

3. Growth

Goal of the task

The Growth unit is divided into four sub-units: Linear Growth, Exponential Growth, Logistic Growth and Comparison.

Before starting with this unit on Growth, the students have been made familiar with exponential functions and logarithmic functions for about 8 -10 lessons. Mathematics in this unit, developed for a business college, is closely related to business and our aim is to teach our pupils applications of the mathematics, rather than the theory. One of the main topics in the students' second year of Mathematics is growth.

- The students should become familiar with the basic types of growth (linear, exponential, logistic).
- TII is used in notebook-classes only and has to be used in each lesson for calculating and exploring “the jungle”.
- The worksheets are available on the internet for users of TII only and are intended for classroom usage. These worksheets consist of two kinds; one which features various situations and incorporates sliders and one which contains concrete tasks. The tasks are aimed at students of different levels.

The worksheets presented here do not replace the traditional course on growth, but must be seen as an extension or an addition. They do not represent a separate course on that topic.

Target group and required time

The target group of this unit is 10th grade students with an interest in business applications of mathematical models. The Growth unit requires approximately 20 to 25 lessons, including practice time.

Preliminary TI InterActive! skills

The students need the basic skills in using TII which are addressed in the introductory unit of this booklet. Some basic skills in using Windows applications are also useful.

Preliminary mathematical skills

The required preliminary mathematical knowledge consists of a thorough knowledge of exponential and linear functions. Knowledge of differential calculus is not required.

File organization

The task consists of linked TII files stored in the following folders:

- C:\TII\Growth contains the starting file and the teacher guide. Students start work by opening Start_Growth in TI InterActive!. This file contains hyperlinks to the tasks, which can be found in the folders C:\TII\Growth\linear, C:\TII\Growth\exponential, C:\TII\Growth\logistic and C:\TII\comparison.
- C:\TII\Growth\video_animation_help contains hyperlinks to video animations showing how specific tasks can be carried out in TI InterActive!. The videos are in the same folder and can be recognized by the extension scm, which stands for Screencam, the Lotus software that is used for the videos.

- C:\TII\Growth\linear contains the files concerning linear growth. The starting file for linear growth is linear_growth_Notebook, in which the students write their solutions. The folder contains hint files for mathematical assistance.
- C:\TII\Growth\exponential contains the files concerning exponential growth. The starting file for exponential growth is expo_growth_notebook, in which the students write their solutions. The folder contains hint files for mathematical assistance.
- C:\TII\Growth\logistic contains the files concerning logistic growth. The starting file is logi_growth_Notebook, in which the students write their solutions. The folder contains hint files for mathematical assistance.
- C:\TII\Growth\comparison contains the files which address the comparison of the three different growth models. The starting file here is comp_Notebook, in which the students write their solutions. The folder contains hint files for mathematical assistance.

The hyperlinks only work if the files are installed in the appropriate folders.

Suggestions for the teacher

The topic should be started with a general introduction and the presentation of introductory examples by the teacher (about 20 minutes). The teacher should also repeat the most relevant TII commands. If desired, the students can work in pairs. Students can explore the problem graphically with the help of sliders or by substituting values for the existing parameters. It is recommended that the teacher draws up an inventory of the students' findings and leads a classroom discussion on the issues that arise. The teacher may also present a correct solution or invite students to do so.

Technical hints

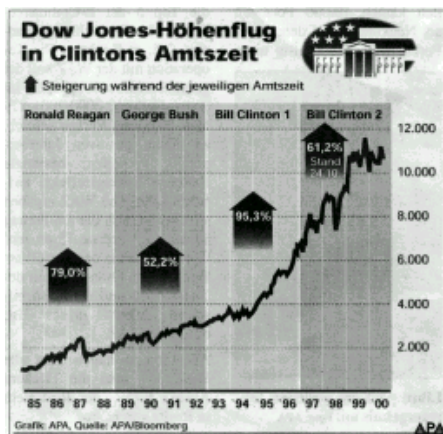
Students start by opening the file Start_Growth in TII. It is recommended that the different TII-files are opened in separate windows so that several versions of TII are activated. By means of a right mouse click in the Windows menu bar the option 'Windows Cascade' offers opportunities for switching easily between the files. However, if the same hyperlink is used twice two versions of the same file will be opened! This may be a source of confusion and therefore requires some attention by the teacher.

As TII only supports absolute hyperlinks and no relative links, the links need to be adjusted after installation of the files, for example on the school network.

