

5.8 Characteristics of Quadratic Functions

With Rates of Change

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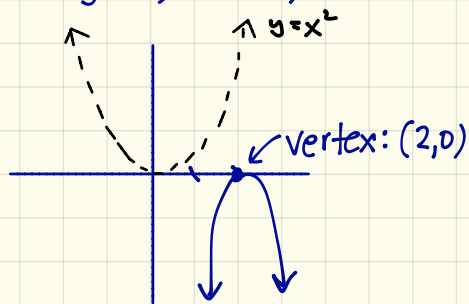
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old Transformations of Quadratics

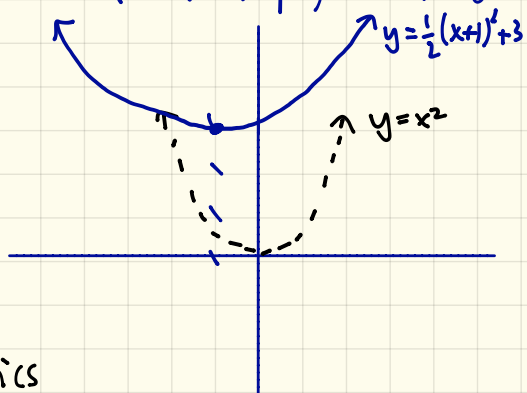
① $f(x) = -3(x-2)^2$

shift right 2, stretch, \downarrow



② $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x+1)^2 + 3$

Shift left 1, up 3, shrink \uparrow

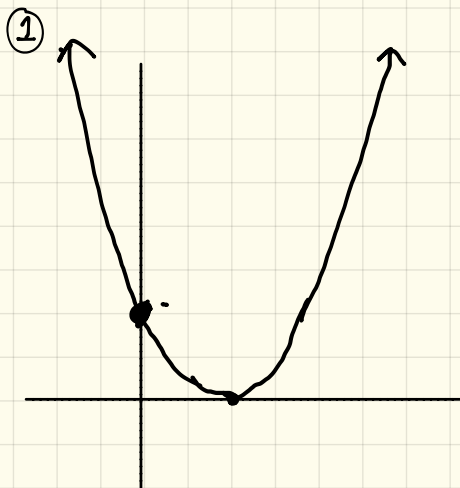


new-A Characteristics of Quadratics

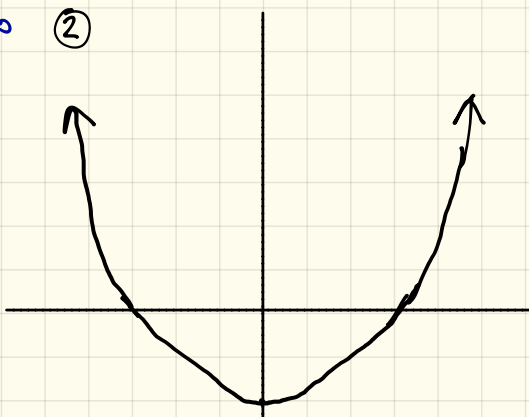
- Domain: the set of x-values (how far left to right the graph spans)
- Range: the set of y-values (how far down to up the graph spans)
- Zeros: the x-intercepts of the graph (also called roots or solutions)
- Y-intercept: the point where the graph crosses the y-axis
- Extrema: the maximum or minimum point, \leftarrow maximum \leftarrow minimum
- Interval of Increase: the set of x-values where the slopes are positive. \uparrow
- Interval of Decrease: the set of x-values where the slopes are negative \uparrow
- Axis of Symmetry: the line where the parabola is symmetric
- Vertex: the maximum or minimum point

[Examples] Answer each using the graph.

- 1a) Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$ or \mathbb{R} or $-\infty < x < \infty$
- 1b) Range: $[0, \infty)$ or $y \geq 0$
- 1c) Zeros: $(2, 0)$
- 1d) y-intercept: $(0, 2)$
- 1e) Extrema: $(2, 0) \leftarrow$ Minimum
- 1f) Interval of Increase: $(2, \infty)$
- 1g) Interval of Decrease: $(\infty, 2)$
- 1h) Axis of Symmetry: $x = 2$
- 1i) Vertex: $(2, 0)$



- 2a) Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$ or \mathbb{R} or $-\infty < x < \infty$
- 2b) Range: $[-2, \infty)$ or $y \geq -2$
- 2c) Zeros: $(-3, 0), (3, 0)$
- 2d) y-intercept: $(0, -2)$
- 2e) Extrema: $(0, -2)$
- 2f) Interval of Increase: $[0, \infty)$
- 2g) Interval of Decrease: $(\infty, 0]$
- 2h) Axis of Symmetry: $x = 0$
- 2i) Vertex: $(0, -2)$

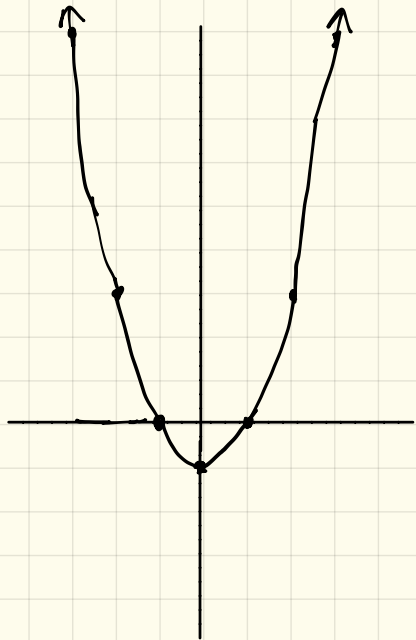


- 1a) Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$ or \mathbb{R} or $-\infty < x < \infty$
- 1b) Range: $(-\infty, 2]$
- 1c) Zeros: $(-3, 0), (-1, 0)$
- 1d) y-intercept: $(0, -4)$
- 1e) Extrema: $(-2, 2)$
- 1f) Interval of Increase: $(-\infty, -2)$
- 1g) Interval of Decrease: $(-2, \infty)$
- 1h) Axis of Symmetry: $x = -2$
- 1i) Vertex: $(-2, 2)$



new-B Quadratic Functions Rate of Change

Let's consider the function $f(x) = x^2 - 1$. Graph the function & determine the rate of change being asked.



(a) Find the rate change between $(0, -1)$ and $(2, 3)$

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{3 - (-1)}{2 - 0} = \frac{4}{2} = 2$$

(b) Find the rate change between $(-3, 8)$ and $(-2, 3)$

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{3 - 8}{-2 - (-3)} = \frac{-5}{1} = -5$$

• Quadratic Functions do not have constant rates of change.

Let's consider the three functions: $f(x) = 2x + 1$, $g(x) = 2^x$, $h(x) = x^2 + 1$.
Who wins? Which function will have the highest y-value?

Let's use analytical approach to analyze.

x	f(x)	g(x)	h(x)
0	1	1	1
1	3	2	2
2	5	4	5
3	7	8	10
4	9	16	17
5	11	32	26
6	13	64	37
7	15	128	50
8	17	256	65
9	19	512	82
10	21	1024	101

← Exponential begins to lead here!

Conclusion

- 1st place • Exponential Functions starts off slower, but eventually increasingly exceeds both Linear & Quadratic Functions.
- 2nd place • Quadratic Functions eventually increasing exceeds Linear Functions.
- Last place • Linear Functions have a constant rate of change and will always eventually lose against Exponential & Quadratic Functions.

Note using a graphing calculator can help to visually see the y-values!