

9-4 Graphing Logarithmic Functions

Objectives:

1. I can identify the transformations performed on a logarithmic function.
2. I can graph a logarithmic function by hand.
3. I can identify the asymptote of a logarithmic function.

Logarithms & Exponentials

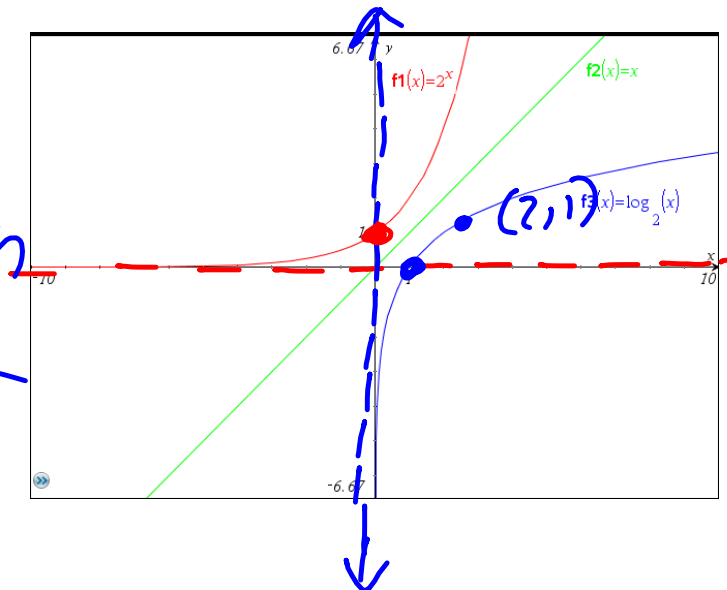
$f(x) = 2^x$ & $f(x) = \log_2 x$ are inverses

to find inverse:

1. switch x&y
2. solve for y

log graph

- $x = 0$
- $(1, 0)$
- $(b, 1)$



Describe the transformations on each graph:

$$f(x) = \log(x + 2)$$

left 2

$$f(x) = 3\log(-x) - 4$$

V. STRETCH 3

down 4

~~Reflect over y~~

$$f(x) = -2\ln(\underline{2x}) + 5$$

Reflect over X

V. ST 2

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UP 5

Graphing Transformed Logarithmic Functions

When graphing a transformed function, it is helpful to consider the following features of the graph: the vertical asymptote, and two reference points (1,0) and (b,1).

Function	$f(x) = \log_b x$	$g(x) = a \log_b (x - h) + k$
Asymptote	$x = 0$	$x = h$
Reference point	(1, 0)	(1 + h, k)
Reference point	(b, 1)	(b + h, a + k)

List the transformations, then graph.

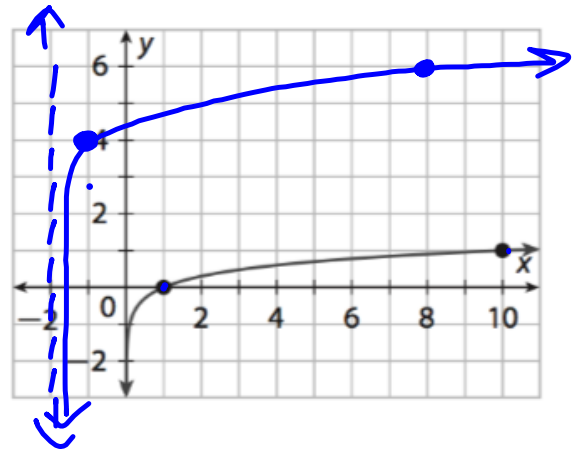
$$g(x) = 2 \log (x + 2) + 4$$

V. ST 2, Left 2, UP 4

$$\underline{x = 0} \rightarrow x = -2$$

$$\underline{(1, 0)} \cdot 2 \rightarrow (-1, 4)$$

$$\underline{(10, 1)} \cdot 2 \rightarrow (8, 6)$$



Identify the transformations of the graph of $f(x) = \log_b x$ that produce the graph of the given function $g(x)$. Then graph $g(x)$ on the same coordinate plane as the graph of $f(x)$ by applying the transformations to the asymptote $x = 0$ and to the reference points $(1, 0)$ and $(b, 1)$. Also state the domain and range of $g(x)$ using set notation.

