

# CHAPTER 6 – EXPONENTIAL & LOGARITHMIC FUNCTIONS

## 6.1.D1 ~ Exponential Functions & Their Graphs

### OBJECTIVES

- Demonstrate an understanding of the characteristics, behaviors, formulas, graphs, and applications of exponential functions
- Identify the properties of the graph of an exponential function
- Describe the effects of parameters in the formula for an exponential function

### Exploration:

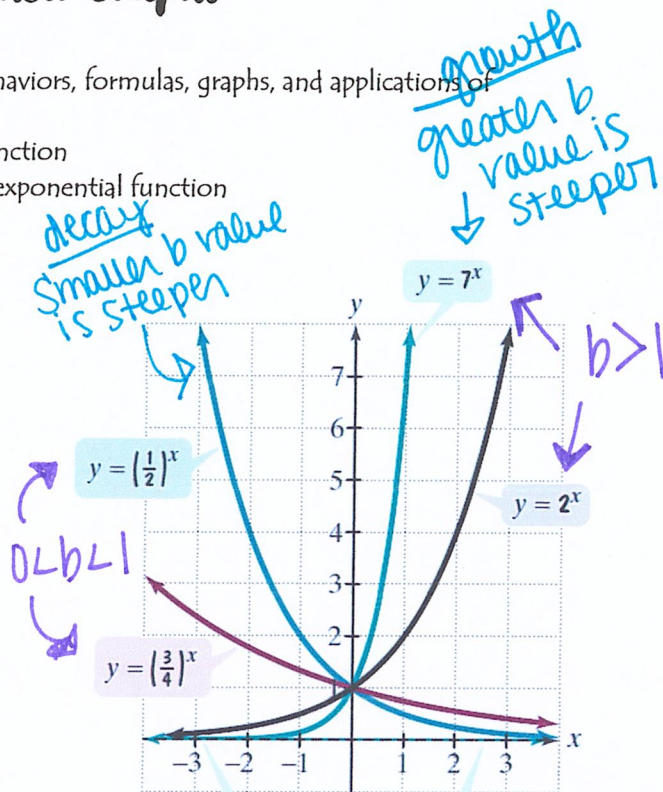
The graphs of four exponential functions are graphed. Compare the graphs of those functions with  $b > 1$  to those with  $0 < b < 1$ .

How are they similar?

same y-int  $(0,1)$  Range  $(0, \infty)$   
 domain  $(-\infty, \infty)$  no x-int.

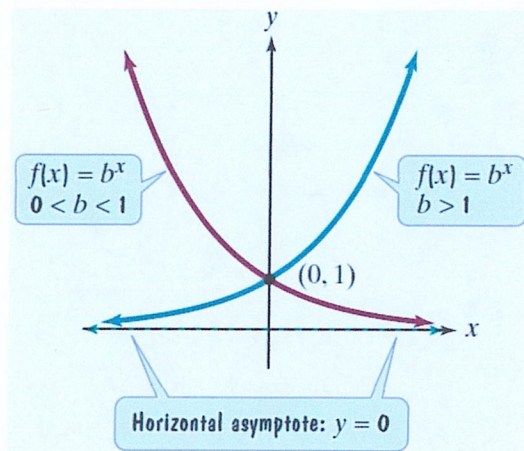
How are they different?

$b > 1$  are increasing  
 $0 < b < 1$  are decreasing



### ❖ Graphs of Exponential Functions

- $y = a(b)^x$ 
  - Domain: all real numbers  $(-\infty, \infty)$
  - Range:  $y > 0$   $(0, \infty)$
  - Vertical/y-intercept:  $(0, a)$  or evaluate:  $f(0)$
  - If  $b > 1$ ,  $b$  is the growth factor
    - The function is increasing
  - If  $0 < b < 1$ ,  $b$  is the decay factor
    - The function is decreasing
  - There is NO horizontal/x-intercept
  - Horizontal asymptote:  $y = 0$



