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Day 5 - Quadratics II & other common functions

Last Time:

we looked at how to graph something like

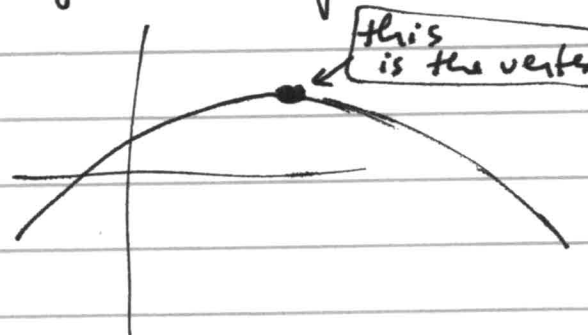
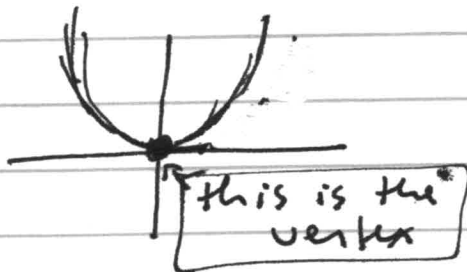
$$h(x) = 2(x+5)^2 + 3$$

this called the Standard form of the quadratic

this is the graph of x^2

- ① stretched vertically by a factor of 2
- ② then moved left 5
- ③ then moved up 3

Define: the vertex of a parabola is the point at the top / bottom of the cup



Notice: the vertex is the minimum point if the x^2 term is positive

and is the

maximum point

if the x^2 term is negative

To find the vertex

Notice the vertex of $h(x)$

(above)

is what you get by moving
the vertex of x^2

the point $(0,0)$

left 5 & up 3

⇒ the vertex of

$$h(x) = 2(x+5)^2 + 3$$

is $(-5, 3)$

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You can always find the vertex
from the standard form
by thinking this way.

~~And you can~~

You can always find the
Standard form
by
Completing the square

NOTE: the "old" way of completing the square doesn't work well here!

This time: we'll complete the square for a trickier quadratic

Eg: Find the vertex of $h(x)$, and describe how to graph it

where

$$h(x) = 2x^2 + 8x + 6$$

factor 2 out of ALL terms

$$= 2[x^2 + 4x + 3]$$

now work INSIDE parenthesis

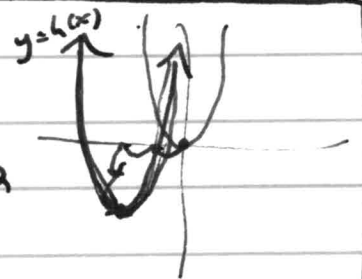
$$= 2\left[x^2 + 4x + \frac{4}{2 \cdot 2} - \frac{4}{2 \cdot 2} + 3\right]$$

$$= 2\left[(x+2)(x+2) - \frac{4}{2} + 3\right]$$

$$= 2\left[(x+2)^2 - 1\right]$$

Remember to DISTRIBUTE the 2 to all terms

$$h(x) = 2(x+2)^2 - 2$$

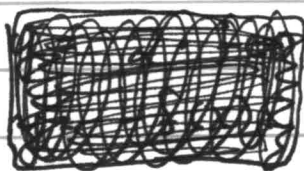


so you get $h(x)$ by taking $2x^2$
moving left 2
& down 2

⇒ The vertex of $h(x)$ is $(-2, -2)$

2.2 - Other Common Functions

We can use the same tricks
~~as~~ to graph



$$y = f(x-1)$$

~~y = f(x)~~ moved right 1

$$y = f(x) + 1$$

~~y = f(x)~~ moved up 1

$$y = -f(x)$$

~~y = f(x)~~ reflected across
x-axis

and

$$y = 2 \cdot f(x)$$

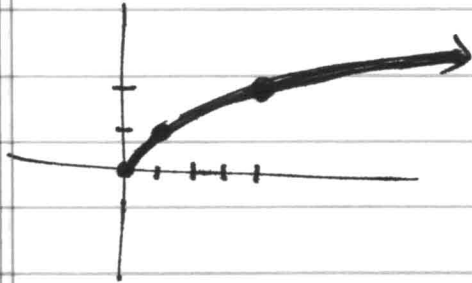
~~y = f(x)~~ stretched vertically
by a factor of 2

for other common functions

as long as we know the basic
starting graph!

