College Trigonometry

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Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

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Subsection 1

Exponential Functions and Applications

Definition of Exponential Functions

Definition of an Exponential Function

The exponential function with base b is defined by

$$f(x)=b^{x},$$

where $0 < b \neq 1$ and x is a real number.

• Example: Evaluate $f(x) = 3^x$ at x = 2, x = -4 and $x = \pi$;

$$f(2) = 3^2 = 9;$$

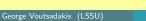
$$f(-4) = 3^{-4} = \frac{1}{3^4} = \frac{1}{81};$$

$$f(\pi) = 3^{\pi} \approx 31.544;$$

Graphs of Exponential Functions

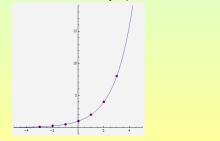
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2	4	
3	$y = (\frac{1}{2})^{\times}$	-4 -2
x	$y = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n$	
-3 -2	27	25
-2	9	
-1	3	20 -
0	1	15
1	$\frac{1}{3}$	10
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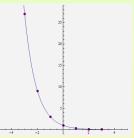




Properties of $f(x) = b^x$

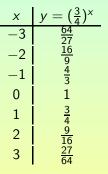
- For 0 < b ≠ 1, the exponential function defined by f(x) = b^x has the following properties:
 - Its domain is the set of all real numbers and its range is the set of all positive real numbers;
 - The graph is a smooth continuous curve with a y-intercept at (0, 1) and passing through (1, b);
 - The function f is one-to-one (its graph passes the horizontal line test);
 - If b > 1, f is increasing and has the negative x-axis as a horizontal asymptote; If 0 < b < 1, f is decreasing and has the positive x-axis as a horizontal asymptote;</p>

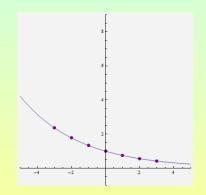




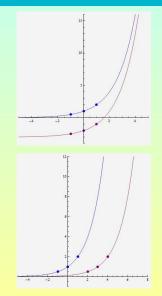
Graphing an Exponential Function

Graph the exponential function $f(x) = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^x$;



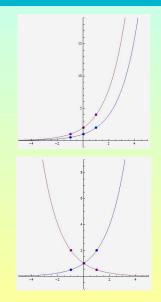


Using Translations to Graph Exponential Functions



Using Stretching and Reflections

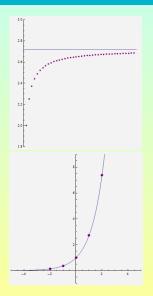
x	$y = 2^x$	$y = 2 \cdot 2^{x}$
-2	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\overline{1}$
0	1 1 2	2
1 2	2	4
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The Natural Exponential Function $f(x) = e^x$

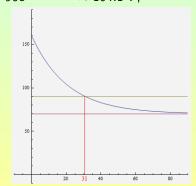
The **number** $e \approx 2.718$ is defined as the number that $\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$ approaches as *n* increases without a bound:

The function $f(x) = e^x$ is called the **natural exponential function**:



Application: Cooling

- A cup of coffee is heated to 160° F and placed in a room that maintains a temperature of 70° F; The temperature T of the coffee in degrees Fahrenheit after t minutes is given by $T = 70 + 90e^{-0.0485t}$;
 - Find the temperature of the coffee 20 minutes after its is placed into the room; $T(20) = 70 + 90e^{-0.0485 \cdot 20} \approx 104.1^{\circ}F$:
 - Use a graphing utility to determine when the temperature of the coffee will reach 90°F;
 - This will happen after about 31 minutes;



Subsection 2

Logarithmic Functions and Applications

Definition of Logarithms and Logarithmic Functions

Definition of a Logarithm and a Logarithmic Function

If $0 < b \neq 1$ and x > 0, then

$$y = \log_b x$$
 if and only if $b^y = x$.

