

MATH 5071 - Problem Set 7

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1) Solve for x :

i) $\log_8(4x-3) = \log_8(33)$

$$4x-3 = 33 \quad +3 \quad +3 \quad \frac{4x}{4} = \frac{36}{4} \quad \boxed{x=9}$$

ii) $\log_4(x+2) = 2$

$$x+2 = 4^2 \quad x+2 = 16 \quad -2 \quad -2 \quad \boxed{x=14}$$

iii) $4^x = 0.4$

$$\log 4^x = \log 0.4 \Rightarrow \frac{x \log 4}{\log 4} = \frac{\log 0.4}{\log 4}$$

iv) $4.6 \cdot 10^x = 7$

$$10^x = \frac{7}{4.6}$$

$$\log 10^x = \log \frac{7}{4.6}$$

$$x = \log \frac{7}{4.6}$$

$$\boxed{x = 0.182}$$

$$x = \log_4 0.4 \quad \boxed{x = -.661}$$

v) $\frac{9(4.5)^x}{9} = \frac{10}{9}$

$$\log 4.5^x = \log \left(\frac{10}{9}\right)$$

$$\frac{x \log 4.5}{\log 4.5} = \frac{\log \left(\frac{10}{9}\right)}{\log 4.5}$$

$$\boxed{x = .0700}$$

$$x = \log_{4.5} \left(\frac{10}{9}\right)$$

2) A particular satellite has a radio-isotope power supply, with power output given by $P = 60e^{-\frac{t}{300}}$, where t is the time (in days) and P is the power output (in Watts).

i) What is the power output at the end of the isotope's first year? $t=1$

$$P = 60e^{-\frac{1}{300}} = 60 \cdot (.997) = \boxed{59.8 \text{ Watts}}$$

ii) When the power output drops below 6 Watts, there will be insufficient power to operate the satellite. Find how long the satellite will remain operable.

$$P = 6 \text{ W}$$

$$\frac{6}{60} = \frac{60e^{-\frac{t}{300}}}{60}$$

$$\ln \frac{1}{10} = \ln e^{-\frac{t}{300}} = -300 \times \ln \left(\frac{1}{10}\right) = -\frac{t}{300} \times -300$$

$$t = -300 \ln \left(\frac{1}{10}\right) = \underline{\underline{690.8 \text{ years}}}$$

- 3) If money is invested at 6% interest compounded continuously, how long will it take for the money to double in value?

P = initial amount invested

$2P$ = The initial amount doubled

$$A = Pe^{rt}$$

$$r = 6\% = .06$$

$$\frac{2P}{P} = \frac{Pe^{.06t}}{P}$$

$$2 = e^{.06t}$$

$$\ln 2 = \ln e^{.06t}$$

$$\frac{\ln 2}{.06} = \frac{.06t}{.06}$$

$$t = \frac{\ln 2}{.06} =$$

- 4) Strontium-90 has a half-life of 25 years. How long will it take 10 grams of Strontium-90 to decay to 3 grams?

$$A = A_0 b^{t/k}$$

$$b = \frac{1}{2} \text{ (half-life)}$$

$$k = 25$$

(25 years for the amount to decrease by half)

$$A_0 = 10 \text{ grams} \quad A = 3 \text{ grams}$$

$$3 = 10 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{t/25}$$

$$\log \frac{3}{10} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{t/25}$$

$$25 \cdot \log \left(\frac{3}{10}\right) = \frac{t}{25} \log \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot 2$$

$$\frac{25 \log \left(\frac{3}{10}\right)}{\log \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} = \frac{t \log \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\log \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

- 5) The population of Iceland in 2008 was about 304,000, with an annual growth rate of 0.78%. Assume the growth rate is constant.