### ❖ The Effect of the Parameter $a$

- Tells us where the graph crosses the  $y$ -axis: the  $y$ -intercept

$a(b)^x$

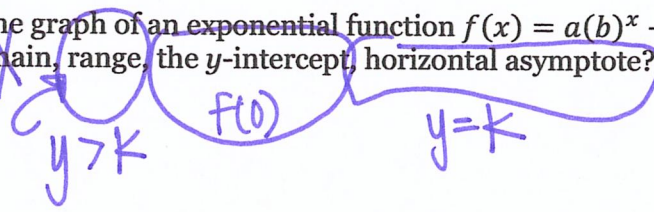
Because  $f(0) = a(b)^0 = a$

### ❖ The Effect of the Parameter $b$

- If  $b > 1$ , the graph increases from left to right
  - The greater the value of  $b$ , the more rapidly the graph rises
- If  $0 < b < 1$ , the graph decreases from left to right
  - The smaller the value of  $b$ , the more rapidly the graph falls

Think About It?

- What happens to the graph of an exponential function  $f(x) = a(b)^x + k$ ? What changes: domain, range, the  $y$ -intercept, horizontal asymptote? How would it change?



❖ **VERTICAL INTERCEPT**

- How would you find the vertical intercept of an exponential function with an equation of the form  $f(x) = a(b)^x + k$ ?

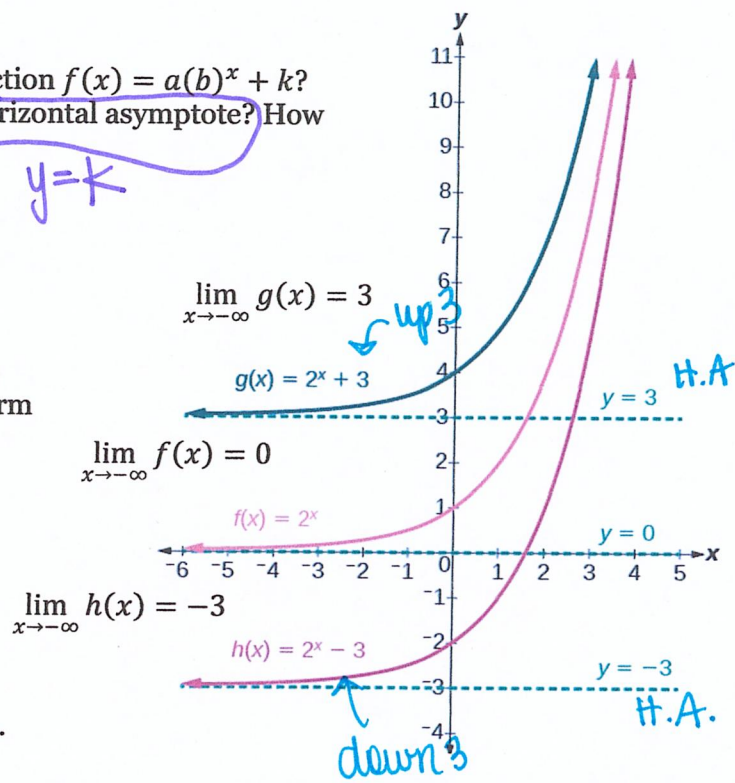
Evaluate  $f(0)$

❖ **HORIZONTAL ASYMPTOTE**

- The horizontal line  $y = k$  is a horizontal asymptote of a function,  $f(x) = a(b)^x + k$ 
  - The horizontal asymptote also is used to describe the range of the exponential function.

❖ **END BEHAVIOR**

- Exponential Growth
  - $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = k$  &  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$
- Exponential Decay
  - $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \infty$  &  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = k$



Examples:

1.  $Q(t) = 6(1.03)^t + 0$

- What is the vertical intercept of the graph?  $0$
- Is the graph of  $Q$  increasing or decreasing?  $\leftarrow$
- What is the equation of the horizontal asymptote of the graph?  $y = 0$
- $\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} Q(t) = 0$
- $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} Q(t) = \infty$
- Range:  $y > 0$

Evaluate  $f(0)$

$y = k$

2.  $Q(t) = 6(0.97)^t + 3$

- What is the vertical intercept of the graph?  $9$
- Is the graph of  $Q$  increasing or decreasing?  $\rightarrow$
- What is the equation of the horizontal asymptote of the graph?  $y = 3$
- $\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} Q(t) = \infty$
- $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} Q(t) = 3$
- Range:  $y > 3$

$y = k$

$y = 3$

# 6.1.D2 ~ Exponential Functions

## OBJECTIVES

- Demonstrate an understanding of the characteristics, behaviors, formulas, graphs, and applications of exponential functions
- Construct exponential models algebraically from tables
- Determine the growth or decay factor of an exponential function

### ❖ Exponential Functions

➤ Functions whose equations contain a **VARIABLE IN THE EXPONENT**.

