

Answer on Question #37548 – Math - Differential Calculus

Let p , t , and r represent the principal, time, and rate of interest respectively. It is given that the principal increases continuously at the rate of r % per year. So we have

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = p \left(\frac{r}{100} \right)$$

$$\frac{dp}{p} = \frac{r}{100} dt$$

Integrate both sides

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{dp}{p} &= \int \frac{r}{100} dt \\ \ln p &= \frac{rt}{100} + \text{const} = \frac{rt}{100} + k \\ p &= e^{\frac{rt}{100} + k} \end{aligned}$$

For $t = 0$, $p = 100$:

$$100 = e^{0+k} = e^k$$

For $t = 10$, we have $p = 2 \cdot 100 = 200$:

$$\begin{aligned} 200 &= e^{\frac{r}{10} + k} \\ 200 &= e^{\frac{r}{10}} \cdot e^k = e^{\frac{r}{10}} \cdot 100 \\ \frac{r}{10} &= \ln 2 \\ r &= 0.6931 \cdot 10 = 6.931 \end{aligned}$$

The value of r is 6. 93%.

Consider the second case. Let p and t be the principal and time respectively. It is given that the principal increases continuously at the rate 5% per year. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dp}{dt} &= p \left(\frac{5}{100} \right) \\ \int \frac{dp}{p} &= \int \frac{1}{20} dt \\ \ln p &= \frac{t}{20} + k \\ p &= e^{\frac{t}{20} + k} \end{aligned}$$

For $t = 0$, $p = 1000$:

$$1000 = e^{0+k} = e^k$$

If $t = 10$, then:

$$\begin{aligned} p &= e^{\frac{1}{2} + k} \\ p &= e^{1/2} \cdot e^k = e^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 1000 = 1.648 \cdot 1000 = 1648 \end{aligned}$$

After 10 years the amount will worth s 1648.