- i) Give an equation for the population of Iceland n years after 2008.

$$A_0 = 304,000$$

$$b = 1 + .0078 = 1.0078$$

$$k = 1 \text{ year}$$

$$A = 304,000 \cdot (1.0078)^t$$

- ii) Predict the population in 2020.

$$t = 12 \text{ (12 years after 2008 for 2020)}$$

$$A = 304,000 \cdot (1.0078)^{12} = 333,707 \text{ people}$$

- iii) Predict when the population will reach 400,000.

$$A = 400,000$$

$$\frac{400,000}{304,000} = \frac{304,000 (1.0078)^t}{304,000}$$

$$\log 1.316 = \log (1.0078)^t$$

$$\frac{\log 1.316}{\log 1.0078} = \frac{t \log 1.0078}{\log 1.0078}$$

$$t = \frac{\log 1.316}{\log 1.0078} = 35.3 \text{ yrs}$$

or

$$t = \log_{1.0078} 1.316$$

$$t = 11.6 \text{ yrs}$$

$$t = \frac{25 \log \left(\frac{3}{10}\right)}{\log \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

$$t = 43.4 \text{ years}$$

or

$$t = 25 \log_{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{3}{10}\right)$$

6) Solve the following inequalities. Give both inequality, interval notation, and number line forms of the solutions.

i) $-2(x-3) < 5(x+1) - 12$
 $-2x + 6 < 5x + 5 - 12$
 $-2x + 6 < 5x - 7$
 $13 < 7x$
 $x > \frac{13}{7}$
 $(\frac{13}{7}, \infty)$

ii) $-14 < -7(3x+2) \leq 1$
 $-14 < -21x - 14 \leq 1$
 $0 < -21x \leq 1$
 $x < 0$
 $[-\frac{5}{7}, 0)$

iii) $x^2 - 10 \leq 3x$
 $x^2 - 3x - 10 \leq 0$
 $(x-5)(x+2) \leq 0$
 $x = -2, x = 5$
 $[-2, 5]$
 $x \geq -\frac{15}{21}$
 $x \geq -\frac{5}{7}$

iv) $x^4 + 4x^3 - 12x^2 \leq 0$
 $x^2(x^2 + 4x - 12) \leq 0$
 $x^2(x+6)(x-2) \leq 0$
 $x = -6, x = -2, x = 2$
 $[-6, -2] \cup [2, \infty)$

v) $\frac{3x+1}{x+4} > 1$
 $\frac{3x+1}{x+4} > \frac{x+4}{x+4}$
 $3x+1 > x+4$
 $2x > 3$
 $x > \frac{3}{2}$
 $(\frac{3}{2}, \infty)$

vi) $\frac{x-8}{x} > 3-x$
 $x-8 > 3x-x^2$
 $x^2-2x-8 > 0$
 $(x-4)(x+2) > 0$
 $x = 4, x = -2$
 $(-\infty, -2) \cup (4, \infty)$

7) Find the quadratic equation the passes through the points (2,37), (5,10), and (9,2) by solving a system of equations. Use matrix multiplication to check your answers.

$y = ax^2 + bx + c$
 $37 = a(2)^2 + b(2) + c$
 $10 = a(5)^2 + b(5) + c$
 $2 = a(9)^2 + b(9) + c$

(eq 1) + -1x(eq 2) $37 = 4a + 2b + c$
 $-10 = -25a - 5b - c$
 $27 = -21a - 3b$
 $-10 = -25a - 5b - c$
 $2 = 81a + 9b + c$
 $-8 = 56a + 4b$

$4 \times (\text{eq 4}) + 3 \times (\text{eq 5}) : 108 = -84a - 12b$
 $-24 = 168a + 12b$
 $84 = 84a$
 $a = 1$

eq 4: $27 = -21(1) - 3b$
 $27 = -21 - 3b$
 $48 = -3b$
 $-16 = b$

eq 1: $37 = 4(1) + 2(-16) + c$
 $37 = 4 - 32 + c$
 $37 = -28 + c$
 $65 = c$

$y = x^2 - 16x + 65$

Matrix Mult.

$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 25 & 5 & 1 \\ 81 & 9 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 37 \\ 10 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$
 $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 25 & 5 & 1 \\ 81 & 9 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 37 \\ 10 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$
 $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -16 \\ 65 \end{bmatrix}$