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### Exponential Growth & Decay Functions

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$f(x) = 3 \cdot 1.5^x \cdot 1.5^{-1}$

$f(x) = 3 \cdot \frac{1}{1.5} \cdot 1.5^x$

$f(x) = 2 \cdot 1.5^x$

2.)  $a_n = 0.5 \cdot (4)^{n-1}$

$f(x) = 0.5 \cdot 4^x \cdot 4^{-1}$

$f(x) = 0.5 \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot 4^x$

$f(x) = \frac{1}{8} \cdot 4^x$

#3-7: Determine whether each function represents exponential growth or decay. Explain your reasoning.

3.)  $f(x) = 7 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-x}$

Growth

Reasoning:  $b=4, b > 1$

4.)  $f(x) = 0.7 \cdot (5)^x$

Growth

Reasoning:  $b=5, b > 1$

5.)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{-x}$

Decay

Reasoning:  $b=3/4, 0 < b < 1$

6.)  $f(x) = 3.9^x$

Growth

Reasoning:  $b=3.9, b > 1$

7.)  $f(x) = 3 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^x$

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## Half-Life Problems

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Complete this if you lost any points on #6

Write the formula used here:  $A(t) = A_0 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{rt}$

Explain what each variable represents in the half-life formula.

A: Amount after t (time)       $A_0$ : Initial Amount      t: time      h: half life

1. Hg-197 is used in kidney scans. It has a half-life of 64.128 hours.

a. Write the exponential function for a 12-mg sample.

$$A(t) = 12 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{t/64.128}$$

b. Find the amount remaining after 72 hours.

$$A(72) = 12 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{72/64.128} \approx 5.51 \text{ mg}$$

2. Barium-122 has a half-life of 3 minutes. A fresh sample weighing 90 g was obtained. If it takes 10 minutes to set up an experiment using barium-122, how much barium-122 will be left when the experiment begins?

$$A(10) = 90 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{10/3} \approx 8.93 \text{ mg}$$

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### Compound Interest Problems

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Write the formula used here:  $A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{n \cdot t}$

Explain what each variable represents in the compound interest formula.

A: Amount      P: Principal      r: rate      n: number of times compounded      t: time

1. If you have a bank account whose principal = \$500, and your bank compounds the interest monthly at an interest rate of 1.3%, how much money do you have in your account at the year's end?

$$A = 500 \left(1 + \frac{0.013}{12}\right)^{12 \cdot 1} \approx \$506.54$$

2. If you start a bank account with \$5,500 and your bank compounds the interest quarterly at an interest rate of 6%, how much money do you have at the year's end?

$$A = 5500 \left(1 + \frac{0.06}{4}\right)^{4 \cdot 1} \approx \$5837.50$$

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## Population Growth Problems

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Complete this if you lost any points on #9

Write the formula used here:  $A(t) = A_0 \cdot e^{rt}$

Explain what each variable represents in the population growth formula.

A(t): t time      Amount After  
A<sub>0</sub>: Initial Population      Initial  
r: rate of growth      rate of  
t: time      time

1. In 2016, the population in Lockport was 39,000. It is projected that the population will grow continuously at a rate of 2.3% each year. What is the anticipated population for Lockport in the year 2025?

$$A(9) = 39,000 \cdot e^{.023 \cdot 9} \approx 47,969$$

2. Using your population model from the above example, what was the population of Lockport in 1980? (Assume the population grew at the same ~~2.3%~~ <sup>2.3%</sup> rate from 1980 to 2016).

$$A(-36) = 39,000 \cdot e^{.023 \cdot -36} \approx 17,040$$

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## Graphing Exponential Functions

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Complete this if you lost any points on #10 or 11

Graph each exponential function & its asymptote. Identify ALL characteristics using proper notation.

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

x	-1	0	1	2	3
f(x)	7	3	1	0	-5

Describe ALL transformations on the parent function: translated right 2 and down 1

Domain:  $(-\infty, \infty)$  Range:  $(-1, \infty)$

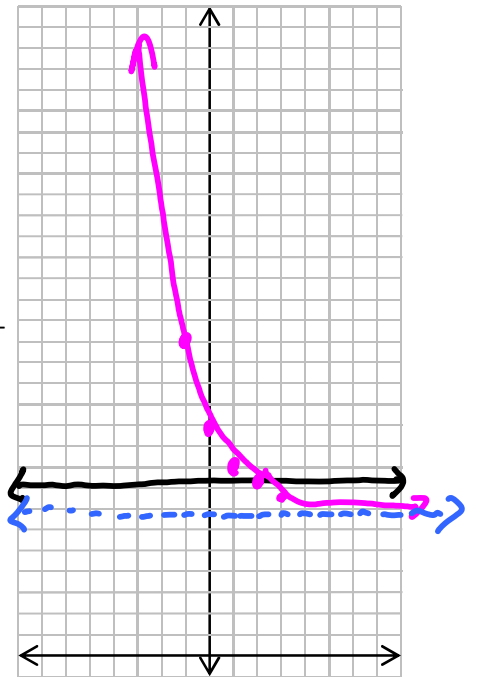
Asymptote:  $y = -1$  Intercept:  $(0, 3)$

Interval of Increase or Decrease (Circle One):  $(-\infty, \infty)$

End Behavior (using limits):

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = -1$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \infty$



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

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1
f(x)	-6	-8	-1.3	-2	-3

Describe ALL transformations on the parent function: reflect over x-axis vertical stretch by a factor of 2

Domain:  $(-\infty, \infty)$  Range:  $(-\infty, 0)$

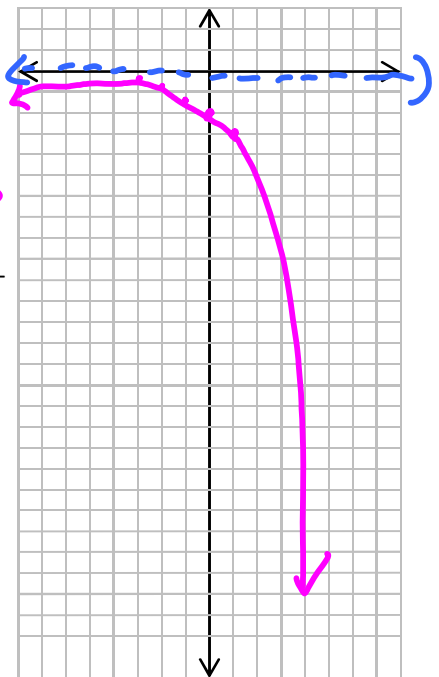
Asymptote:  $y = 0$  Intercept:  $(0, -1)$

Interval of Increase or Decrease (Circle One):  $(-\infty, \infty)$

End Behavior (using limits):

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = -\infty$

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### Writing Equations of Exponential Functions

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Complete this if you lost any points on #8

Write an equation for an exponential function having the given characteristics.

1.) decreasing over  $(-\infty, \infty)$

reference point  $(-2, 9)$

$$9 = b^{-2}$$

$$\frac{1}{9} = b^2$$

$$b = \frac{1}{3}$$

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

2.) end behavior: as  $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow 0$   
as  $x \rightarrow \infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$

reference point  $(-3, \frac{8}{27})$

$$\frac{8}{27} = b^{-3}$$

$$\frac{27}{8} = b^3$$

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

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