

6.3 Notetaking with Vocabulary

I can use and model exponential functions.

I can identify and evaluate exponential functions.

I can graph exponential functions.

Write the meaning of each vocabulary term.

exponential function - a non-linear function of the form $y = a \cdot b^x$ where $a \neq 0$, $b > 0$ and $b \neq 1$. ← variable

signature - As x increases by a constant amount, y is multiplied by a constant factor.

Notes:

Linear

→ the difference
b/e consecutive
y's is
constant
will be
m
linear
 $y = mx + b$

Exponential

$\frac{y_2}{y_1}$ - the ratio of
consecutive y's
if constant, we
have exponential
ratio = base
 $= \frac{y_2}{y_1}$
 $y = a \cdot b^x$

$x_2 > x_1$
 $x_2 - x_1 = 1$
x's go ↑ by 1

Identifying and Evaluating Exponential Functions

In Exercises 1-4, determine whether the table represents a *linear* or an *exponential* function. Explain.

1.

x	y
1	8
2	4
3	2
4	1

2.

x	y
1	3
2	7
3	11
4	15

3.

x ↑
by 1

guess? linear

x	y
-1	12
0	9
1	6
2	3

$\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$
 $\frac{9 - 12}{0 - (-1)} = -3$
 $\frac{6 - 9}{1 - 0} = -3$
 $\frac{3 - 6}{2 - 1} = -3$
 slope }
 constant
 function is linear
 $y = mx + b$
 $y = -3x + 9$

4.

x ↑ by 1

x	y
-1	0.125
0	0.5
1	2
2	8

Guess - exp.

$\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$
 $\frac{0.5 - 0.125}{0 - (-1)} = 0.375$
 $\frac{2 - 0.5}{1 - 0} = 1.5$
 not constant
 not linear
 $y = a \cdot b^x$
 y-int.
 $y = .5(4)^x$

$\frac{y_2}{y_1}$
 $\frac{0.5}{0.125} = 4$
 $\frac{2}{0.5} = 4$
 $\frac{8}{2} = 4$
 $\frac{8}{125} = 4$
 Constant
 exponential
 base = 4

In Exercises 5-7, evaluate the function for the given value of x .

5. $y = 3^x; x = 5$

$y = 3^5$
 $y = 243$

6. $y = (\frac{1}{4})^x; x = 3$

$y = (\frac{1}{4})^3$
 $y = \frac{1}{64}$

7. $y = 3(4)^x; x = 4$

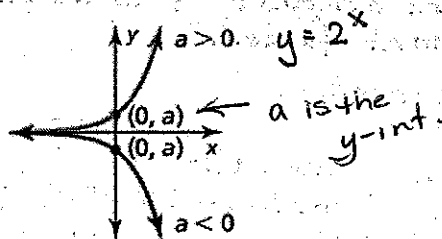
$y = 3 \cdot 4^4$
 $y = 3 \cdot 256$
 $y = 768$

parent for every base $a=1$ $y = a \cdot b^x$

$y = b^x$

$y = 3^x$ $y = (\frac{1}{2})^x$

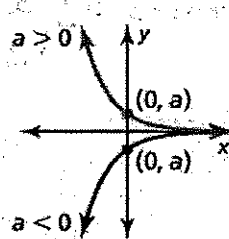
Graphing $y = ab^x$ When $b > 1$



D: $-\infty < x < \infty$
 D: \mathbb{R} = the set of all real numbers

R: $\{y > 0\}$

Graphing $y = ab^x$ When $0 < b < 1$



D: \mathbb{R}

R: $\{y > 0\}$

$y = (\frac{1}{2})^x$

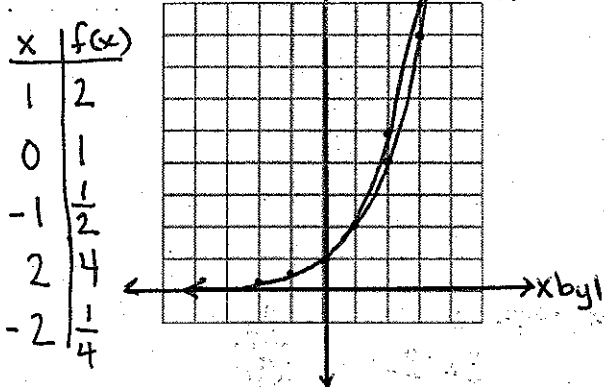
points on all parent function:

x	y
-1	$\frac{1}{a}$
0	1
1	a

← the reciprocal of a

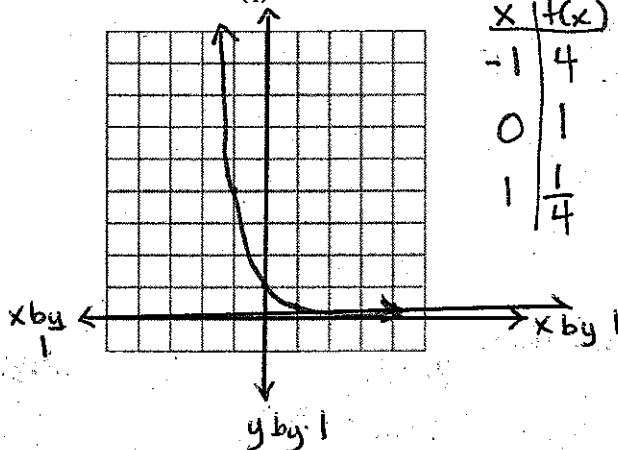
In Exercises 8 and 9, graph the function. Describe the domain and range of f .

