

Math 157 - Quiz 1

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Name key

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Show all work to receive full credit. Supply explanations when necessary. YOU MUST WORK INDIVIDUALLY.

1. (4 points) In predicting the future value of a stock, a financial adviser used the formula

$$V(t) = 0.08t + 34.17,$$

where $V(t)$ represents the value of the stock in dollars t days from today.

- (a) Is the value of the stock increasing or decreasing? How do you know?

V IS AN INCREASING FUNCTION. IT IS A LINEAR FUNCTION WITH POSITIVE SLOPE ($m = 0.08$)

- (b) About how much will the stock be worth in 8 days?

$$V(8) = 0.08(8) + 34.17 = 34.81$$

\$34.81

- (c) After how many days will the stock be worth \$50?

$$0.08t + 34.17 = 50$$

$$0.08t = 15.83$$

$$t = 197.875$$

AFTER ABOUT 198 DAYS

2. (3 points) A collectible vinyl record album was worth \$10.99 in 1980 and \$76.35 in 2016. Assume that its value can be described by a linear function. Find a formula for the value of the record album as a function of time (in years). Then use your formula to estimate the record's value in 2000.

$$t = 0, V = 10.99$$

$$t = 36, V = 76.35$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} t = 0, V = 10.99 \\ t = 36, V = 76.35 \end{array} \right\} \text{Slope} = \frac{76.35 - 10.99}{36} = \frac{65.36}{36} = 1.8156 \approx 1.8156$$

$$V(t) = 1.8156t + 10.99$$

$$\text{In 2000, } t = 20 \text{ \& } V(20) = 1.8156(20) + 10.99$$

\approx \\$47.30

3. (3 points) Without graphing, determine whether the table describes a linear function.

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| x | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 13 |
| y | 10 | 13 | 19 | 32 | 46 |

$$m = \frac{3}{1} = 3$$

$$m = \frac{6}{2} = 3$$

$$m = \frac{13}{4} \neq 3$$

FUNCTION IS NOT LINEAR