

Practice the following problems related to exponential growth models.

Section 2.4.

- 10. Compound interest.** If an amount P_0 is deposited in a savings account and interest is compounded continuously at 4.3% per year, the balance P grows at the rate given by

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = 0.043P.$$

- a) Find the function that satisfies the equation. Write it in terms of P_0 and 0.043.
 - b) Suppose \$20,000 is deposited. What is the balance after 1 yr? After 2 yr?
 - c) What is the rate of change of the balance after 1 yr? After 2 yr?
- 16. Consumer price index.** The *consumer price index* compares the costs, c , of goods and services over various years, where 1983 is used as a base ($t = 0$). The same goods and services that cost \$100 in 1983 cost \$243 in 2017. (Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics.)
- a) Model c as an exponential function, rounding the growth rate k to six decimal places. Let t be the number of years after 1983.
 - b) Estimate what the goods and services costing \$100 in 1983 will cost in 2023.
 - c) Estimate the rate of change in 2023 of the cost of goods and services that cost \$100 in 1983.
- 22. Average salary of Major League baseball players.** In 1970, the average salary of Major League baseball players was \$29,303. In 2016, the average salary was \$4,400,000. (Source: mlb.com.) Assuming exponential growth occurred, what was the growth rate to the nearest hundredth of a percent? What will the average salary be in 2025? Round your answer to the nearest thousand dollars.