

WS#4-9

4. **Chemistry** A chemist has a 1000-gram sample of a radioactive material. She records the amount of radioactive material remaining in the sample every day for a week and obtains the following data:



| Day | Weight (in Grams) |
|-----|-------------------|
| 0 | 1000.0 |
| 1 | 897.1 |
| 2 | 802.5 |
| 3 | 719.8 |
| 4 | 651.1 |
| 5 | 583.4 |
| 6 | 521.7 |
| 7 | 468.3 |

- Using a graphing utility, draw a scatter diagram with day as the independent variable.
- Using a graphing utility, fit an exponential function to the data.
- Express the function found in part (b) in the form $A(t) = A_0e^{kt}$.
- Graph the exponential function found in part (b) or (c) on the scatter diagram.
- From the result found in part (b), find the half-life of the radioactive material.
- How much radioactive material will be left after 20 days?
- When will there be 200 grams of radioactive material?

10. **Population Model** The following data represent the world population. An ecologist is interested in finding a function that describes the world population.

| Year | Population (in Billions) |
|------|--------------------------|
| 1993 | 5.531 |
| 1994 | 5.611 |
| 1995 | 5.691 |
| 1996 | 5.769 |
| 1997 | 5.847 |
| 1998 | 5.925 |
| 1999 | 6.003 |
| 2000 | 6.080 |
| 2001 | 6.157 |

SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau

- Using a graphing utility, draw a scatter diagram of the data using year as the independent variable and population as the dependent variable.
- Using a graphing utility, fit a logistic function to the data.
- Using a graphing utility, draw the function found in part (b) on the scatter diagram.
- Based on the function found in part (b), what is the carrying capacity of the world?
- Use the function found in part (b) to predict the population of the world in 2004.
- When will world population be 7 billion?
- Compare actual U.S. Census figures to the prediction found in part (e).