The expression $\log_b x$ is read the **logarithm base** b of x; The function defined by $f(x) = \log_b x$ is the **logarithmic function with base** b; It is the inverse function of the exponential $g(x) = b^x$;

• Because of the inverse relationship between the exponential function and the logarithmic function with base *b*, we get

$$b^{\log_b x} = x$$
 and $\log_b b^x = x$;

Exponential and Logarithmic Forms

The **exponential form** of $y = \log_b x$ is $b^y = x$; The **logarithmic form** of $b^y = x$ is $y = \log_b x$;

Switching Between Logarithmic and Exponential Forms

• Write each equation in its exponential form:

•
$$3 = \log_2 8 \iff 2^3 = 8;$$

• $2 = \log_{10} (x + 5) \iff 10^2 = x + 5;$
• $\log_e x = 4 \iff e^4 = x;$
• $\log_b b^3 = 3 \iff b^3 = b^3;$

• Write each equation in its logarithmic form:

•
$$3^2 = 9 \iff 2 = \log_3 9;$$

• $5^3 = x \iff 3 = \log_5 x;$
• $a^b = c \iff b = \log_a c;$
• $b^{\log_b 5} = 5 \iff \log_b 5 = \log_b 5;$

Basic Properties of Logarithmic Functions

Basic Logarithmic Properties

- $\bigcirc \log_b b = 1;$
- **2** $\log_b 1 = 0;$

$$log_b(b^x) = x;$$

$$b^{\log_b x} = x;$$

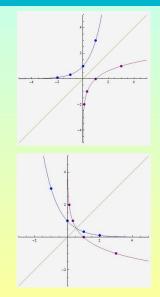
• Example: Evaluate each of the following logarithms:

log₈ 1 = 0;
log₅ 5 = 1;

•
$$\log_2(2^4) = 4;$$

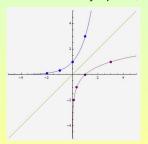
•
$$3^{\log_3 7} = 7;$$

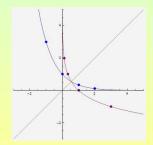
Graphs of Logarithmic Functions



Properties of the Graphs

- For 0 < b ≠ 1, the function f(x) = log_b x has the following properties:
 - The domain is the set of positive real numbers and its range is the set of all real numbers;
 - ② The graph has an x-intercept at (1,0) and passing through (b,1);
 - If b > 1, f is increasing and has the negative y-axis as a vertical asymptote; If 0 < b < 1, f is decreasing and has the positive y-axis as a vertical asymptote;</p>





Domains of Logarithmic Functions

Domain of $f(x) = \log_b x$

The domain of the function $f(x) = \log_b x$ is $\{x : x > 0\}$ or in interval notation $(0, \infty)$.

• Example: Find the domain of each of the following logarithmic functions:

•
$$f(x) = \log_6 (x - 3);$$

$$x-3>0 \Rightarrow x>3;$$

In interval notation $Dom(f) = (3, \infty)$;

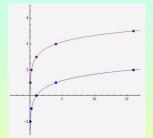
• $g(x) = \log_2 |x+2|;$ $|x+2| > 0 \Rightarrow x \neq -2;$ In interval notation $\text{Dom}(g) = (-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, \infty);$ • $h(x) = \log_5(\frac{x}{2-x});$

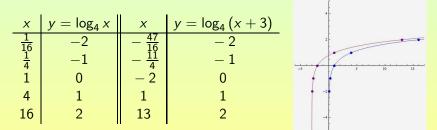
We use the sign table method:

Therefore, 0 < x < 8 or in interval notation Dom(h) = (0, 8);

Using Translations to Graph Logarithmic Functions

x	$y = \log_4 x$	$y = \log_4 x + 3$
$\frac{1}{16}$	- 2	1
$\frac{1}{4}$	-1	2
1	0	3
4	1	4
16	2	5





Common and Natural Logarithms

Definition of Common and Natural Logarithms

The function $f(x) = \log_{10} x$ is called the **common logarithmic function**; It is usually written as $f(x) = \log x$; The function $f(x) = \log_e x$ is called the **natural logarithmic function**; It is usually written as $f(x) = \ln x$;

Note that the definitions of logarithmic functions give

 $y = \log x$ if and only if $10^y = x$;

Similarly,

$$y = \ln x$$
 if and only if $e^y = x$;

Application: Physiology

 As the population of a city increases, the average walking speed of a pedestrian also increases; A relation between the average pedestrian walking speed s in miles per hour and the population x is thousands is given by

$$s(x) = 0.37 \ln x + 0.05;$$

• What is the average walking speed in San Francisco, which has a population of 780,000 people?

