

Graphs of Common Functions

- There are several graphs that may _____ show up in this course.

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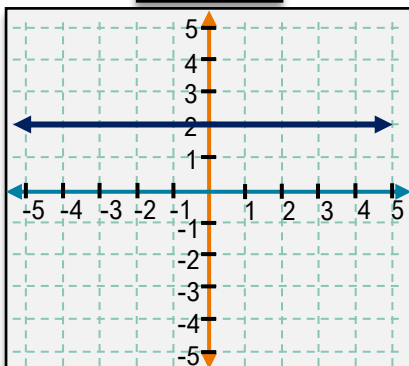
Constant Function

(y = same value, does NOT depend on x)

$$f(x) = c$$

Domain: _____

Range: _____

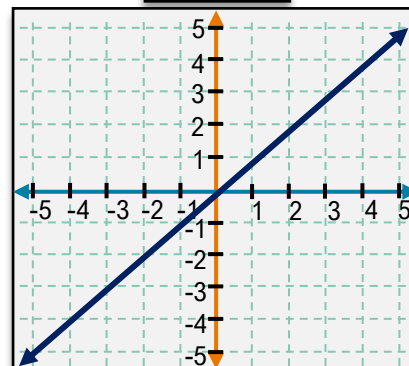


Identity Function

$$f(x) = x$$

Domain: _____

Range: _____



Square Function

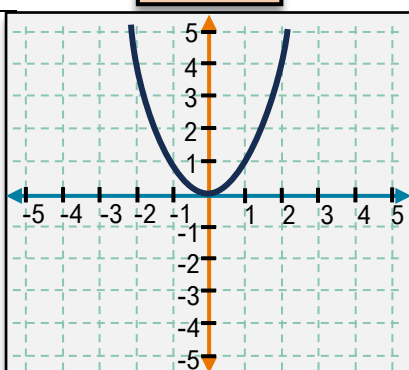
(Output = square of input)

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

- Shape is a _____

Domain: _____

Range: _____



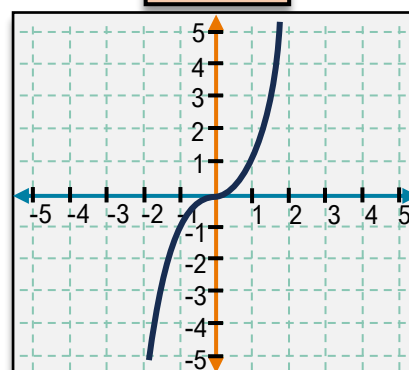
Cube Function

(Output = cube of input)

$$f(x) = x^3$$

Domain: _____

Range: _____



Square Root Function

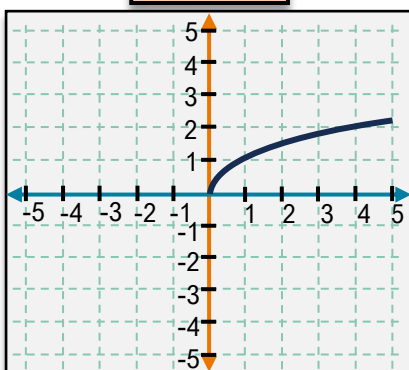
(Output is the square root of input)

- x [CAN | CANT] be negative

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

Domain: _____

Range: _____



Cube Root Function

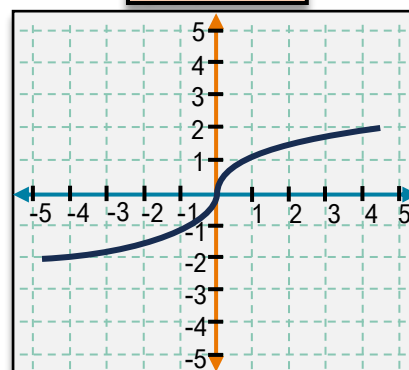
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$$f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$$

