

Quiz # 1

Name: Key

You must show your work to get full credit.

1. Let p and q be related by $\begin{array}{c|cccc} p & 3 & 6 & 9 & 15 \\ \hline q & 35 & 30 & 25 & 15 \end{array}$

(a) Write a sentence or two explaining why this is a linear relationship. Be sure to show all your calculations.

$$\text{slope at } ① = \frac{\Delta q}{\Delta p} = \frac{30-35}{6-3} = -\frac{5}{3}$$

$$\text{slope at } ② = \frac{\Delta q}{\Delta p} = \frac{25-30}{9-6} = -\frac{5}{3}$$

$$\text{slope at } ③ = \frac{\Delta q}{\Delta p} = \frac{15-25}{15-9} = -\frac{10}{6} = -\frac{5}{3}$$

It is linear because the slopes are constant.

(b) Find q as function of p .

$$q = -\frac{5}{3}p + 40$$

$$\frac{\Delta q}{\Delta p} = \frac{q-35}{p-3} = -\frac{5}{3}$$

$$q-35 = -\frac{5}{3}(p-3) = -\frac{5}{3}p + 5$$

$$q = -\frac{5}{3}p + 40$$

2. Let P and t be related by $\begin{array}{c|cccc} t & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \hline P & 6.0 & 10.2 & 17.34 & 29.478 \end{array}$

(a) Write a sentence or two explaining why this is an exponential function.

$$\text{ratio at } ① = \frac{10.2}{6.0} = 1.7$$

$$\text{ratio at } ② = \frac{17.34}{10.2} = 1.7$$

$$\text{ratio at } ③ = \frac{29.478}{17.34} = 1.7$$

It is exponential because the ratio is constant.

(b) Find P as a function of t .

$$P = 6(1.7)^t$$

$$P(t) = P_0 a^t$$

$$\text{where } P_0 = P(0) = 6$$

$$a = \text{ratio} = 1.7$$

3. Solve $3(1.2)^t = 19$ for t .

$$t = 10.124$$

$$(1.2)^t = 19/3$$

$$t \ln(1.2) = \ln(19/3)$$

$$t = \ln(19/3) / \ln(1.2) = 10.124$$