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Notes

## Lesson 6.1

## Compound Interest

Compound  
Interest

If the situation says: "compounded..."

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

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A = Accumulated amount (ending amount)

P: Principal amount (starting amount)

r: rate of interest as a decimal (positive if growth, negative if decay)

n: number of times a year it is compounded

t: time

Compounded  
Meanings

the percent is taken from the newest amount and added to make a new total

compounded quarterly: 4 times a year  
 $n=4$ compounded monthly: 12  $n=12$ compounded weekly: 52  $n=52$ compounded annually:  $n=1$ compounded semiannually:  $n=0.5$ compounded biannually:  $n=2$

Determine the amount of an investment of \$100,000 if it is invested at an interest rate of 5.2% compounded quarterly for 12 years.

Step 1:  $A = ?$      $P = 100,000$      $r = 0.052$      $n = 4$      $t = 12$

Step 2: Plug these in

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

$$A = 100,000 \left(1 + \frac{0.052}{4}\right)^{4 \cdot 12}$$

$$A = 100,000 \left(1 + \frac{0.052}{4}\right)^{48}$$

$$A = \$185,888.87$$

When Jing May was born, her grandparents invested \$1000 in a fixed rate savings account at a rate of 7% compounded annually. The money will go to Jing when she turns 18 to help with her college expenses. What amount of money will Jing receive from the investment?

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

$A = ?$      $P = 1000$      $r = 7\% \rightarrow 0.07$   
 $n = 1$      $t = 18$

Determine the amount of an investment of \$2500 if it is invested at an interest rate of 5.25% compounded monthly for 4 years?

$$A = P(1+r)^t \quad \text{or} \quad A = P\left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt} \quad ?$$

$$n = 12$$

You have \$1000.00 that you want to invest. You find a bank that offers a 5% interest rate and compounds quarterly for savings accounts.

Equation:

$$P = \underline{1000} \quad r = \underline{.05} \quad n = \underline{4} \quad A = \underline{1000\left(1 + \frac{0.05}{4}\right)^{4t}}$$

What is the balance in the account....

A year?

$$1000(1.0125)^{4(1)}$$

$$A = \$1,050.94$$

2 years?

$$1000(1.0125)^{4(2)}$$

$$A = \$2,101.89$$

10 years?

$$\$10,509.45$$

Suppose \$5,000 is invested in a savings account at an 6% interest rate. How much is in the account after 10 years if the money is:

- a. compounded annually?  $A = 5000(1 + \frac{.06}{1})^{1 \cdot 10}$   
 $A = 8,954$   
 $n=1$
- b. compounded quarterly?  $A = 5000(1 + \frac{0.06}{4})^{4 \cdot 10}$   
 $A = 9,070.09$   
 $n=4$
- c. compounded monthly?  $A = 5000(1 + \frac{0.06}{12})^{12 \cdot 10}$   
 $A = 9,096.98$   
 $n=12$
- d. compounded continuously?  $A = 9,096.98$

## 6.2 Natural Exponential Functions And Calculating Interest

### So what is $e$ ???

- The history of mathematics is marked by discovery of special numbers such as zero, imaginary numbers, and  $\pi$ .
- Like  $\pi$  and  $i$ , the number  $e$  is denoted by a letter.
- The number is called the natural base  $e$ , or Euler's number, after its discoverer, Leonhard Euler (1707-1783).

<https://www.desmos.com/calculator/qe6f7o8pzf>

## Investigating the Natural Base $e$

Use a calculator to complete the

$n$	table: $10^n$	100	1000	10000	100000	
$(1 + \frac{1}{n})^n$		2.5937	2.7048	2.7169	2.7181	2.71826

Do the values appear to be approaching a number?

We discovered as  $n$  gets larger and larger, the expression  $(1 + 1/n)^n$  gets closer and closer to

**2.71828**..., which is the **VALUE OF  $e$ !!!**

In Calculus terms...

## Formula for Continuous Exponential Growth and Decay

$$A = Pe^{rt}$$

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$A$  = Total Amount

$P$  = Initial Amount

$r$  = rate (written as a decimal)

$t$  = time (in years)

+ growth  
- decay



$P =$   
 How much should be invested at an interest rate of 4.5% for 15 years to obtain the accumulated amount of \$1,000,000 if the principal was compounded continuously.

$$P = ? \quad 4.5\% \rightarrow r = 0.045 \quad t = 15 \text{ years}$$

$$A = 1,000,000$$

$$A = Pe^{rt}$$

$$\frac{1,000,000}{e^{(0.045 \cdot 15)}} = \frac{P e^{0.045 \cdot 15}}{e^{(0.045 \cdot 15)}}$$

$$P = \$509,156.42$$

Ex: The number of flies after  $t$  hours is  $Q(t) = 20e^{0.03t}$   
 $A = Pe^{rt}$

a.) Initial number of flies?

$$P = 20 \text{ flies}$$

$$r = 0.03 \quad \text{rate } 3\%$$

b.) Population of flies after 72 hours?

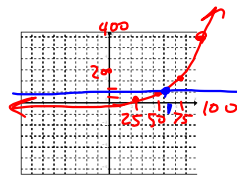
$$Q(t) = 20e^{(0.03(72))} \quad t = 72$$

$$= 173.42$$

$$= 173 \text{ flies}$$

c.) Sketch the graph of  $Q(t)$ .

$t$	1	2	5	10	100
$Q(t)$	20	21	23	26	401



d.) How long does it take for the number of flies to be more than 100?

$$\frac{100}{20} = \frac{20e^{0.03t}}{20}$$

$$5 = e^{0.03t}$$

$$\ln(5) = \ln(e^{0.03t})$$

$$\frac{\ln(5)}{0.03} = \frac{0.03t}{0.03}$$

$$53.65 = t$$

at least 53.65 hours

to reach at least 100 flies