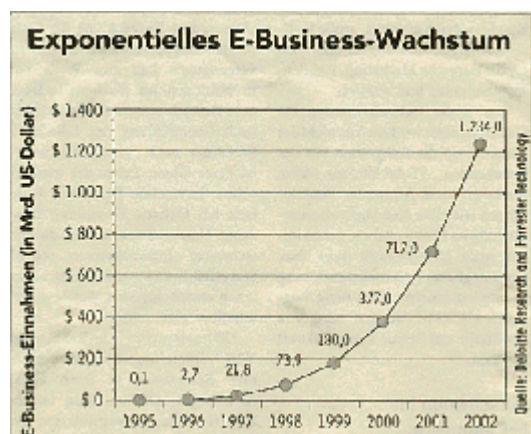
Examples

The following pictures show some examples of various kinds of growth. What kind of growth would one expect in these cases? In this unit you will develop models to describe the most important kinds of growth.

The Dow Jones Index

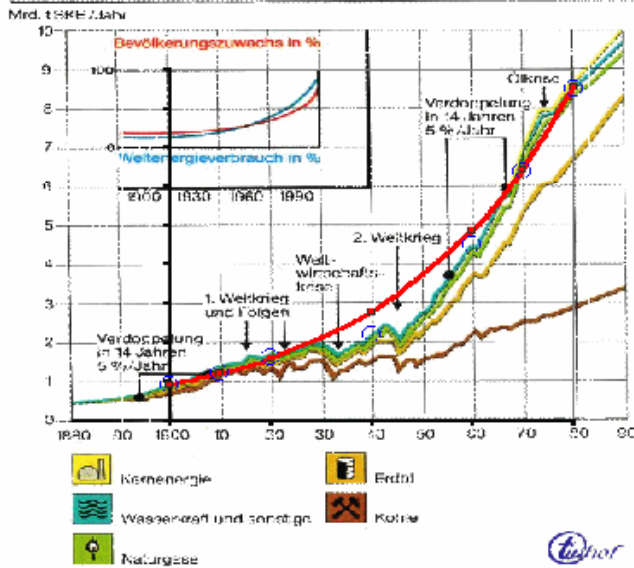


The Growth of e-business

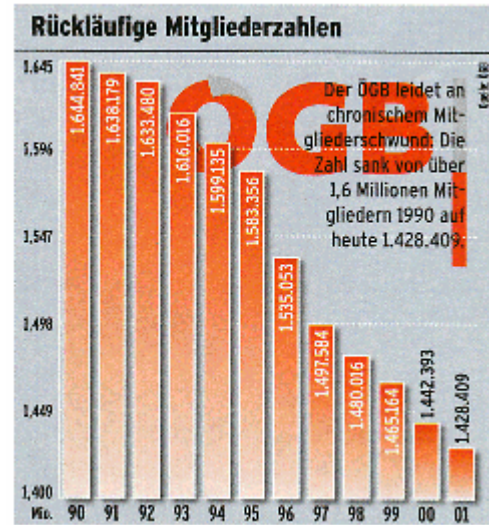


The World Energy Consumption

Weltenergieverbrauch nach Primärenergieträgern 1880 – 1990



The Number of Tradeunionists



Three types of mathematical growth models

$y(t)$	population at time t
$y_0 = y(0)$	population at the beginning of exploration
$\Delta y = y(t+1) - y(t)$	absolute increment
$\frac{\Delta y}{y} = \frac{y(t+1) - y(t)}{y(t)}$	relative increment; rate of growth

_____ formula _____

Linear growth (red)

$$y(t) = y_0 + t \cdot a$$

_____ formula _____

Exponential growth (blue)

$$y(t) = y_0 \cdot (1+i)^t \quad \text{or} \quad y(t) = y_0 \cdot e^{(k \cdot t)}$$

_____ formula _____

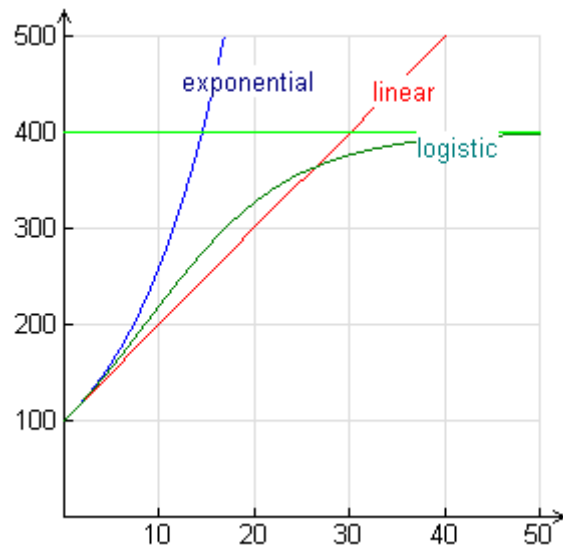
Logistic growth (green)

