

# U4D5\_T Determining Equations of Exponential Functions

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## Graphing Exponential Functions and Determining Exponential Equations of the form $y=a(b)^x$

**Warm Up:**

Simplify.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{a) } & \left(\frac{2x^2}{yz^3}\right)^2 \left(\frac{y^2z^3}{2x^4}\right)^3 \\
 & = \frac{(2)(x^2)^2 (y)(z^3)^3}{(y)^2(z^3)^2 \times (2)(x^4)^3} \\
 & = \frac{4x^4y^6z^9}{8x^{12}y^2z^6} \\
 & = \frac{yz^3}{2x^8}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{b) } & 81^{-\frac{1}{2}} \div 27^{\frac{2}{3}} \\
 & = \frac{1}{\sqrt{81}} \times 27^{\frac{2}{3}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{multiply by} \\ \text{the reciprocal} \end{array} \\
 & = \frac{(\sqrt[3]{27})^2}{9} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{take the} \\ \text{reciprocal} \\ \text{of the} \\ \text{base.} \end{array} \\
 & = \frac{3^2}{9} \\
 & = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

*long way*

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{81}} \div \frac{1}{(\sqrt[3]{27})^2} \right. \\
 & = \frac{1}{\sqrt{81}} \times \frac{(\sqrt[3]{27})^2}{1}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{c) } & \frac{(y^{x-1})(y^{2x+5})}{y^{3x-1}} \\
 & = \frac{y^{(x-1)+(2x+5)}}{y^{3x-1}} \\
 & = \frac{y^{3x+4-(3x-1)}}{1} \\
 & = y^5
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{d) } & y = \frac{1}{8}(2)^{n-1} \\
 & y = (2)^{-3}(2)^{n-1} \\
 & y = 2^{-3+n-1} \\
 & y = 2^{n-4}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$e) y = 12(3)^{n+2}$$

