

• Solution of some DE's

Exp How to solve 1<sup>st</sup> order, linear IVP with constant coefficients and has the form:

$y' = ay - b, a \neq 0, y(0) = y_0$  (A)

• We use the method of calculus:

$\frac{dy}{dt} = ay - b$

separable

$\frac{dy}{dt} = a \left( y - \frac{b}{a} \right) \Rightarrow \int \frac{dy}{y - \frac{b}{a}} = \int a dt$

$\ln \left| y - \frac{b}{a} \right| = at + c$

$\left| y - \frac{b}{a} \right| = e^{at+c}$

Note that  $y^* = \frac{b}{a}$  is the Eq. Sol.

$y - \frac{b}{a} = \pm e^c e^{at}$

$y(t) = \frac{b}{a} + D e^{at}, D = \pm e^c$

• To find the constant D, we use the IC  $y(0) = y_0$

$y(0) = \frac{b}{a} + D \Leftrightarrow y_0 = \frac{b}{a} + D \Leftrightarrow D = y_0 - \frac{b}{a}$

• Hence, the solution of the IVP (A) is

$y(t) = \frac{b}{a} + \left( y_0 - \frac{b}{a} \right) e^{at} \rightarrow A^*$

•  $A^*$  is also called the general sol. because it contains all possible solutions, based on values of  $y_0$ .



Exp Solve the IVP:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{dv}{dt} = 9.8 - 0.2V, \quad v(0) = 0 \quad \text{"Free Fall"}$$

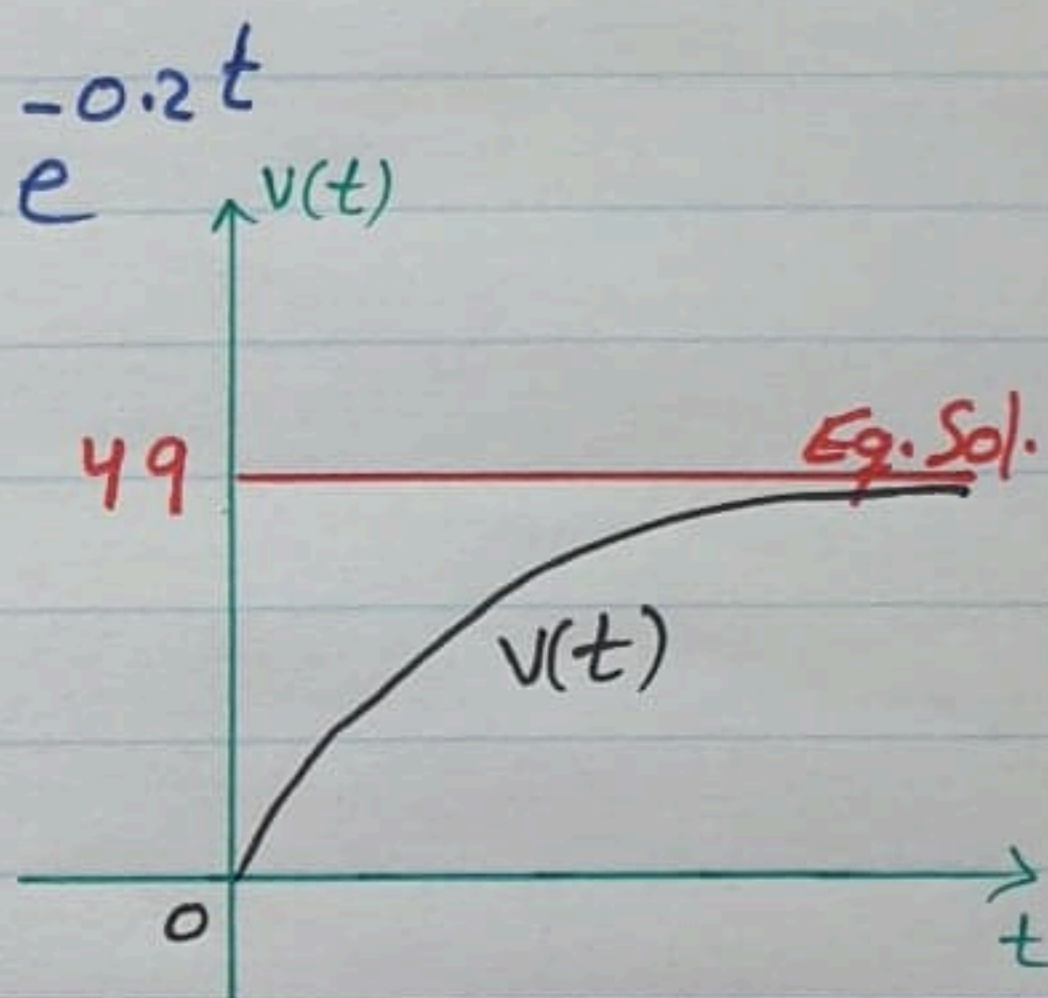
→ compare with (A):  $y' = ay - b \Rightarrow a = -0.2$   
 $b = -9.8$