Domain: _____

Range: _____

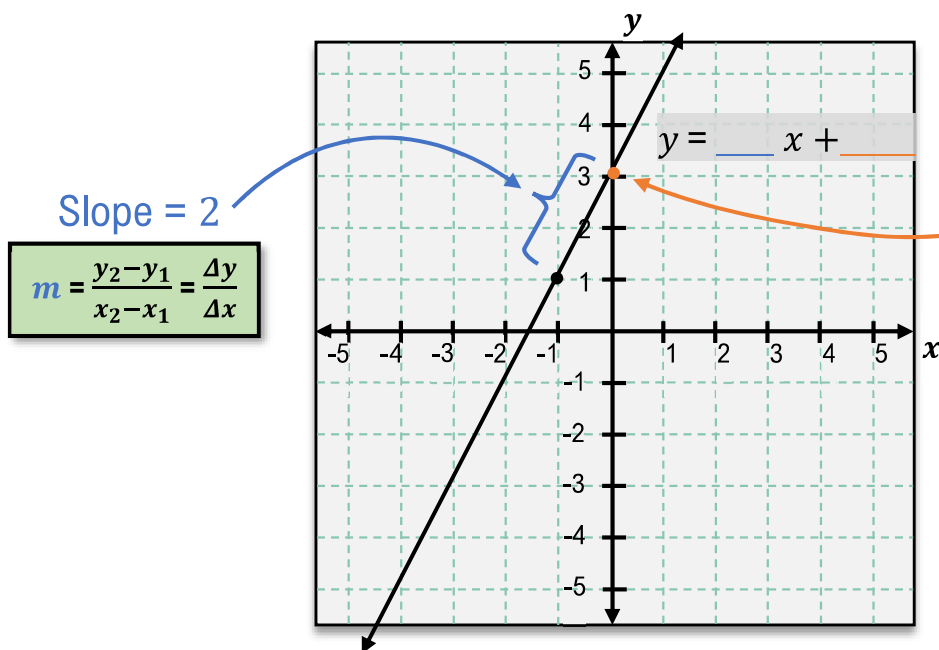


Slope – Intercept Form

- We can write the equation of a line using its _____ & _____.

$$y = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}x + \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

(Slope – Intercept Form)



y – Intercept =

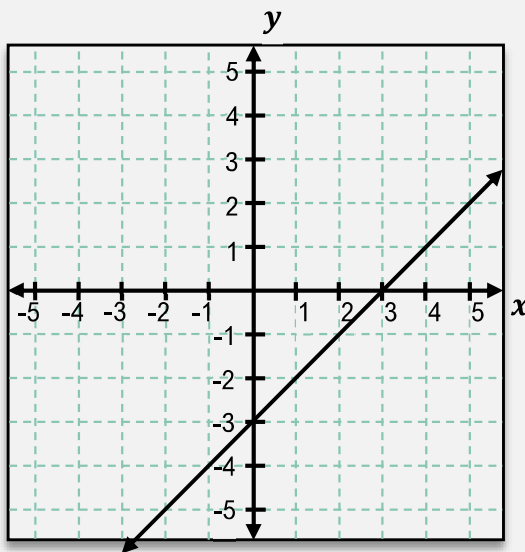
y – value where line crosses y – axis
(x = 0)

EXAMPLE: In the graph below, identify the y – intercept & slope.

Write the equation in slope-intercept form.

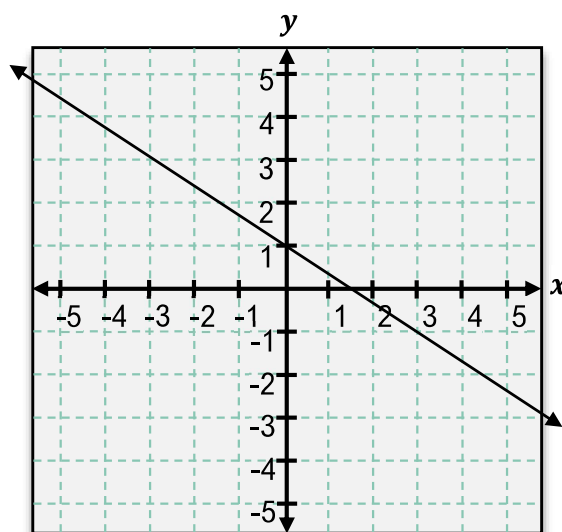
b = _____

m = _____



PRACTICE: In the graph shown, identify the **y – intercept** & **slope**. Write the equation of this line in Slope-Intercept form.