 $s(780) = 0.37 \cdot \ln 780 + 0.05 \approx 2.51$ mph;

• Estimate the population of a city where the average walking speed is 3.1 mph;

$$3.1 = 0.37 \ln x + 0.05 \Rightarrow 3.05 = 0.37 \ln x$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln x = \frac{3.05}{0.37} \Rightarrow x = e^{\frac{3.05}{0.37}} \approx 3801.85;$$

Thus, the population is about 3,800,000;

Subsection 3

Properties of Logarithms and Logarithmic Scales

Properties of Logarithms

Properties of Logarithms

In the following properties b, M and N are positive real numbers $(b \neq 1)$.

- **Product Property**: $\log_b(MN) = \log_b M + \log_b N$;
- Quotient Property: $\log_b \left(\frac{M}{N}\right) = \log_b M \log_b N;$
- Power Property: $\log_b(M^p) = p \log_b M$;
- **Logarithm-of-Each-Side**: M = N implies $\log_b M = \log_b N$;
- **One-to-One Property**: $\log_b M = \log_b N$ implies M = N;

Expanding and Condensing Logarithmic Expressions

• Expand the following logarithmic expressions, assuming that all variables represent positive numbers; When possible, evaluate logarithmic expressions;

•
$$\log_3 (xy^2) = \log_3 x + \log_3 (y^2) = \log_3 x + 2\log_3 y;$$

• $\ln \left(\frac{e\sqrt{y}}{z^3}\right) = \ln (e\sqrt{y}) - \ln (z^3) = \ln e + \ln (y^{1/2}) - 3\ln z = 1 + \frac{1}{2}\ln y - 3\ln z;$

• Rewrite the following expressions as single logarithms with coefficient 1; All variables represent positive numbers;

•
$$2 \ln x + \frac{1}{2} \ln (x+4) = \ln (x^2) + \ln [(x+4)^{1/2}] = \ln [x^2 \sqrt{x+4}];$$

• $\log_5 (x^2 - 4) + 3 \log_5 y - \log_5 (x-2)^2 = \log_5 (x^2 - 4) + \log_5 (y^3) - \log_5 (x-2)^2 = \log_5 [y^3 (x^2 - 4)] - \log_5 (x-2)^2 = \log_5 \left[\frac{y^3 (x^2 - 4)}{(x-2)^2}\right] = \log_5 \left[\frac{y^3 (x+2) (x-2)}{(x-2)^2}\right] = \log_5 \left[\frac{y^3 (x+2) (x-2)}{x-2}\right];$

Change-of-Base Formula

Change-of-Base Formula

If x, a and b are positive real numbers, with $a, b \neq 1$, then

$$\log_b x = \frac{\log_a x}{\log_a b};$$

In particular, if x, b are positive numbers, with $b \neq 1$,

$$\log_b x = \frac{\log x}{\log b} = \frac{\ln x}{\ln b};$$

• Example: Use both Change-of-Base and calculators to compute to the nearest thousandth:

•
$$\log_3 18 = \frac{\ln 18}{\ln 3} \approx 2.631;$$

• $\log_{12} 400 = \frac{\ln 400}{\ln 12} \approx 2.411;$

Logarithmic Scales: The Richter Scale

The Richter Scale Magnitude of an Earthquake

An earthquake with intensity of I has a Richter scale magnitude of

$$M = \log\left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right)$$

where I_0 is the measure of the intensity of a zero-level (smallest seismographically measurable) earthquake;

• Example: Find the Richter scale magnitude of a 1999 Joshua Tree, CA, earthquake whose intensity was *I* = 12,589,254*I*₀;

$$M = \log\left(\frac{l}{l_0}\right) = \log\left(\frac{12,589,254l_0}{l_0}\right) = \log 12,589,254 \approx 7.1;$$

• Example: Find the intensity of the 1999 Taiwan earthquake, which measured 7.6 on the Richter scale; $M = \log \left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right) \Rightarrow 7.6 = \log \left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right) \Rightarrow \frac{I}{I_0} = 10^{7.6} \Rightarrow I = 10^{7.6} I_0 = 39,810,717 I_0;$

