

Unit 4 EOC Review Notes

I. Exponentials

- Always raised to the x power
- Shape = curve
- Direction
 - If a is Positive, it faces UP
 - If a is Negative, it faces DOWN
- Growth vs. Decay
 - If b is greater than 1, it's a growth
 - If b is less than 1, it's a decay
- Standard form: $y = ab^x$ $a = \text{Start value}$ $b = \text{Ratio/rate } (b > 0)$
- Transformations: tells where the graph was moved in relation to the origin

Reflected $f(x) = a(b)^{x-h} + k$ Asymptote

stretch ($a > 1$) left (+) up (+)
 shrink ($0 < a < 1$) right (-) down (-)

II. Exponent Rules

- Multiplying: Add the exponents
- Dividing: Subtract the exponents
- Power to a power: Multiply the exponents
- Power of a Product or Quotient: "Distribute" the exponents
- Power of Zero: Anything raised to the 0 power is 1 ($x^0 = 1$)
- Negative Exponents:
 - Can't have negative exponents
 - Move to the opposite side of the fraction to make positive

Ex: $(e^2 f^4)(ef)^2 = e^4 f^6$

$\frac{10x^4 y^8}{22x^2 y} = \frac{5x^2 y^7}{11}$

$\frac{2^3 x^4 x^3}{6^2} = \frac{6^{-2} x^4}{2^{-3} x^{-3}} = \frac{8x^7}{36} = \frac{2x^7}{9}$

III. Solving Exponentials

- Isolate the Base
- Write both sides of the equation as an exponential expression with like bases
- Set the exponents equal to each other
- Solve

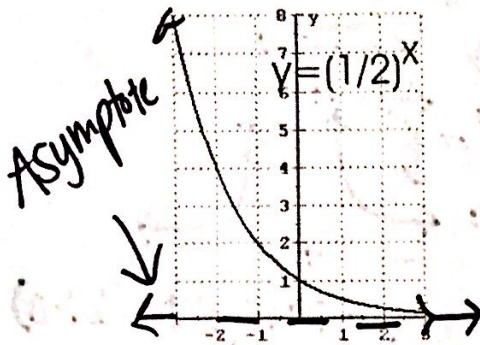
$4^{-2x} \cdot 4^x = 64$
 $4^{-x} = 64$
 Plug in Answer
 Choices

Ex: $3^{2x-5} = 3^{x+3}$
 $2x-5 = x+3$
 $-x \quad -x$
 $x-5 = 3$
 $x = 8$

$3^{2x+3} = 27^{x+1}$
 $3^{2x+3} = (3^3)^{x+1}$
 $2x+3 = 3x+3$
 $-2x \quad -2x$
 $3 = x+3$
 $0 = x$
 $x = 0$

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

IV. Characteristics of Exponentials



- (x) Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$
 (y) Range: $(0, \infty)$
 Asymptote: $y=0$
 x-intercept: none
 y-intercept: $(0, 1)$
 Increasing or Decreasing
 End Behavior: $x \rightarrow \infty, f(x) \rightarrow 0$
 $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$

V. Geometric Sequences

- Geometric sequences: Common Ratio (\cdot or \div)
 o Explicit formula: $a_n = a_1 (r)^{n-1}$
 o Recursive formula: $a_1 = \#$
 $a_n = r(a_{n-1})$

Ex: Given the sequence 40, 20, 10, 5, ... What is the common ratio? What is the explicit formula?

r : $\frac{20}{40} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$

EF : $a_n = 40(1/2)^{n-1}$

VI. Growth and Decay

- Growth Formula: $y = P(1+r)^t$ (use for appreciating or increasing values)
 $(1+r)$ is the growth factor and r is the growth Rate (decimal)
- Decay Formula: $y = P(1-r)^t$ (use for depreciating or decreasing values)
 $(1-r)$ is the decay factor and r is the decay Rate (decimal)

Compound Interest

• $A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n} \right)^{nt}$

P = principal amount (Starting amount)
 r = interest rate in decimal form
 n = # of times the money is compounded in one year
 t = time in years

monthly ($n = 12$)
 daily ($n = 365$)
 quarterly ($n = 4$)
 semiannually ($n = 2$)
 annually ($n = 1$)