

L2 –Quadratics in Vertex Form

Unit 4

MPM2D

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Standard Form: $y = ax^2 + bx + c$

Vertex Form: $y = a(x - h)^2 + k$

Factored Form: $y = a(x - r)(x - s)$

Part 1: Effects of a , h , and k on transforming the graph of $y = x^2$

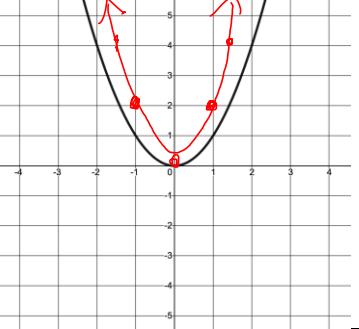
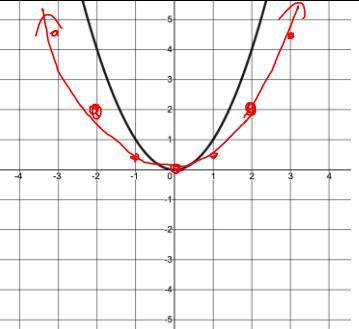
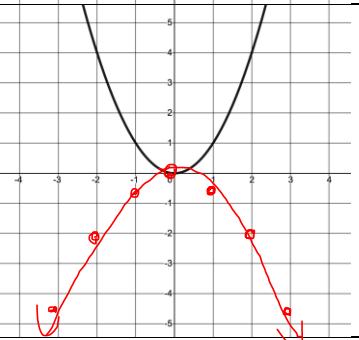
The effects of the k parameter on the graph of $y = x^2 + k$

Function	Graph	Vertex	Axis of Symmetry	Transformations
$y = x^2 + 3$		(0, 3)	$x = 0$	Shift up 3 units
$y = x^2 - 2$		(0, -2)	$x = 0$	Shift down 2 units

The effects of the h parameter on the graph of $y = (x - h)^2$

Function	Graph	Vertex	Axis of Symmetry	Transformations
$y = (x - 2)^2$		(2, 0)	$x = 2$	Shift Right 2 units
$y = (x + 3)^2$		(-3, 0)	$x = -3$	Shift Left 3 units

The effects of the a parameter on the graph of $y = ax^2$

Function	Graph	Vertex	Axis of Symmetry	Transformations
$y = 2x^2$		(0,0)	$x=0$	Vertical Stretch by a factor of 2.
$y = \frac{1}{2}x^2$		(0,0)	$x=0$	Vertical Compression by a factor of $\frac{1}{2}$
$y = -\frac{1}{2}x^2$		(0,0)	$x=0$	Vertical compression by a factor of $\frac{1}{2}$ AND a vertical reflection.

Properties of $y = a(x - h)^2 + k$

$a > 0 \rightarrow$ opens up

$a < 0 \rightarrow$ opens down; vertical reflection in the x -axis

$a > 1$ or $a < -1 \rightarrow$ vertical stretch by a factor of $|a|$

$-1 < a < 1 \rightarrow$ vertical compression by a factor of $|a|$

$h > 0 \rightarrow$ shift RIGHT h units

$h < 0 \rightarrow$ shift LEFT $|h|$ units

$k > 0 \rightarrow$ shift up k units

$k < 0 \rightarrow$ shift down $|k|$ units

Vertex is at (h, k)

Axis of symmetry is at $x = h$

The domain (values x may take) of all quadratic functions is $X \in \mathbb{R}$

The range (values y may take) depends on the location of the vertex

Example 1: For each of the following functions, **i)** describe the transformations compared to $y = x^2$, **ii)** complete the table of properties, **iii)** graph the function by making a table of values