➤ The exponential function  $f$  with base  $b$  is defined by  $f(x) = a(b)^x$  or  $y = a(b)^x$  where  $a$  is nonzero,  $b > 0$  &  $b \neq 1$ , and  $x$  is any real number.

- $a$  is the **INITIAL VALUE** of  $f$  (the value at  $x = 0$ ), &  $b$  is the **base**, aka the **CHANGE FACTOR**
  - If  $b > 1$ ,  $b$  is the growth factor
  - If  $0 < b < 1$ ,  $b$  is the decay factor

*initial value*  
*base/ change factor*

### Examples:

- The balance  $B(t)$ , in dollars, of an investment account is defined by  $B(t) = 5500(1.12)^t$ , where  $t$  is the number of years.
  - What is the initial balance of the investment account? *\$5500*
  - Identify  $b$ . Is it a growth factor or a decay factor?  *$b = 1.12$  growth factor*
  - What is the balance of the investment account after 10 years?

*$5500(1.12)^{10} \approx \$17082.17$*

### ❖ Finding an Exponential Function from its Table of Values

➤ In an exponential function equally spaced input values yield output values whose successive ratios are constant.

- In each case, the **CHANGE FACTOR** is the base,  $b$ , of the exponential function.

- **Change factor = what you multiply by**

INPUT	OUTPUT
$x_1$ $a$	$f(a)$ $y_1$
$x_2$ $b$	$f(b)$ $y_2$

$b = \text{ratio} = \frac{f(b)}{f(a)} = \frac{y_2}{y_1}$

➤ Observe the patterns in the  $g(x)$  and  $h(x)$  columns of Table 3.2.

**Table 3.2 Values for Two Exponential Functions**

$x$	$g(x)$	$h(x)$
-2	$4/9$	128
-1	$4/3$	32
0	4	8
1	12	2
2	36	$1/2$

*Handwritten notes on the table:*  
 For  $g(x)$ :  $4/9 \times 3 = 4/3$ ,  $4/3 \times 3 = 4$ ,  $4 \times 3 = 12$ ,  $12 \times 3 = 36$ .  
 For  $h(x)$ :  $128 \times 1/4 = 32$ ,  $32 \times 1/4 = 8$ ,  $8 \times 1/4 = 2$ ,  $2 \times 1/4 = 1/2$ .  
 Initial values are circled:  $a = 4$  for  $g(x)$  and  $a = 8$  for  $h(x)$ .

The function  $g(x)$  has an initial value of 4; its output values increase by a factor of 3.

Therefore,  $g(x) = 4(3)^x$

The function  $h(x)$  has an initial value of 8; its output values decrease by a factor of 1/4.

Therefore,  $h(x) = 8(1/4)^x$

*\* If you see division, then  $b = \text{reciprocal}$ .*

Examples:

Determine a formula for each exponential function.

2.  $f(x) = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x$

3.  $g(x) = 12 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x$

$x$	$f(x)$	$g(x)$
-2	6	108
-1	3	36
0	$\frac{3}{2}$	12
1	$\frac{3}{4}$	4
2	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{4}{3}$

*Handwritten notes: For f(x), 6 to 3 is  $\div 2$ , 3 to 3/2 is  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ . For g(x), 108 to 36 is  $\div 3$ , 36 to 12 is  $\div 3$ , 12 to 4 is  $\div 3$ , 4 to 4/3 is  $\times \frac{1}{3}$ .*

4. The population of Russia in selected years can be approximated by the following table:

Year	1995	1996	1997	2000	2006	2009	2011
Population (millions)	148.0	147.6	146.9	146.0	143.0	142.0	140.2

a. Let  $b$  be the ratio between the population of Russia in 1996 & 1995. Find  $b$ . Round to 3 decimal places. Then determine an exponential function of the form  $y = a(b)^t$  to represent the population of Russia with  $t$  representing the years since 1995.