8. $f(x) = 2^x$ $2^1 = 2$ $2^{-1} = \frac{1}{2}$



D: \mathbb{R}
 R: $\{y > 0\}$
 R: $\{y | y > 0\}$

9. $f(x) = (\frac{1}{4})^x$



D: \mathbb{R}
 R: $y > 0$

$f(-1) = (\frac{1}{4})^{-1} = (\frac{4}{1}) = 4$

x	f(x)
-1	4
0	1
1	$\frac{1}{4}$

$(\frac{1}{4})^0 = 1$

① ID the parent

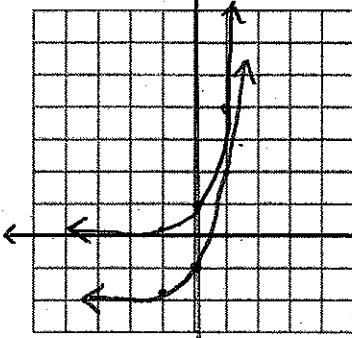
In Exercises 10 and 11, graph the function. Compare the graph to the graph of the parent function. Describe the domain and range.

$f(x)$ is a vertical stretch by a factor of 4 and a shift left of $y = (\frac{1}{2})^x$.

10. $f(x) = 4^x - 2$
 $4^{-1} - 2 = \frac{1}{4} - 2$

$y = 4^x$

x	y
-1	$\frac{1}{4}$
0	1
1	4

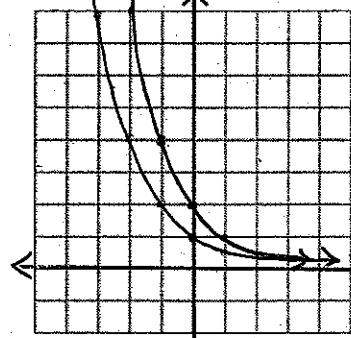


$y = 4^x - 2$

x	f(x)
-1	$-1\frac{3}{4}$
0	-1
1	2

D: \mathbb{R} R: $\{y > -2\}$
 $f(x)$ is a vertical shift down 2 of $y = 4^x$.

11. $f(x) = 4(\frac{1}{2})^{x+1}$



$y = (\frac{1}{2})^x$
 $y = (\frac{1}{2})^{-1} = (\frac{2}{1})^1 = 2$

x	y
-1	2
0	1
1	$\frac{1}{2}$

D: \mathbb{R} R: $\{y > 0\}$

$f(x) = 4(\frac{1}{2})^{x+1}$
 $f(-1) = 4(\frac{1}{2})^{-1+1} = 4 \cdot 1 = 4$
 $f(0) = 4(\frac{1}{2})^{0+1} = 4(\frac{1}{2}) = 2$
 $f(1) = 4(\frac{1}{2})^{1+1} = 4(\frac{1}{4}) = 1$

In Exercises 12 and 13, write an exponential function represented by the table or graph.

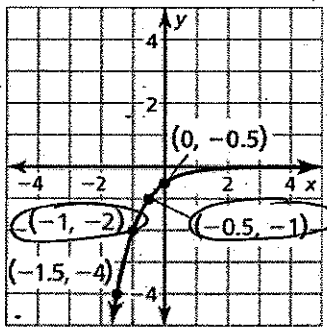
12.

x	y
0	3
1	18
2	108
3	648

$a = 3$
 $\frac{18}{3} = \frac{y_2}{y_1} = 6$
 $y = 3 \cdot 6^x$
 $y = 3(6)^x$

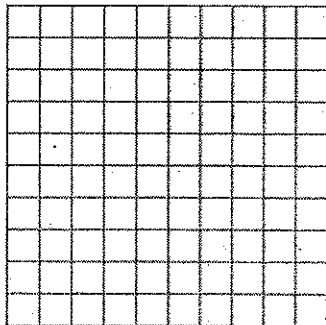
$y = a \cdot b^x$
 base $\frac{y_2}{y_1}$

13.



$a = -0.5$
 $\frac{y_2}{y_1} = \frac{-1}{-2} = \frac{1}{2} = .5$
 $y = -.5(.5)^x$

14. Graph the function $f(x) = 2^x$. Then graph $g(x) = 2^x + 3$. How are the y-intercept, domain, and range affected by the translation?



reflections: v. reflect over x, h. reflect over y
 multiplication/div. stretches/compression: v., h.
 +/- shifts: v., h.