$$y = mx + b$$



TOPIC: QUADRATIC FUNCTIONS

Properties of a Parabola

- A **quadratic function** is a polynomial of degree ____ in the **standard form**: $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$

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

$$f(x) = 2x^2 + 3x - 7$$

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

- a, b, c can be any real number as long as $a \neq \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$.
- Recall: The square function is a _____, as **all** quadratic functions will be.

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

Vertex: _____ [MIN | MAX]

x-intercept(s): _____

y-intercept: _____

Axis of Symmetry: _____

Domain: *always* _____

Range when [MIN], _____: _____

$$f(x) = -(x + 2)^2 + 1$$

Vertex: _____ [MIN | MAX]

x-intercept(s): _____

y-intercept: _____

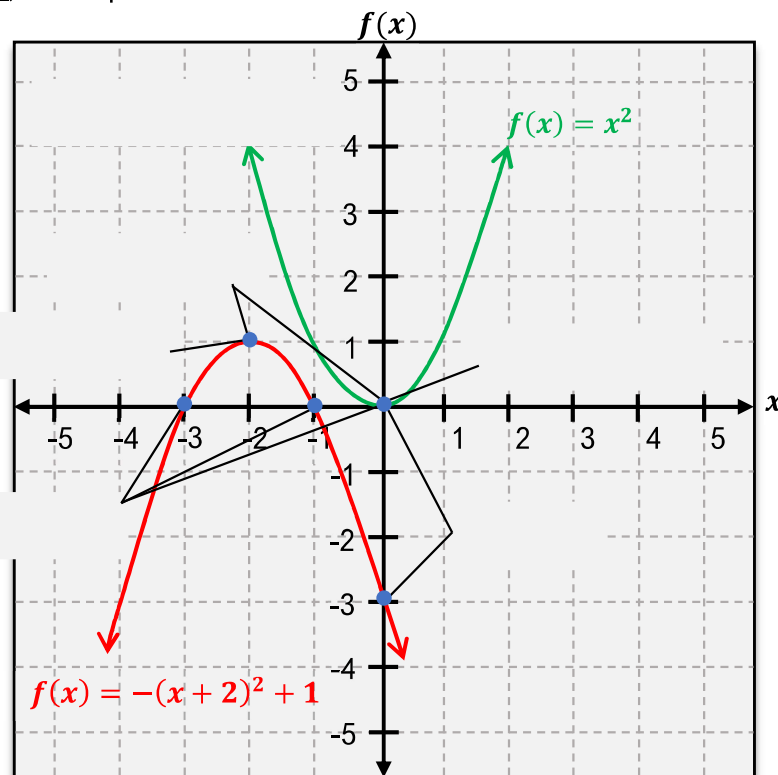
Axis of Symmetry: _____

Domain: _____

Range when [MAX], _____: _____

Increasing? _____

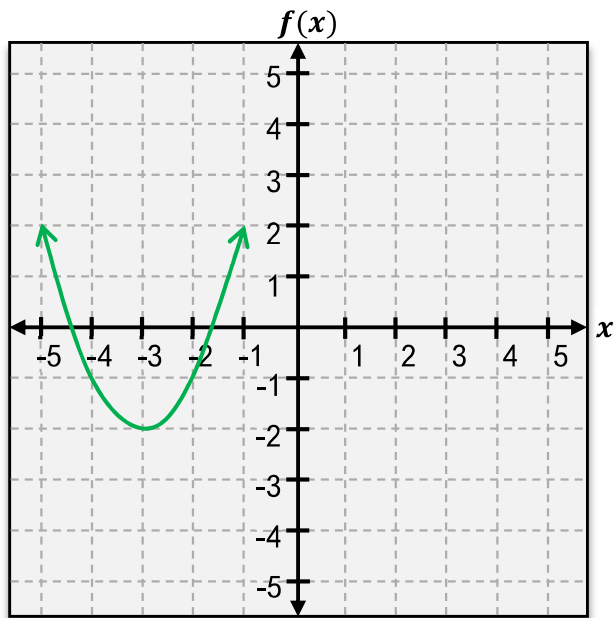
Decreasing? _____



- Quadratic functions are commonly written in **vertex form**, which will help us graph with ease.

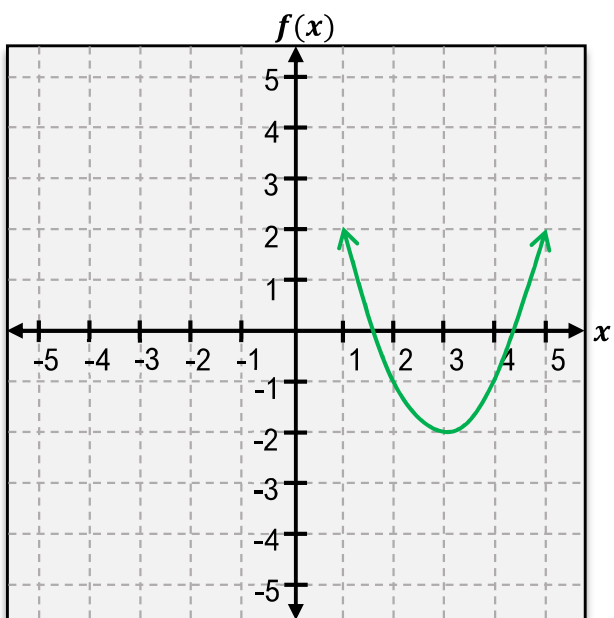
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PRACTICE: Identify the ordered pair of the vertex of the parabola. State whether it is a minimum or maximum.



Vertex: _____ [MIN | MAX]

PRACTICE: Where is the axis of symmetry located on the given parabola?



Axis of Symmetry: _____

TOPIC: UNDERSTANDING POLYNOMIAL FUNCTIONS

Intro to Polynomial Functions

- You will need to know how recognize polynomial functions & their graphs.

- Recall: Polynomials have *only* positive whole number exponents (*no negatives, no fractions*)
- Standard form: Like terms combined & in descending order of power

$$f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 x + a_0$$

Degree n (highest exponent)

$$\text{_____} = 6x^3 + 3x^2 + 5x + 4$$

Leading Coefficient Coefficients Constant

EXAMPLE: Determine if each function is a polynomial function. If so, put in standard form. State **degree** & **leading coeff.**

(A)

$$f(x) = -x^2 + 5x^3 - 6x + 4$$

Polynomial function? ☐

Degree: _____

Leading Coefficient: _____

(B)

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

Polynomial function? ☐

Degree: _____

Leading Coefficient: _____

(C)