$b = \frac{y_2}{y_1} \Rightarrow$

$b = \frac{147.6}{148.0} \approx 0.997$

$y = 148(0.997)^t$

b. Use the function to predict the population of Russia in 2020.

2020  $\rightarrow t = 25$

$P(25) \approx 137.3$  million

### 6.1.D3 ~ Constant Percent Rate

OBJECTIVES

- Demonstrate an understanding of the characteristics, behaviors, formulas, graphs, and applications of exponential functions
- Determine the growth or decay factor (and rate) of an exponential function
- Write and analyze the formula for an exponential function given numerically or verbally

❖ **Exponential functions represent quantities that change at a constant percent rate,  $r$ .**

➤ Exponential Growth:  $f(x) = a(1+r)^x$

▪ Growth Factor vs. Growth Rate

- The growth factor,  $b = 1 + r$
- The growth rate,  $r = (\text{base} - 1) \times 100$

➤ Exponential Decay:  $f(x) = a(1-r)^x$

▪ Decay Factor vs. Decay Rate

- The decay factor,  $b = 1 - r$
- The decay rate,  $r = (\text{base} - 1) \times 100$   
*Ignore the negative.*

Examples:

1. Determine the growth and decay factors and/or the growth and decay rates (written as a percent) in the following tables.

*base*      *(base-1) x 100%*

GROWTH FACTOR	GROWTH RATE
1.002	0.2%
1.029	2.9% $\rightarrow 0.029$
2.23	123%

$b = 1 + R$

*base*      *(base-1) x 100%*

DECAY FACTOR	DECAY RATE
0.77	23%
0.32	68% = 0.68
0.953	4.7%

$b = 1 - R$

$$\text{Rate} = (\text{base} - 1) \times 100$$

Tell whether the population model is an exponential growth function or an exponential decay function, and find the growth rate or decay rate.

3. San Jose:  $P(t) = 898,759(1.0064)^t$

GROWTH OR DECAY?

RATE:

$$0.04\% \quad \text{growth} \quad (1.0064 - 1) \times 100$$

4. Detroit:  $P(t) = 1,203,368(0.9858)^t$

GROWTH OR DECAY?

RATE:

$$1.42\% \quad \text{decay} \quad (0.9858 - 1) \times 100$$

Write the formula for the exponential function,  $f(x) = a(b)^x$ , described.

5. Determine the exponential function with an initial value of 12; increasing at a rate of 8% = 0.08

$$f(x) = 12(1.08)^x$$

$$b = 1 + R = 1 + 0.08 = 1.08$$

6. Determine the exponential function with an initial value of 15; decreasing at a rate of 4.6% = 0.046

$$f(x) = 15(0.954)^x$$

$$b = 1 - R = 1 - 0.046 = 0.954$$

7. You have just purchased a new automobile for \$22,000. Much to your dismay, you have just learned that the value of your car will depreciated by 30% per year! Let
- $V(t)$
- represent the automobile's value (in thousands of dollars) after
- $t$
- years. Determine the exponential function that models the value. Then determine the value of the car after three years of ownership.

$$R = 0.30$$

$$b = 1 - R = 0.70$$

$$a = 22000$$

$$V = 22000(0.70)^t$$

$$V(3) = \$7540$$

## 6.2.D1 ~ Exponential Function Modeling

### OBJECTIVES

- Demonstrate an understanding of the characteristics, behaviors, formulas, graphs, and applications of exponential functions
- Determine the growth or decay factor (and rate) of an exponential function
- Write and analyze the formula for an exponential function given numerically or verbally

### ❖ Finding Change Factors

- If the input values are 1 unit apart, the change factor is equal to the ratio of consecutive output values.
- What if the input values aren't 1 unit apart?
  - To calculate the change factor of an exponential function with points  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2)$ , raise the ratio of the output values to 1 over the difference in the input values:

$$b = \left(\frac{y_2}{y_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{x_2 - x_1}}$$

### Example:

1. Calculate the change factor for an exponential function that passes through
- $(10, 415)$
- &
- $(15, 677)$
- . Round
- $b$
- to three decimal places. Is the function growth or decay? What is the percent rate of change?

