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Algebra II

Working with Functions

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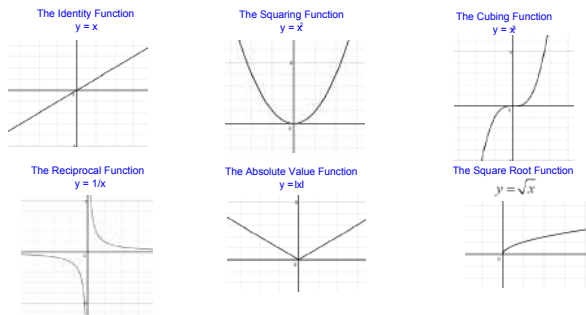
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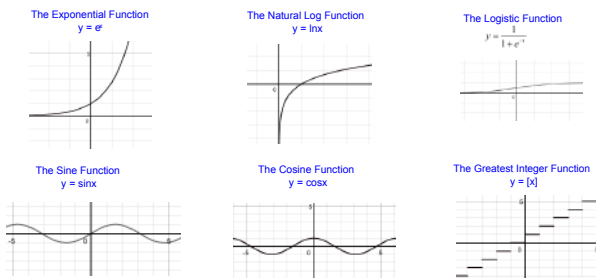
The 12 Basic Functions (Parent Functions)

Many situations in the world that people study and collect data on follow one of the following 12 patterns. By recognizing a general pattern, or what we call the Parent Function, and then algebraically manipulating the function, you can almost come up with an exact match. Some people get paid a lot of money to do this!

The 12 Basic Functions:



The 12 Basic Functions continued:



Transforming Functions

(Or making parent functions match data.)

$$y = a f(bx \mp c) \pm d$$

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Goals and Objectives

Students will be able to transform any function, including parent functions, algebraically and graphically.

Why do we need this?

Many different factors in life affect data and information. These situations can be modeled by functions, but not all are the same. The 12 basic functions represent common graphs of information. Transformations of these functions get us closer to a result and even apply to situations that are not easily representable in a common form.

$$y = a f(bx \mp c) \pm d$$

Explore this on your own! Pull out a graphing calculator!

Choose one of the Basic Functions. Try adding and subtracting numbers inside and outside of the function. Then multiply and divide different functions by numbers in different places. What happens to the graph?
Make a list:

a makes the function _____

b makes the function _____

c makes the function _____

d makes the function _____

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Now, we are going to formalize your results
and explore each part individually.

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Vertical Shifts

$$y = f(x) \pm d$$

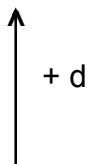
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Vertical Shifts occur when a constant is added to or subtracted from OUTSIDE of the function.

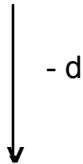
$$y = f(x) \pm d$$

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The function will be translated UP d if d is added.



The function will be translated DOWN d if d is subtracted.



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Try it on
your
calculator!

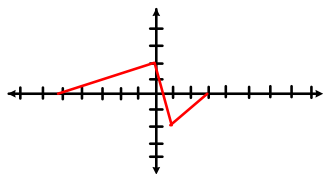
Use the function $y = x^2$. Write the new equation and then enter it in your calculator.

- a) up 4
- b) down 5
- c) down 3
- d) up 2

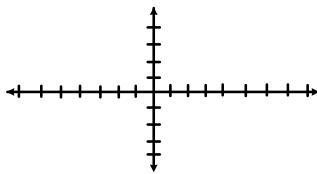
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Let the graph of $f(x)$ be:



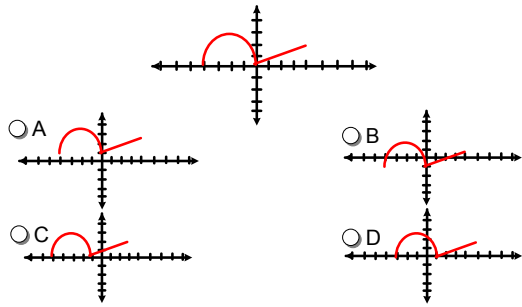
Graph $y = f(x) + 2$:



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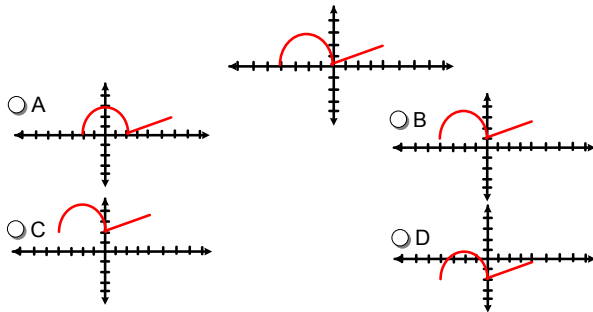
- 1 Given the graph of $h(x)$, which of the following graphs is $y = h(x) - 1$?



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- 2 Given the graph of $h(x)$, which of the following is $h(x) + 2$?