Square Root Function

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x}$$



x	f(x)
-1	UNDEF'D
0	0
1	1
4	2

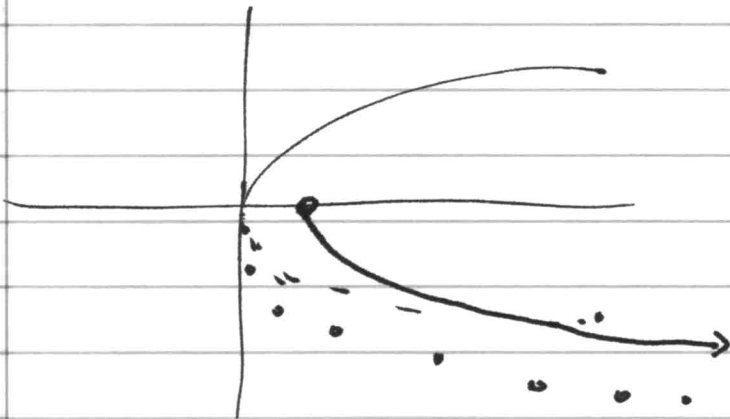
Domain of \sqrt{x}

is $x \geq 0$

is $[0, \infty)$

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$$f(x) = ~~0~~ -2\sqrt{x-1}$$



NOTE Domain moves right 1

Domain of $-2\sqrt{x-1}$

is $x-1 \geq 0$

is $x \geq 1$

is $[1, \infty)$

Absolute Value Functions

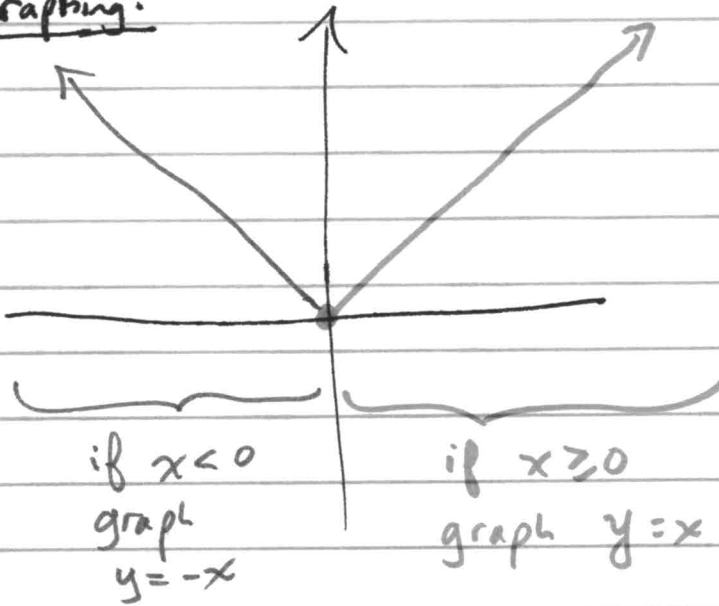
$$|x| = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -x & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

means ~~is~~

if $x \geq 0$, then $|x| = x$

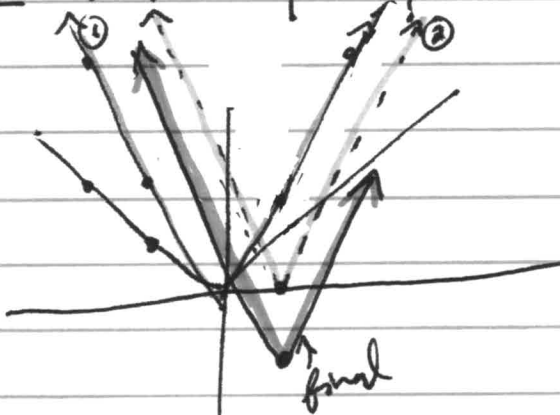
if $x < 0$, then $|x| = -x$

Graphing:



can move this around as with the other examples.

