

Ch.8 – Exponential Functions

Study Guide

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FLE1 - Distinguish between situations that can be modeled with linear functions and with exponential functions.

1. Show your work and box your answer to the question below.

The table below shows how the populations of 3 different types of plants in a meadow changed during a 4-year period.

**Populations of 3 Types of Plants During a 4-Year Period**

Year	Thistles	Buttercups	Blueberries
1	271	512	326
2	317	448	309
3	323	392	292
4	348	343	299

$\times 1.17 \downarrow 271$   
 $\times 1.02 \downarrow 317$   
 $\times 1.08 \downarrow 348$

$\times 0.875 \downarrow 512$   
 $\times 0.875 \downarrow 448$   
 $\times 0.875 \downarrow 392$   
 $\times 0.875 \downarrow 343$

326  
 309  
 292  
 299  
 decreases, then increases

Not constant percentage

decreasing

The population of one kind of plant is changing by a constant percent rate each year. What is the percent change in the population of that kind of plant each year?

The population of buttercups decreases by 12.5% each year

$.875 \rightarrow 87.5\%$   
 $\frac{100}{- 87.5}$   
 $\Sigma 12.5\%$

FLE2 - Construct ... exponential functions, ..., given a graph, a description of a relationship, or two input-output pairs (include reading these from a table).

2. Annotate the problem below and box your answer.

Tracy buys a car for \$26,000. The value of the car is expected to decrease by 17% each year. Write a function that can be used to determine  $f(y)$ , the value of Tracy's car after  $y$  years.

$f(y) = a(1-r)^t$

$f(y) = 26,000(1-0.17)^y$

$f(y) = 26,000(0.83)^y$

go down  $\leftarrow 0.17 = r$

don't forget to change independent variable!

FLE5 - Interpret the parameters in an ... exponential function in terms of a context.

3. After choosing the correct statement below, explain your reasoning in two sentences.

The amount of money in a bank account is changing according to the equation  $y = 500(1.04)^t$ , where  $y$  = amount in dollars and  $t$  = time in years. Which statement describes this situation?

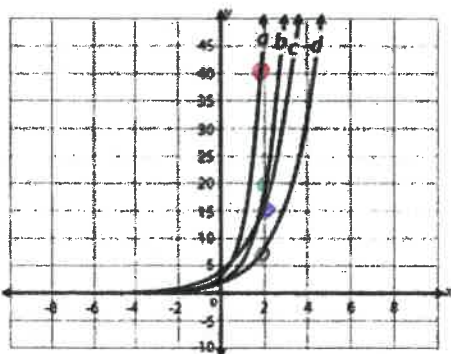
- A. The initial amount in the account is \$500, and the annual interest rate is 4%.
- B. The initial amount in the account is \$500, and the annual interest rate is 1.04%.
- C. The initial amount in the account is \$520, and the annual interest rate is 1.04%.
- D. The initial amount in the account is \$520, and the annual interest rate is 4%.

initial amount  
increase of 4%

I know my answer is true because if we plug  $t=0$  into the equation we find that the initial amount of money was  $500(1.04)^0 = 500$ . We subtract 1.04 and 1.00 to find the percent increase of 4%.

FIFC7e Graph exponential ... functions, showing intercepts and end behavior...

4. Look at the graphed functions below.



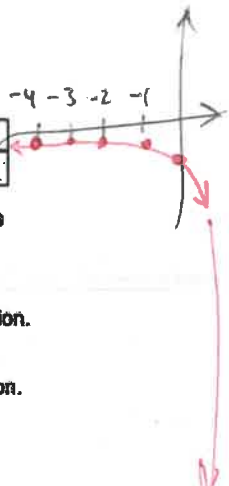
Which of the functions has the most rapid rate of change as  $x$  increases beyond zero?

- A. a
- B. b
- C. c
- D. d

Graph 'a' reaches 40 faster than the others.

5. The table shows pairs of values for a certain exponential function.

$x$	-4	-3	-2	-1	0
$f(x)$	-0.0008	-0.004	-0.02	-0.1	-0.5



Based on the values in the table, what happens to  $f(x)$  as  $x$  continues to increase?

- A. It approaches zero from a negative direction.
- B. It approaches negative infinity.
- C. It approaches zero from a positive direction.
- D. It approaches positive infinity.

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