M maximum; saturation:

$$y(t) = \frac{M}{1 + b \cdot e^{-t}} \quad \text{with} \quad b = \frac{M - y_0}{y_0}$$

or

$$y(t) = \frac{M}{1 + b \cdot e^{(-k \cdot t)}} \quad \text{with} \quad b = \frac{M - y_0}{y_0}$$



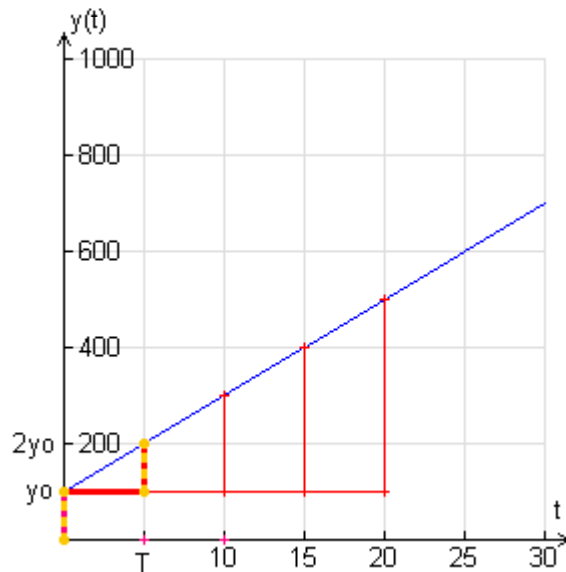
3.1 Linear growth

intro

We remember that the graphs of linear functions are defined by: (*linear growth*)

$$y(t) = y_0 + a \cdot t$$

On the right is the graph of the function for $y_0=100$ and $a = 20$.



task

Main task

Answer the following questions.

Hint 1

- Define $a = 20$.
What is the effect of the value of y_0 on the graph of the function?
Illustrate the answer using a Graph window.
- Define $y_0 = 100$.
What is the effect of the value of a on the graph of the function?
Illustrate the answer using a Graph window.
- Define $y_0 = 50$, $a = 20$.
In what period T does the function value y_0 duplicate?
- What happens to T if the value of y_0 is changed?
Calculate the values of T for $y_0 = 50; 100; 150; 200; 300$ and $a = 20$.
What happens to T if the value of a is changed?
Calculate the values of T for $a = 10; 20; 30; 50; 100$ and $y_0 = 50$.

task

Control task

- Calculate a general equation for the double period T for linear growth. $y(T) = 2 \cdot y_0$.
- Define $y_0 = 90$ and $a = 15$.
Calculate the period in which the function value y_0 is triple the initial value.
- Dora has 80.00 in a box.
At the end of each of the following weeks, she adds 20.00.
How much money is there after 5, 6, 7, t weeks in Dora's box?
- After how many months is the amount of Dora's money in the box 200.00?

Hint 2

3.2 Exponential growth

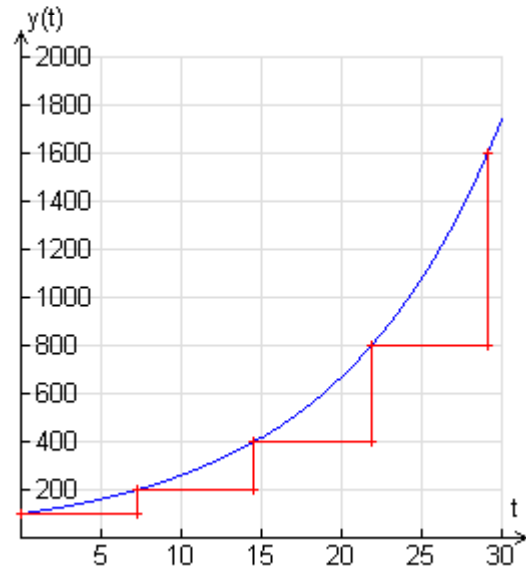
intro

We remember that the graph of exponential functions are defined by:

$$y(t) = y_0 \cdot (1+i)^t \quad \text{exponential growth}$$

On the right is the graph of the function for

$$y_0=100 \quad \text{and} \quad i = 10\% ; i = 0.1.$$



task

Main task A

Hint 3

- Define $i = 0.1$.
What is the influence of the value of y_0 on the graph of the function?
In what period T is the duplication of the function value $y(t)$?
- Define $y_0 = 200$.
What is the influence of the value of i on the graph of the function?
In what period T is the duplication of the function value $y(t)$?
- Define $y_0 = 100$, $i = 0.1$.
In what period T is the duplication of the function value $y(t)$?
What happens with T , if the value of y_0 is changed?

task

Control task A

Hint 4

- Calculate a general equation for the double period T .
Is T constant?
Does T depend on y_0 ?
Does T depend on i ?
- Define $i = 20\%$ and $y_0 = 300$.
Calculate the period for the function value to be trebled.
- Define $i = 20\%$ and $y_0 = 300$.
In what period does the function value becomes $n \cdot y_0$.

task

Main task B

Hint 5

- $y(3) = 25$
 $y(4) = 31.5$
Calculate the absolute increment.
Calculate the relative increment.

