

$$\begin{aligned} & \xrightarrow{\left(\times \frac{5730}{\ln(0.5)}\right)} \frac{5730}{\ln(0.5)} \cdot \ln(0.86) = t \\ & \implies t \approx 1247 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the tree died approximately 1247 years ago.

- b) Since 41.3% of the carbon-14 is gone, $100\% - 41.3\% = 58.7\%$ remains. Using $y = c \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{t}{h}}$ with $y = 58.7\% \cdot c$ and $h = 5730$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0.587 \cdot c &= c \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{t}{5730}} && \xrightarrow{(\div c)} && 0.587 = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{t}{5730}} \\ &&& \xrightarrow{(\text{apply } \ln)} && \ln(0.587) = \ln\left(0.5^{\frac{t}{5730}}\right) \\ &&& \implies && \ln(0.587) = \frac{t}{5730} \cdot \ln(0.5) \\ &&& \xrightarrow{\left(\times \frac{5730}{\ln(0.5)}\right)} && \frac{5730}{\ln(0.5)} \cdot \ln(0.587) = t \\ &&& \implies && t \approx 4404 \end{aligned}$$

The animal died 4404 years ago.

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16.3 Exercises

Exercise 16.1

An investment of \$5000 was locked in for 30 years. According to the agreed-upon conditions, the investment will be worth $\$5000 \cdot 1.08^t$ after t years.

- How much is the investment worth after 5 years?
- After how many years will the investment be worth \$20,000?

Exercise 16.2

Determine the final amount in a savings account under the given conditions.

- a) \$700, compounded quarterly, at 3%, for 7 years
- b) \$1400, compounded annually, at 2.25%, for 5 years
- c) \$1400, compounded continuously, at 2.25%, for 5 years
- d) \$500, compounded monthly, at 3.99%, for 2 years
- e) \$5000, compounded continuously, at 7.4%, for 3 years
- f) \$1600, compounded daily, at 3.333%, for 1 year
- g) \$750, compounded semi-annually, at 4.9%, for 4 years

Exercise 16.3

- a) Find the amount P that needs to be invested at a rate of 5% compounded quarterly for 6 years to give a final amount of \$2000.
- b) Find the present value P of a future amount of $A = \$3500$ invested at 6% compounded annually for 3 years.
- c) Find the present value P of a future amount of \$1000 invested at a rate of 4.9% compounded continuously for 7 years.
- d) At what rate do we have to invest \$1900 for 4 years compounded monthly to obtain a final amount of \$2250?
- e) At what rate do we have to invest \$1300 for 10 years compounded continuously to obtain a final amount of \$2000?
- f) For how long do we have to invest \$3400 at a rate of 5.125% compounded annually to obtain a final amount of \$3700?
- g) For how long do we have to invest \$1000 at a rate of 2.5% compounded continuously to obtain a final amount of \$1100?
- h) How long do you have to invest a principal at a rate of 6.75% compounded daily until the investment doubles its value?
- i) A certain amount of money has tripled its value while being in a savings account that has an interest rate of 8% compounded continuously. For how long was the money in the savings account?

✓ Exercise 16.4

An unstable element decays at a rate of 5.9% per minute. If 40mg of this element has been produced, how long will it take until 2mg of the element are left? Round your answer to the nearest thousandth.

✓ Exercise 16.5

A substance decays radioactively with a half-life of 232.5 days. How much of 6.8 grams of this substance is left after 1 year?

✓ Exercise 16.6

Fermium-252 decays in 10 minutes to 76.1% of its original mass. Find the half-life of fermium-252.

✓ Exercise 16.7

How long do you have to wait until 15mg of beryllium-7 have decayed to 4mg if the half-life of beryllium-7 is 53.12 days?

✓ Exercise 16.8

If Pharaoh Ramses II died in the year 1213 BC, then what percent of the carbon-14 was left in the mummy of Ramses II in the year 2000?

✓ Exercise 16.9

In order to determine the age of a piece of wood, the amount of carbon-14 was measured. It was determined that the wood had lost 33.1% of its carbon-14. How old is this piece of wood?

✓ Exercise 16.10

Archaeologists uncovered a bone at an ancient resting ground. It was determined that 62% of the carbon-14 was left in the bone. How old is the bone?