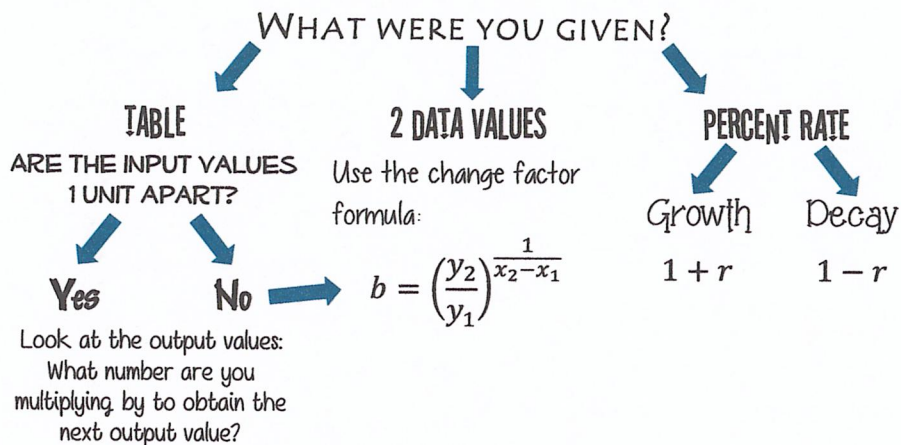
$$b = \left(\frac{677}{415}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}} \approx 1.103$$

$$\text{growth Rate} = 10.3\%$$

$$\text{Rate} = (\text{base} - 1) \times 100$$

**BACKER BREAKS IT DOWN:****WHAT IS B?**

(the base, change factor, growth factor, decay factor)

**Examples:**

2. On March 31, 2007, USAA Federal Savings Bank advertised a 5-year certificate of deposit (CD) with an annual percentage yield of 5.0%. Find an exponential function that models the value of a \$1000 investment in the CD as a function of the number of years the money has been invested.

$$V = 1000(1.05)^t$$

$$b = 1 + R = 1 + 0.05 = 1.05$$

3. You purchase a new Toyota Camry for \$21,500 and want to estimate its worth over the next 5 years assuming it will lose 15% of its value each year. Find an exponential function model for the value of the car.

$$V = 21500(0.85)^t$$

$$b = 1 - R = 1 - 0.15 = 0.85$$

$$R = 0.15$$

4. A news article titled "Study Indicates Volunteerism Rises Among Collegians" made the claim that "The number of college students volunteering grew more than 20 percent, from 2.7 million to 3.3 million, between 2002 and 2005." (Source: East Valley Tribune: October 16, 2006)

- a. Find the annual growth factor. Round  $b$  to three decimal places

$$b = \left(\frac{y_2}{y_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{x_2 - x_1}}$$

$$b = \left(\frac{3.3}{2.7}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \approx 1.069$$

- b. What is the annual growth rate?

$$(base - 1) \times 100$$

$$6.9\%$$

- c. Find an exponential model for the number of college-aged volunteers.

$$V = 2.7(1.069)^t$$

Given 2 points

$$(2002, 2.7)$$

$$(2005, 3.3)$$

## 6.2.D2 ~ Comparing Exponential and Linear Functions

### OBJECTIVES

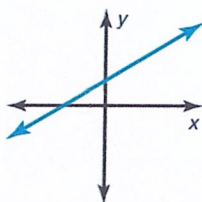
- Compare the characteristics, behaviors, formulas, graphs, and applications of linear and exponential functions
- Fit a formula to a function that is given numerically, graphically or verbally
- Calculate rates of change and change factors from tables and graphs

### ❖ Identifying Linear & Exponential Functions

➤ For a table of data that gives  $y$  as a function of  $x$  and in which  $\Delta x$  is constant:

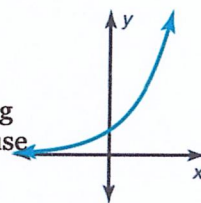
#### ▪ LINEAR

- The difference of consecutive  $y$ -values is constant
- Pattern: addition or subtraction
- $y = b + mx$
- $m$  represents the constant difference (aka slope)
  - ♦  $m$  is positive for addition; negative for subtraction
- $b$  is the initial value



#### ▪ EXPONENTIAL

- The ratio of consecutive  $y$ -values is constant
- Pattern: multiplication or division
- $y = a(b)^x$
- $b$  represents the constant ratio
  - ♦ This is the number being multiplied; if division, use the reciprocal
- $a$  is the initial value



### Examples:

Examine the output pattern to determine which of the following data sets is linear and which is exponential. For the linear set, write a linear equation of the form  $y = mx + b$ ; for the exponential set, write an exponential equation of the form  $y = a(b)^x$ .

