ln(e))}$,

d. $\frac{\ln(c^2d) - \ln(1))}{(\ln(c/d) - \ln(e))}$

3. The poultry industry has accumulated detailed data on the consumption of feed by chickens. The reference *Nutritional Requirement of Chickens* (1984), you are given that a 560 g chicken consumes 390 g of feed per week. A 2520 g broiler consumes 1210 g of feed per week.

a. Assume linear relationship between the weight of the chicken (W) and the amount of feed (F) that it consumes

$$F = mW + b.$$

Use the data above to find the constants m and b in the model above.

b. Assume there is a power law relationship between the weight of the chicken (W) and the amount of feed (F) that it consumes

$$F = kW^a.$$

Use the data above to find the constants a and k in the power law or allometric model above.

c. Use both models (linear and allometric) to find the amount of feed consumed by a 1000 g chicken. Also, estimate the weight of a chicken that consumes 500 g of feed using both models. Which model gives the better predictions and why?

4. Experimental measurements show that when current is applied to samples of a tissue, the resistance measured by a voltmeter yields the thickness, T . Suppose a 3 mm sample of tissue causes a voltage drop, v , of 0.25V, and a 4 mm sample of tissue causes a voltage drop of 0.45V.

a. A linear model is given by $T = mv + b$ for some constants m and b . Find the constants m and b and sketch a graph of this model. Use this model to predict the voltage drop for a tissue that has a thickness of 2 mm. Also, find the thickness of a tissue that gives a voltage drop of 0.6V.

b. If the thickness of the tissue satisfies a power law with respect to resistance measured by the voltage drop, then the model is given by

$$T = kv^a,$$

Find the constants k and a and sketch a graph of this model. Use this model to predict the voltage drop for a tissue that has a thickness of 2 mm. Also, find the thickness of a tissue that gives a voltage drop of 0.6V.

c. Which model do you expect is better and why?

5. a. A population of herbivores satisfies the growth equation

$$H_{n+1} = 1.02H_n.$$

If the initial population is $H_0 = 2000$, then determine the populations H_1 and H_2 . Also, give an expression for the population H_n in terms of H_0 and n .

b. Another group of herbivores satisfies the growth equation

$$G_{n+1} = 1.03G_n.$$

If the initial population is $G_0 = 200$, then give an expression for the population G_n in terms of G_0 and n . Determine how long does it take for this population to double.

c. Find when the two populations are equal.

6. The population of the United States was about 179.3 million in 1960 and 226.5 million in 1980. Let 1960 be represented by P_0 and assume that its population is growing according to the Malthusian growth law,

$$P_{n+1} = (1 + r)P_n,$$

where n is in years.

a. Use the data above to find the annual growth rate r , then write an expression for the population in any year following 1960. (Write the solution P_n in terms of P_0 with n being the number of years after 1960.)

b. Predict the population in the year 2000. The actual population was about 281.4 million. What is the error between the model and the actual census data?

c. According to the model, how long until the U. S. population doubles from its 1960 level?

7. a. The population of the France in 1980 was about 53.9 million, and a census in 1990 showed that the population had grown to 56.7 million. Assume that this population grows according to the Malthusian growth law,

$$P_{n+1} = (1 + r)P_n,$$

where n is the number of decades after 1980, and P_n is population n decades after 1980. Use the data above to find the growth constant r , then write the general solution P_n .

b. Predict the population in the years 2000 and 2020. France's population in 2000 was 59.4 million. Use this information to compute the percent error between the Malthusian growth model and the actual census data.

c. In 1980, the population of Kenya was 16.7 million, while in 1990, it had grown to 24.2 million. Assume its population is also growing according to a Malthusian growth law. Find its rate of growth per decade and predict its population in 2000 and 2020. How long does it take for Kenya's population to double?

d. If these countries continue to grow according to these Malthusian growth laws, then determine the first year when Kenya's population will exceed that of the France and determine their populations at that time.

e. Find the annual growth rate for both France and Kenya between 1980 and 1990.

8. a. Consider a model with immigration given by

$$p_{n+1} = 0.8p_n + 300,$$

with an initial population of $p_0 = 500$. Determine the populations at the next three time intervals, p_1 , p_2 , and p_3 .

b. Find all equilibria and determine the stability of these equilibria.