→ Apply  $A^*$  since the DE is 1<sup>st</sup> order linear with constant coefficients

$$v(t) = \frac{b}{a} + \left( V_0 - \frac{b}{a} \right) e^{at}$$

$$= \frac{-9.8}{-0.2} + \left( 0 - \frac{-9.8}{-0.2} \right) e^{-0.2t}$$

$$v(t) = 49 - 49 e^{-0.2t}$$



Clearly  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} v(t) = 49$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \frac{dP}{dt} = 0.5P - 450, \quad P(0) = 850 \quad \text{"Mice and Owls"}$$

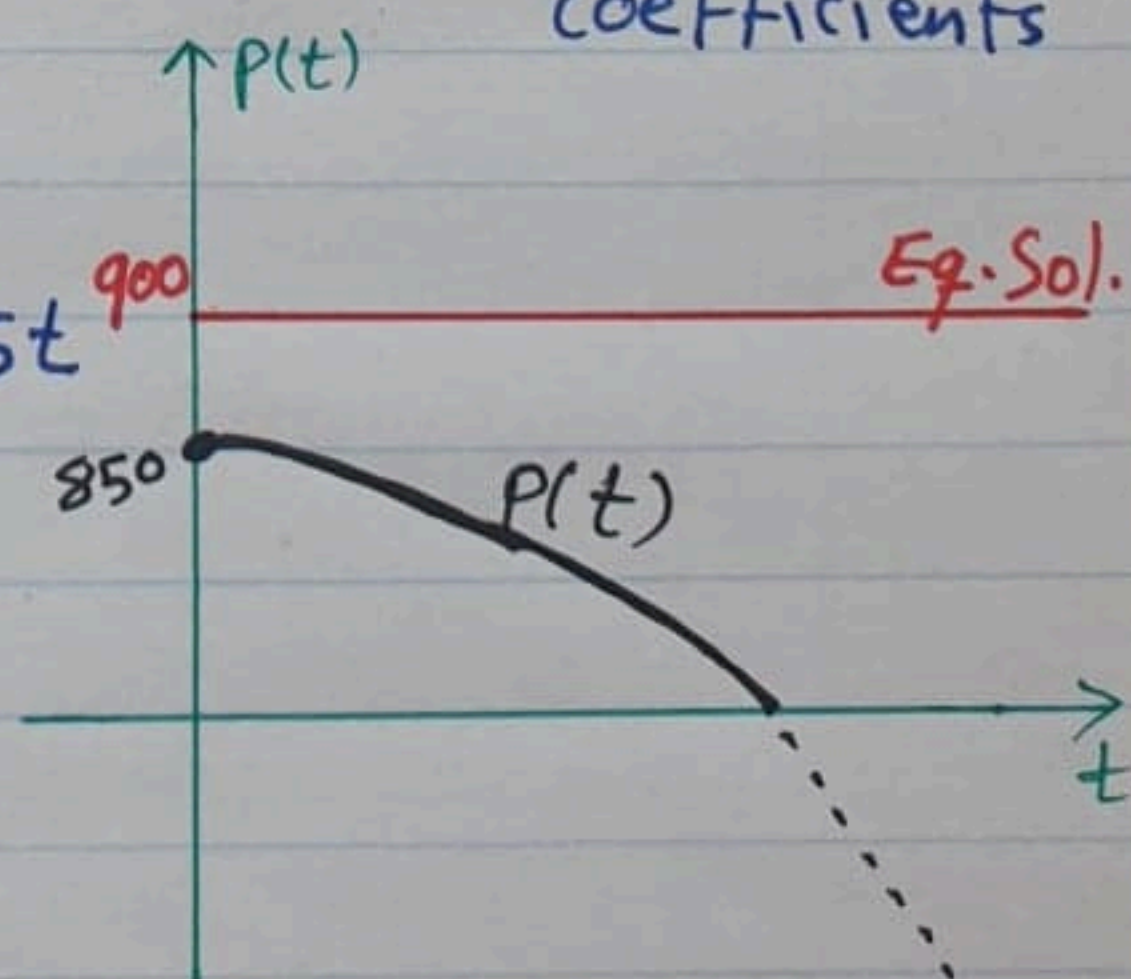
→ compare with (A):  $y' = ay - b \Rightarrow a = 0.5, b = 450$