- b. $y(2) = 25$
 $y(7) = 31.5$
 Calculate the absolute increment.
 Calculate the relative increment.
- c. Define $y_0 = 300$, $i = 0.1$.
 Plot the graph of a function $\text{deltay}(t)$ [$\text{deltay}(t) := y(t) - y(t-1)$] for the absolute increment of the exponential growth.
 Plot the graph of a function $\text{rely}(t)$ [$\text{rely}(t) := \frac{y(t) - y(t-1)}{y(t-1)}$] for the relative increment of the exponential growth.
 Describe both graphs and describe the difference between the two increment functions.
- d. Change the value of y_0 .
 What is the influence of this value on the two increment functions?
- e. Change the value of i .
 What is the influence of this value on the two increment functions?

task

Control task B

Hint 6

- a. $y_0 = 0.9$
 $y(80) = 8.5$
 Calculate the absolute increment and the relative rate of growth for 80 years.
- b. $y_0 = 0.9$
 $y(80) = 8.5$
 Calculate the relative rate of growth i for *one* period.
 Write the equation of exponential growth and plot the function.

task

Additional task

Hint 7

C-14 is a radioactive isotope with a half-life period of $T = 5730$ (+/- 1%) years.

- a. How old is a skeleton with 10% of the native C-14 content?
- b. Calculate an interval for the age of the skeleton.

Comparison between exponential and linear growth

Suppose in the first year both kinds of growth have the same increment.

$$y_0 = 24.1$$

$$a = 15$$

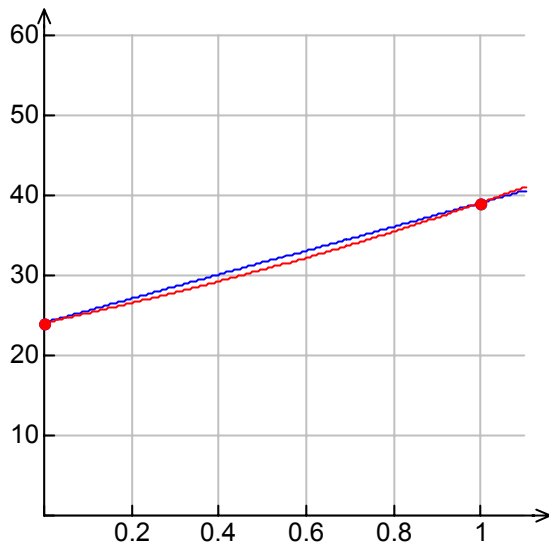
$$i := \frac{a}{y_0} = .622406639$$

$$\text{seq}(a, a, 0, 20) \rightarrow L1$$

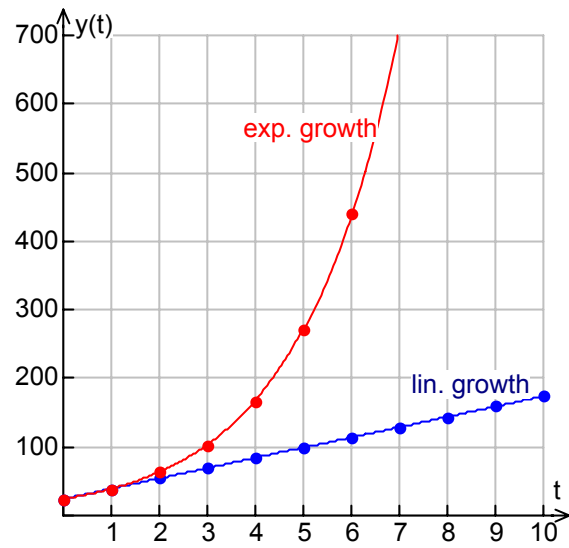
$$y_0 + 11 \cdot a \rightarrow L2$$

$$y_0 + (1+i)^{11} \rightarrow L3$$

Interval [0 ; 1]



Interval [0 ; 10]



3.3 Logistic growth

intro

We recall that logistic functions are defined by:

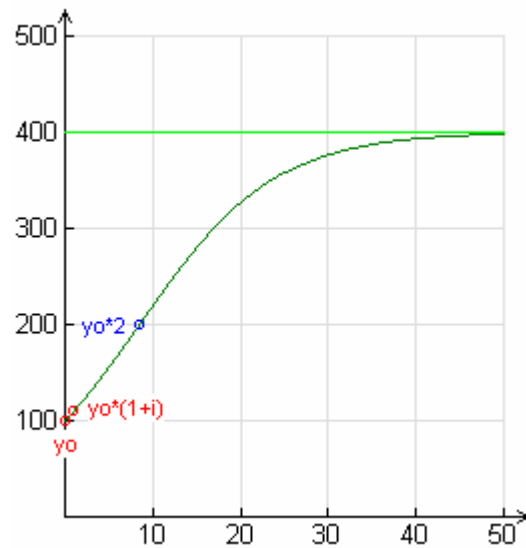
$$y(t) := \frac{M}{1 + b \cdot c^t} \quad \text{or} \quad y(t) = \frac{M}{1 + b \cdot e^{(-k \cdot t)}},$$

$$\text{with } b := \frac{M - y_0}{y_0}.$$

On the right you see the graph of the function for

$y_0=100$ and $i = 10\% = 0.1$.

Rate of growth in the first period: $M = 400$.



task

Main task A

Hint 8

- Define $y_0 = 100$, $i = 0.1$ and $M = 400$ with sliders.
Calculate b and c and graph the function.
What is the influence of the value of y_0 on the graph of the function?
- Define $y_0 = 100$, $i = 0.1$ and M with a slider.
What is the influence of the value of M on the graph of the function?
- Define $y_0 = 100$, i and $M = 400$ with a slider.
What is the influence of the value of i on the graph of the function?
- Define y_0 , $i = 0.1$ and $M = 400$.
At what time T does the duplication of the function value y_0 occur?
What happens to T if the value of y_0 is changed?

task

Control task A

Hint 9

- Define $i = 15\%$, $y_0 = 90$ and $M = 450$ in the logistic growth model.
Find the time for the function value to become double the initial value y_0 .
- Define $i = 15\%$, $y_0 = 50$ and $M = 450$.
Find the time when the value of the function is triple the initial value of y_0 .

task

Main task B

Hint 10

- Define $y_0 = 100$, $y(1) = 130$ and $M = 400$.
Plot a function $\text{deltay}(t)$ [$\text{deltay}(t) := y(t) - y(t-1)$] for the *absolute increment* of the logistic growth.
Plot a function $\text{rely}(t)$ [$\text{rely}(t) := \frac{y(t) - y(t-1)}{y(t-1)}$] for the *relative increment* of the logistic growth.
Describe the function of the absolute increment.

- b. Change the value of $y(1)$.
What is the influence of this value on the function $\text{deltay}(t)$?

task

Control task B

Hint 11

Suppose $y_0 = 15$, $y(4) = 23$ and $M = 50$.

- Calculate the formula for logistic growth function.
- Plot the graph of the logistic function and the function with absolute increment.
- Calculate the maximum of the absolute increment.

task

Additional task

Hint 12

In 1980 4.5 billion people lived on the Earth.
In 1999 6 billion lived on our planet.

- One model of growth predicts an exponential growth for the number of people on Earth.
Calculate the exponential growth function which fits the data.
- Another growth model assumes logistic growth with a maximum of 15 billion people on Earth.
Calculate the logistic growth function with $y_0 = 4.5$, $M = 15$ and $y(19) = 6$.
- Plot the graphs of both functions on one graph. Which model is more realistic, do you think?

3.4 Comparison

intro

We remember that the graphs of functions for the most important types of growth are defined by:

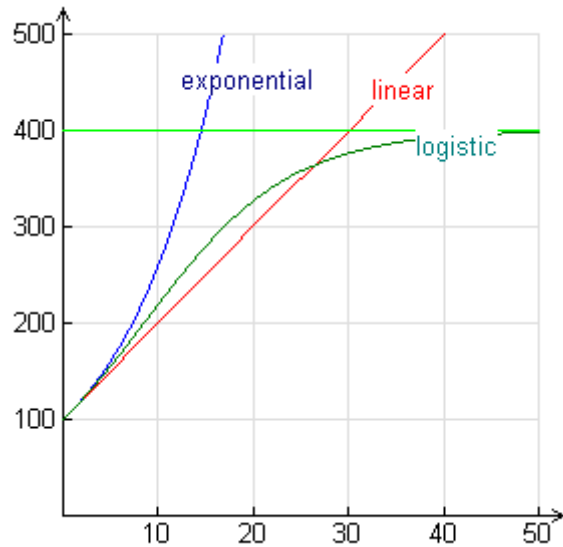
$$\text{lin}(t) := y_0 + a \cdot t \quad \text{linear growth}$$

$$\text{ex}(t) := y_0 \cdot (1 + i)^t \quad \text{exponential growth}$$

$$\text{logi}(t) := \frac{M}{1 + b \cdot c^t} \quad \text{logistic growth}$$

$$b := \frac{M - y_0}{y_0}$$

On the right you see the graphs of the three functions for: $y_0=100$, $i = 10\%$, $a = 10$ and $M = 400$.



task

Main task

- Define $i = 0.1$, $a = i \cdot y_0$, $M = 400$.
What is the influence of the value of y_0 on the three functions?
- Define $y_0 = 100$, $a = i \cdot y_0$, $M = 400$.
What is the influence of the value of i on the three functions?
- Define $y_0 = 100$, $i = 0.1$, $a = i \cdot y_0$.
What is the influence of the value of M on the three functions?