9. A man with a chronic lung problem has a tidal volume, V_i , of 300 ml. For this experiment, Helium, He, is used to determine the functional reserve capacity, V_r . (Note that $V_r = (1 - q)V_i/q$.) The mathematical model gives

$$c_{n+1} = (1 - q)c_n + q\gamma,$$

where $\gamma = 5.2$ ppm.

a. The man is given an enriched mixture of air to breathe that contains 50 ppm of He. Experimentally, the concentration of He in the first two measured breaths after breathing the enriched mixture are given by $c_0 = 50$ and $c_1 = 44.6$ ppm. Use c_0 and c_1 to find q , then determine the functional reserve capacity, V_r .

b. Use your model to find the expected concentration of Helium in this patient's 3rd breath, c_3 . What is the equilibrium concentration of Helium in the patient's lungs? What is the stability of this equilibrium concentration?

10. Below are data on the population of insect pests living in a survey area. The insect reproduces according to a Malthusian growth model and disperses (emigrates) to surrounding regions at a constant rate. The population model for this insect pest is given by

$$P_{n+1} = (1 + r)P_n - \mu,$$

where r is the rate of growth (per week) and μ is the number of pests dispersing each week to surrounding regions.

a. From the data below determine the updating function for this population, *i.e.*, find r and μ . Then use this updating function to find the population of the insect pests for weeks 3 and 4.

b. Find all equilibria for this model. Based on your iterations in Part a, what is the stability of the equilibria? (If a solution moves closer to an equilibrium point, then it is probably stable. If it moves away, then it is most likely unstable.)

c. Graph the updating function along with the identity map, $P_{n+1} = P_n$. Determine all points of intersection.

Week	Insects
0	500
1	630
2	825

11. A woman with a chronic lung problem breathes a supply of air enriched with Helium. Experimental measurements show the following concentrations of the exhaled air after she resumes normal breathing in the room.

Breath Number	0	1	2
Conc. of He (ppm)	400	352	310

The concentration of Helium in the room, γ , is not known, but assumed to be constant.

a. Assume a breathing model of the form:

$$c_{n+1} = (1 - q)c_n + q\gamma.$$

Use the data above to find the constants q , the fraction of air exchanged, and γ , the ambient concentration of Helium. Then determine the concentration of Helium in the next two breaths, c_3 and c_4 .

b. Find the equilibrium concentration of Helium in the subject's lungs based on this breathing model. What is the stability of this equilibrium concentration? (If a solution moves closer to an equilibrium point, then it is probably stable. If it moves away, then it is most likely unstable.)

c. Graph the updating function along with the identity map, $c_{n+1} = c_n$, showing all intercepts ($c_n \geq 0$) and points of intersection.

12. A ball, which is thrown vertically upward with a velocity of 48 ft/sec and falls under the influence of gravity without air resistance from a 160 ft cliff, satisfies the equation

$$h(t) = 160 + 48t - 16t^2,$$

where h is in feet and t is in seconds.

a. Find the average velocity of the ball between the times $t = 0$ and $t = 2$. Also, find the average velocity between the times $t = 1$ and $t = 1.2$ and between the times $t = 1$ and $t = 1.01$

b. Sketch a graph of $h(t)$, showing crucial points, including the h -intercept, the maximum height, and when the ball hits the ground. Approximate the velocity with which the ball hits the ground by finding the average velocity of the ball between the time the ball hits the ground and 0.001 sec before it hits the ground.

13. Fish continue to grow throughout their life, but their growth slows with age. The leopard shark (*Triakis semifiate*) is a common ovoviviparous, benthic shark in the San Diego waters. A good approximation to the growth of the leopard shark uses the von Bertalanffy equation for fish growth and is given by

$$L(t) = 2.1 - 1.9e^{-0.25t},$$

where L is in meters and t is in years.

a. Determine any asymptotes. Find the approximate length of a leopard shark at birth and ages 1, 5, and 10 years. Sketch a graph of the length of a leopard shark. What is the maximum length of a leopard shark and at what age does it reach 90% of that length?

b. Find the average rate of growth between the ages of 1 and 5 years, between the ages of 5 and 10 years, between the ages of 5 and 6 years, and between the ages of 5 and 5.01 years. Which of these gives the best approximation to the derivative (instantaneous rate of growth) at $t = 5$ years?