$$y = 4(3)^1(3)^{n+2}$$

$$y = 4(3)^{n+3}$$

$$f) y = \frac{(2)^{n-1}(4)^n}{(8)^{n-4}}$$

$$y = \frac{2^{n-1}(2^2)^n}{(2^3)^{n-4}}$$

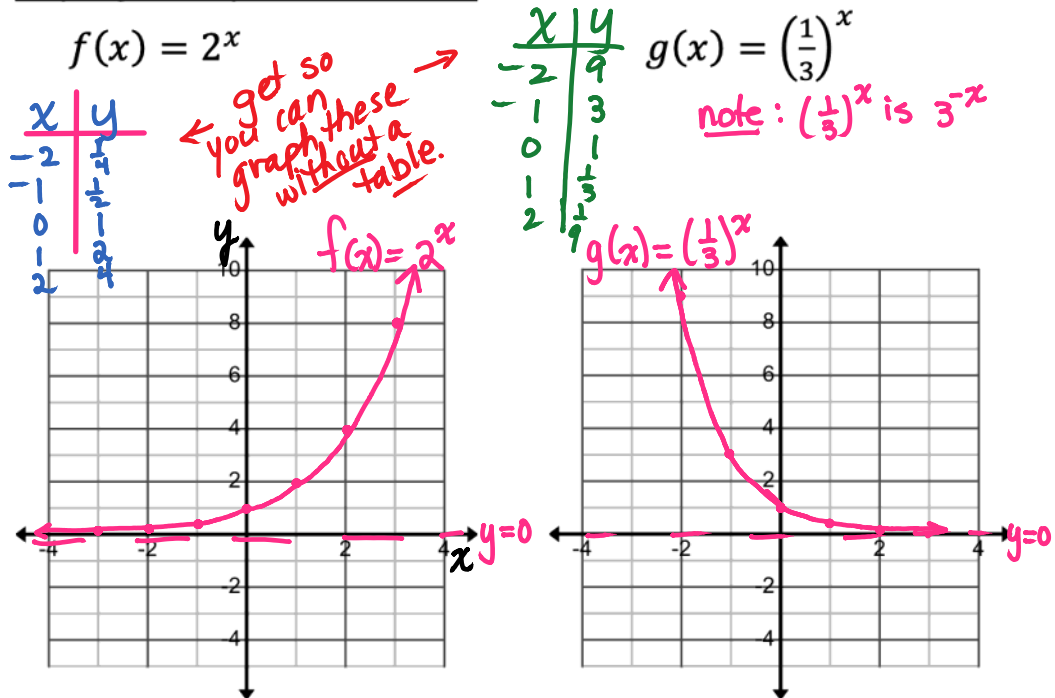
$$y = \frac{2^{n-1+2n}}{2^{3n-12}}$$

$$y = 2^{3n-1-(3n-12)}$$

$$y = 2^{11}$$

$$y = 2048.$$

### Graphing Base Exponential Functions



### Determining the Equation of an Exponential Function

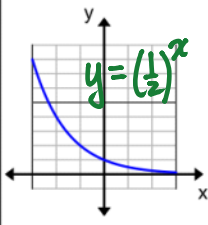
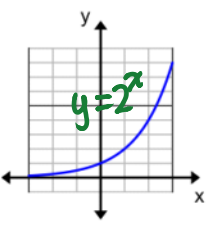
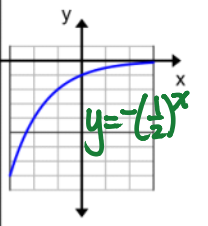
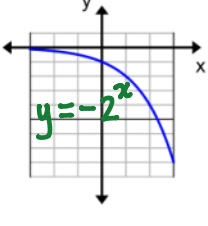
- Complete the chart to compare the effect of changing the value of a in  $y=a(2^x)$ .

	$f(x)=2^x$	$y=3(2)^x$	$y=0.5(2)^x$	$y=-(2)^x$	$y=-3(2)^x$
Domain	$x \in \mathbb{R}$	$x \in \mathbb{R}$	$x \in \mathbb{R}$	$x \in \mathbb{R}$	$x \in \mathbb{R}$
Range	$y > 0$	$y > 0$	$y > 0$	$y < 0$	$y < 0$
y-intercept	$y = 1$ or $(0, 1)$	$y = 3$ or $(0, 3)$	$y = 0.5$ or $(0, 0.5)$	$y = -1$ or $(0, -1)$	$y = -3$ or $(0, -3)$
asymptote	$y = 0$	$y = 0$	$y = 0$	$y = 0$	$y = 0$
Inc./dec.	Increasing	Inc.	Inc.	Dec.	Decreasing

$b > 1$   
 $a > 0$

$b > 1$   
 $a < 0$

2. Summary: Exponential Equations of the form  $y=a(b)^x$

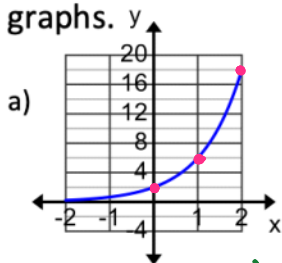
	$0 < b < 1$	$b > 1$
$a > 0$ (i.e. a is positive)	<p><u>Decreasing</u> on <math>x \in \mathbb{R}</math></p>  <p><math>y = (\frac{1}{2})^x</math></p> <p><math>D = \{ x \in \mathbb{R} \}</math> <math>R = \{ y &gt; 0 \}</math></p> <p>Horizontal Asymptote: <math>y = 0</math></p> <p>y-intercept: <math>y = a</math></p> <p>E.g. <math>y = 2(\frac{1}{3})^x</math> <math>a &gt; 0</math>   <math>0 &lt; b &lt; 1</math></p>	<p><u>Increasing</u> on <math>x \in \mathbb{R}</math></p>  <p><math>y = 2^x</math></p> <p><math>D = \{ x \in \mathbb{R} \}</math> <math>R = \{ y &gt; 0 \}</math></p> <p>Horizontal Asymptote: <math>y = 0</math></p> <p>y-intercept: <math>y = a</math></p> <p>E.g. <math>y = 3(2)^x</math> <math>a &gt; 0</math>   <math>b &gt; 1</math></p>
$a < 0$ (i.e. a is negative)	<p><u>Increasing</u> on <math>x \in \mathbb{R}</math></p>  <p><math>y = -(\frac{1}{2})^x</math></p> <p><math>D = \{ x \in \mathbb{R} \}</math> <math>R = \{ y &lt; 0 \}</math></p> <p>Horizontal Asymptote: <math>y = 0</math></p> <p>y-intercept: <math>y = a</math></p> <p>E.g. <math>y = -2(\frac{3}{4})^x</math> <math>a &lt; 0</math>   <math>0 &lt; b &lt; 1</math></p>	<p><u>Decreasing</u> on <math>x \in \mathbb{R}</math></p>  <p><math>y = -2^x</math></p> <p><math>D = \{ x \in \mathbb{R} \}</math> <math>R = \{ y &lt; 0 \}</math></p> <p>Horizontal Asymptote: <math>y = 0</math></p> <p>y-intercept: <math>y = a</math></p> <p>E.g. <math>y = -3(2)^x</math> <math>a &lt; 0</math>   <math>b &gt; 1</math></p>