$$f(x) = -\frac{2}{3}x^4 + 1 + 3$$

Polynomial function? ☐

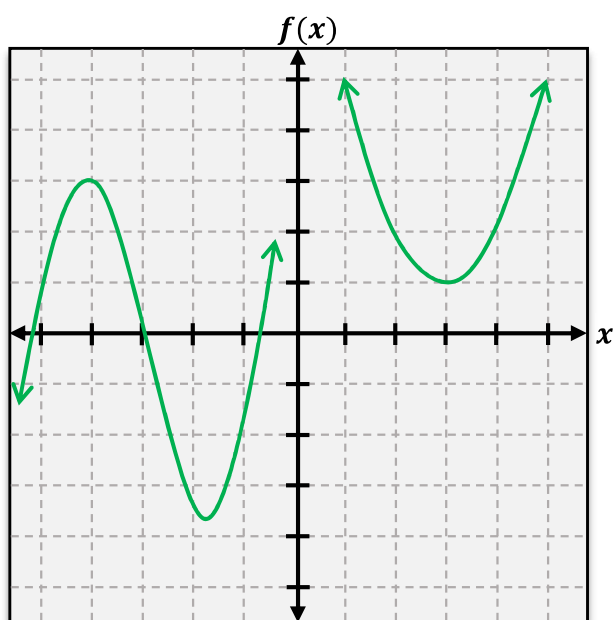
Degree: _____

Leading Coefficient: _____

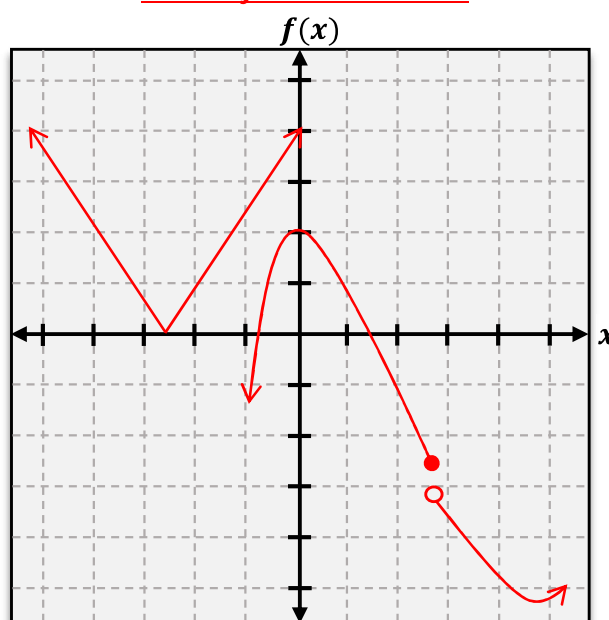
Graphs of Polynomial Functions

- Graphs of polynomial functions are _____ and _____ (*no corners, no breaks*)

Polynomial Functions



NOT Polynomial Functions



- Domain: *always* _____

TOPIC: UNDERSTANDING POLYNOMIAL FUNCTIONS

PRACTICE: Determine if the given function is a polynomial function. If so, write in standard form, then state the degree and leading coefficient.

$$f(x) = 4x^3 + \frac{1}{2}x^{-1} - 2x + 1$$

Polynomial function? ☐

Degree: _____

Leading Coefficient: _____

PRACTICE: Determine if the given function is a polynomial function. If so, write in standard form, then state the degree and leading coefficient.

$$f(x) = 2 + x$$

Polynomial function? ☐

Degree: _____

Leading Coefficient: _____

PRACTICE: Determine if the given function is a polynomial function. If so, write in standard form, then state the degree and leading coefficient.

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

Polynomial function? ☐

Degree: _____

Leading Coefficient: _____

Introduction to Rational Functions

- A **rational function** has a _____ in the **numerator** & **denominator**:

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2+4x+1}{3x+2} = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$$

- Recall: The **denominator** of a fraction **CANNOT** be _____.

Rational <i>Equation</i>	Rational <i>Function</i>
$12 = \frac{1}{\underbrace{x-1}_{\neq 0}}$ <p>Restriction: $x \neq \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$</p>	$f(x) = \frac{1}{\underbrace{x-1}_{\neq 0}}$ <p>Domain: $\{x x \neq \underline{\hspace{1cm}}\}$</p>

- To determine **domain**, set **denominator** = 0 & solve for x . **Domain** is any real #, *EXCEPT* what makes **denom** = 0.
- To write a rational function in **lowest terms**, factor **top** & **bottom**, then _____ any common factors.
 - Always find the domain *BEFORE* writing in lowest terms.

