

# 6.4

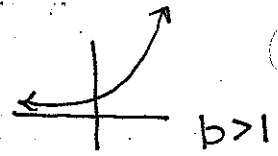
## Notetaking with Vocabulary

I can use and model exponential functions.

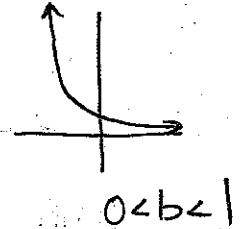
I can identify and use exponential growth and decay functions.

I can interpret and rewrite exponential growth and decay functions.

I can solve real life problems involving exponential functions.



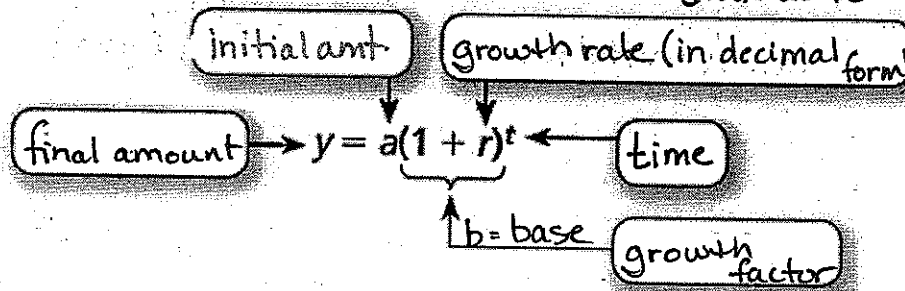
$$y = a \cdot b^x$$



### Core Concepts

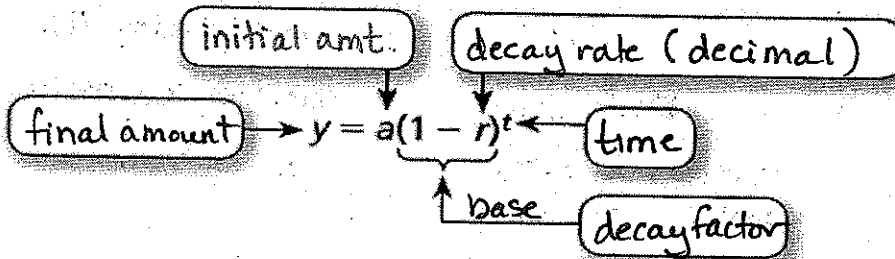
#### Exponential Growth Functions

A function of the form  $y = a(1+r)^t$  where  $a > 0$  and  $r > 0$ , is an exponential growth function.  $r$  is given as %



#### Exponential Decay Functions

A function of the form  $y = a(1-r)^t$  where  $a > 0$  and  $0 < r < 1$ , is an exponential decay function.



**6.4** Notetaking with Vocabulary (continued)

**Practice**

1. In 2005, there were 100 rabbits in Polygon Park. The population increased by 11% each year.

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

- a. Write an exponential growth function that represents the population  $t$  years after 2005.

$a = 100$

$r = 11\% = .11$

$$y = 100(1.11)^t$$

- b. What will the population be in 2025? Round your answer to the nearest whole number.

$t = 20$

$$y = 100(1.11)^{20}$$

$y \approx 806$

There will be about 806 rabbits in 2025.

In Exercises 2-5, determine whether the table represents an exponential growth function, an exponential decay function, or neither. Explain.

2.  $x \uparrow$

x	y
0	20
1	30
2	45
3	67.5

$y_2 - y_1$   
 $30 - 20 = 10$   
 $45 - 30 = 15$   
 Not linear

$\frac{y_2}{y_1}$   
 $\frac{30}{20} = \frac{3}{2} = 1.5$   
 $\frac{45}{30} = \frac{3}{2} = 1.5$   
 $\frac{67.5}{45} = \frac{3}{2} = 1.5 = b$

ratio is constant  
 exponential growth  
 $1.5 > 1$

$$y = a \cdot b^x$$

$$y = 20(1.5)^x$$

3.  $\uparrow$  by 1

x	y
-1	160
0	40
1	10
2	2.5

$y_2 - y_1$   
 $40 - 160 = -120$   
 $10 - 40 = -30$   
 Not the same  
 Not linear

$\frac{y_2}{y_1}$   
 $\frac{40}{160} = \frac{1}{4} = .25$   
 $\frac{10}{40} = \frac{1}{4} = .25$   
 $\frac{2.5}{10} = \frac{1}{4} = .25$   
 constant

exponential decay

$$y = 40(.25)^x = 40\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^x$$

4.

x	y
1	32
2	22
3	12
4	2

5.

x	y
-1	4
0	10
1	25
2	62.5

In Exercises 6-8, determine whether each function represents exponential growth or exponential decay. Identify the percent rate of change.

6.  $y = a(1-r)^t$   
 $y = 4(0.95)^t$

① decay  
 $.95 < 1$

②  $r = ?$   
 $.95 = 1 - r$   
 $-1 \quad -1$

$-.05 = -r$   
 $-1 \quad -1$

$.05 = r$   
 5% decrease

7.  $y = a(1+r)^t$   
 $y = 500(1.08)^t$

① growth  
 $1.08 > 1$

②  $1.08 = 1 + r$   
 $-1 \quad -1$   
 $.08 = r$

8% increase

8.  $y = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^t$   
 $w(t) = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^t$

① decay  
 $\frac{3}{4} < 1$

$\frac{3}{4} = 1 - r$   
 $-1 \quad -1$

$-\frac{1}{4} = -r$

$\frac{1}{4} = r = .25$

25% decrease

**Compound Interest**

Compound interest is the interest earned on the principal and on previously earned interest. The balance  $y$  of an account earning compound interest is

$I = Prt$   
 simple interest

Account balance

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

$P$  = Principle - initial amount invested/borrowed

$t$  = # of years

$r$  = annual interest rate % - use the decimal

$n$  = # of times compounded per year

annually	$\frac{n}{1}$
Semi-annually	2
quarterly	4
monthly	12
daily	365

In Exercises 9 and 10, write a function that represents the balance after  $t$  years.

9. \$3000 deposit that earns 6% annual interest compounded quarterly.

$y = 3000\left(1 + \frac{.06}{4}\right)^{4t}$   
 $y = 3000(1.015)^{4t}$

10. \$5000 deposit that earns 7.2% annual interest compounded monthly.

$y = 5000\left(1 + \frac{.072}{12}\right)^{12t}$   
 $y = 5000(1.006)^{12t}$