

## 7.3 Modelling Data Using Exponential Functions

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Number of Tosses	Number of Tails	Prediction for Tails on Next Toss
0	100 Initial sample size:	50
1	50	25
2	28	14
3	11	5.5
4	5	2.5
5	5	2.5
6	3	1.5
7	3	1.5
8	3	1.5
9	2	1
10	1	

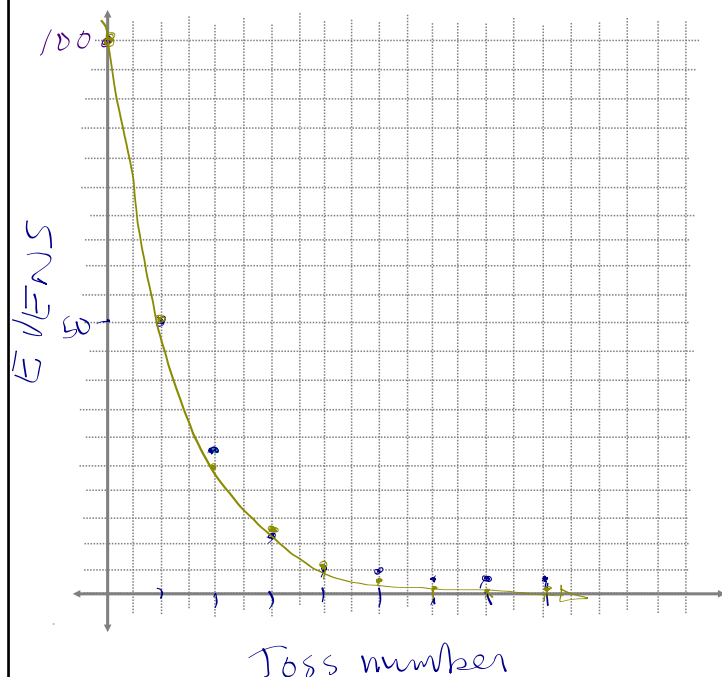
Answer questions A - I below

D. decreasing... the ratio between consecutive terms should be  $\frac{1}{2}$

F.  $y = a(b)^x$   
 $a = 81.23528$   
 $b = 0.54884$

G. should all be similar

I.  $D: \{x \in \mathbb{R}\}$   
 $R: \{y \in \mathbb{R} \mid y > 0\}$



**EXAMPLE 1** Creating graphical and algebraic models of given data

The population of Canada from 1871 to 1971 is shown in the table below. In the third column, the values have been rounded.

Year	Actual Population of Canada	Population of Canada (millions)
1871	6	2 436 297
1881	10	3 229 633
1891	20	3 737 257
1901	30	5 418 663
1911	40	7 221 662
1921	⋮	8 800 249
1931	⋮	10 376 379
1941	⋮	11 506 655
1951		14 009 429
1961		18 238 247
1971		21 568 305

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- a) Using graphing technology, create a graphical model and an algebraic exponential model for the data.
- b) Assuming that the population growth continued at the same rate to 2011, estimate the population in 2011. Round your answer to the nearest million.

a)  $y = 2.652207(1.021798)^x$       b) value = 140  $\Rightarrow y = 55 \text{ M}$

*Handwritten notes: increases  $x_{max}$  &  $y_{max}$*

**EXAMPLE 2** Solving a problem using an exponential regression model

Sonja did an experiment to determine the cooling curve of water. She placed the same volume of hot water in three identical cups. Then she recorded the temperature of the water in each cup as it cooled over time. Her data for three trials is given as follows.

**Trial 1**

Time (min)	Temperature (°C)
0	80
5	69
10	61
20	45
30	34
40	26

**Trial 2**

Time (min)	Temperature (°C)
0	75
5	66
10	59
20	44
30	32
40	23

**Trial 3**

Time (min)	Temperature (°C)
0	78
5	68
10	61
20	44
30	33
40	25

- a) Construct a scatter plot to display the data. Determine the equation of the exponential regression function that models Sonja's data.
- b) Estimate the temperature of the water 15 min after the experiment began. Round your answer to the nearest degree.  $\Rightarrow 51^\circ \text{C}$
- c) Estimate when the water reached a temperature of 30 °C. Round your answer to the nearest minute.

$y = 78.68124 (0.971517)^x$

$\hookrightarrow y_2 = 30 \rightarrow \text{get POF.}$

$t = 33.37 \text{ min}$

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QUIZ tomorrow: 7.1-7.3