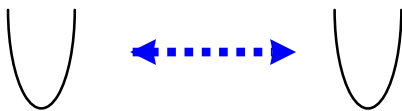


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Horizontal Shifts

$$y = f(x \mp c)$$

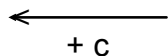


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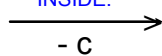
Horizontal Shifts occur when a constant is added to or subtracted INSIDE of the function.

$$y = f(x \mp c)$$

The function will be translated LEFT c if c is added INSIDE.



The function will be translated RIGHT c if c is subtracted INSIDE.



Notice the direction is opposite the sign of c.

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Try it on your calculator!

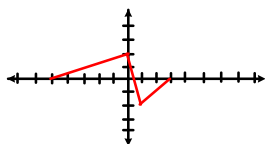
Use the function $y = x^3$. Write the new equation and then enter it in the calculator.

- a) right 4
- b) left 5
- c) left 3
- d) right 2

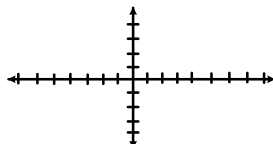
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Let the graph of $f(x)$ be:



Graph $y = f(x + 2)$:

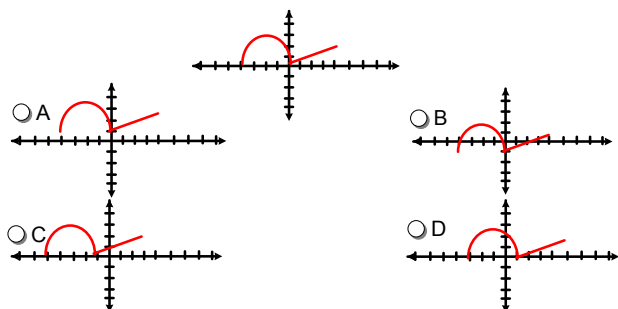


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3 Given the graph of $h(x)$, which of the following graphs is $y = h(x - 1)$?

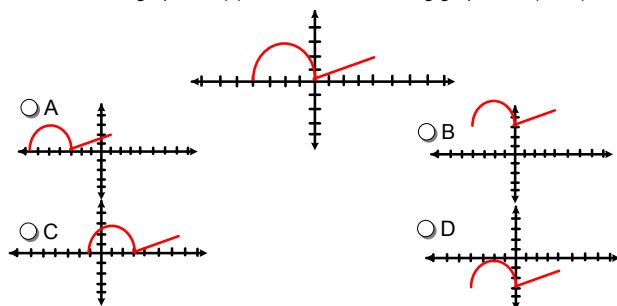
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4 Given the graph of $h(x)$, which of the following graphs is $h(x + 3)$?

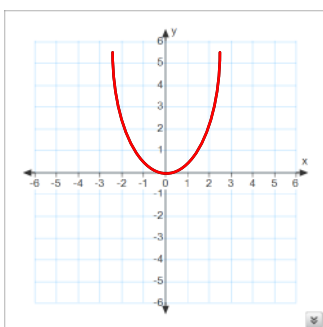
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Transform $g(x)$ as indicated:

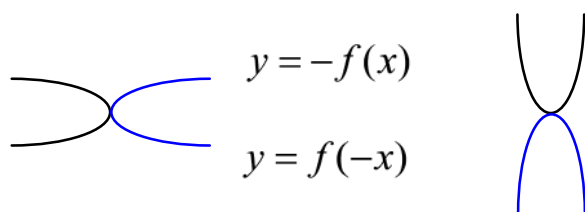
1. $h(x) = g(x) + 3$
2. $r(x) = g(x) - 5$
3. $p(x) = g(x - 4) + 2$
4. $m(x) = g(x + 3)$
5. $b(x) = g(x - 5) + 4$



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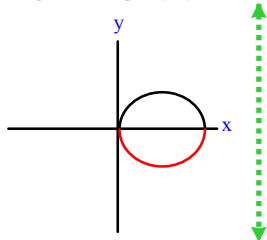
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Reflections



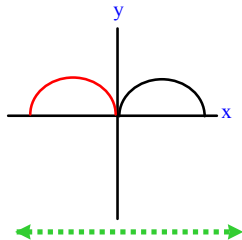
Reflection over the x-axis:

$$y = -f(x)$$



Reflection over the y-axis:

$$y = f(-x)$$



Try it on
your
calculator!

What happens when you add in negatives? Look at the following...

a) $y = -x^2$

e) $y = -|x|$

b) $y = (-x)^2$

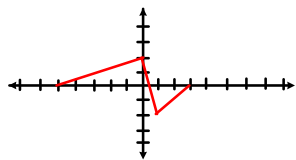
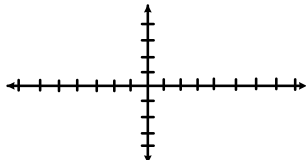
f) $y = |-x|$

c) $y = -x^3$

g) $y = -\sqrt{x}$

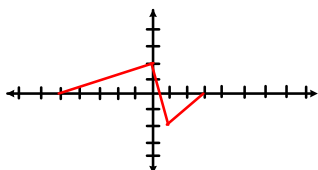
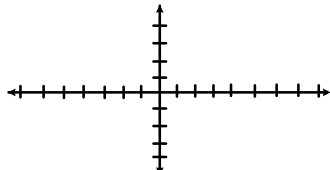
d) $y = (-x)^3$

h) $y = \sqrt{-x}$

Let the graph of $f(x)$ be:Graph $y = f(-x)$:

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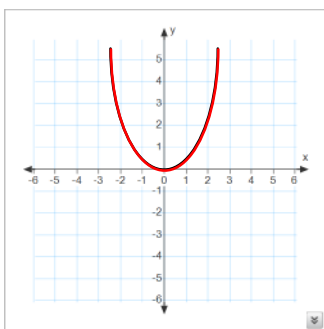
Let the graph of $f(x)$ be:Graph $y = -f(x)$:

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Transform $g(x)$ as indicated:

1. $h(x) = -g(x) + 4$
2. $r(x) = g(-x) - 2$
3. $p(x) = -g(x - 1) + 2$
4. $m(x) = -g(x + 2)$
5. $b(x) = g(-x) - 4$

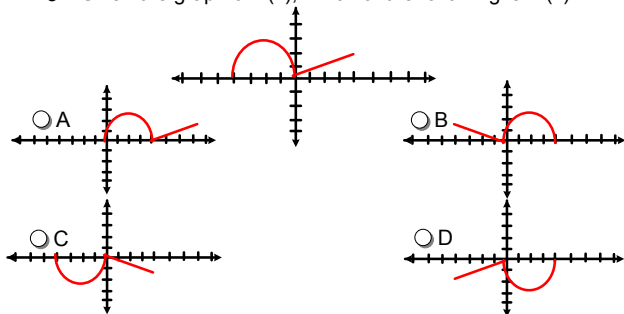


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5 Given the graph of $h(x)$, which of the following is $-h(x)$?

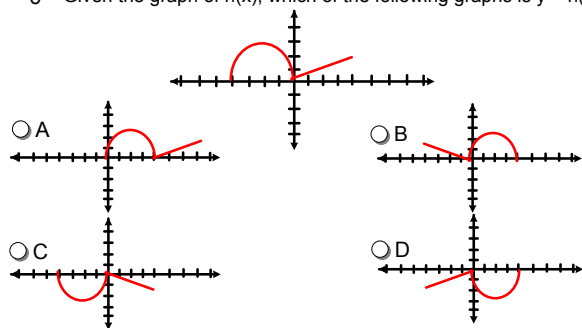
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6 Given the graph of $h(x)$, which of the following graphs is $y = h(-x)$?

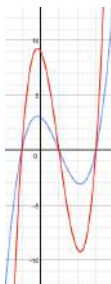
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Vertical
Stretch & Shrink

$$y = af(x)$$



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Vertical Stretches and Shrinks occur
when a constant is multiplied
OUTSIDE of a function.

$$y = af(x)$$

The parent function $y = f(x)$ is :
stretched if $|a| > 1$
shrunk if $0 < |a| < 1$

Stretches and shrinks are the first
transformation that do not yield
congruent figures.

Note: Notice how the x-intercepts DO NOT change.

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Stretch or shrink the following functions as indicated. Graph the
parent function first, and then the transformed function in the
same window.

Try it on
your
calculator!

1) $y = 4 \sin x$

5) $y = 5|x|$

2) $y = \frac{1}{4} \sin x$

6) $y = \frac{1}{5}|x|$

3) $y = 3x^2$

7) $y = 2\sqrt{x}$

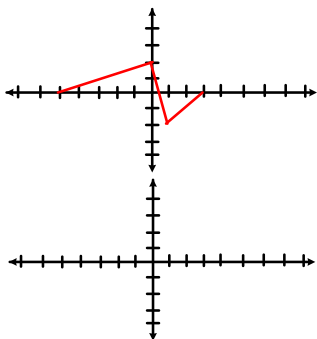
4) $y = \frac{1}{3}x^2$

8) $y = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x}$

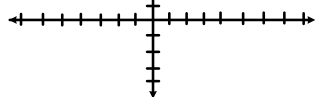
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Let the graph of $f(x)$ be:



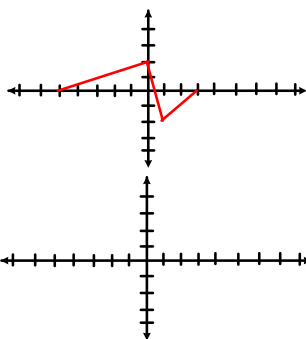
Graph $y = 2f(x)$:



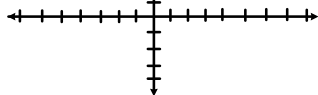
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Let the graph of $f(x)$ be:



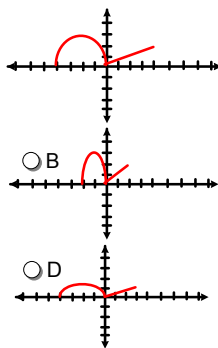
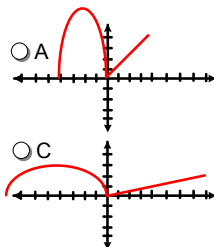
Graph $y = \frac{1}{3}f(x)$:



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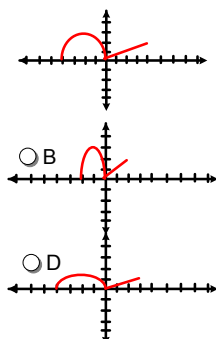
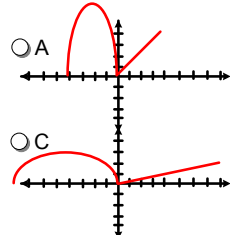
7 Given the graph of $h(x)$, which of the following graphs is $y = 2h(x)$?