1.

$x$	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4
$y$	-5	-1	3	7	11	15	19

addition pattern  $+4 = m$

Linear  $y = 4x + 3$

2.

$x$	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4
$y$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	2	8	32	128	512

mult. pattern  $\times 4 = b$

EXPO.  $y = 2(4)^x$

3.

$x$	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4
$y$	81	27	9	3	1	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{9}$

division pattern  $\div 3 \quad b = \frac{1}{3}$

EXPO.  $y = 9\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x$

### ❖ Writing Linear & Exponential Functions

#### Linear Functions

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$y = mx + b$$

- ① Calculate the change value.
- ② Substitute and solve for the initial value.
- ③ Write the function.

#### Exponential Functions

$$b = \left(\frac{y_2}{y_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{x_2 - x_1}}$$

$$y = a(b)^x$$

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

x y  
(2, 1)

Examples:

4. Find a formula, of the form  $y = mx + b$ , for the linear function  $f(x)$ .

①  $m = \frac{1 - 6}{2 - (-2)} = \frac{-5}{4}$     ②  $y = mx + b$   
 $1 = \frac{-5}{4}(2) + b$

③  $y = -\frac{5}{4}x + 3.5$

$1 = -2.5 + b$   
 $3.5 = b$

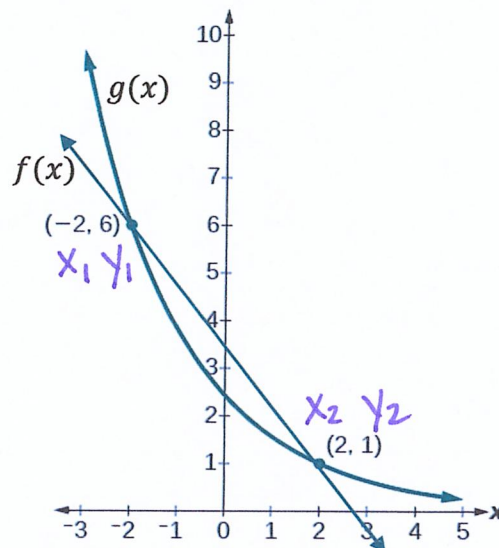
5. Find a formula, of the form  $y = a(b)^x$ , for the exponential function  $g(x)$ . Round the values of  $a$  to 2 decimal places &  $b$  to 3 decimal places.

$b = \left(\frac{y_2}{y_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{x_2 - x_1}}$   
 ①  $b = \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \approx 0.639$

②  $y = a(b)^x$   
 $1 = a(0.639)^2$

③  $y = 2.45(0.639)^x$

$\frac{1}{0.639^2} = a \approx 2.45$



## 6.2.D3 ~ Modeling with Exponential and Linear Functions

### OBJECTIVES

- Compare the characteristics, behaviors, formulas, graphs, and applications of linear and exponential functions
- Fit a formula to a function that is given numerically, graphically or verbally

### ❖ Identifying Linear & Exponential Functions

- Linear functions have a constant rate of change.
  - $y = mx + b$ 
    - $m$  represents the constant rate of change;  $b$  is the initial value (when  $x = 0$ )
- Exponential functions have a percent rate of change.
  - $y = a(1 + r)^x$  OR  $y = a(1 - r)^x$ 
    - $r$  represents the percent rate of change;  $a$  is the initial value (when  $x = 0$ )

Examples:

Decide whether the situation can best be represented with a linear or an exponential function.

1. Ali reads at a rate of 25 pages each hour. Linear
2. An investment account, with an initial balance of \$100, earns 3% interest each year. EXPO.
3. Connor receives a monthly allowance of \$75 and spends \$15 each week. Linear

↗  
CROC



Write the appropriate function – linear or exponential – that best represents the scenario.