Hint 13

Hint 14

Hint 15

task

Control task

- Define $M = 100$, $i = -10\%$ and $y_0 = 500$.
Calculate the terms of the linear, exponential and the logistic function.
- Explain what happens with the growth functions (exponential and logistic) when the value of i is negative and $y_0 > M$.

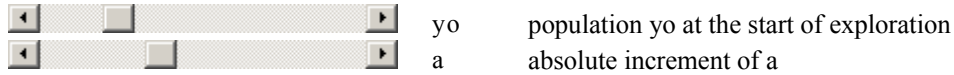
Hint 16

3.5 Hints

hint 1

a/b Define the formula of linear growth in a new MathBox: $y(t) := y_0 + a \cdot t$.

Use slider bars to choose values for y_0 and a .



Show the graph of the function.

To calculate the double period (for the first period) use: $\text{solve}(y(t)=2 \cdot y_0, t)$.

$\text{solve}(y(t) = 2 \cdot y_0, t)$ double period $T = Th$; $y(T) = 2 \cdot y_0$

c. Delete the values of y_0 and a for the following calculations: $\text{delvar}(y_0) :: \text{delvar}(a)$.

Use $\text{solve}(y(t)=2 \cdot y_0, t)$ to calculate the double period T . Store the result as Th .

Use $Th \mid y_0=100$ and $a=20$ to define $y_0 = 100$, $a = 20$ and to calculate Th .

$Th \mid y_0 = 100$ and $a = 20$.

d. Use $Th \mid y_0=50$ and $a=20$ to define $y_0 = 100$, $a = 20$ and to calculate Th .

For the second assignment in task D, use $Th \mid y_0=50$ and $a=10$ to define $y_0 = 100$, $a = 20$ and to calculate Th .

hint 2

a. Define the formula of linear growth $y(t) := y_0 + a \cdot t$.

Use $\text{solve}(y(t)=2 \cdot y_0, t)$ to calculate t .

b. Use $\text{solve}(y(t)=n \cdot y_0, t)$ and the "|" to calculate the periods.

c. Define $y(t) := y_0 + a \cdot t$ with y_0 and a .

Use a table to calculate the values of $y(t)$.

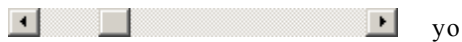
d. Use $\text{solve}(y(t)=20, t)$ to find the time needed to get a value of 20.

hint 3

a. Define the formula for exponential growth: $y(t) := y_0 \cdot (1 + i)^t$.

Insert slider bars to define the values of y_0 and i :

population at the beginning of exploration



relative growth rate



Plot the graph of the function $y(t)$ to answer the questions.

Calculation of doubling period T.

use: $\text{solve}(y(t) = 2 \cdot y_0, t)$

store the right side of the answer as Th:

$\text{right}(\text{ans}) \rightarrow Th$

Calculation of doubling period T: $y(T) = 2 \cdot y_0$.

Delete variable y_0 and a for further calculations:

$\text{delvar}(y_0) :: \text{delvar}(i)$.

doubling period T:

$\text{solve}(y(t) = 2 \cdot y_0, t)$

use " $y_0=100$ and $i=0.1$ "

$\text{solve}(y(t) = 2 \cdot y_0, t) | y_0 = 100 \text{ and } i = 0.1$

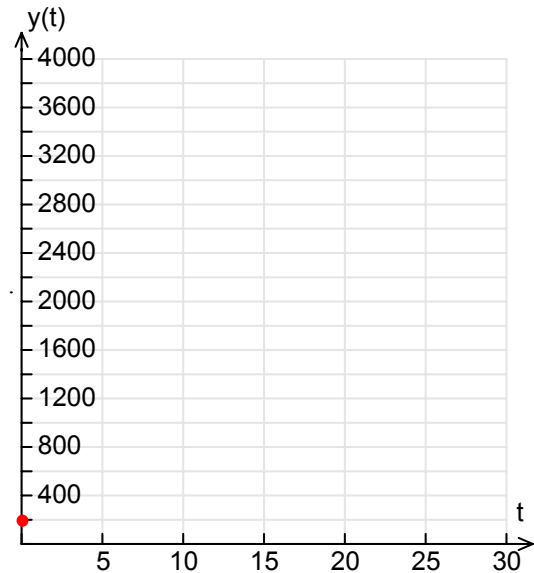
trebling period:

$\text{solve}(y(t) = 3 \cdot y_0, t)$

factor n period:

$\text{solve}(y(t) = n \cdot y_0, t)$

$\text{solve}(y(t) = n \cdot y_0, t) | y_0 = 100 \text{ and } i = 0.1$



b. Give an answer like $T_1(i) = \dots$ (You must *not* use the function name $T(i)$).

