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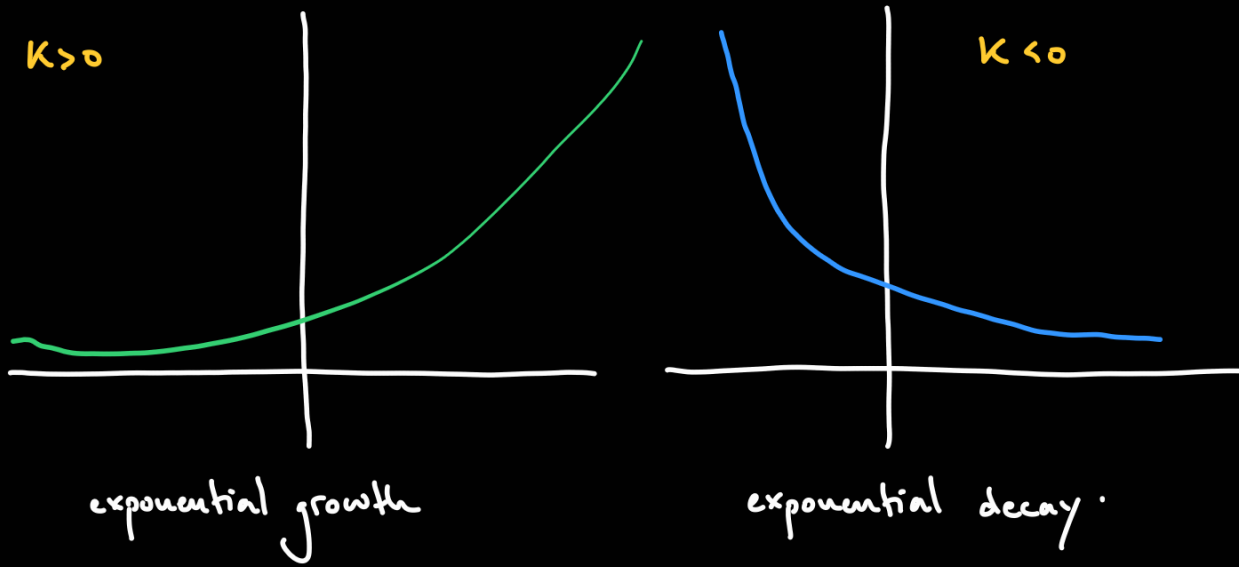
Rogawski 2nd.

Section 7.4: Exponential growth and decay

$$P(t) = \underbrace{P_0}_{\text{constant}} \cdot e^{\underbrace{k \cdot t}_{\text{constant}}} \quad \begin{array}{l} k \text{ any real number} \\ k > 0 \\ k < 0 \end{array}$$

P_0 positive

$$P(0) = P_0 \cdot e^{k \cdot 0} = P_0 \cdot e^0 = P_0$$



Example: Bacteria growing: $k = 0.41 \frac{1}{\text{hours}}$

We have 1000 bacteria at $t = 0$.

a) Find the population:

$$P(t) = P_0 \cdot e^{kt} = P_0 \cdot e^{0.41 \cdot t}$$

$$P_0 = \frac{P(t)}{e^{0.41 \cdot t}} = \frac{P(0)}{1} = 1000$$

$$P(t) = 1000 \cdot e^{0.41 \cdot t}$$

b) Find the population after 5 hours.

$$P(5) = 1000 \cdot e^{0.41 \cdot 5} \approx 2765$$

c) What is the time required to obtain 10000 bacteria.

$$10000 = P(t) = 1000 e^{0.41 t}$$

$$e^{0.41 \cdot t} = 10 \quad \xrightarrow{\text{apply } \ln} \quad 0.41 \cdot t = \ln(10) \quad t = \frac{\ln(10)}{0.41} \approx 5.62 \text{ hours}$$

Rate of growth

of a function.

