


For each of the following functions, identify first whether it represents a type of "exponential growth" or "exponential decay". Then identify the **y-intercept** and the **equation** of the **asymptote** of the graph of the function. Also state the **domain** and **range** of the function, and sketch a **graph**.

Example:  $y = \frac{1}{4} \cdot 6^x$  


"Growth" or "Decay"? Exponential growth

y-intercept: (0, 1/4)

Equation of Asymptote: y = 0

Domain: all Real numbers

Range: y > 0

1.)  $y = 11 \cdot 3^x$  

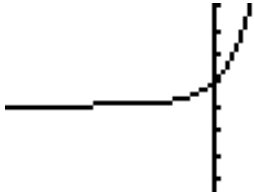
"Growth" or "Decay"? Exponential growth

y-intercept: (0, 11)

Equation of Asymptote: y = 0

Domain: all Real numbers

Range: y > 0

2.)  $y = \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{-x} + 4$    
 $y = 5^x + 4$


"Growth" or "Decay"? Exponential growth

y-intercept: (0, 5)

Equation of Asymptote: y = 4

Domain: all Real numbers

Range: y > 4

3.)  $y = 7 \cdot \left(\frac{3}{8}\right)^x - 1$  


"Growth" or "Decay"? Exponential decay

y-intercept: (0, 6)

Equation of Asymptote: y = -1

Domain: all Real numbers

Range: y > -1

4.)  $y = 2 \cdot e^x$  


"Growth" or "Decay"? Exponential growth

y-intercept: (0, 2)

Equation of Asymptote: y = 0

Domain: all Real numbers

Range: y > 0

5.)  $y = \frac{5}{6} \cdot (0.9)^x$  

"Growth" or "Decay"? Exponential decay

y-intercept: (0, 5/6)

Equation of Asymptote: y = 0

Domain: all Real numbers

Range: y > 0

Warren Buffett, smart investor that he is, invests \$100 in an account that pays 100 % annual interest. How much money will he have in this account at the end of one year if:

- a) the money is compounded annually. \$200.00
- b) the money is compounded quarterly. \$244.14
- c) the money is compounded monthly. \$261.30
- d) the money is compounded weekly. \$269.26
- e) the money is compounded daily. \$271.46
- f) the money is compounded hourly. \$271.81
- g) the money is compounded each minute. \$271.83
- h) What do these calculations have to do with the number "e"?

Given that the initial principal  $P$  deposited in a savings account that pays interest at an annual rate of  $r$  (expressed as a decimal), compounded  $n$  times per year for  $t$  years, can be modeled by the equation:

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

$$e = 2.718281828459$$

**Simplify** each of the following expressions **completely**. Leave answers in exact form – do **not** give **decimal approximations** for answers!

$$6.) e^3 \cdot e^6 = e^9$$

$$7.) \frac{e^{-7x}}{e^{2x}} = \frac{1}{e^{9x}}$$

$$8.) (4e^{-5})^{-1} = \frac{e^5}{4}$$

$$9.) \sqrt{16e^{2x}} = 4e^x$$

$$10.) \frac{-3e^4}{e} = -3e^3$$

$$11.) \left( \frac{2e^{-1}}{8e^{-9}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{e^4}{2}$$

$$12.) \frac{7e^x}{e^{7x}} = \frac{7}{e^{6x}}$$

$$13.) (5e^{-2})^3 = \frac{125}{e^6}$$

$$14.) \sqrt[3]{64e^{6x}} = 4e^{2x}$$

$$15.) e^{3x} \cdot e^{2-3x} = e^2$$

16.) Write an exponential function in the form  $y = a \cdot b^x$  that goes through the points (0,4) and (5,128).

$$y = 4 \cdot 2^x$$

17.) Write an exponential function in the form  $y = a \cdot b^x$  that goes through the points (1,81) and (4,3).

$$y = 243 \cdot \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)^x$$