→ Apply  $A^*$  since the DE is 1<sup>st</sup> order linear with constant coefficients

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

$$= \frac{450}{0.5} + \left( 850 - \frac{450}{0.5} \right) e^{0.5t}$$

$$P(t) = 900 - 50 e^{0.5t}$$



$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P(t) = 0$  since we talk about population



Exp Given the IVP:  $\dot{y} - 2y = -4$ ,  $y(0) = 3$ . Find  $y(\ln 2)$

- $\dot{y} = 2y - 4$  This DE satisfy (A) with  $a = 2, b = 4$
- Apply  $A^*$   $\Rightarrow y(t) = \frac{b}{a} + (y_0 - \frac{b}{a})e^{at}$   $\frac{b}{a} = 2$

$y(t) = 2 + e^{2t}$  is the sol. of this IVP.

Now  $y(\ln 2) = 2 + e^{2 \ln 2} = 2 + e^{\ln 4} = 2 + 4 = 6$

Exp Assume a Bacteria population  $p(t)$  increases proportionally to its current size. If the population doubles in two days, when it will triple?

- $\frac{dp}{dt} \propto p \Rightarrow \frac{dp}{dt} = a p$   $a$ : growth rate

- This DE satisfy (A) with  $b = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{b}{a} = 0$

- Apply  $A^*$  to find the sol.  $\Rightarrow$

$p(t) = \frac{b}{a} + (p_0 - \frac{b}{a})e^{at} \Rightarrow p(t) = p_0 e^{at}$

- Since the population doubles in two days  $\Rightarrow p(2) = 2 p_0$

$p(2) = p_0 e^{2a} = 2 p_0 \Leftrightarrow e^{2a} = 2 \Leftrightarrow 2a = \ln 2$   
 $\Leftrightarrow a = \frac{\ln 2}{2}$

- We need to find the time  $t^*$  s.t:

$p(t^*) = 3 p_0$

$p_0 e^{at^*} = 3 p_0$   
 $e^{at^*} = 3$

$\Rightarrow a t^* = \ln 3 \Rightarrow t^* = \frac{\ln 3}{a} = \frac{\ln 3}{\frac{\ln 2}{2}} = \frac{\ln 3}{\ln 2} = \frac{\ln 9}{\ln 2}$