$$\frac{dP(t)}{dt} = c \cdot P(t)$$

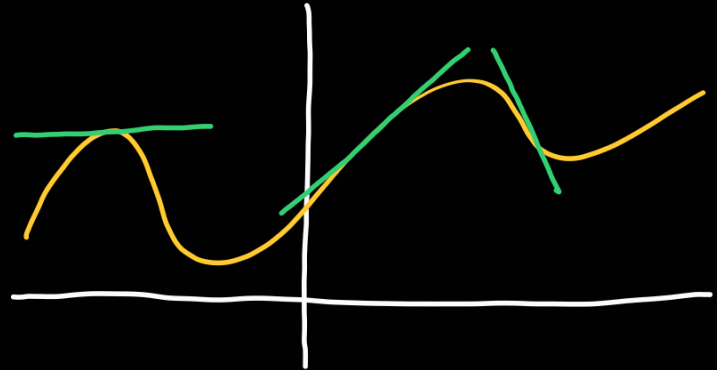
If $f(t)$ is a function

with $\frac{df(t)}{dt} = c \cdot f(t)$

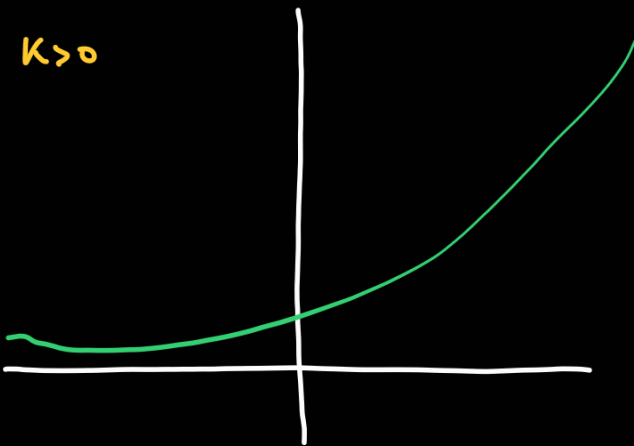
then $f(t)$ is an exponential.

Derivatives

"instantaneous rate of growth"

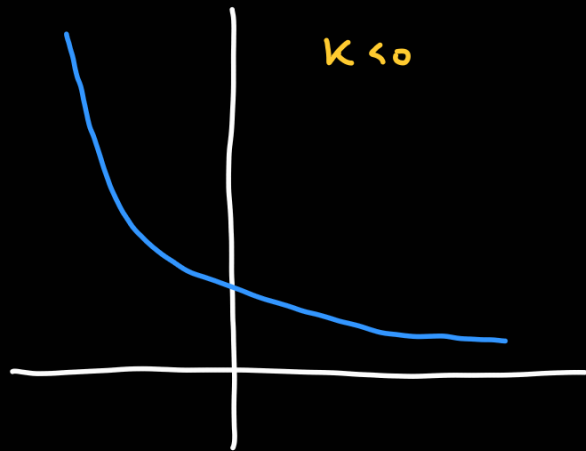


$k > 0$



exponential growth

$k < 0$



exponential decay

Doubling time:

$k > 0$ T

$$T = \frac{\ln(2)}{k}$$

Half-life:

$k < 0$ T

$$P(t+T) = 2 \cdot P(t)$$

↑ find T

$$P_0 \cdot e^{k \cdot (t+T)} = 2 \cdot P_0 \cdot e^{k \cdot t}$$

$$2 e^{k \cdot T} = e^{k \cdot (t+T)}$$

$$P(t+T) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot P(t)$$

↑ find T

$$P_0 \cdot e^{-k \cdot (t+T)} = \frac{1}{2} P_0 \cdot e^{-k \cdot t}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} e^{-k \cdot T} = e^{-k \cdot (t+T)}$$

$$P(t) = P_0 \cdot e^{k \cdot t}$$

$k < 0$

$$P(t) = P_0 \cdot e^{-k \cdot t}$$

$k > 0$