Use: $\text{solve}(y(t) = 2 \cdot y_0, t)$.

c. Use $\text{solve}(y(t) = 2 \cdot y_0, t)$ for the doubling period T

and $\text{solve}(y(t) = 2 \cdot y_0, t) | y_0 = 100 \text{ and } i = 0.1$.

hint 4

a. Define the formula for exponential growth: $y(t) := y_0 \cdot (1 + i)^t$.

Insert slider bars to define the values of y_0 and i :

population at the start of exploration



relative growth rate



Print the graph of the function $y(t)$ to answer the questions.

Calculation of doubling period T: $y(T) = 2 \cdot y_0$.

Calculation of double period T:

use: $\text{solve}(y(t) = 2 \cdot y_0, t)$

store the right side of the answer as Th:

$\text{right}(\text{ans}) \rightarrow Th$

delete variable y_0 and a

$\text{delvar}(y_0) :: \text{delvar}(i)$

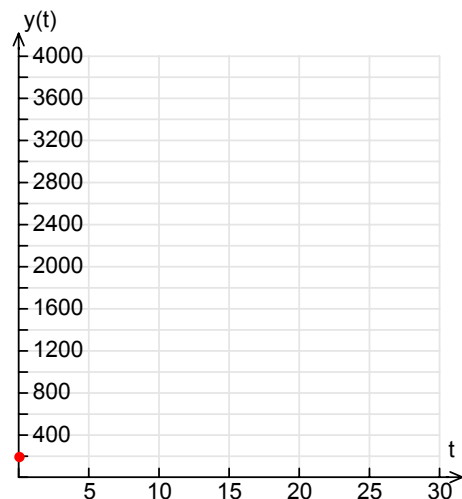
b. trebling period:

$\text{solve}(y(t) = 3 \cdot y_0, t)$

d. factor n period:

$\text{solve}(y(t) = n \cdot y_0, t)$

$\text{solve}(y(t) = n \cdot y_0, t) | y_0 = 100 \text{ and } i = 0.1$



a. $y(3) = 25$
 $y(4) = 31.5$

absolute increment: $y(4) - y(3)$

relative increment: $\frac{y(4) - y(3)}{y(3)}$

relative increment in %: $\frac{y(4) - y(3)}{y(3)} \cdot 100 \%$

$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} = \frac{y(4) - y(3)}{1}$

b. $y(2) = 25$
 $y(7) = 31.5$

absolute increment: $y(7) - y(2)$

relative increment: $\frac{y(7) - y(2)}{y(2)}$

relative increment in %: $\frac{y(7) - y(2)}{y(2)} \cdot 100 \%$

$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} = \frac{y(7) - y(2)}{1}$

$y(t) := y_0 \cdot (1 + i)^t$ Define the formula for exponential growth.
 $y_0 := 300$ Define the population at the beginning of exploration.
 $i := 0.1$ Define the relative growth rate.

c. Define the formula of the absolute increment:
 $\text{deltay}(t) := y(t) - y(t - 1)$.

Enter *deltay(t)* in a new Math Box to show the formula of the function.

Notice the exponential growth of the absolute increment!

Define the formula of the relative increment:

$\text{rely}(t) := \frac{y(t) - y(t - 1)}{y(t - 1)}$ relative increment

Enter *rely(t)* in a new Math Box to show the formula of the function.

Define the formula of the relative increment in %:

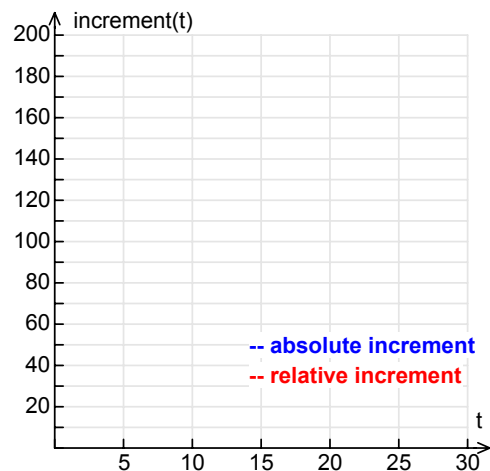
$\text{rely}(t) := \frac{\text{deltay}(t)}{y(t - 1)} \cdot 100$ relative increment in %

Enter *rely(t)* in a new Math Box to show the formula of the function.

