

Memorize!

$$y' = ky$$

Growth-Decay
Equation

Solution $y = y_0 e^{kx}$

$y_0 =$ an arbitrary constant
 $= y(0)$

$$\frac{du}{dt} = -h(u-u_0)$$

Newton's Cooling
Equation

Solution $u = u_0 + A_0 e^{-ht}$

Obtained by changing $y = u - u_0$
to get $y' = -hy$, then apply the
recipe above.

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = (a-bP)P$$

Verhulst Logistic
Equation

Solution

$$P(t) = \frac{a P_0}{b P_0 + (a - b P_0) e^{-at}}$$

where $P_0 = P(0) =$ initial population.

Obtained by changing

$$y = \frac{P}{a - bP}$$

to get $y' = ay$, then apply the recipe
above.

① Find a function $y = f(x)$ satisfying the given
differential equation and the prescribed
initial condition.

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$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x + 1; y(0) = 3$$

Given

Steps
skipped) →

$$y(x) = \int (2x + 1) dx$$

$$y(x) = x^2 + x + C$$

$$y(0) = 0 + 0 + C$$

$$0 + 0 + C = 3$$

$$C = 3$$

$$y(x) = x^2 + x + 3$$

integration of
both sides of equ.
F.T.C. applied + Tables

use of $y(0) = 3$

Substitute 3 for
C

Check:

Back of Book

Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

$$(a) \int_a^b f'(x) dx = f(b) - f(a)$$

$$(b) \left(\int_a^x g(t) dt \right)' = g(x)$$

Isaac Newton found these formulas in an effort to extend the formula $D=RT$ to the case of instantaneous rates.

The method of Quadrature

- Applies to equations like $y' = 2x$
- Uses the fundamental theorem of calculus
- Only produces a candidate solution — it does not verify the equation.

Example Solve by the method of quadrature

$$y' = 2x$$

Solution:

$$\int y' dx = \int 2x dx$$

$$y(x) + C_1 = x^2 + C_2$$

$$y(x) = x^2 + C$$

Integrate both sides on x .

Apply fund. Thm. Calc.

Collect constants.
Candidate found.

Apply the method of quadrature to solve

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x+1, \\ y(0) = 3. \end{cases}$$

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$$y' = 2x+1$$

$$\int y' dx = \int (2x+1) dx$$

$$y = x^2 + x + c$$

$$3 = 0^2 + 0 + c$$

$$c = 3$$

$$y = x^2 + x + 3$$

Check:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= y' \\ &= (x^2 + x + 3)' \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2x+1$$

$$= \text{RHS}$$

$$y(0) = 0^2 + 0 + 3$$

$$= 3$$

$$y = x^2 + x + 3$$

Given DE

Integrate across both sides on x .
(Multiply by dx , draw \int sign across)

Fund. Thm. of calculus applied; $c = \text{constant}$.

use $y=3$ at $x=0$
(Given as $y(0)=3$)

Candidate solution found.

LHS = left hand side of $y' = 2x+1$, RHS = right hand side.

DE verified

Initial condition $y(0) = 3$ is verified.

Solution:

Find a function $y = y(x)$ which satisfies the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = (x-2)^2$ and initial condition $y(2) = 1$.

$$y'(x) = (x-2)^2$$

Given

$$y'(x) dx = (x-2)^2 dx$$

$$\int y'(x) dx = \int (x-2)^2 dx$$

$$y(x) = \frac{(x-2)^3}{3} + C$$

$$1 = \frac{(2-2)^3}{3} + C$$

$$C = 1$$

$$y(x) = \frac{(x-2)^3}{3} + 1$$

Check:

$$\text{LHS} = y'(x)$$

$$= \left[\frac{(x-2)^3}{3} + 1 \right]'$$

$$= (x-2)^2 + 0$$

$$= \text{RHS}$$

$$\text{LHS} = y(2)$$

$$= \left[\frac{(2-2)^3}{3} + 1 \right]_{x=2}$$

$$= 0 + 1$$

$$= \text{RHS}$$

Apply the method of quadrature



Use $y(2) = 1$ to find C

Candidate solution

Left side of DE

DE verified

Left side of EC

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$$\text{Solve } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+2}}, \quad y(2) = -1.$$

$$y'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+2}}$$

$$\int y'(x) dx = \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x+2}}$$

$$y(x) = \int u^{1/2} du$$

$$y(x) = 2u^{3/2} + C$$

$$y(x) = 2\sqrt{x+2} + C$$

$$-1 = 2\sqrt{2+2} + C$$

$$C = -5$$

$$y(x) = 2\sqrt{x+2} - 5$$

Check: agrees with textbook

Given DE

Apply method of quadrature

Let $u = x+2$

Power rule

Use $y(2) = -1$