

9.2

Exponential Growth and Decay.

Identify the initial amount a and the growth factor b in each exponential function.

$$1) f(x) = 3 \cdot 5^x$$

$$a = 3 \quad b = 5$$

$$2) y = 250 \cdot 1.065^x$$

$$a = 250 \quad b = 1.065$$

$$3) g(t) = 3.5^t$$

$$a = 1 \quad b = 3.5$$

$$4) h(x) = 5 \cdot 1.02^x$$

$$a = 5 \quad b = 1.02$$

$$5) f(x) = 2 \cdot 3^x$$

$$a = 2 \quad b = 3$$

$$6) y = 5 \cdot 1.06^x$$

$$a = 5 \quad b = 1.06$$

$$7) g(t) = 6^t$$

$$a = 1 \quad b = 6$$

$$8) h(x) = -3 \cdot 2^x$$

$$a = -3 \quad b = 2$$

Find the balance in each account after the given period.

a) \$ 8000 principal earning 5% compound annually, after

6yrs.

$$y = ab^x$$

$$y = 8000 \cdot 1.05^6$$

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

$$A = 8000 \left(1 + \frac{5\%}{1}\right)^{(1)(6)}$$

$$A = 8000 (1 + 0.05)^6$$

$$A = 8000 (1.05)^6$$

$$\underline{10,720.80}$$

10) \$ 2000 principal earning 5.4% compounded annually, after 4 years.

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

$$A = 2000 \left(1 + \frac{5.4\%}{1}\right)^{1(4)}$$

$$A = 2000 (1 + .054)^4$$

$$A = 2000 (1.054)^4$$

$$A = 2468.27$$

11) \$ 500 principal earning 4% compounded quarterly, after 10 years.

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

$$A = 500 \left(1 + \frac{4\%}{4}\right)^{4(10)}$$

$$A = 500 \left(1 + \frac{.04}{4}\right)^{40}$$

$$A = 744.43$$

12) \$ 6500 principal earning 2.8% compounded monthly, after 2 years.

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

$$A = 6500 \left(1 + \frac{2.8\%}{12}\right)^{12(2)}$$

$$A = 6500 \left(1 + \frac{.028}{12}\right)^{24}$$

$$A = 6873.94$$

13) \$3000 principal earning 4% compound annually,
after 6 years.

$$A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$$
$$A = 3000 \left(1 + \frac{4}{1}\right)^{1(6)}$$
$$A = 3000 (1 + .04)^6$$
$$A = 3000 (1.04)^6$$
$$A = 3795.96$$

14) \$5000 principal earning 16% compound monthly,
after 10 yrs.

$$A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$$
$$A = 5000 \left(1 + \frac{16\%}{12}\right)^{(12)(10)}$$
$$A = 5000 \left(1 + \frac{.16}{12}\right)^{120}$$
$$A = 13,535.2$$

State whether the equation represents exponential growth, exponential decay, or neither.

15) $y = 0.82 \cdot 3^x$
exponential growth

16) $f(x) = 5 \cdot 0.3^x$
exponential decay.

17) $f(x) = 18 \cdot x^2$
neither

18) $y = 0.9^x$
exponential decay.

19) The town manager reports that revenue for a given year is \$2.5 million. The budget director predicts that revenue will increase by 4% per year. If the director's prediction holds true, how much revenue will the town ~~now~~ have available 10 years from the date of the town manager's report?

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

$$A = 2500,000 \left(1 + \frac{4\%}{12}\right)^{12(10)}$$

$$A = 2500,000 \left(1 + \frac{0.04}{12}\right)^{120}$$

$$A = 3.7 \text{ million}$$

20) A wildlife manager determines that the function $y = 200 \cdot 1.07^x$ represents the deer population at a state park, x years after the population is first counted. Graph the function, identifying the y -intercept and asymptote. What is the meaning of the y -intercept in this situation?

The y -intercept is 200 and the asymptote is $y = 0$

The y -intercept of 200 means that ~~there~~ were 200 deer present in the park when the deer population was first counted.