$\text{rely}(t) \%$ relative increment in %

d/e. With a slider bar you can change the values of y_0 and i .

Watch the influence of the changes on the graph.



- a. Define the formula for exponential growth.

$$y(t) := y_0 \cdot (1+i)^t$$

$$y_0 := 0.9$$

$$y_{80} := 8.5$$

Calculate the absolute increment and the relative rate of growth for 80 years.

$$y_{80} - y_0 = 8.5 - y_0 \quad \text{absolute increment}$$

$$\frac{y_{80} - y_0}{y_0} \quad \text{relative increment}$$

$$\frac{y_{80} - y_0}{y_0} \cdot 100 \quad \text{relative increment in \%}$$

- b. Open a new MathBox and solve the equation $y(80)=8.5$ with $i > 0$:

$$\text{solve}(y(80) = 8.5, i) \mid i > 0.$$

Write in the next MathBox: $\text{right}(ans) \rightarrow i$.

Plot the graph of the function $y(t)$.

Define $y(t) = y_0 \cdot (1+i)^t$ and $y_0 = 100$.

$$y(t) := y_0 \cdot (1+i)^t$$

$$y_0 := 100$$

Define $Th = 5730$.

$$Th := 5730$$

Solve the equation $y(Th) = y_0/2$ with $i > -1$.

$$\text{solve}\left(y(Th) = \frac{y_0}{2}, i\right) \mid i > -1$$

$\text{right}(ans) \rightarrow i$

$$y(t)$$

Solve the equation $y(t) = 10$.

Define $ya(t) = y_0 \cdot (1+i)^t$.

$$ya(t) := y_0 \cdot (1+i)^t$$

$$Ta := Th \cdot 1.01$$

Calculation see above!

Calculation with $T = 5730 + 1\% = 5787.3$ years.

Define $ya(t) = y_0 \cdot (1+i)^t$

$$ya(t) := y_0 \cdot (1+i)^t$$

$$Ta := Th \cdot 1.01$$

Calculation see above!

- a. Define y_0 , M and i with slider bars. Answer the questions using the sliders.



Maximum, saturation of logistic growth.

This means $i \cdot 100\%$ growth in the first time interval.

$$y(t) := \frac{M}{1 + b \cdot c^t}$$

Define the function of logistic growth $y(t)$.

Important: Start with the calculation of b , using the solve command. Then continue with the calculation of c .

- b. Graph the function and use the slider bar to change the value of M. Examine the effects.
- c. Graph the function and use the slider bar to change the value of i. Examine the effects.
- d. If T is the duplication time, $y(T)=2*y(0)$.

hint 9

- a. Define y_0 , M and i.

Define $y(t)$: $y(t) := \frac{M}{1 + b \cdot c^t}$.

First calculate b and c. If the initial value y_0 is doubled, $y(t) = 2*y_0$.

- b. Follow the approach of the previous assignment, but this time notice that $y(t) = 3*y_0$.

hint 10

- a. First calculate the value of c using the given value of $y(1)$.
- b. Change the value of $y(1)$ and examine the effect this has on the graph of delay.

hint 11

- a. Define y_0 and M.

Define $y(t)$: $y(t) := \frac{M}{1 + b \cdot c^t}$.

Use y_0 to calculate the value of b.
Use $y(4)$ to calculate the value of c.

- b. The absolute increment function is defined by $\text{deltay}(t) := y(t) - y(t - 1)$.
- c. Use Calculate Maximum for finding the maximum of the absolute increment.

hint 12

- a. The general model for exponential growth is $\text{ex}(t) := y_0 \cdot (1 + i)^t$.
Use the data to calculate y_0 and i.

- b. The general model for logistic growth is $y(t) := \frac{M}{1 + b \cdot c^t}$.
Use the data points and $M=15$ to calculate b and c.

hint 13

First define y_0 with a slider and i, M and a with:



y_0

$i := 0.1$

$M := 400$

$a := i \cdot y_0$

Then enter the three growth models.

First define i with a slider and y_0 , a and M with:



i

$$y_0 := 100$$

$$M := 400$$

$$a := i \cdot y_0$$

Then enter the three growth models.

First define M with a slider and y_0 , i and a with:



M

$$y_0 := 100$$

$$i := 0.1$$

$$a := i \cdot y_0$$

Then enter the three growth models.

a. Start with an example:

$$y_0 := 500$$

$$i := -0.1$$

$$M := 300$$

Find the formulas for the three types of growth.

b. Use the above example to investigate the three graphs.