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8 Given the graph of $h(x)$, which of the following graphs is $y = \frac{1}{2}h(x)$?



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Horizontal Stretch & Shrink

$$y = f(bx)$$

Horizontal Stretches and Shrinks
occur when a constant is multiplied to
x INSIDE a function.

Try it on
your
calculator!

$$y = f(bx)$$

The parent function $y = f(x)$ is:
shrunk if $|b| > 1$
stretched if $0 < |b| < 1$

Note: Notice how the y-intercepts DO NOT change.

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Stretch or shrink the following functions as indicated. Graph the
parent function first, and then the transformed function in the same
window.

1) $y = \sin(4x)$

5) $y = |5x|$

Try it on
your
calculator!

2) $y = \sin\left(\frac{1}{4}x\right)$

6) $y = \left|\frac{1}{5}x\right|$

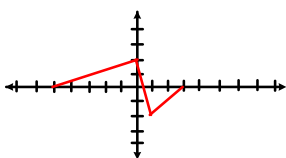
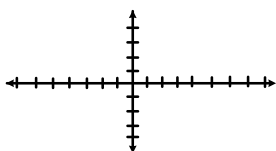
3) $y = (3x)^2$

7) $y = \sqrt{2x}$

4) $y = \left(\frac{1}{3}x\right)^2$

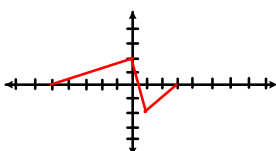
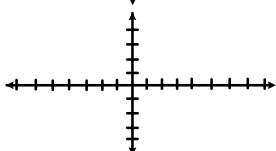
8) $y = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}x}$

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Let the graph of $f(x)$ be:Graph $y = f(2x)$:

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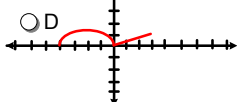
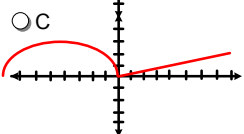
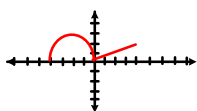
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Let the graph of $f(x)$ be:Graph $y = f(.5x)$:

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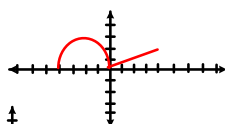
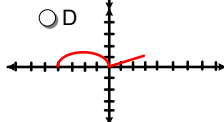
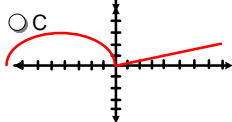
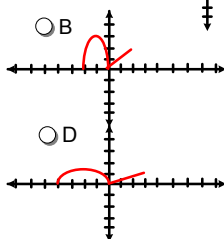
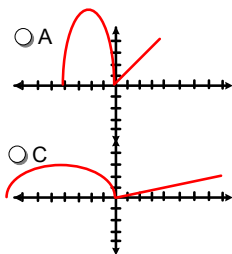
9 Given the graph of $h(x)$, which of the following graphs is $y = h(2x)$?



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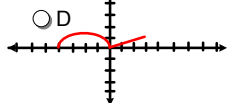
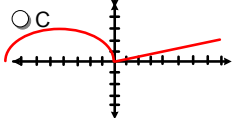
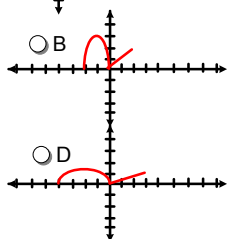
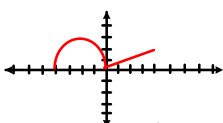
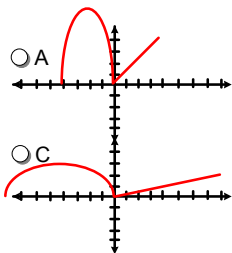
Given the graph of $h(x)$, which of the following graphs is $y = h(\frac{1}{2}x)$?



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10 Given the graph of $h(x)$, which of the following graphs is $y = h(\frac{1}{2}x)$?



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Combining Transformations

What goes first? Any thoughts?

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$$y = a f(bx \mp c) \pm d$$

To combine transformations, follow order of operations:

Horizontal Stretch of b



Horizontal Slide of c



Vertical Stretch of a



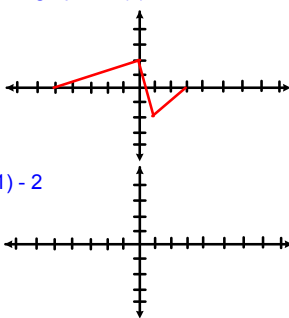
Vertical Shift of d

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Let the graph of $f(x)$ be:

Work slowly and use a different colored pencil for each transformation to help!