Logarithmic Scales: Comparing Earthquake Intensities

• Example: The 1960 Chile earthquake had a Richter scale magnitude of 9.5, whereas the 1989 San Francisco earthquake a Richter scale magnitude of 7.1; Compare the intensities of the two earthquakes;

$$\begin{split} M_{\rm C} &= \log\left(\frac{I_{\rm C}}{I_0}\right) \implies \frac{I_{\rm C}}{I_0} = 10^{M_{\rm C}} \implies I_{\rm C} = 10^{M_{\rm C}}I_0;\\ M_{\rm SF} &= \log\left(\frac{I_{\rm SF}}{I_0}\right) \implies \frac{I_{\rm SF}}{I_0} = 10^{M_{\rm SF}} \implies I_{\rm SF} = 10^{M_{\rm SF}}I_0;\\ \frac{I_{\rm C}}{I_{\rm SF}} &= \frac{10^{M_{\rm C}}I_0}{10^{M_{\rm SF}}I_0} = 10^{M_{\rm C}-M_{\rm SF}} = 10^{9.5-7.1} = 10^{2.4} \approx 251\\ \implies I_{\rm C} \approx 251I_{\rm SF}; \end{split}$$

Logarithmic Scales: pH of a Solution

Definition of the pH of a Solution

The **pH of a solution** with a hydronium anion concentration of H⁺ moles per liter is given by $pH = -\log [H^+];$

- Example: Find the pH of each liquid:
 - Orange juice with $H^+ = 2.8 \times 10^{-4}$ mole/liter; $pH = -\log [H^+] = -\log (2.8 \times 10^{-4}) \approx 3.55;$
 - Milk with $H^+ = 3.97 \times 10^{-7}$ mole/liter; $pH = -\log [H^+] = -\log (3.97 \times 10^{-7}) \approx 6.4;$
 - Baking soda with H⁺ = 3.98×10^{-9} mole/liter; pH = $-\log [H^+] = -\log (3.98 \times 10^{-9}) \approx 8.4$;
- Example: A sample blood has pH of 7.3. Find the hydronium ion concentration of the blood; $pH = -\log [H^+] \Rightarrow \log [H^+] = -pH \Rightarrow H^+ = 10^{-pH} = 10^{-7.3} \approx 5 \times 10^{-8}$ moles/liter;

Subsection 4

Exponential and Logarithmic Equations

Solving Exponential Equations

Equality of Exponents Theorem

If $b^x = b^y$, then x = y, provided $0 < b \neq 1$.

• Example: Use the Equality of Exponents to solve $2^{3x-7} = 32$;

$$2^{3x-7} = 32 \implies 2^{3x-7} = 2^5$$
$$\implies 3x - 7 = 5 \implies 3x = 12 \implies x = 4;$$

The Exponential-Logarithmic Correspondence

$$y = \log_b x$$
 if and only if $b^y = x$.

• Example: Solve the exponential equation $5^x = 40$;

$$5^x = 40 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = \log_5 40;$$

Solving by Taking Logarithms of Both Sides

• Solve
$$3^{2x-1} = 5^{x+2}$$

$$3^{2x-1} = 5^{x+2} \implies \ln 3^{2x-1} = \ln 5^{x+2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x-1) \ln 3 = (x+2) \ln 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x \ln 3 - \ln 3 = x \ln 5 + 2 \ln 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x \ln 3 - x \ln 5 = 2 \ln 5 + \ln 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x(2 \ln 3 - \ln 5) = 2 \ln 5 + \ln 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{2 \ln 5 + \ln 3}{2 \ln 3 - \ln 5} \approx 7.3;$$

Exponential Equations Having Two Solutions

• Solve the equation
$$\frac{2^x + 2^{-x}}{2} = 3;$$

$$\frac{2^{x} + 2^{-x}}{2} = 3 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 2^{x} + 2^{-x} = 6 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 2^{x}(2^{x} + 2^{-x}) = 6 \cdot 2^{x}$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad (2^{x})^{2} + 1 = 6 \cdot 2^{x} \quad \Rightarrow \quad (2^{x})^{2} - 6 \cdot 2^{x} + 1 = 0$$
$$\stackrel{y=2^{x}}{\Rightarrow} \quad y^{2} - 6y + 1 = 0 \quad (\text{Recall } y = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^{2} - 4ac}}{2a})$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad y = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 4}}{2} = \frac{6 \pm 4\sqrt{2}}{2} = 3 \pm 2\sqrt{2};$$

Therefore,

$$2^x = 3 \pm 2\sqrt{2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = \log_2(3 \pm 2\sqrt{2});$$

Solving Logarithmic Equations

The Exponential-Logarithmic Correspondence

$$y = \log_b x$$
 if and only if $b^y = x$.

