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Math 111: Final Review 4b

1. You have a group of Z teachers who are anxious to get add days to the school year. The talk about added days can be modeled by the function:

$$S(t) = \frac{Z}{5 + Pe^{-kt}} \quad t = \text{time in hours, } S(t) \text{ is the number of teachers talking about added days at time } t. \quad P \text{ and } k \text{ are constants.}$$

- a) Find $t_{25\%}$ (the time at which 25% of the teachers are talking about adding days). Express your answer in terms of P and k .

$$\begin{aligned} 0.25Z &= \frac{Z}{5 + Pe^{-kt}} \\ 0.25Z(5 + Pe^{-kt}) &= Z \quad / 0.25Z \\ 5 + Pe^{-kt} &= 4 \\ Pe^{-kt} &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \cdot e^{-kt} &= -1/P = -P^{-1} \\ \frac{-kt}{-k} &= \ln(-P^{-1}) = -\ln(-P) \\ t &= \frac{\ln(-P)}{k} \end{aligned}$$

- b) Suppose $Z = 40$. Find P if $S(0) = 4$

$$\begin{aligned} 4 &= \frac{40}{5 + Pe^{-k(0)}} \\ 20 + 4P &= 40 \quad P = 5 \\ 4P &= 20 \end{aligned}$$

- c) Use the value of P that you found in part b to find k , if $S = 7$ at $t = 32$ hours. You may leave your answer as an unsimplified logarithm.

$$\begin{aligned} 7 &= \frac{40}{5 + 5e^{-k(32)}} \\ 35 + 35e^{-32k} &= 40 \\ 35e^{-32k} &= 5 \\ 1 \cdot e^{-32k} &= 0.142857 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -32k &= \ln 0.142857 \\ k &= \frac{\ln 0.142857}{-32} \end{aligned}$$

2. In a group project in learning theory, a model for proportion P of correct answers after n tests was found to be:

$$P(n) = \frac{R}{1.5 + Te^{kn}} \quad R \text{ is a constant.}$$

- a) Find $n_{40\%}$ (the number trial at which 40% of the possible responses are correct) in terms of T and n .

$$\begin{aligned} 0.4R &= \frac{R}{1.5 + Te^{kn}} \\ 0.4R(1.5 + Te^{kn}) &= R \\ 0.4R \quad 0.4R & \quad \nearrow \\ 1.5 + Te^{kn} &= 2.5 \\ Te^{kn} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Te^{kn} &= 1/T = T^{-1} \\ \ln Te^{kn} &= \ln T^{-1} = -\ln T \\ \frac{kn}{k} &= \frac{-\ln T}{k} \\ n &= \frac{-\ln T}{k} \end{aligned}$$

- b) Suppose $R = 50$, find T if $P(0) = 5$.

$$\begin{aligned} 5 &= \frac{50}{1.5 + Te^{k(0)}} \\ 5(1.5 + T(1)) &= 50 \quad T = 8.5 \\ 7.5 + 5T &= 50 \\ 5T &= 42.5 \end{aligned}$$

- c) Use the value of T that you found in part b to find k , if $S = 26$ at $n = 12$ tests. You may leave your answer as an unsimplified logarithm.

$$\begin{aligned} 26 &= \frac{50}{1.5 + 8.5e^{k(12)}} \\ 26(1.5 + 8.5e^{12k}) &= 50 \\ 1.5 + 8.5e^{12k} &= 1.923 \\ 8.5e^{12k} &= 0.423 \\ \ln e^{12k} &= 0.0498 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{12k}{12} &= \frac{\ln 0.0498}{12} \\ k &= \frac{\ln 0.0498}{12} \end{aligned}$$