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## ASSIGNMENT I

### Question 1

Define a dynamic equation

Answer

A dynamic equation is an equation [most times a differential equation], that has time "t" as its independent variable. That is the equation of a mathematical model [dynamic system] that varies with time; the equation can be used to make predictions about the system / models future behavior

Examples of dynamic equations are;

1) Radioactive Decay

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = -kN \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{The dis-integration of an element with} \\ \text{respect to time} \end{array} \right]$$

2) Newtons law of cooling

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = -k [T - T_a] \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{The rate of cooling of a system} \end{array} \right]$$

3) Velocity

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = v(t)$$

4) Acceleration

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = a(t)$$

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Question 2

$y = Ate^t \rightarrow$  develop a dynamic model

Solution

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = A [te^t + e^t(1)]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = Ae^t [t + 1]$$

from original equation  $y = Ate^t$

$$A = \frac{y}{te^t}$$

Substituting we have

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{y}{te^t} \cdot e^t [t + 1]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{y}{t} [t + 1]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{yt}{t} + \frac{y}{t}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y + \frac{y}{t}$$

$$t \frac{dy}{dt} = yt + y$$