• Example: Solve the logarithmic equation $\log (3x - 5) = 2$;

$$\log (3x - 5) = 2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 3x - 5 = 10^2$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad 3x = 105 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = 35;$$

• Example: Solve the logarithmic equation $\log 2x - \log (x - 3) = 1$;

$$\log 2x - \log (x - 3) = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \log \frac{2x}{x - 3} = 1$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{2x}{x - 3} = 10^1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 2x = 10(x - 3)$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad 2x = 10x - 30 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 8x = 30 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = \frac{15}{4};$$

Example

• Example: Solve the logarithmic equation $\log_3 x + \log_3 (x + 6) = 3$;

$$\log_3 x + \log_3 (x + 6) = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \log_3 [x(x + 6)] = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad x(x + 6) = 3^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad x^2 + 6x - 27 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad (x + 9)(x - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad x = -9 \text{ or } x = 3;$$

Only x = 3 is an admissible solution!

Applying the One-to-One Property

Equality of Logarithms Theorem

If $\log_b x = \log_b y$, then x = y, provided $0 < b \neq 1$.

• Example: Solve
$$\ln (3x + 8) = \ln (2x + 2) + \ln (x - 2)$$
;

$$\ln (3x + 8) = \ln (2x + 2) + \ln (x - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \ln (3x + 8) = \ln [(2x + 2)(x - 2)]$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad 3x + 8 = (2x + 2)(x - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad 3x + 8 = 2x^2 - 2x - 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad 2x^2 - 5x - 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad (2x + 3)(x - 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad x = -\frac{3}{2} \text{ or } x = 4$$

Only x = 4 is an admissible solution!

One More Example

Example: Solve
$$\ln x = \frac{1}{2} \ln (2x + \frac{5}{2}) + \frac{1}{2} \ln 2;$$

 $\ln x = \frac{1}{2} \ln (2x + \frac{5}{2}) + \frac{1}{2} \ln 2$
 $\Rightarrow 2 \ln x = \ln (2x + \frac{5}{2}) + \ln 2$
 $\Rightarrow \ln (x^2) = \ln [2(2x + \frac{5}{2})]$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 = 4x + 5$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x - 5 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow (x + 1)(x - 5) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = -1 \text{ or } x = 5$

Only x = 5 is an admissible solution!

Subsection 5

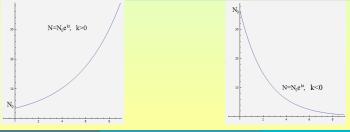
Exponential Growth and Decay

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Exponential Growth and Decay Functions

If a quantity N increases or decreases at a rate proportional to the amount present at time t, then the quantity can be modeled by $N(t) = N_0 e^{kt}$, where N_0 is the value of N at time t = 0, and k is a constant called the **growth rate constant**.

- If k > 0, N increases as t increases and $N(t) = N_0 e^{kt}$ is called an exponential growth function;
- If k < 0, N decreases as t increases and $N(t) = N_0 e^{kt}$ is called an exponential decay function;



Example: Population Growth

- The population of a city is growing exponentially and it was 16,400 in 1995 and 20,200 in 2005.
 - Find the exponential growth function that models the population growth of the city; Let $N(t) = N_0 e^{kt}$ model the population of the city *t* years since 1995; Then, we get

$$\begin{split} N_0 &= 16400; \\ 20200 &= 16400e^{10k} \implies e^{10k} = \frac{20200}{16400} \\ \implies & 10k = \ln \frac{20200}{16400} \implies k = \frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{20200}{16400} \approx 0.0208; \end{split}$$

Therefore, $N(t) = 16400e^{0.0208t}$;

• Predict to the nearest 100, the population of the city in 2020;

 $N(25) = 16400e^{0.0208 \cdot 25} \approx 27,600;$

Example: Radioactive Decay

• Find the exponential decay function for the amount of phosphorus (³²P) that remains in a sample after *t* days, given that the half-life of phosphorus is 14 days;

Let $N(t) = N_0 e^{kt}$ model the amount of phosphorus remaining in a sample after t days; Then, we get

$$\frac{1}{2}N_0 = N_0 e^{14k}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{14k} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 14k = \ln \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{1}{14} \ln \frac{1}{2} \approx -0.0495;$$

Therefore, $N(t) = N_0 e^{-0.0495t}$;

Example: Carbon Dating

• Estimate the age of a bone if it now has 85% of the carbon-14 that it had at time t = 0, given that the half-life of carbon-14 (¹⁴C) is 5730 years;