Graph $y = 2f(.5x+1) - 2$

Remember...

Horizontal Stretch of b



Horizontal Slide of c



Vertical Stretch of a



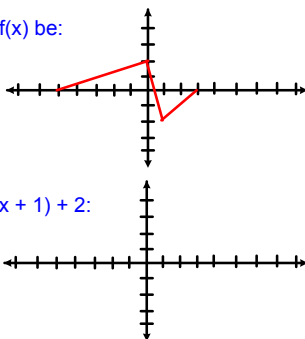
Vertical Shift of d

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Let the graph of $f(x)$ be:

Work slowly and use a different colored pencil for each transformation to help!



Graph $y = (-1/3)f(2x + 1) + 2$

Remember...

Horizontal Stretch of b



Horizontal Slide of c



Vertical Stretch of a



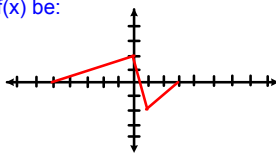
Vertical Shift of d

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Let the graph of $f(x)$ be:

Work slowly and
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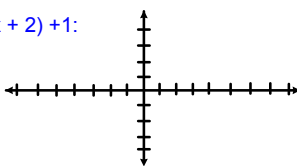


Remember...

Horizontal Stretch of b
↓
Horizontal Slide of c
↓
Vertical Stretch of a
↓
Vertical Shift of d

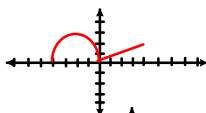
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Graph $y = (-1/2)f(-x + 2) + 1$:

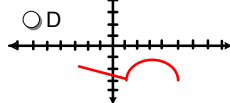
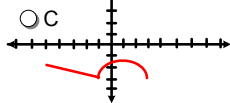
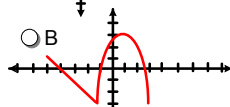
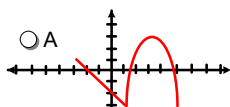


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- 11 Given the graph of $h(x)$, which of the following graphs is $y = 2h(-x + 1) - 3$?

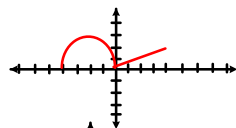


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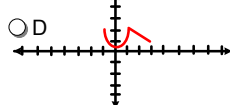
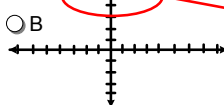
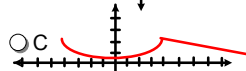
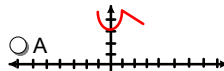


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- 12 Given the graph of $h(x)$, which of the following graphs is $y = -0.5h(2x - 1) + 2$?

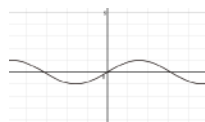


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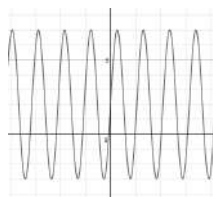


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$$y = \sin x$$

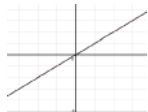


$$y = 5\sin(6x) + 2$$

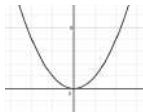
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Remember the 12 basic functions...

The Identity Function
 $y = x$



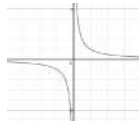
The Squaring Function
 $y = x^2$



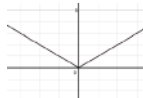
The Cubing Function
 $y = x^3$



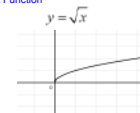
The Reciprocal Function
 $y = 1/x$



The Absolute Value Function
 $y = |x|$



The Square Root Function
 $y = \sqrt{x}$

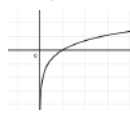


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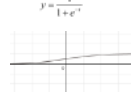
The Exponential Function
 $y = e^x$



The Natural Log Function
 $y = \ln x$



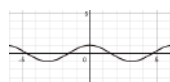
The Logistic Function
 $y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$



The Sine Function
 $y = \sin x$



The Cosine Function
 $y = \cos x$



The Greatest Integer Function
 $y = [x]$



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$$y = a f(bx \mp c) \pm d$$

You have already transformed some of the 12 basic functions. Let's apply combinations of these functions to the first 4, the other 8 will be addressed later.

The Squaring Function
 $y = x^2$

The Cubing Function
 $y = x^3$

The Absolute Value Function
 $y = |x|$

The Square Root Function
 $y = \sqrt{x}$

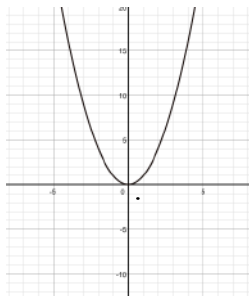
Transform $y = x^2$ into the following:
As the function changes, what happens to the domain and range?

a) $y = -2(x+3)^2$

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

c) $y = -(x+1)^2 - 5$

d) $y = \frac{1}{2}(x-3)^2 - 3$



Note: when studying parabolas, $af(bx+c)+d$ becomes $af(bx+h)+k$, where (h, k) is the vertex of the parabola.

