

Objective: To identify types of exponential functions and graph with transformations

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parent function: $f(x) = b^x$ or $y = b^x$ ($b = \text{base } b > 1$) ✓

1.) Exponential Growth: $b > 1$

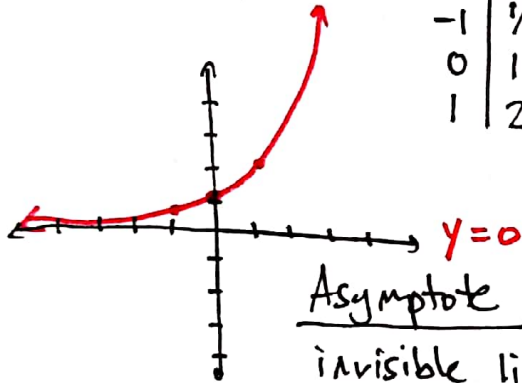
$$y = 2^x$$

$$y = 3^x$$

$$y = 1.5^x$$

a.) $y = 2^x$

x	y
-1	1/2
0	1
1	2



Asymptote: An invisible line that the graph will never touch or cross.

2.) Exponential Decay: $0 < b < 1$

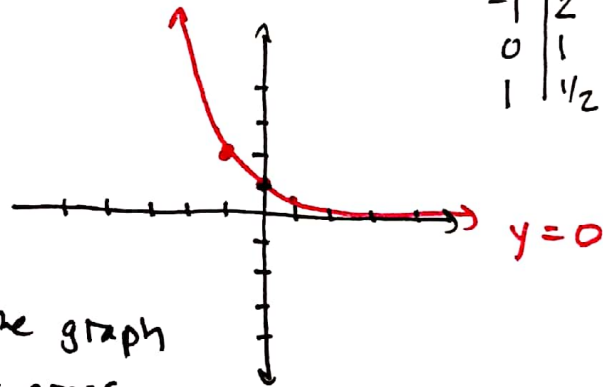
$$y = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x$$

$$y = (0.35)^x$$

$$y = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^x$$

b.) $y = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x$

x	y
-1	2
0	1
1	1/2



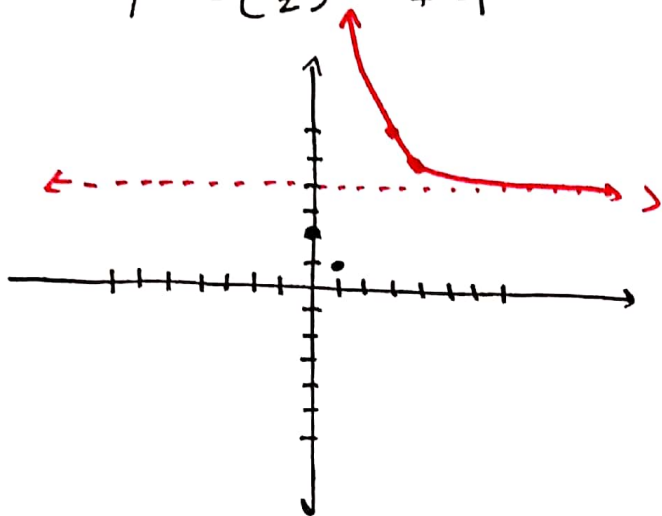
Transformations of Exponential Functions

$$y = a(b)^{x-h} + k$$

- 1.) $a < 0$ (neg) horizontal reflection (flips upside down, below asymptote)
- 2.) $a > 1$ vertical stretch (steeper)
 $0 < a < 1$ vertical shrink or compression (flatter)
- 3.) 'h' horizontal translation or shift (opp sign)
- 4.) 'k' vertical translation or shift

Example 1:

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



steps:

1.) Plot helper points by avoiding h and k.

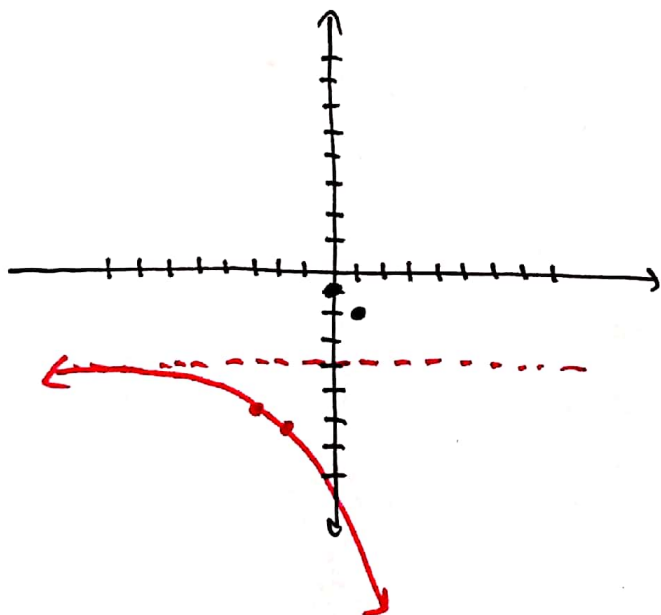
$$y = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x \quad (0, 2), (1, 1)$$

2.) shift horizontally by h using opposite sign and vertically by k.

3.) graph asymptote at $y = k$
 $y = 4$

Example 2:

$$y = -1 \cdot 2^{x+3} - 4 \longrightarrow y = -2^x \quad (0, -1), (1, -2)$$



$$h = -3 \quad k = -4$$

Asymptote: $y = -4$

* when a is negative graph is below asymptote