4. In 2007, Lucky Brand Jeans advertised their Socialite Jean for \$118. Write a function that represents the cost,  $C$ , in terms of  $w$  weeks if the price is reduced by the given amount per week.

a. \$10 per week?

CROC  $C = 118 - 10w$

b. 10% per week?

10% ROC  $C = 118(0.90)^w$

### ❖ Writing Linear & Exponential Functions

#### Linear Functions

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$y = mx + b$$

① Calculate the change value.

② Substitute and solve for the initial value.

③ Write the function.

#### Exponential Functions

$$b = \left(\frac{y_2}{y_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{x_2 - x_1}}$$

$$y = a(b)^x$$

#### Example:

5. The value of a one-year old luxury automobile is \$50,000. Seven years later it is worth \$22,000.

a. If the value of the car decreases linearly, by how much does the value of the car depreciate each year?

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$m = \frac{22000 - 50000}{7 - 1} = \frac{-28000}{7} = -4000$$

\$4000/year

b. Write a function that represents the value of the car,  $V$ , if it has decreased at a constant rate each year,  $t$ .

$$y = mx + b$$

$$y = mx + b$$

$$50000 = (-4000)(1) + b$$

$$54000 = b$$

$$V = 54000 - 4000t$$

c. If the value of the car decreases exponentially, what is the percent decay rate?

$$b = \left(\frac{y_2}{y_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{x_2 - x_1}}$$

$$b = \left(\frac{22000}{50000}\right)^{\frac{1}{7}} \approx 0.889$$

Rate = 11.1%

d. Write a function that represents the value of the car,  $V$ , if it has decreased at a constant percent rate each year,  $t$ .

$$y = a(b)^x$$

$$y = a(b)^x$$

$$50000 = a(0.889)^1$$

$$\frac{50000}{0.889}$$

$$56242.97 \approx a$$

$$\$56243$$

$$V = 56243(0.889)^t$$

## 6.3.D1 ~ Compound Interest

### OBJECTIVES

- Demonstrate an understanding of applications of exponential functions to compound interest
- Identify and analyze the nominal and effective annual rates for compounded interest

### Calculating w/Compound Interest:

1. Suppose you deposit \$10,000 in an account that has a 6.5% annual interest rate (APR). If the interest is compounded monthly ( $n = 12$ ). What is your balance,  $A$ , at the end of 10 years?

$$A = 10000 \left(1 + \frac{0.065}{12}\right)^{120}$$

$$\$ 19121.84$$

**The Compound Interest Formula**

Amount      Interest Rate (decimal)

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

Principal      Number of times interest is compounded per unit 't'

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### ❖ Nominal vs. Effective Rate

- 12% compounded monthly
  - Interest is added 12 times per year;  $12\%/12 = 1\%$  of the current balance is added each time
- 12% is referred to as the **NOMINAL RATE**
- when the interest is compounded more frequently than once a year, the account effectively earns more than the nominal rate.
  - The effective annual rate tells you how much interest the investment actually earns.
  - AKA annual percentage yield (APY)
  - **Effective Rate = APY =  $\left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^n - 1$  then multiply by 100%**
    - The effective rate can be used to compare investments.

### Examples:

2. What are the nominal and effective annual rates of an account paying 12% interest, compounded monthly?

$$\text{nominal} = 12\% \quad \text{effective} = \left[\left(1 + \frac{0.12}{12}\right)^{12} - 1\right] \times 100\%$$

$$12.683\%$$

3. Which investment is more attractive, one that pays 8.75% compounded quarterly or another that pays 8.7% compounded monthly?

$$\text{APY} = \left[\left(1 + \frac{0.087}{12}\right)^{12} - 1\right] \times 100\%$$

$$\star 9.055\% \star$$

$$\text{APY} = \left[\left(1 + \frac{0.0875}{4}\right)^4 - 1\right] \times 100\%$$

$$9.041\%$$

## 6.3.D2 ~ Continuous Growth & Decay

### OBJECTIVES

- Demonstrate an understanding of the number  $e$
- Identify the continuous growth or decay rate of an exponential function
- Write and analyze a formula for an exponential function with a base of  $e$  that is given graphically, numerically, or verbally
- Identify and compare nominal, effective annual interest rates and continuous growth rates