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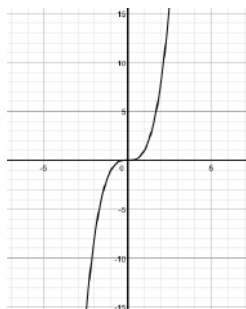
Transform $y = x^3$ into the following:
As the function changes, what happens to the domain and range?

a) $y = -(x-2)^3$

b) $y = \frac{1}{3}(x+5)^3 - 2$

c) $y = -3(x+1)^3 - 5$

d) $y = \frac{1}{2}(x+3)^3 + 2$



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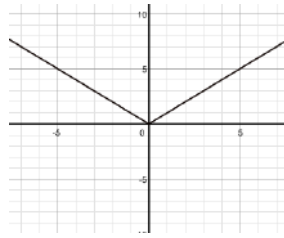
Transform $y = |x|$ into the following:
As the function changes, what happens to the domain and range?

$$a) y = -|x - 3| + 2$$

$$b) y = \frac{1}{3}|x + 2| - 5$$

$$c) y = -3|x - 1| - 4$$

$$d) y = \frac{1}{2}|x + 4| + 1$$



Note: when studying the absolute value function, $af(bx + c) + d$ becomes $af(bx + h) + k$, where (h, k) is the vertex of the absolute value function.

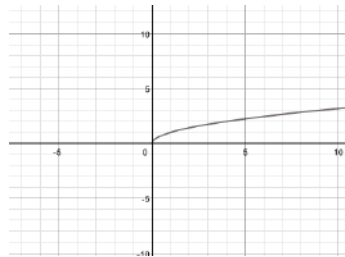
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Transform $y = \sqrt{x}$ into the following:
As the function changes, what happens to the domain and range?

$$a) y = -\sqrt{x - 3} + 5$$

$$b) y = -3\sqrt{x - 5} - 3$$



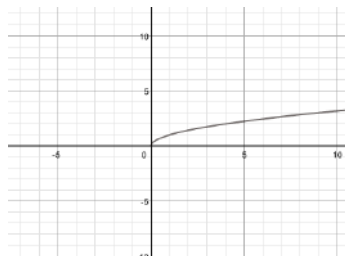
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Transform $y = \sqrt{x}$ into the following:
Graph on the board and then check with your calculator! What happened?

$$c) y = \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{-x + 3} - 2$$

$$d) y = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{-x + 2} - 6$$



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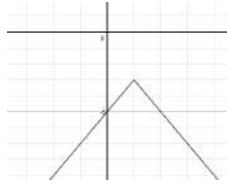
13 Which of the following is the equation for the graph shown?

☐ A $y = -2|x - 1| - 3$

☐ B $y = -|x - 1| - 3$

☐ C $y = -|x + 1| - 3$

☐ D $y = -2|x + 1| + 3$



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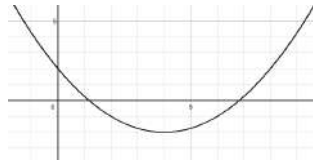
14 Which of the following is the equation for the graph shown?

☐ A $y = 4(x + 4)^2 - 2$

☐ B $y = (x - 4)^2 + 2$

☐ C $y = (x - 4)^2 - 2$

☐ D $y = \frac{1}{4}(x - 4)^2 - 2$



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15 Which of the following is the equation for the graph shown?

☐ A $y = -\sqrt{x + 3} - 1$

☐ B $y = \sqrt{-x + 3} - 1$

☐ C $y = -\sqrt{x - 3} - 1$

☐ D $y = \sqrt{-x - 3} - 1$



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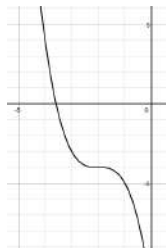
16 Which of the following is the equation for the graph shown?

☐ A $y = (x - 2)^3 - 4$

☐ B $y = -(x + 2)^3 + 4$

☐ C $y = (-x - 2)^3 + 4$

☐ D $y = -(x + 2)^3 - 4$



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Operations with Functions

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Goals and Objectives

Students will be able to manipulate multiple functions algebraically and simplify resulting functions.

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Why do we need this?

In this unit, we have graphically explored transformations of functions.
Sometimes, data is more complex and is combinations of different functions.
Algebraically manipulating functions allows us to combine different functions together and results in many more options for representing real life situations.

Functions can be combined to make other functions.

Here are the properties of combining functions:

Adding functions: $(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$

Subtracting functions: $(f - g)(x) = f(x) - g(x)$

Multiplying functions: $(fg)(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$

Dividing functions: $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \quad g(x) \neq 0$

Given: $f(x) = 3x - 1$ and $g(x) = 2x + 1$

Find: a) $(f + g)(x)$

Simplify your answers as much as possible.

b) $(f - g)(x)$

c) $(fg)(x)$

What happens to the domain?

d) $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x)$

e) $4f(x) - 2g(x)$

17 Given $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2x$ and $g(x) = x$, find $h(x) = (f + g)(x)$

- ☐ A $3x^2 + 2x + 1$
- ☐ B $4x^2 + 2x$
- ☐ C $3x^2 + 3x$
- ☐ D $3x^2 + x$

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Given $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2x$ and $g(x) = x$ find $h(x)$ if $h(x) = f(x) - g(x)$

- ☐ A $3x^2 + 2x + 1$
- ☐ B $4x^2 + 2x$
- ☐ C $3x^2 + 3x$
- ☐ D $3x^2 + x$

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18 Given $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2x$ and $g(x) = x$, find $h(x)$ if $h(x) = f(x) - g(x)$.

