

Unit 3 Day 2 – Key Features of Quadratic Functions

Y-values decreasing $x < -2$

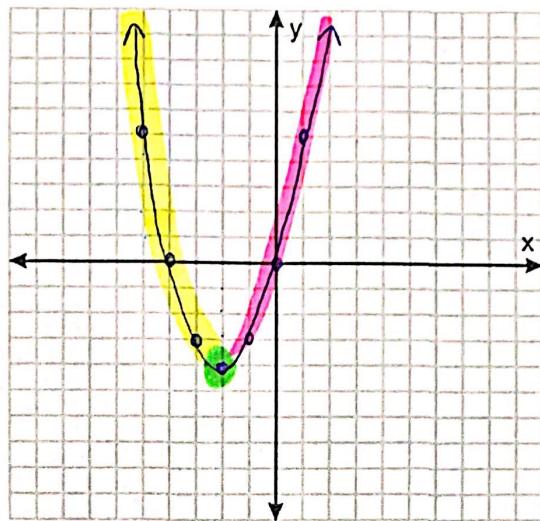
x	y	1st	2nd
-5	5	/ / / /	/ / / /
-4	0	/ / / /	/ / / /
-3	-3	-3	2
-2	-4	-1	2
-1	-3	1	2
0	0	3	2
1	5	5	2

TURNING POINT VERTX

Y-values Increasing $x > -2$

x	y	1st	2nd
-4	0	X-intercept	/ / / /
-3	-3	-5	/ / / /
-2	-4	-3	2
-1	-3	1	2
0	0	3	2
1	5	5	2

↑ not constant ↑ Constant



A. Graph the function.

B. Is the function linear, quadratic, exponential or neither? Justify your answer mathematically.

Quadratic \Rightarrow U-shaped curve called a parabola and common 2nd difference.

C. Determine the y-intercept.

$$(0, 0)$$

D. Determine the vertex.

(-2, -4) Turning point \Rightarrow The 1st difference changed from negative to positive.

E. Is the vertex a maximum or a minimum? MINIMUM (lowest y-value)

F. Determine the decreasing interval. $x < -2$ or $(-\infty, -2)$

G. Determine the increasing interval. $x > -2$ or $(-2, \infty)$

H. Determine the range. $y \geq -4$ or $[-4, \infty)$ *use y-value of vertex

I. Determine the x-intercept(s). (-4, 0) and (0, 0)

J. Determine the domain. $(-\infty, \infty)$ or \mathbb{R}

2.

x	y
1	0
2	-3
3	-12
4	-27
5	-48

3.

x	y	1st	2nd
-5	12	/ / / /	/ / / /
-4	6	-6	/ / / /
-3	4	-2	4
-2	6	2	4
-1	12	6	4

decreasing }
VERTX
Increasing }

Quadratic because there is a common 2nd difference

4.

x	y
-3	-3
-2	-8
-1	-15
0	-24
1	-35
2	-48
3	-63