

Math 203: HW 7

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Problem 1

Assume that population growth satisfies the differential equation $P'(t) = kP(t)$. (note that this means that $P(t) = \alpha e^{kt}$ for some k , we can use the information below to find k). At $t = 0$, there are 15 elephants. Then at $t = 10$, there are 60 elephants. What is the population equation, $P(t)$? How many elephants should we expect at $t = 50$?

Now suppose that the elephants are dying off, and the differential equation is $P'(t) = -\lambda P(t)$ (note that this means that $P(t) = \alpha e^{-kt}$). This time we start with 60 elephants (when $t = 0$), and there are 15 elephants when $t = 10$. How many elephants should we expect at $t = 50$?

Problem 2

Take the derivative of the following:

$$f(x) = \frac{e^x}{\ln(x^2)}$$
$$g(x) = e^{(x^2+1+2)} \ln(15x^2)$$