- ☐ A $3x^2 + 2x + 1$
- ☐ B $4x^2 + 2x$
- ☐ C $3x^2 + 3x$
- ☐ D $3x^2 + x$

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19 Given $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2x$ and $g(x) = x$, find $h(x)$ if $h(x) = \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x)$

- ☐ A $3x + 2$
- ☐ B $\frac{3x^2 + 2x}{2}$
- ☐ C $\frac{1}{3x^2 + 2x}$
- ☐ D $\frac{1}{3x + 2}$

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20 Given $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2x$ and $g(x) = x$, find $h(x)$ if $h(x) = 2f(x) - xg(x)$.

- ☐ A $6x^2 + 3x$
- ☐ B $4x^2 + 2x$
- ☐ C $6x^2 + x$
- ☐ D $5x^2 + 4x$

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Given $f(x) = \sqrt{x+3}$ and $g(x) = x^3$, find:

What is the domain of each?

a) $(f + g)(x)$

b) $(f - g)(x)$

c) $(fg)(x)$

d) $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x)$

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21 Find the domain of $(f + g)(x)$ if $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ and $g(x) = x^3$

- ☐ A $(-\infty, \infty)$
- ☐ B $[0, \infty)$
- ☐ C $(-\infty, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$
- ☐ D $(-\infty, 0]$

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22 Find the domain of $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x)$ if $f(x) = x^2$ and $g(x) = x - 4$.

- ☐ A $(-\infty, 4) \cup (4, \infty)$
- ☐ B $(-\infty, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$
- ☐ C $(4, \infty)$
- ☐ D $(-\infty, 4)$

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23 Find the domain of $(fg)(x)$ if $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ and $g(x) = \sqrt{x+3}$

- ☐ A $(-\infty, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$
- ☐ B $[-3, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$
- ☐ C $(-\infty, -3) \cup (3, \infty)$
- ☐ D $(-\infty, \infty)$

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You may also be asked to find values of combined functions when given specific values for x .

Given $f(x) = \sqrt{2x-3} + 2x$ and $g(x) = 2x^2$, find:

- a) $(f+g)(2)$ b) $(f-g)(3)$ c) $(fg)(5)$ d) $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(0)$

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24 Given $f(x) = \sqrt{4x}$ and $g(x) = x - 12$, find $(f-g)(4)$.

- ☐ A -6
☐ B -4
☐ C 12
☐ D 10

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25 Given $f(x) = (x-8)^2$ and $g(x) = x^3$, find $(fg)(6)$.

- ☐ A 1728
☐ B -864
☐ C 864
☐ D 1288

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26 Given $f(x) = |-x-8|$ and $g(x) = \sqrt{2x}$, find $\left(\frac{g}{f}\right)(8)$

☐ A undefined

☐ B $\frac{1}{2}$

☐ C 4

☐ D $\frac{1}{4}$

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Composite functions

$$f \circ g(x) \quad \text{or} \quad g \circ f(x)$$

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Goals and Objectives

Students will be able to recognize function notation and correctly unite two or more functions together to create a new function.

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Why do we need this?

Life is complicated at times. On many occasions, multiple situations happen to something before it obtains a final result. For example, you take extra food off of your plates before you put them in the dishwasher. These are two functions that go together to obtain a result.

Def: Composite functions exist when one function is "nested" in the other function.

There are 2 ways of writing a composite function:

$$f(g(x)) \qquad f \circ g(x)$$

Each form is read "f of g of x" and both mean the same thing.

To simplify a composite of functions, substitute one function into the other in place of "x" and simplify.

Given: $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2x$ and $g(x) = 4x$

Find: $f(g(x))$ and $g(f(x))$

$$\begin{aligned} f(g(x)) &= f(g(x)) \\ &= 3(g(x))^2 + 2(g(x)) \\ &= 3(4x)^2 + 2(4x) \\ &= 3(16x^2) + 8x \\ &= 48x^2 + 8x \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g(f(x)) &= g(f(x)) \\ &= 4(f(x)) \\ &= 4(3x^2 + 2x) \\ &= 12x^2 + 8x \end{aligned}$$

Given: $f(x) = \sqrt{x-3}$ and $g(x) = 2x^2 + x - 2$

Find: $f(g(x))$ and $g(f(x))$

$$f(g(x)) = f(g(x))$$

$$g(f(x)) = g(f(x))$$

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To simplify composite functions with numerical values, substitute the number into the "inner" function, simplify, and then substitute that value in for the variable in the "outer" function.

