

6-3 Exponential Growth and Decay

NOTES

LEARNING OBJECTIVE: I will learn how to write and solve exponential growth and decay equations.

Exponential Function: $f(x) = a(b)^x$
 initial amt. \leftarrow \rightarrow common/constant ratio
 Growth factor

 Exponential Growth (increasing)

 Exponential Decay decreasing

$$f(t) = a(1+r)^t$$

a = initial amount
 r = rate as decimal 12% \rightarrow 0.12
 t = time 6% \rightarrow 0.06

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

The population of Hillville grows at 15%. If its current population is 5,000, what will its estimated population be in 5 years? $1+r = 1+0.15$

$a = 5000$
 $r = 15\% = 0.15$
 $t = 5$ yrs
 Desmos \rightarrow
 math tools \rightarrow
 scientific calc

$$f(t) = a(1+r)^t$$

$$f(t) = 5000(1.15)^t \rightarrow \text{function}$$

$$f(5) = 5000(1.15)^5$$

$$f(5) = 10,056$$

The population of Central City is currently 300,000. However, it is decreasing by 5% each year. What will its estimated population be in 7 years?

$a = 300,000$
 $r = 5\% = 0.05$
 $t = 7$ yrs

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

$$f(t) = 300000(0.95)^t$$

$$f(7) = 300000(0.95)^7$$

$$f(7) =$$

The value of a painting increases by 96% each year. If the painting was purchased four years ago for \$9700, how much is it worth today?

$a = 9700$
 $r = 96\% = 0.96$
 $t = 4$

$$f(t) = a(1+r)^t$$

$$f(t) = 9700(1.96)^t$$

$$f(4) = 9700(1.96)^4$$

$$f(4) = \$143,151.54$$

The value of Taran's car depreciates by 10% each year. If his car is currently valued at \$10,000, what will its estimated value be in 3 years?

$a = 10000$
 $r = 10\% = 0.10$
 $t = 3$ yrs

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

$$f(t) = 10000(0.9)^t$$

$$f(3) = 10000(0.9)^3$$

Interest can be calculated in two ways: Simple Interest, which is paid only on the principal, and Compound Interest, which is paid on both the principal and interest already earned.

Simple Interest: $I = Prt$

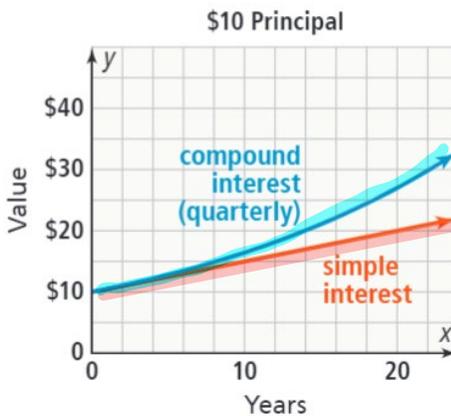
Compound Interest: $A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$

I = Interest
P = Principal
r = rate (as decimal)
t = time

A = Total Amount
P = Principal initial amt.
r = rate (as decimal)
n = number times interest is compounded
t = time

annually $\rightarrow n=1$
semi-annually $\rightarrow n=2$
quarterly $\rightarrow n=4$
monthly $\rightarrow n=12$
daily $\rightarrow n=365$

This graph shows \$10 at 5% simple interest and 5% compounded quarterly.



* Compound interest grows more quickly, is exponential

* Simple Interest is Linear

This "A" and the "a" from page 1 are NOT the same!

Jan's family invested \$3000 for her in a Certificate of Deposit (CD) when she was born. It earns 8% interest compounded quarterly. What is the value after 5 years?

A = ?
P = 3000
r = 8% = 0.08
n = 4
t = 5

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

$$= 3000 \left(1 + \frac{0.08}{4}\right)^{4(5)}$$

$$= \$4457.84$$

Will the value of Jan's CD be greater after 15 years if it is compounded annually rather than quarterly?

Annually $n=1$

$$A = 3000 \left(1 + \frac{0.08}{1}\right)^{1(15)}$$

$$= \cancel{\$44107.98}$$

$$= \$9516.51$$

Quarterly $n=4$

$$A = 3000 \left(1 + \frac{0.08}{4}\right)^{4(15)}$$

$$A = \$9843.09$$

The value will be greater if compounded quarterly.

Amy wants to buy a new car that costs \$15,600. If the interest is 3% compounded monthly, how much will Amy actually end up paying for her car? * Typical car loan = 5 years.

A = ?
P = 15600
r = 3% = 0.03
n = 12
t = 5

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

$$A = 15600 \left(1 + \frac{0.03}{12}\right)^{12(5)}$$

$$A = \$18,121.22$$

Sidney invests \$5,000. Her investment earns 6% interest compounded semi-annually. How much will her investment be worth in 10 years?

A = ?
P = 5000
r = 6% = 0.06
n = 2
t = 10

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

$$A = 5000 \left(1 + \frac{0.06}{2}\right)^{2(10)}$$

$$A = \$9030.56$$