EXAMPLE: Find the domain of the rational function. Then, write the function in lowest terms.

(A)

$$f(x) = \frac{3}{3x+12}$$

$$\{x|x \neq \underline{\hspace{1cm}}\}$$

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(B)

$$f(x) = \frac{x+5}{x^2-25}$$

$$\{x|x \neq \underline{\hspace{1cm}}\}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x+5}{x^2-25}$$

PRACTICE: Find the domain of the rational function. Then, write it in lowest terms.

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2+9}{x-3}$$

$$\{x|x \neq \underline{\hspace{2cm}}\}$$

PRACTICE: Find the domain of the rational function. Then, write it in lowest terms.

$$f(x) = \frac{6x^5}{2x^2-8} \qquad \{x|x \neq \underline{\hspace{2cm}}\}$$

TOPIC: INTRODUCTION TO EXPONENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Exponential Functions

◆ **Polynomial** functions have a variable base with a number exponent; **exponential** functions have the opposite!

► Exponential functions have a:

- **Base** that is _____, _____, & _____ 1.
- **Exponent (power)** that contains a _____.

Recall

Polynomial Function

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

New

Exponential Function

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

Power
|
Base

EXAMPLE Determine if each function is an exponential function.

(A) $f(x) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^x$

Exponential function? ☐

Power: _____

Base: _____

(B) $f(y) = 1^y$

Exponential function? ☐

Power: _____

Base: _____

(C) $f(x) = 10^{x+1}$

Exponential function? ☐

Power: _____

Base: _____

◆ You will be asked to evaluate exponential functions for specified values of x .

- For exponents that cannot easily be done by hand, type **(BASE)** **(POWER)** into a calculator.

EXAMPLE Evaluate the exponential function $f(x) = 2^x$ for each given value of x .

(A) $x = 4$

(B) $x = -3$

(C) $x = 3.14$

(D) $x = 12$

TOPIC: INTRODUCTION TO EXPONENTIAL FUNCTIONS

PRACTICE

Determine if each function is an exponential function. If so, identify the power & base, then evaluate for $x = 4$.

(A)

$$f(x) = (-2)^x$$

Exponential function? ☐

Power: _____

Base: _____

$$f(4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

(B)

$$f(x) = 3(1.5)^x$$

Exponential function? ☐

Power: _____

Base: _____

$$f(4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

(C)

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

Exponential function? ☐

Power: _____

Base: _____

$$f(4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

TOPIC: INTRODUCTION TO LOGARITHMS

Logarithms Introduction

- ◆ The _____ (inverse) operation of an exponential is taking the **logarithm** (log).
 - ▶ Logs and exponentials with the same **base** _____ each other.
 - ▶ A **log** gives us the **power** that some **base** must be raised to in order to equal a particular number.

Solving Polynomials

$$x^3 = 216$$

$$\sqrt[3]{x^3} = \sqrt[3]{216}$$

$$x = \sqrt[3]{216}$$

(A)

