

8-3 Exponential Review

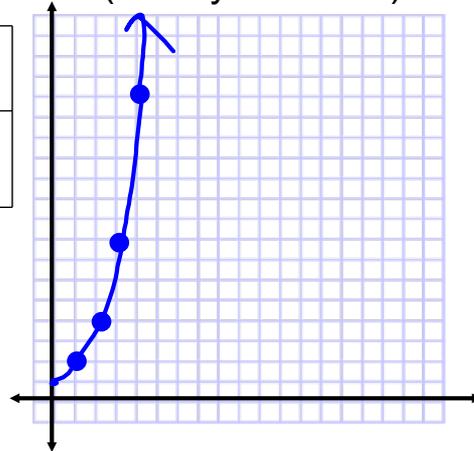
Warm-Up

1. Find the next three terms in the sequence

2, 6, 18, 54, 162, 486, 1458, 1458

2. Fill in the table, then plot the points (label your scale)

n	0	1	2	3	4	5
f(n)	1	2	4	8	16	32



EXPONENTIAL FUNCTION

$$f(x) = \underline{a}(\underline{b})^x \leftarrow \text{Exponent}$$

Initial Value

Base

* (y-intercept)

(Multiplier)

Exponential Growth and Decay

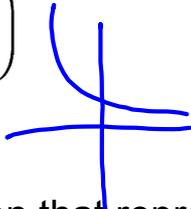
When $b > 1$, the function represents **exponential growth**

When $0 < b < 1$, the function represents **exponential decay**

Determine whether each function represents growth or decay

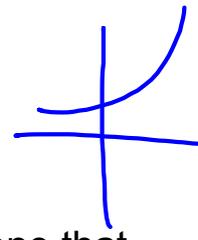
a. $f(x) = 13\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x$

decay



b. $g(x) = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^x$

growth



Write one equation that represents growth and one that represent decay

John researches a baseball card and find that it is currently worth \$3.25. However, it is supposed to increase in value 11% per year.

$$f(t) = a(1 \pm r)^t$$

a) Write an exponential equation to represent this situation

$$f(t) = 3.25(1.11)^t$$

b) How much will the card be worth in 10 years?

$$\underline{f(10)} = 3.25(1.11)^{10} = \underline{\$9.23}$$

c) Use your graphing calculator to determine in how many years will the card be worth \$26.

$$26 = 3.25(1.11)^t$$

$$y_1 = 26$$

$$y_2 = 3.25(1.11)^t$$

$$t = 20 \text{ years}$$

You Try!

On federal income tax returns, self employed people can depreciate the value of business equipment. Suppose a computer valued at \$2765 depreciates at a rate of 30% per year.

$$f(t) = a(1 \pm r)^t$$

a) Write an exponential equation to model this situation

$$f(t) = 2765(.7)^t$$

b) How much will this computer be worth in 5 years?

$$\$469.71$$

c) Use your graphing calculator to determine in how many years will the computer be worth \$350.

$$350 = 2765(.7)^t$$

$$t = 5.8 \text{ yrs}$$

The population of Orem in 1950 was 4,000 and was increasing at a rate of 2.6% per year.

a) Predict the population of Orem in 1975 and 2000.

$$f(t) = 4000(1.026)^t$$

$$f(25) = 4000(1.026)^{25} = 7599$$

$$f(50) = 4000(1.026)^{50} = 14435$$

b) Using your graphing calculator, predict when Orem's population will hit 200,000 people.

$$200,000 = 4000(1.026)^t$$

$$t = 152.9 \text{ yrs after 1950}$$

$$2102$$

The half-life of Carbon-14 is 5700 years. If a fossil decayed from 15 grams to 1.875 grams, how old is the fossil? (use your calculator)

$$f(t) = a \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{t}{n}}$$

$$1.875 = 15 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{t}{5700}}$$

$$t = 17,100 \text{ yrs}$$

Compound Interest Formula

P is the principal

r is the annual interest rate

n is the number of compounding periods per year

t is the time in years

$$A(t) = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$$

Write an equation then find the final amount for each investment.

- a. \$1000 at 8% compounded semiannually for 15 years

$$A(15) = 1000 \left(1 + \frac{0.08}{2}\right)^{2(15)} = \$3,273.40$$

→ annually = 1
 semiannually = 2
 daily = 365

~~You Try!~~

- b. \$1750 at 3.65% compounded daily for 10 years

Using a calculator, determine how many years it will take for the amount to reach \$4000.

The value e is called the natural base

The exponential function with base e , $f(x)=e^x$, is called the natural exponential function.

$e \approx 2.71828182827 \dots$
what you need to know is $e \approx 2.7$

Many banks compound the interest on accounts daily or monthly. However, some banks compound interest continuously, or at every instant, by using the *continuous compounding formula*.

Continuous Compounding Formula

If P dollars are invested at an interest rate r , that is compounded continuously, then the amount, A , of the investment at time t is given by

$$A(t) = Pe^{rt}$$

A person invests \$1550 in an account that earns 4% annual interest compounded continuously. $A = Pe^{rt}$

a. Write an equation to represent this situation

$$A(t) = 1550e^{0.04t}$$

b. Using a calculator, find when the value of the investment reaches \$2000. $2000 = 1550e^{0.04t}$

An investment of \$1000 earns an annual interest rate of 7.6%.

Compare the final amounts after 8 years for interest compounded quarterly and for interest compounded continuously.

$$A(8) = 1000 \left(1 + \frac{0.076}{4} \right)^{4(8)}$$

$$A = 1000e^{0.076(8)} =$$