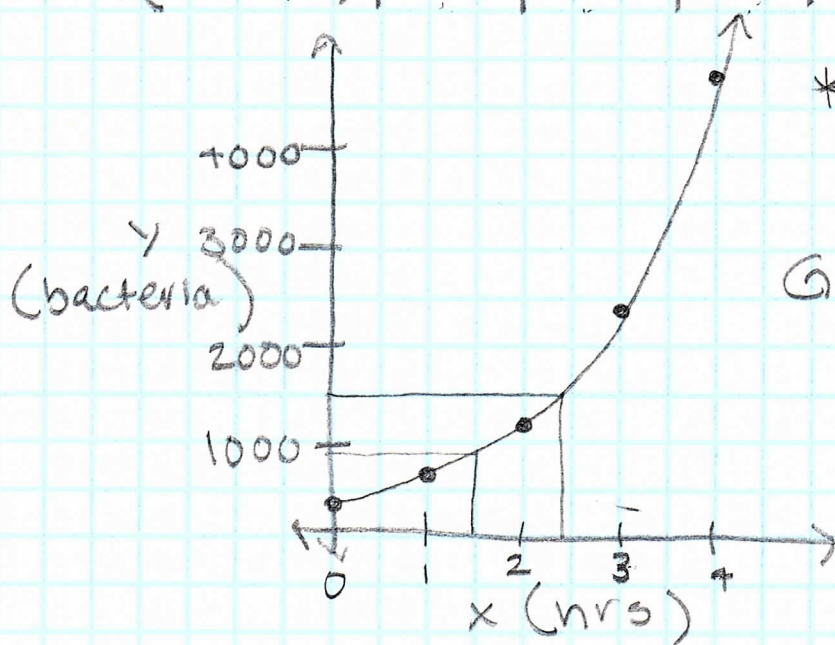


Ln. 9-1: Exponential Growth

EX → experiment begins with 300 bacteria
→ population doubles every hour

x (hours)	0	1	2	3	4
y (# of bacteria)	300	600	1200	2400	4800



* as x increases by 1,
y doubles

GEOMETRIC SEQUENCE

$$y = 300(2)^x$$

→ what is pop at time 1.5 hours?

$$y = 300(2)^{1.5} = \boxed{848.53 \text{ bacteria}}$$

→ what was pop 2 hrs before experiment began?

$$y = 300(2)^{-2} = \boxed{75 \text{ bacteria}}$$

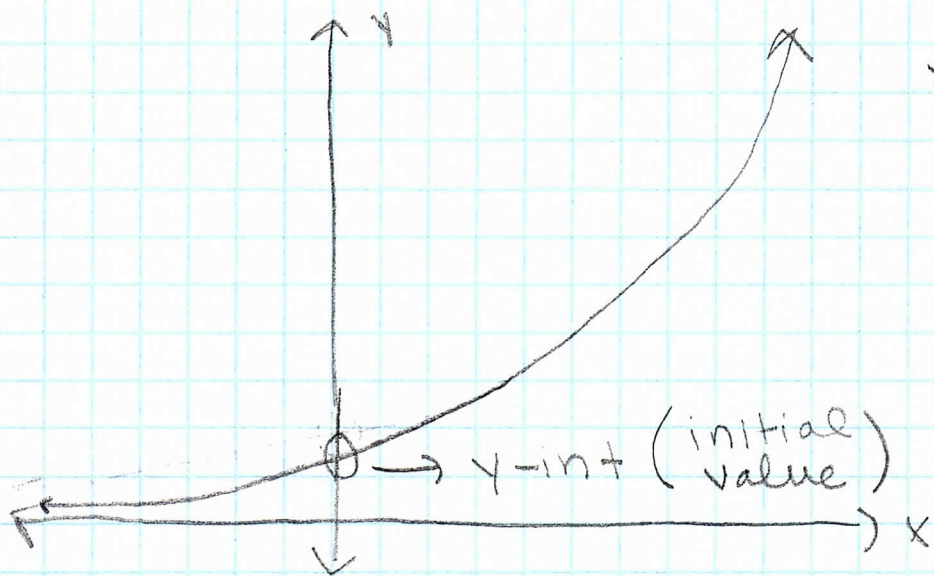
→ after how much time will pop be 1500?

$$1500 = 300(2)^x$$

$$\begin{cases} y = 1500 \\ y = 300(2)^x \end{cases} \text{ intersections}$$

$$\boxed{x = 2.32 \text{ hrs}}$$

EXPONENTIAL GROWTH CURVES



* notice that the graph never touches or crosses the x-axis, the x-axis is called the ASYMPTOTE

DOMAIN $\rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, RANGE \rightarrow positive \mathbb{R}

DEFINITION

A function f is defined by the equation

$$f(x) = ab^x \quad (a \neq 0, b > 0, b \neq 1)$$

is an EXPONENTIAL FUNCTION

$$y = ab^x \quad \text{--- time}$$

\swarrow initial value (y-int)
 \searrow Growth factor ($b > 1$)
 $1 + r$

EX \rightarrow in 2000, 360 deer in forest, assuming a growth factor of 1.5, how many will there be in 2020?

$$y = ab^x = 360(1.5)^{20} = \boxed{1,197,092}$$

EX → in 1993, US pop was about 258 million, assuming a constant rate of 1% annually, how many people will there be in 2015?

$$y = ab^x = 258(1.01)^{22}$$
$$= \boxed{321 \text{ million}}$$

$$b = 1 + r$$
$$= 1 + .01$$
$$= 1.01$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2015 \\ - 1993 \\ \hline 22 \end{array}$$

→ when will pop reach 400 million?

$$y = ab^x$$

$$400 = 258(1.01)^x$$

$$x = 44$$

$$\begin{cases} y = 400 \\ y = 258(1.01)^x \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1993 \\ + 44 \\ \hline \boxed{2037} \end{array}$$