

Lesson 10: Determining the Equation of an Exponential Function

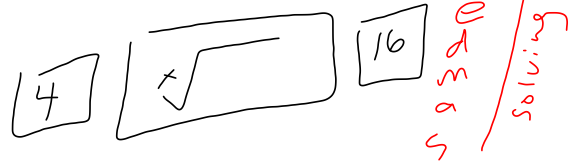
Solve

$$\frac{6.4}{0.4} = \frac{0.4 \cdot b^4}{0.4}$$

$$\sqrt[4]{16} = \sqrt[4]{b^4}$$

$$2 = b$$

step i. isolate b
by performing
opposite operations
to both sides



Solve $120 = 960 b^3$

Determining the Equation of an Exponential Function

Step i. identify which function

$$f(x) = a b^x$$

Step ii find value of a (graph \rightarrow y-int)
(TOV \rightarrow the y, when $x=0$)

$$a = 3$$

Step iii. sub a into equation

$$f(x) = a b^x$$

$$y = 3 b^x$$

Step iv. To find last parameter, sub in point and solve

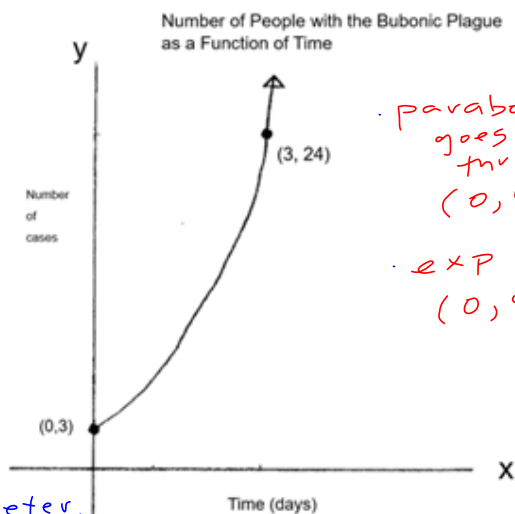
$$y = 3 b^x$$

$$\frac{24}{3} = \frac{3 b^3}{3}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{8} = \sqrt[3]{b}$$

$$2 = b$$

solve!
o.o.



parabola goes thru $(0, 0)$
exp $(0, a)$

Step v. State final equation and use it

$$y = a b^x \quad a = 3 \quad b = 2$$

$$y = 3 \cdot 2^x$$

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

find $f(30)$

$$f(30) = 3 \cdot 2^{30}$$

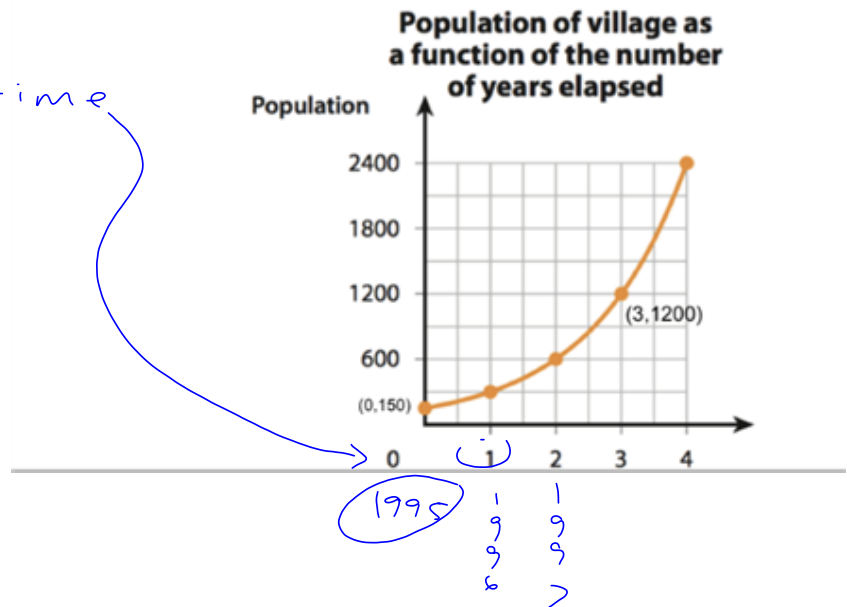
$$3 \times 2^{30}$$

$$f(30) = 3 \text{ billion}$$

In one month, there will be 3 billion w the black plague.

Question 1: In 1995, a data scientist started to observe the population of a village that was experiencing exponential growth. At the beginning there were 150 inhabitants, and three years later the population had grown to 1200. If this population-growth trend continues, how many people will there be in 2025? — *initial year*

elapsed time

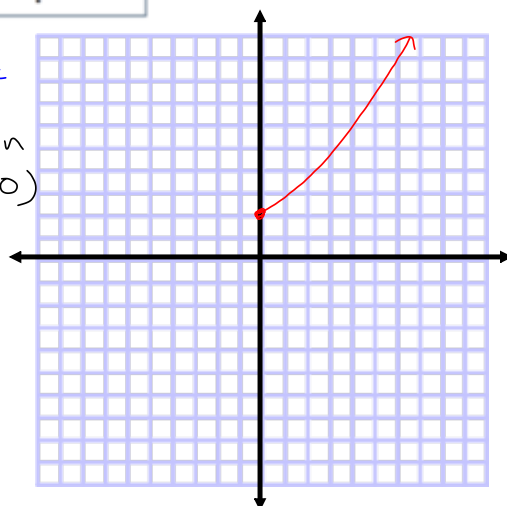


Example: Unlike the resale value of most major purchases, the value of a piece of art can grow exponentially. The table below describes the value of one artwork as a function of time in years. How much will the piece of art be worth in 24 years?

Value of an artwork as a function of time

x	Time (a)	0	10	24
y	Value (\$)	500	950	?

if $f(x) = ab^x$
 then $f(x) = 500b^x$
 find b by subbing in
 (10, 950)
x y



Homework:

- Pg 94 #7 Pg 100 #1
- Pg 101 #2 Pg 104 #2 a)
- Pg 108 #9 maybe (b), (c)