

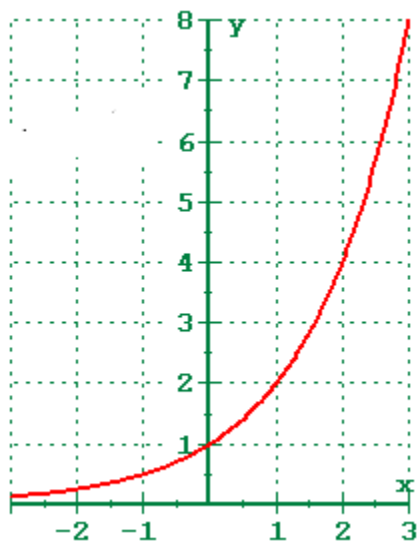
Problem 1: F7: $f(x) = y = a^b x$

This is an exponential function, which means as you increase x , y increases exponentially.

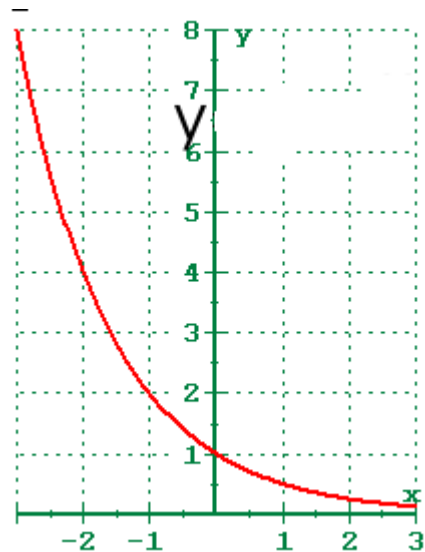
- **Domain:** All Real Numbers
- **Co-Domain:** $y > 0$
- **Range:** $y > 0$
- **Restriction:** a is positive and a is never equal to 1 ($a > 0$ but not equal to 1). Since, no matter what x is, the $f(x)$ is 1.

I. Characteristics

- A. b^x is positive
- ♦ The graph passes through (0,1).
 - ♦ The graph is increasing.
 - ♦ The graph is continuous.
 - ♦ The graph is smooth.
- B. b^x is negative
- ♦ The graph passes through (0,1).
 - ♦ The graph is decreasing.
 - ♦ The graph is continuous.
 - ♦ The graph is smooth.



Increasing Graph



Decreasing Graph