

$$y = a \cdot b^x$$

$a$  = starting value

$b$  = growth factor

Percents:

7% increase:  $b = 1 + 0.07 = 1.07$

7% decrease:  $b = 1 - 0.07 = 0.93$

**★ EXTENDED RESPONSE** In 2000, the average price of a football ticket for a Minnesota Vikings game was \$48.28. During the next 4 years, the price increased an average of 6% each year.  $b = 1 + 0.06 = 1.06$

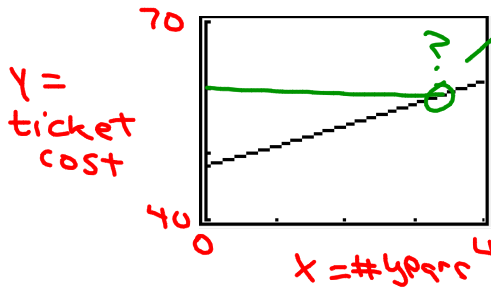
a. Write a model giving the average price  $p$  (in dollars) of a ticket  $t$  years after 2000.

$$y = 48.28(1.06)^x$$

b. Graph the model. Estimate the year when the average price of a ticket was about \$60.

c. Explain how you can use the graph of  $p(t)$  to determine the minimum and maximum  $p$ -values over the domain for which the function gives meaningful results.

Use your calculator to make a graph, but set the window so that it shows the data for the relevant domain and range.



$$x = 3.73 \text{ (Year 4)}$$

$$x: 0 \leq x \leq 4$$

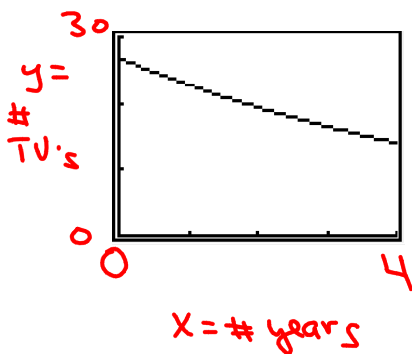
$$y: 48.28 \leq y \leq 60.95$$

**TV SALES** From 1997 to 2001, the number  $n$  (in millions) of black-and-white TVs sold in the United States can be modeled by  $n = 26.8(0.85)^t$  where  $t$  is the number of years since 1997. Identify the decay factor and the percent decrease. Graph the model and state the domain and range. Estimate the number of black-and-white TVs sold in 1999.

$0.85$  = "decay" factor

15% decrease

Set your window so that you see the graph for the relevant domain and range.



$$D: 0 \leq x \leq 4$$

$$R: 0 \leq y \leq 30$$

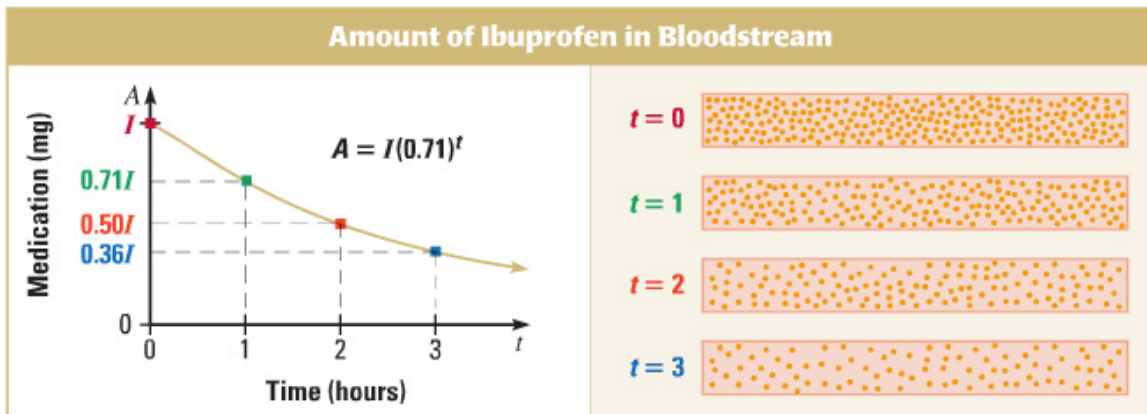
$$1999 = \text{Year } 2$$

$$y = 26.8(0.85)^2 = 19.36 \text{ million TVs}$$

# Exponential Applications

**MEDICINE** When a person takes a dosage of  $I$  milligrams of ibuprofen, the amount  $A$  (in milligrams) of medication remaining in the person's bloodstream after  $t$  hours can be modeled by the equation  $A = I(0.71)^t$ .

$g = 0.71$   
71% remains  
29% is used



Find the amount of ibuprofen remaining in a person's bloodstream for the given dosage and elapsed time since the medication was taken.

a. Dosage: 200 mg  
Time: 1.5 hours

b. Dosage: 325 mg  
Time: 3.5 hours

c. Dosage: 400 mg  
Time: 5 hours

$$A = 200(0.71)^{1.5}$$

$$= 119.65 \text{ mg}$$

$$A = 325(0.71)^{3.5}$$

$$= 98.01 \text{ mg}$$

$$A = 400(0.71)^5$$

$$= 72.17 \text{ mg}$$

Shown below is part of the handout that should go on p. 120.

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### Compound Interest

The compound interest formula for the amount  $A$  in an account after  $t$  years is  $A \approx P \left( 1 + \frac{r}{n} \right)^{nt}$

where  $P$  is the principal,  $r$  is the annual interest rate as a decimal, and  $n$  is the number of times per year that interest is compounded.

Suppose a college savings account is paying 7% annual interest compounded  $n$  times per year. You will investigate how increasing  $n$  affect the value of \$1000 invested in the account after 18 years.

Rewrite the formula for  $A$  to represent this problem.

$$A = 1000 \left( 1 + \frac{.07}{n} \right)^{18n}$$

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| Quarterly | 4 | $\left( 1 + \frac{.07}{4} \right)^{18 \cdot 4}$ | \$ 3487.21 |
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