Chapter 6: Exponential & Logarithmic Functions

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6.3.D2 ~ Continuous Growth & Decay

Past due on: Period:

For each quantity *Q* that is changing over time *t*, answer the following questions:

- a. What is the quantity at time t = 0?
- b. Is the quantity increasing or decreasing over time?
- c. What is the percent per unit time growth or decay rate?
- d. Is the growth rate continuous?

	1. $Q = 25e^{0.032t}$	2. $Q = 2.7(0.12)^t$	3. $Q = 158(1.137)^t$	4. $Q = 50e^{1.05t}$
a.				
b.				
c.				
d.				

- 5. You inherit \$25,000 and deposit it into an account that earns 4.5% annual interest compounded quarterly.
 - a. Write an equation for the balance, B, as a function of time, t. (Do not round the growth factor.)
 - b. How much money will be in the account after 10 years?
 - c. If the interest in the account were compounded continuously at 4.5%, how much money would be in the account after 10 years?

An initial quantity Q_0 and a growth/decay rate are given. (a) Give a formula for Q as a function of time t. (b) Find the value of the quantity at t = 10, if we assume that the growth/decay rate is not continuous and continuous.

6. $Q_0 = 100$; growth rate of 5%

	Not continuous	Continuous
(a)		
(b)		

7. $Q_0 = 500$; decay rate of	of 7%	
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	Not continuous	Continuous
(a)		
(b)		

- 8. At the start of a study, the size of a particular animal population was 4165. Write a function formula for the size of an animal population, P, in t years since the start of the study.
 - a. Escalating at a continuous rate of 12% each year.
 - Lessening at a constant rate of 345 animals every 52 weeks. b.
 - Climbing at a steady rate of 67 animals every twelve months. c.
 - d. Rising at a rate of 8.9% annually.
 - Diminishing at a continuous rate of 11% every July 31st. e.
 - Declining at a yearly rate of 13.4%. f.

- 9. World poultry production was 94.7 million tons in the year 2009 and increasing at a continuous rate of 1.1% per year. Assume that this growth rate continues.
 - a. Write an exponential function for world poultry production, *P*, as a function of the number of years, *t*, since 2009.
 - b. Use the function to estimate world poultry production in the year 2015.
- 10. A radioactive substance decays at a continuous rate of 14% per year, and 50 mg of the substance is present in the year 2009.
 - a. Write an exponential function for the amount present, *A*, *t* years after 2009.
 - b. How much will be present in the year 2019?
- 11. A population of 3.2 million grows at a constant percentage rate. What is the population one century later if there is:
 - a. An annual growth rate of 2%?
 - b. A continuous growth rate of 2%?
- 12. An investment of \$7000 earns interest at a continuous annual rate of 5.2%. What is the investment's value in 7 years?
- 13. Find the effective annual rate if \$1000 is deposited at 5% annual interest, compounded continuously.
- 14. Rank the following three bank deposit options from best to worst and explain your reasoning.
 - Bank A: 7% compounded daily
 - Bank B: 7.1% compounded monthly
 - Bank C: 7.05% compounded continuously