

# EXPONENTIAL FUNCTION

Remember BEDMAS  
Do the EXPONENT 1<sup>st</sup>

Goal:

- calculate values that are <sup>decr</sup>depreciating and <sup>incr</sup>appreciating in an exponential function
- find the rule of an exponential function from a graph.

Formula:

$$y = \text{start} \times \text{keep}^{\text{time}}$$

Number you start with      Amount you are keeping      Exponent Length of time

1 + % (if its increasing) *appreciating*  
1 - % (if its decreasing) *depreciating*

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## When the value of y is INCREASING

Words that mean it is increasing: increasing, growing, appreciating, appreciation, interest

Example: St Hubert has a population of 50000 people. If the population is increasing a rate of 2% per year, how many people will there be in 5 years.

$$100\% + 2\% = 102\% = \frac{102}{100} = 1.02$$

Start: 50000      Keep: 1 + 2% = 1.02      Time: 5

$$2\% = \frac{2}{100} = 0.02$$

$$y = \text{start} \times \text{keep}^{\text{time}}$$

$$y = 50000 \times (1.02)^5$$

$$= 55,204.$$

$$50000 \times 2\% = 1000$$

$$50000 + 5(1000) = 55,000$$

|                 | Pop                    |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | 50000 + 1000 = 51,000  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 51000 + 1020 = 52,020  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 52020 + 1040.4 = 53060 |

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Example: A bacteria **triples** every hour. If there were **25** bacteria to **begin** with, how many bacteria will there be in 2 days.

Start: 25 Keep: 3 Time: 2(24) = 48

**y = start x keep** <sup>time</sup>

$y = \underline{25} \times (\underline{3})^{\boxed{48}}$

$1.99 \times 10^{24}$

1<sup>st</sup> 25(3) = 75  
2<sup>nd</sup> 75(3) = 225

1,990,000,000,000,000,000,000,000

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**When the value of y is DECREASING**

Words that mean it is decreasing: depreciation, decreasing

Example: My Porsche cost **\$112000** brand new. How much will it be worth in 8 years if its value **depreciates** by **15%** every year?

$100\% - 15\% = \frac{85\%}{100} = 0.85$

Start: 112000 Keep: 1-0.15 = 0.85 Time: 8

**y = start x keep** <sup>time</sup>

$y = \underline{112000} \times (\underline{0.85})^{\boxed{8}}$

= 30,518.94

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Example: My PK Subban rookie card cost \$50 brand new. How much will it be worth in 8 years if its value depreciates by 15% every year?

Start: 50 Keep:  $1 - 0.15 = 0.85$  Time: 8

$$y = \text{start} \times \text{keep}^{\text{time}}$$

$$y = \underline{50} \left( \underline{0.85} \right)^{\boxed{8}}$$

= \$ 13.62

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Ex. Each year the frog population of a small wooded area declines by 5% in contrast to the previous year. If this wooded area has 2000 frogs, how many frogs will be present in 10 years from now?

$$S: 2000$$

$$K: 1 - 0.05 = 0.95$$

$$T: 10$$

$$y = 2000 (0.95)^{10}$$

$$= 1197.$$

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- Ex. Among the options available to finance a purchase, credit cards are the ones that have the highest interest rates. If Diane makes a purchase worth \$1200 with a credit card that has an interest rate of 1.5% each month, how much will she pay in interest if she can only clear her card a year later?

$$S: 1200$$

$$K: 1 + 1.5\% = 1 + 0.015 = 1.015$$

$$100\% + 1.5\% = \frac{101.5}{100} = 1.015$$

$$T: 1 \text{ yr} \times 12 = 12 \text{ months}$$

$$y = 1200 (1.015)^{12}$$

$$= 1434.74$$

$$\text{Interest} = 1434.74 - 1200 = \$234.74$$

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- Ex. Samuel is looking at making some investments to save for the future. His investment advisor has suggested a Mutual Fund that grows at an annual interest rate of 8% per year. If Samuel invested \$5000 in the fund,

- a) How much would his investment be worth after 5 years?  
 b) How long would it take Samuel's investment to double in value?  
 \$10,000

$$a) S: 5000$$

$$K: 1 + 8\% = 1 + 0.08 = 1.08 \quad (100\% + 8\% = \frac{108\%}{100} = 1.08)$$

$$T: 5$$

$$y = \text{start (keep)}^{\text{time}}$$

$$= 5000 (1.08)^5$$

$$= \$7346.64$$

$$b) S: 5000$$

$$K: 1.08$$

$$T: x$$

$$y: 10000$$

$$y = 5000 (1.08)^x$$

| time | \$       |
|------|----------|
| x    | y        |
| 5    | 7346.64  |
| 10   | 10794.62 |
| 8    | 9254.65  |
| → 9  | 9995.02  |

after 9 years

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Ex. Farah purchased a new car five years ago for \$25 000 and the car has depreciated in value by 15% per year. She would like to sell the car today in order to purchase a used vehicle for \$10 000. The used car she is intending to purchase is anticipated to retain 90% of its previous year's value each year.

a) If Farah sells the original car, will she have the \$10,000 she needs to purchase the used car? *Yes*

$$S: 25000$$

$$K: 1 - 15\% = 1 - 0.15 = 0.85$$

$$T: 5$$

$$y = 25000 (0.85)^5$$

$$= \$11,092.63$$

b) If Farah intends to sell the used car when it is worth \$656, how long will she own it for?

|      |  |
|------|--|
| time |  |
| $x$  |  |
| 10   |  |

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Ex. If the population of rabbits doubles every 4 months, when will there be 5000 rabbits if there were only 2 rabbits.

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1. A community of 90 penguins increase in population by 4% per year. Which of the following equations could be used to determine the population in the future?

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2. Jim bought a cottage a few years ago. He has been analyzing the water in the well every year.

$$f(x) = 16 (1.5)^x$$

In 2012, there were 54 bacteria. In what year will there be more than 200 bacteria for the first time?

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3. A lab technician notes that the number of type A bacteria doubles every hour whereas the number of type B bacteria triples every hour. At the outset there are 1000 of type A bacteria and 500 of type B bacteria. Which of the two bacteria will be more numerous after five hours?

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