### ❖ Exponential Functions with Base $e$

- Any positive base  $b$  can be written as a power of  $e$ :  $b = e^k$
- Any exponential function  $Q = a(b)^t$  can be rewritten in terms of  $e$ :  $Q = ae^{kt}$ 
  - If  $b > 1$ , then  $k$  is positive  $Q$  is an exponential growth function &  $Q$  is increasing
  - If  $0 < b < 1$ , then  $k$  is negative  $Q$  is an exponential decay function &  $Q$  is decreasing
  - The constant  $k$  is called the **CONTINUOUS GROWTH/DECAY RATE**.

The Number  $e$   
 Base  $e$  – the natural base.  
 $e \approx 2.71828 \dots$

<u>Non-Continuous</u>	Vs.	<u>Continuous</u>
$Q = a(b)^t$		$Q = a(e)^{kt}$
$b = 1 + r$	Growth	$k = +r$
$b = 1 - r$	Decay	$k = -r$
Annual % Rate = (base - 1) × 100%		Continuous % Rate = $k \times 100\%$
$B = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$	Compound Interest	$B = Pe^{rt}$
$\left[\left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^n - 1\right] \times 100\%$	APY	$(e^r - 1) \times 100\%$

### Examples:

Analyze the formula of the exponential function,  $Q$ , over time  $t$ .

1. $Q = 0.01e^{-0.2t}$		2. $Q = 10(1.22)^t$
0.01	What is the quantity at time $t = 0$ ?	10
decreasing	Is the quantity increasing or decreasing over time?	increasing
20%	What is the percent per unit time growth or decay rate?	22%
yes	Base $e$ Is the rate continuous?	no
0.0014	What is the quantity at time $t = 10$ ?	73.046

3. Find the effective annual rate if \$1000 is deposited at 5% annual interest, compounded continuously. Round to 3 decimal places.

$(e^R - 1) \times 100\%$        $(e^{0.05} - 1) \times 100 \approx 5.127\%$

4. If \$5000 is deposited in an account paying a nominal interest rate of 4% per year, how much is in the account 10 years later if interest is compounded...

a. Monthly?  $n = 12$

$$B = 5000 \left(1 + \frac{0.04}{12}\right)^{120}$$

$$\$7454.10$$

b. Continuously?

$$B = Pe^{rt} = 5000e^{0.04 \cdot 10}$$

$$\$7459.12$$

5. A town has population 3000 people at year  $t = 0$ .

Determine whether the population can be expressed with...

- a linear function  $P = b + mt$
- a non-continuous exponential function  $P = a(b)^t$
- a continuous exponential function  $P = ae^{kt}$

Then write a formula for the population,  $P$ , in year  $t$  if the town...

a. Shrinks at a continuous rate of 4% per year.

$$P = 3000e^{-0.04t}$$

b. Grows by 200 people per year

$$P = 3000 + 200t$$

c. Minimizes by 50 people every 52 weeks.

$$P = 3000 - 50t$$

d. Escalates at a continuous rate of 6% annually.

$$P = 3000e^{0.06t}$$

e. Diminishes by 4% every 365 days.

$$P = 3000(0.96)^t$$

f. Boosts by 6% every 12 months.

$$P = 3000(1.06)^t$$

## 6.4.D1 ~ Logarithms & Exponents

### OBJECTIVES

- Demonstrate an understanding of logarithms & their properties
- Convert from logarithmic form to exponential form (and vice versa)
- Evaluate & simplify expressions with logarithms
- Solve exponential equations using properties of exponents

### ❖ Logarithms

- An exponential function,  $f(x) = b^x$ , has an inverse that is a function. This inverse is the logarithmic function with base  $b$ , denoted  $\log_b x$ .

### ❖ Converting Between Logarithmic & Exponential Form

$$y = \log_b x \leftrightarrow b^y = x$$

### Examples:

Write each equation in its equivalent exponential form.

1.  $\log_b 64 = 3$

$$b^3 = 64$$

2.  $y = \log_3 7$

$$3^y = 7$$

3.  $\log_5 x = 2$

$$5^2 = x$$