$$2^x = 8$$

$$2 \times 2 \times 2 = 8$$

$$x = 3$$

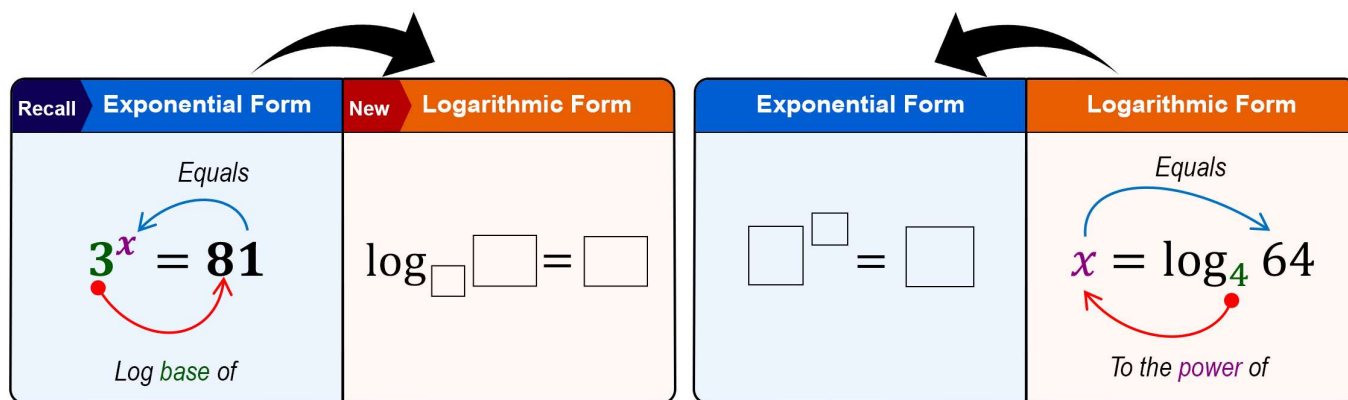
(B)

$$2^x = 216 \quad (\text{Exponential Form})$$

$$x = \log \quad (\text{Logarithmic Form})$$

"log base 2 of 216"

- ◆ You will need to convert expressions between **exponential form** and **logarithmic form**.




EXAMPLE

Write each log in exponential form & each exponential in log form.

(A) $x = \log_5 800$

(B) $\log_2 16 = 4$

(C) $10^x = 4500$

- ◆ \log_{10} , known as the _____ log, can be written as just _____ and has its own calculator button: 

TOPIC: GRAPHING LOGARITHMIC FUNCTIONS

Graphs of Logarithmic Functions

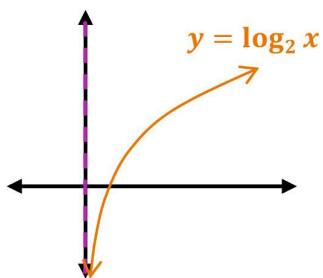
◆ We can graph a logarithmic function using the fact that it is the _____ of an exponential function.

▸ $f(x) = \log_b x$ can be graphed by _____ the graph of its inverse function, $y = b^x$ over _____.

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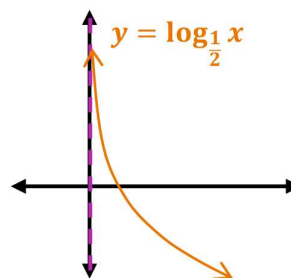
◆ Just like its inverse, the direction of the graph of $f(x) = \log_b x$ depends on ____.

$$b > 1$$



◆ Graph [INCREASES | DECREASES]

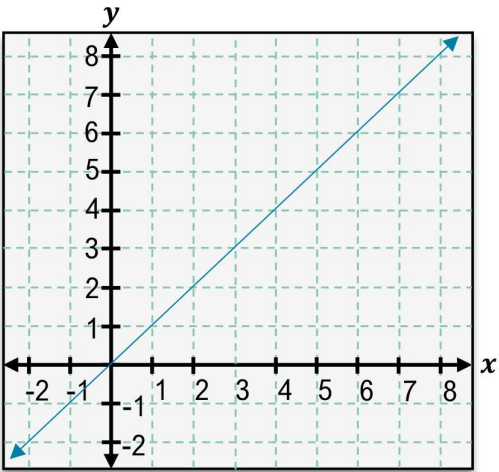
$$0 < b < 1$$



◆ Graph [INCREASES | DECREASES]

TOPIC: GRAPHING LOGARITHMIC FUNCTIONS

EXAMPLE: Graph $f(x) = 3^x$ and $g(x) = \log_3 x$ on the graph below. Determine the domain and range of each.



x	$f(x) = 3^x$
-2	
-1	
0	
1	
2	

Domain: _____
Range: _____

x	$g(x) = \log_3 x$

Domain: _____
Range: _____