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Answer questions in the space provided. Show your work. No calculators or notes.

1. For $x > 0$, $x^n = e^{\ln(x^n)} = e^{n \ln(x)}$. We can use this identity to show that $\frac{d}{dx}(x^n) = nx^{n-1}$, for $x > 0$ with constant n .

- (a) (2 points) Determine $\frac{d}{dx}(e^{n \ln(x)})$. [Do not convert back to x^n and use the power rule]

$$\text{let } u = n \ln(x), \text{ then } \frac{d}{dx}(e^{n \ln(x)}) = \frac{d}{du}(e^u) \cdot \frac{du}{dx}$$

by the chain rule.

$$\frac{d}{du}(e^u) = e^u, \quad \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{n}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(e^{n \ln(x)}) = e^u \left(\frac{n}{x}\right) = \frac{ne^{n \ln(x)}}{x}$$

- (b) (1 point) Rewrite your answer from part (a) in a form that does not contain e or \ln .

$$e^{n \ln(x)} = x^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(e^{n \ln(x)}) = \frac{nx^n}{x} = nx^{n-1}$$

2. (3 points) Is $y(t) = (\frac{2}{3}t + 1)^{\frac{3}{2}}$ a solution to the following differential equation? [You must show work to receive marks]

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y^{\frac{1}{3}}, \quad y(0) = 1$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}t + 1\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \left(\frac{2}{3}t + 1\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

(by the chain rule)

$$\left(\frac{2}{3}t + 1\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \left(\left(\frac{2}{3}t + 1\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = y^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\text{Also } y(0) = \left(\frac{2}{3} \cdot 0 + 1\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 1$$

So $y(t)$ satisfies the differential equation and the initial condition and is thus a solution.

3. For constant C , $y(t) = \sqrt{2t + C}$ is a solution to the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{1}{y}$$

(a) (1 point) Determine the value of C so that $y(t)$ satisfies the initial condition $y(0) = y_0$, where $y(0) > 0$.

$$y(0) = \sqrt{2 \cdot 0 + C} = y_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{C} = y_0$$

$$\Rightarrow C = y_0^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = \sqrt{2t + y_0^2}$$

(b) (1 point) For $y(0) > 0$, determine the time it takes for $y(t)$ to become three times its initial value.

Find t where $y(t) = 3y_0$.

$$\Rightarrow 3y_0 = \sqrt{2t + y_0^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 9y_0^2 = 2t + y_0^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 8y_0^2 = 2t$$

$$\Leftrightarrow t = 4y_0^2$$

4.

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 3 - y, \quad y(0) = 2$$

(a) (1 point) Determine the solution to the differential equation.

A differential equation of the form

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = a - by, \quad y(0) = y_0 \quad \text{has the}$$

$$\text{solution} \quad y(t) = \frac{a}{b} - \left(\frac{a}{b} - y_0\right)e^{-bt}$$

\Rightarrow When $a=3$, $b=1$, and $y_0=2$

$$y(t) = 3 - (3-2)e^{-t} = 3 - e^{-t}$$

(b) (1 point) Determine $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t)$.

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (3 - e^{-t}) = 3,$$

$$\text{as } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (e^{-t}) = 0.$$