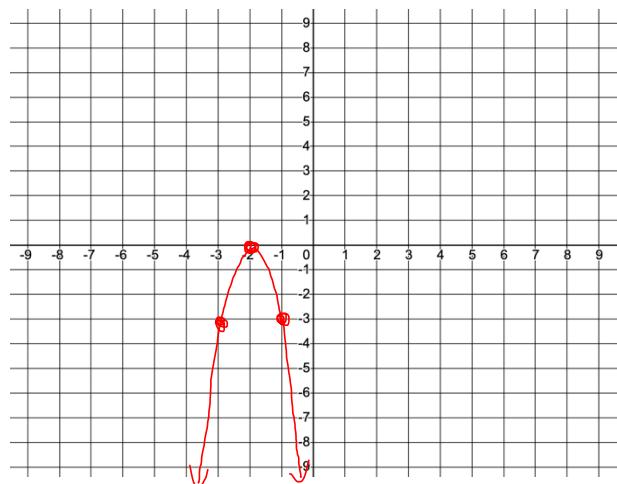
a) $y = -3(x + 2)^2$

Transformations:

- vertical stretch by a factor of 3
- vertical reflection
- shift left 2 units

Vertex	$(-2, 0)$
Axis of Symmetry	$x = -2$
Direction of Opening	down
Values x may take (domain)	$\{x \in \mathbb{R}\}$
Values y may take (range)	$\{y \in \mathbb{R} y \leq 0\}$

x	y
-4	-12
-3	-3
-2	0
-1	-3
0	-12



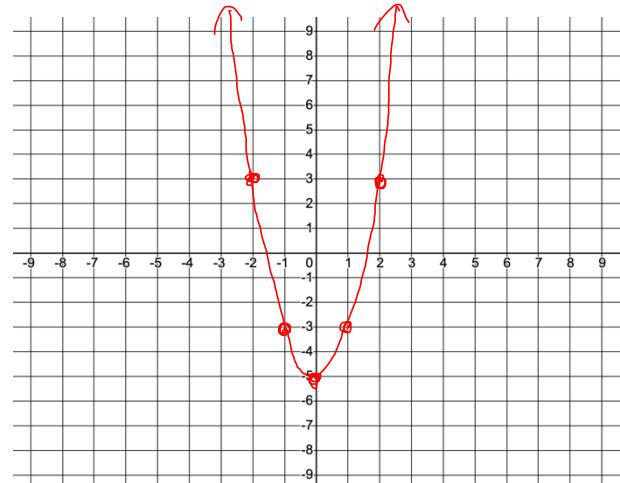
$$\text{b) } y = 2x^2 - 5 \quad \stackrel{\text{=} \quad 2(x-0)^2 - 5}{}$$

Transformations:

- vertical stretch by a factor of 2
- shift down 5 units

Vertex	(0, -5)
Axis of Symmetry	$x=0$
Direction of Opening	up
Values x may take (domain)	$\{x \in \mathbb{R}\}$
Values y may take (range)	$\{y \in \mathbb{R} y \geq -5\}$

x	y
-2	3
-1	-3
0	-5
1	-3
2	3



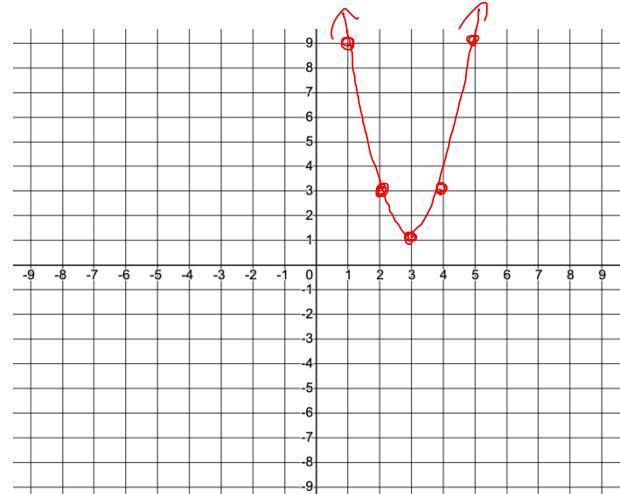
$$\text{c) } y = 2(x - 3)^2 + 1$$

Transformations:

- vertical stretch by a factor of 2
- shift right 3 units
- shift up 1 unit

Vertex	(3, 1)
Axis of Symmetry	$x=3$
Direction of Opening	up
Values x may take (domain)	$\{x \in \mathbb{R}\}$
Values y may take (range)	$\{y \in \mathbb{R} y \geq 1\}$

x	y
1	9
2	3
3	1
4	3
5	9



Example 2: Determine the vertex form equation of the parabola with its vertex at (1,5) and passes through the point (0,2)

xy

$$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

$$2 = a(0-1)^2 + 5$$

$$2 = a(1) + 5$$

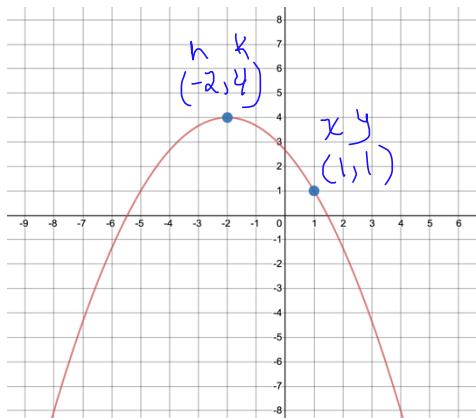
$$2 - 5 = a$$

$$a = -3$$

$$y = -3(x-1)^2 + 5$$

Example 3: Determine the vertex form equation of the following parabolas

a)



$$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

$$1 = a[1 - (-2)]^2 + 4$$

$$1 = a(3)^2 + 4$$

$$1 = 9a + 4$$

$$1 - 4 = 9a$$

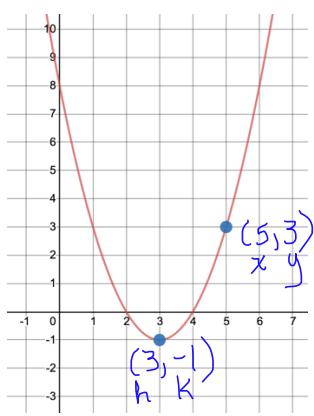
$$-3 = 9a$$

$$\frac{-3}{9} = a$$

$$a = -\frac{1}{3}$$

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

b)



$$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

$$3 = a(5-3)^2 + (-1)$$

$$3 = a(4) - 1$$

$$3 + 1 = 4a$$

$$4 = 4a$$

$$a = \frac{4}{4}$$

$$a = 1$$

$$y = (x-3)^2 - 1$$

Example 4: The graph of $y = x^2$ is reflected vertically in the x -axis, compressed vertically by a factor of $\frac{1}{4}$, shifted 1 unit to the left, and 2 units down. Write the vertex form equation of this parabola.

$$a = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$h = -1$$

$$k = -2$$

$$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

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

Example 5: At a fireworks display, a firework is launched from a height of 2 meters above the ground and reaches a max height of 40 meters at a horizontal distance of 10 meters. The firework continues to travel an additional 1 meter horizontally after it reaches its max height before it explodes. What is the height when it explodes?

$$\text{vertex: } (h, k) \\ \text{vertex: } (10, 40)$$

$$\text{y-int: } (0, 2) \\ \begin{matrix} h & k \\ x & y \end{matrix}$$

$$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

$$2 = a(0-10)^2 + 40$$

$$2 = a(100) + 40$$

$$-38 = 100a$$

$$a = \frac{-38}{100}$$

$$a = -\frac{19}{50}$$

$$y = -\frac{19}{50}(x-10)^2 + 40$$

calculate height when $x = 11$

$$y = -\frac{19}{50}(11-10)^2 + 40$$

$$y = -\frac{19}{50} + \frac{2000}{50}$$

$$y = \frac{1981}{50}$$

The height is 39.62 m when it explodes.