$y = (-1)^x$  note  $b > 0$   $\forall$  exponential functions. "for all"

yuck!  
You will not be dealing with this mess!

-2	-1
-1	-1
0	-1
1	-1
2	-1
0.5	DNE

3. Determine the exponential equation in the form  $y=a(b)^x$ , for the given graphs.



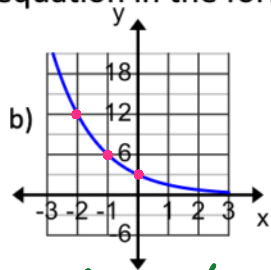
a)  $(0, 2)$   $(1, 6)$   
 $x \cdot 3 = b$   
 $a = 2$  (y-int)

x	y
0	2
1	6
2	18

$a = 2, b = 3$

$y = a(b)^x$   
 $6 = 2(b)^1$   
 $3 = b$   
 $a = 2, b = 3$

$y = 2(3)^x$



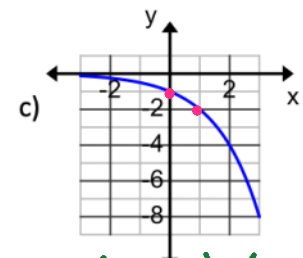
b)  $(-1, 6)$   $(0, 3)$   
 $x \cdot \frac{3}{b} = \frac{1}{2} \quad b = \frac{1}{2}$   
 $a = 3$

x	y
-2	12
-1	6
0	3

$a = 3, b = \frac{1}{2}$

$y = a(b)^x$   
 $6 = 3(b)^{-1}$   
 $(2)^{-1} = (b^{-1})^{-1}$   
 $\frac{1}{2} = b, a = 3$

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



c)  $(0, -1)$   $(1, -2)$   
 $(a = -1) \quad x \cdot 2$

$y = -(2)^x$   
 OR  
 $y = -2^x$

4. Write an Exponential Function given the properties within each situation below:

i) A bacteria colony doubles every hour. The initial population contained 5 bacteria. Write a function to relate the population of bacteria to the time, in hours.

$P(t) = 5(2)^t$ , where  $P$  is the population of bacteria,  $t$  is the time in hours.

ii) A radioactive sample has a half-life of 3 days. The initial sample is 200 mg. Write a function to relate the amount remaining, in milligrams, to the time, in days. Then, determine the range for the radioactive sample.



time (days)	Number of half-life-time periods	Population mg
0	0	200
3	1	100
6	2	50

$P(t) = 200\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{t}{3}}$   
 where  $P$  is the number of mg of the sample remaining,  $t$  is the number of days.

$y = a\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{t}{h}}$  ← the time it takes to halve in same units as  $t$ .

Range:  $\{0 < P \leq 200\}$