

## L7 – 6.3 Transformations of Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

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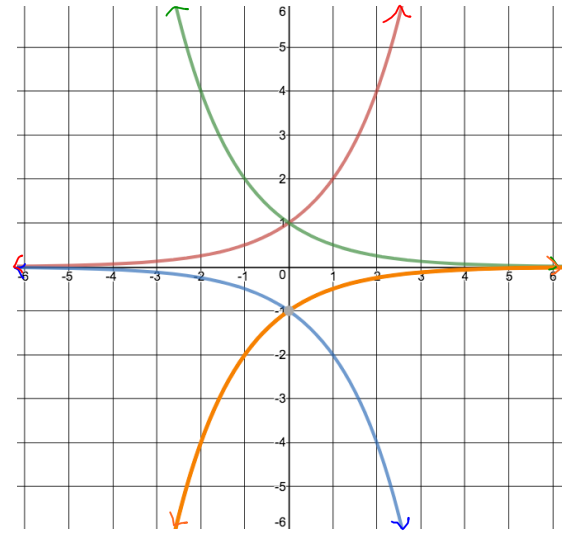
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### Part 1: Properties of Exponential Functions

**General Equation:**  $y = a(b)^{k(x-d)} + c$  where the base function is  $y = b^x$

There are 4 possible shapes for an exponential function

- 1)  $a > 0$  and  $b > 1$  (ex.  $y = 2^x$ )
- 2)  $a > 0$  and  $0 < b < 1$  (ex.  $y = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x$ )
- 3)  $a < 0$  and  $b > 1$  (ex.  $y = -1(2)^x$ )
- 4)  $a < 0$  and  $0 < b < 1$  (ex.  $y = -1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x$ )



To graph the base function  $y = b^x$ , Find the following key features:

- Horizontal asymptote
  - Starts at  $y = 0$  and can be shifted by  $c$
- $y$  – *intercept*
  - set  $x = 0$  and solve
- At least one other point to be sure of shape
  - Common to choose  $x = 1$  and solve for  $y$

You can then use transformational properties of  $a$ ,  $k$ ,  $d$ , and  $c$  to graph a transformed function

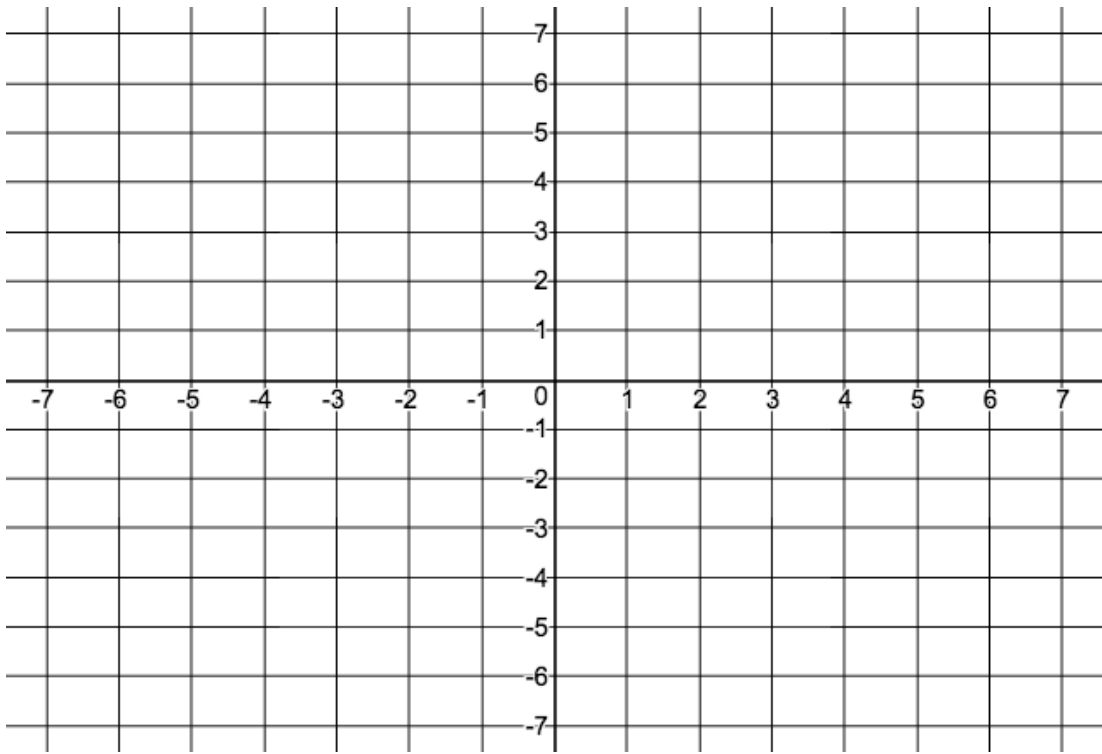
### Part 2: Transformations of Exponential Functions

**Example 1:** Sketch the graph of  $f(x) = 2(3)^{x+4} - 5$  and  $g(x) = -3\frac{1}{2}^x + 4$  using transformations

$y = 3^x$	
$x$	$y$

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

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



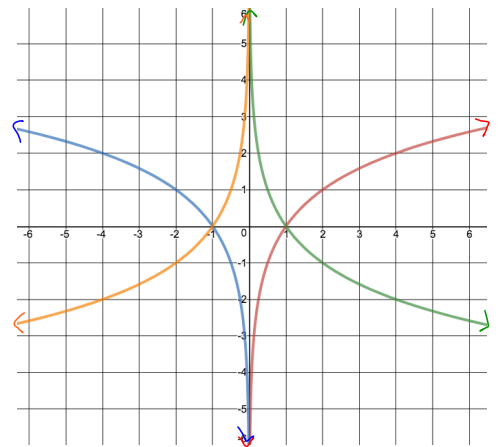
### Part 3: Properties of Logarithmic Functions

**General Equation:**  $y = a \log_b [k(x - d)] + c$  where the base function is  $y = \log_b x$

Remember that  $y = \log_b x$  is the inverse of the exponential function  $y = b^x$

There are 4 possible shapes for a logarithmic function

- 1)  $k > 0$  and  $b > 1$  (ex.  $y = \log_2(x)$ )
- 2)  $k > 0$  and  $0 < b < 1$  (ex.  $y = \log_{0.5}(x)$ )
- 3)  $k < 0$  and  $b > 1$  (ex.  $y = \log_2(-x)$ )
- 4)  $k < 0$  and  $0 < b < 1$  (ex.  $y = \log_{0.5}(-x)$ )



To graph the base function  $y = \log_b x$ , Find the following key features:

- Vertical asymptote
  - Starts at  $x = 0$  and can be shifted by  $d$
- $x$  - *intercept*
  - set  $y = 0$  and solve
- At least one other point to be sure of shape
  - Common to choose  $y = 1$  and solve for  $x$

#### Part 4: Transformations of Logarithmic Functions

**Example 2:** Sketch the graph of  $f(x) = -4\log_3(x) + 2$  and  $g(x) = \log_3[-(x + 2)] - 4$  using transformations

$y = \log_3(x)$	
$x$	$y$

$f(x) = -4\log_3(x) + 2$	

$g(x) = \log_3[-(x + 2)] - 4$	