2. $g(x) = \frac{1}{2} \log_2 (x + 1) + 2$

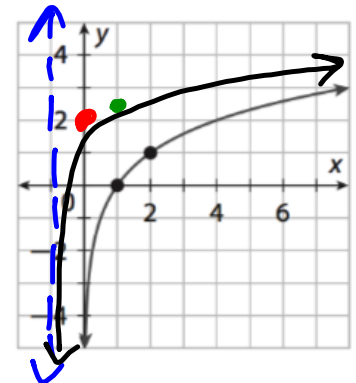
$$\frac{1}{2} \log_2 (x+1) + 2$$

V. ST $\frac{1}{2}$
 Left + 1, UP 2

$$x = 0 \rightarrow x = -1$$

$$(1, 0) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow (1, 0) \rightarrow (0, 2)$$

$$(2, 1) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow (2, \frac{1}{2}) \rightarrow (1, 2.5)$$



Graph and analyze the following functions:

$$f(x) = 2 \cdot \log(x-1) \quad \text{ST } 2, \text{ } \neq 1$$

Domain: $(1, \infty)$

Range: $(-\infty, \infty)$

End behavior:

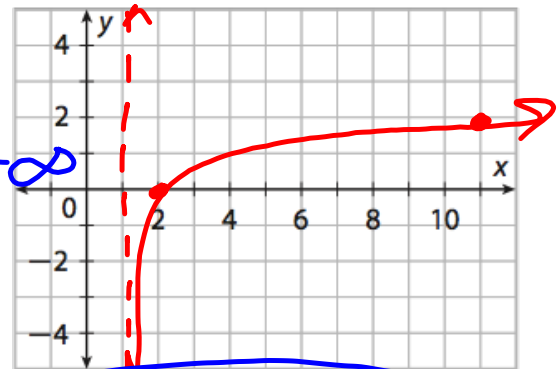
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = -\infty$$

Vertical Asymptote: $x = 1$

Increasing: $(1, \infty)$

Decreasing: none

~~Intercepts:~~



$$x = 0 \quad x = 1$$

$$(1, 0) \cdot 2 \quad (1, 0)$$

$$(10, 2) \cdot 2 \quad (p, a)$$

$$f(x) = \log_2(x+1) - 3$$

Domain: $(-1, \infty)$

Range: $(-\infty, \infty)$

End behavior:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = -\infty$$

Vertical Asymptote: $x = -1$

Increasing: $(-1, \infty)$

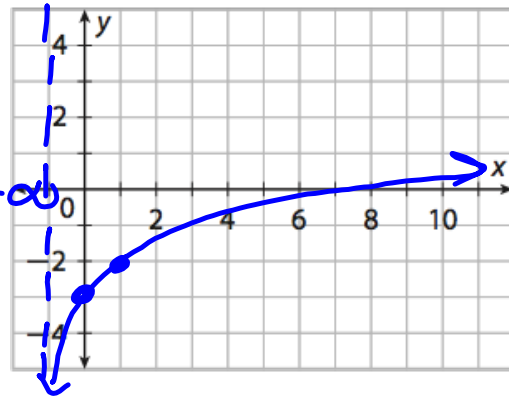
Decreasing: dne

~~Intercepts:~~

$$x = 0 \rightarrow x = -1$$

$$(1, 0) \rightarrow (0, -3)$$

$$(2, 1) \rightarrow (1, -2)$$



$$f(x) = -3 \cdot \ln(x) + 2$$

Domain: $(0, \infty)$

Range: $(-\infty, \infty)$

End behavior:

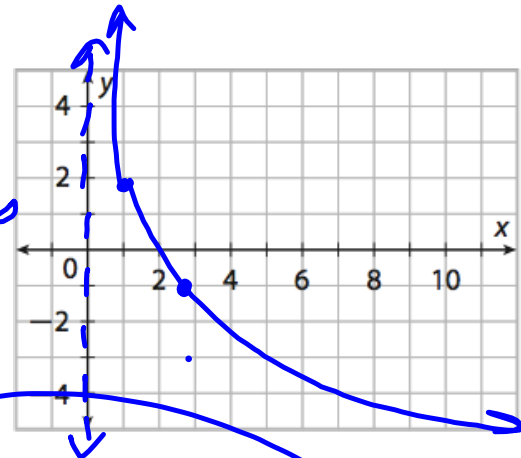
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = -\infty \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \infty$$

Vertical Asymptote: $x = 0$

Increasing: dne

Decreasing: $(0, \infty)$

~~Intercepts:~~



ST by -3
 UP 2

$$x = 0 \rightarrow x = 0$$

$$(1, 0) \rightarrow (1, 2)$$

$$(2.7, 1)^{-3} \rightarrow (2.7, -1)$$