

Mathematics 122

Quiz #36

Name: key

You must show your work to get full credit.

A tank holding 100 gallons starts with 15 lbs of salt dissolved in it. Pure water starts to flow into the tank at 3 gallons/hour and well mixed water flows out at the same rate. Let $S(t)$ be the amount of salt in the tank t hours after the water starts to flow into the tank.

- 1 pt (1) What is the concentration of the salt (that is the amount per gallon) at time t ?

There are $S(t)$ lbs of salt and 100 gallons so it is $\frac{S(t)}{100}$ ↑

- 1 pt (2) What is the rate that the salt is leaving the tank expressed in terms of $S(t)$ and the volume and flow rate?

Rate is $-\frac{3}{100} S(t)$
There are $\frac{S(t)}{100}$ lbs of salt/gallon and water is leaving at 3 gal/hr.
so rate is $-3 \frac{S(t)}{100}$ lbs/hr.

- 1 pt (3) Write a differential equation for $S(t)$. $\frac{dS}{dt} = -\frac{3}{100} S$

$\frac{dS}{dt}$ = rate of change of salt, but
by (2) this is $-\frac{3}{100} S$

- 1 pt (4) Solve this differential equation. $S(t) = 15 e^{-\frac{3}{100} t} = 15 e^{-0.03 t}$
 $\frac{dS}{dt} = -\frac{3}{100} S(t)$ $S(0) = 15$ so ↑

- 1 pt (5) How long before only 2 lbs of the salt are left?

Set

$$S(t) = 15 e^{-0.03 t} = 2$$

$$t = 67.16 \text{ hours.}$$

$$e^{-0.03 t} = 2/15$$

$$-0.03 t = \ln(2/15)$$

$$t = \frac{\ln(2/15)}{-0.03} = 67.16 \text{ hours}$$