Eg: $f(x) = 2|x-1| - 1$

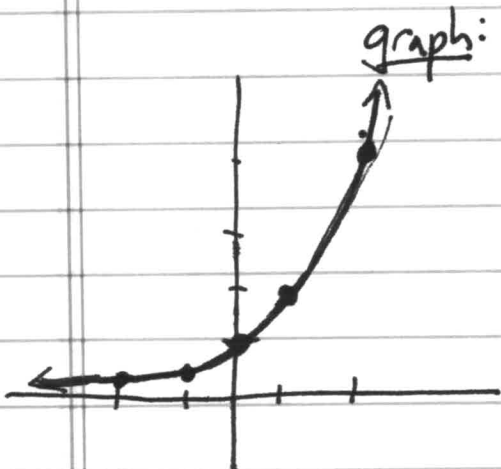


Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$

Range: $[-1, \infty)$

Exponential Functions

eg: $f(x) = 2^x$



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

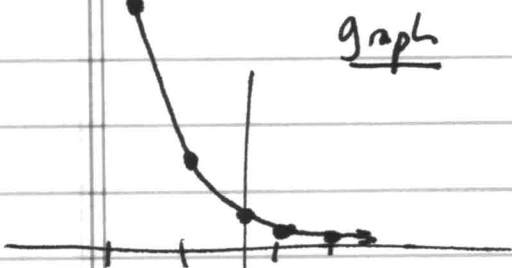
NOTICE move right 1 ~~to~~ Doubles the output

Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$

Range: $(0, \infty)$

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Doesn't even hit 0

eg: $f(x) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x$



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

Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$

Range: $(0, \infty)$

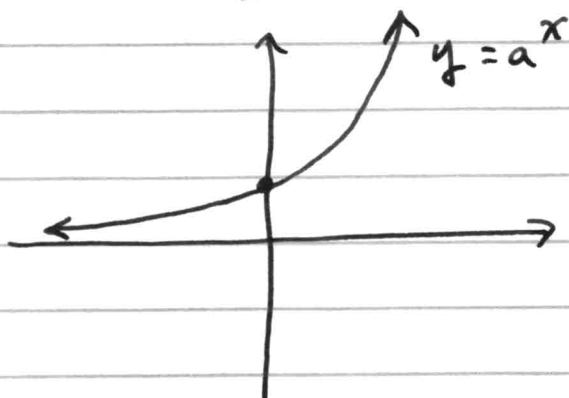
NOTICE moving right 1 HALVES the output

We can move these around as usual

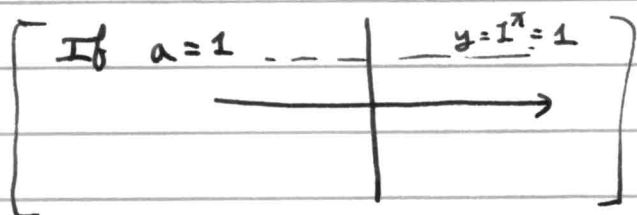
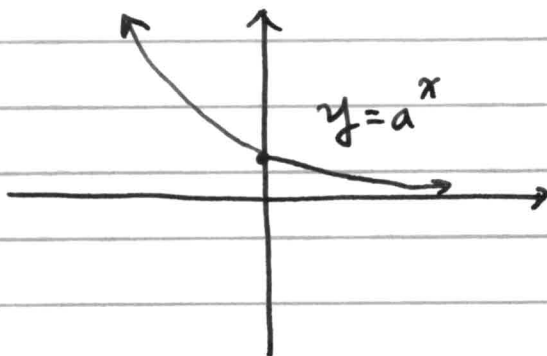
2^x moved up 1 & left

For other bases, Remember these Pictures:

If $a > 1$:



If $0 < a < 1$:



Let $e \approx 2.718$

this is an important # in calculus!

