

D.5 - Exponential/Logarithmic Modeling and Applications

Day 5

Advanced Compound Interest Model:

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

y = the amount of money after time has passed

P = the principal (*initial*) amount invested

r = annual rate of interest (*as a decimal*)

t = number of years

n = number of times interest is compounded per year

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Ex.1 An amount of \$1,500.00 is deposited in a bank paying an annual interest rate of 4.5%, compounded quarterly. What is the balance after 6 years?

$$P = 1500 \quad y = 1500 \left(1 + \left(\frac{.045}{4} \right) \right)^{24}$$

$$r = .045$$

$$n = 4$$

$$t = 6$$

$$n \cdot t = 24$$

$$y = \$1961.99$$

Ex.2 An amount of \$25,000.00 is deposited in a bank paying an annual interest rate of 3%, compounded monthly. What is the balance after 4 years?

$$P = 25000$$

$$r = .03$$

$$n = 12$$

$$t = 4$$

$$n \cdot t = 48$$

$$y = 25000 \left(1 + \left(\frac{.03}{12} \right) \right)^{48}$$

$$y = \$28,183.20$$

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Ex.3 Suppose an amount of \$2,500.00 is deposited in a bank paying an annual interest rate of 5%, compounded quarterly. How many years will it take for the amount in the bank to become \$30,000 ?

$P = 2500$
 $r = .05$
 $n = 4$
 $t = ?$
 $y = 30000$

$$30000 = \frac{2500}{2500} \left(1 + \left(\frac{.05}{4} \right) \right)^{4t}$$

$$12 = (1.0125)^{4t}$$

$$\frac{\log(12)}{\log(1.0125)} = 4t$$

$$\frac{200.032412914}{4} = \frac{4t}{4}$$

t = 50.0 yrs

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Half-Life Model:

$y = a(0.5)^{\frac{t}{k}}$
 y = the amount after t time a = the initial amount
 t = time gone by k = the half-life time

Ex.4 An element has a half-life of 30 hours. Write the exponential decay function for a 100-mg sample. Then use the function to find the amount of the element remaining after 7 days. Round answer to two decimal places.

$k = 30 \text{ hrs.}$
 $a = 100 \text{ mg}$
 $t = 168 \text{ hrs.}$

$$y = 100(0.5)^{\left(\frac{168}{30}\right)}$$

$y \approx 2.06 \text{ mg}$

Ex.5 The isotope Dubnium-262 has a half-life of 34 seconds. How long would it take 500 mg. to decay to 1 mg. ?

$k = 34 \text{ s.}$
 $t = ?$
 $a = 500$
 $y = 1$

$$1 = \frac{500}{500} (0.5)^{\left(\frac{t}{34}\right)}$$

$$.002 = (0.5)^{\left(\frac{t}{34}\right)}$$

$$\frac{\log(.002)}{\log(0.5)} = \frac{t}{34}$$

$$34 \cdot 8.96578 \dots = \frac{t}{34} \cdot 34$$

$304.8 \text{ seconds} = t$

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