Let $N(t) = N_0 e^{kt}$ model the amount of carbon-14 remaining in the bone after t years; Then, we get

$$\frac{1}{2}N_0 = N_0 e^{5730k} \implies e^{5730k} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\implies 5730k = \ln \frac{1}{2} \implies k = \frac{1}{5730} \ln \frac{1}{2} \approx -0.00012;$$
Therefore, $N(t) = N_0 e^{-0.00012t};$
herefore, if the bone has $N = 0.85N_0$, we get
$$0.85N_0 = N_0 e^{-0.00012t} \implies 0.85 = e^{-0.00012t}$$

$$\implies -0.00012t = \ln 0.85 \implies t = -\frac{1}{0.00012} \ln 0.85$$

$$\approx 1343.486 \text{ years};$$

Compound Interest

The Compound Interest Formula

If a principal P is invested at an annual rate r, expressed as a decimal, and compounded n times per year for t years, it produces the balance $A = P(1 + \frac{r}{n})^{nt}$.

• Example: Find the balance if \$1,000 is invested at an annual interest rate of 10% for 2 years compounded monthly;

$$A = 1000(1 + rac{0.1}{12})^{12 \cdot 2} = 1000 \cdot 1.0083^{24} \approx \$1,220.39$$

• Example: Find the balance if \$1,000 is invested at an annual interest rate of 10% for 2 years compounded daily;

$$A = 1000(1 + \frac{0.1}{365})^{365 \cdot 2} = 1000 \cdot 1.000274^{730} \approx \$1,221.37;$$

Continuous Compounding

Continuous Compounding Interest Formula

If an account with principal P and annual interest rate r is compounded continuously for t years, then the balance is $A = Pe^{rt}$.

• Example: Find the balance after 4 years on \$3,000 invested at an annual rate of 4% compounded continuously;

$$A = Pe^{rt} = 3000e^{0.04 \cdot 4} = 3000e^{0.16} = \$3,520.53;$$

• Example: Find the time required for money invested at an annual rate of 5% to double in value if the investment is compounded semiannually; Do the same for continuous compounding;

$$A = P(1 + \frac{r}{n})^{nt} \qquad A = Pe^{rt}$$

$$2P = P(1 + \frac{0.05}{2})^{2t} \qquad 2P = Pe^{0.05t}$$

$$2 = 1.025^{2t} \qquad 2 = e^{0.05t}$$

$$2t = \log_{1.025} 2 \qquad 0.05t = \ln 2$$

$$t = \frac{\ln 2}{2\ln 1.025} \approx 14.04; \qquad t = 20 \ln 2 \approx 13.86$$

Restricted Growth and the Logistic Model

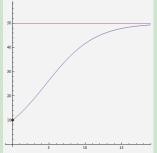
• A **restricted growth model**, unlike the exponential growth model, takes into account the effects of *limited resources*;

The Logistic Model

The magnitude of a population at time $t \ge 0$ is given by

$$P(t)=\frac{c}{1+ae^{-bt}},$$

where *c* is the **carrying capacity** (max population supported) and *b* is a positive constant called the **growth rate constant**; The **initial population** is $P_0 = P(0)$ and the relation between *a*, *c* and P_0 is $a = \frac{c-P_0}{P_0}$;



Example: Coyote Population

At the beginning of 2005 the coyote population in a restricted desert area was estimated at 200; By the beginning of 2007, it had increased to 250; The estimate for the carrying capacity of the area is 500 coyotes;



• What is the growth rate constant of the logistic model of the coyote population?

$$c = 500, \quad P_0 = 200, \quad a = \frac{c - P_0}{P_0} = \frac{500 - 200}{200} = \frac{3}{2};$$

$$P(t) = \frac{500}{1 + 1.5e^{-bt}};$$

$$P(2) = 250 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{500}{1 + 1.5e^{-2b}} = 250 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 1 + 1.5e^{-2b} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad 1.5e^{-2b} = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad e^{-2b} = \frac{2}{3} \quad \Rightarrow \quad b = -\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2}{3} \approx 0.203;$$

• When will the population reach 400 coyotes?

$$\begin{array}{l} P(t) = 400 \Rightarrow \frac{500}{1+1.5e^{-0.203t}} = 400 \Rightarrow 1+1.5e^{-0.203t} = 1.25 \\ \Rightarrow e^{-0.203t} = \frac{0.25}{1.5} \Rightarrow t = -\frac{1}{0.203} \ln \frac{0.25}{1.5} \approx 8.8 \text{ years;} \end{array}$$