Given: $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2x$ and $g(x) = 4x$

Find: a) $f \circ g(3)$

b) $g(f(-2))$

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27 If $f(x) = x^2 + 1$ and $g(x) = 3x - 1$, find the value of $f(g(2))$.

☐ A 0

☐ B 5

☐ C 26

☐ D -4

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28 Find $f(g(x))$ if $f(x) = \frac{1}{|x|+3}$ and $g(x) = -x^3$

- ☐ A $\frac{|x^3|}{3}$
☐ B $\frac{1}{|x^3|+3}$
☐ C $\frac{1}{x^3+3}$
☐ D x^3+3

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29 Find $g \circ f(x)$ if $f(x) = x^2$ and $g(x) = \sqrt{x^2+4}$

- ☐ A x^2+4
☐ B x^2+2
☐ C $\sqrt{x^4+4}$
☐ D $\sqrt{6x}$

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30 Find $f \circ g(x)$ if $f(x) = x^2 + x + 4$ and $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$

- ☐ A $x + \sqrt{x+4}$
☐ B $\sqrt{x^2+x}+2$
☐ C $x + \sqrt{x}+2$
☐ D $x + \sqrt{x}+4$

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31 Find $g(f(-2))$ if $f(x) = x + 2$ and $g(x) = \frac{1}{|x|}$

☐ A *undefined*

☐ B 0

☐ C $\frac{5}{2}$

☐ D $\frac{1}{2}$

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32 Find $f(g(-3))$ if $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2x - 3$ and $g(x) = x - 2$

☐ A 62

☐ B -88

☐ C 82

☐ D 19

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33 Find the value of $f \circ h \circ g(0)$ if

$$f(x) = x + 1 \quad g(x) = 3x - 1 \quad h(x) = |x|$$

☐ A 2

☐ B 1

☐ C 0

☐ D -1

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Inverse Functions

$$f^{-1}(x)$$

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Inverse Functions

Goals and Objectives

Students will be able to recognize and find an inverse function:

- a) using coordinates,
- b) graphically and
- c) algebraically.

Inverse Functions

Why do we need this?

Sometimes, it is important to look at a problem from the inside out. Plus undoes minus. Multiply undoes divide. In order to look deeply into different problems, we must try to see things from the inside out. Inverse functions undo original functions.

Def: An inverse function is a function that undoes another function.
The notation for the inverse of $f(x)$ is $f^{-1}(x)$.

Read, "the inverse of f of x ."

You can prove that a function is an inverse of another using the following relationship:

$$f(f^{-1}(x)) = f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$$

Example: Prove that $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are inverse functions.

$$f(x) = 3x - 6 \qquad g(x) = \frac{1}{3}x + 2$$

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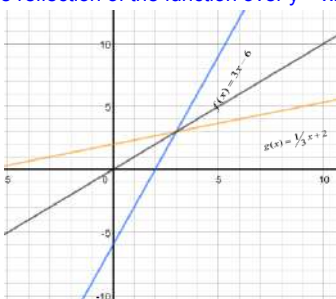
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You can also prove that two functions are inverses by GRAPHING.
The graph of an inverse is the reflection of the function over $y = x$.

The following functions are inverses of each other. Look at their graphs and make a conjecture about the x and y values of inverse functions.

$$f(x) = 3x - 6$$

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



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The inverse of a function is the reflection over $y = x$. This will result in the **switching** of x and y values.

Examples:

a) Find the inverse of:

$$f(x) = \{(1, 2), (3, 5), (-7, 6)\}$$

b) Find the inverse of:

X	Y
3	2
4	4
5	-5
6	7

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34 What is the inverse of $\{(1, 4), (5, 3), (2, -1)\}$?

- ☐ A $\{(4,1), (3,5), (2,-1)\}$
☐ B $\{(-1,-4), (-5,-3), (-2,1)\}$
☐ C $\{(4,1), (3,5), (-1,2)\}$
☐ D $\{(-4,-1), (-3,-5), (1,-2)\}$

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35 If the inverse of a function is $\{(1, 0), (3, 3), (-4, -5)\}$, what was the original function?

- ☐ A $\{(0,1), (3,3), (-5,-4)\}$
☐ B $\{(-1,-4), (-5,-3), (-2,1)\}$
☐ C $\{(0,-1), (-3,-3), (4,5)\}$
☐ D $\{(0,1), (3,3), (-4,-5)\}$

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36 What is the inverse of:

X	Y
3	4
1	0
-2	3
4	7

☐ A

X	Y
4	3
1	0
2	3
4	7

☐ B

X	Y
4	3
0	1
3	-2
7	4

☐ C

X	Y
-3	-4
-1	0
-2	-3
-4	-7

☐ D

X	Y
4	3
0	0
-2	3
7	4

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37 Will the inverse of the following points be a function? Why or why not?

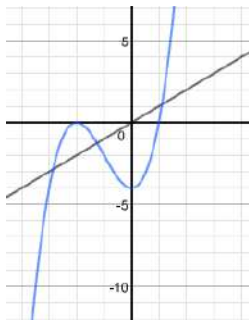
- ☐ Yes
☐ No

X	Y
1	2
2	3
3	4
5	2

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Draw the inverse of the given function.

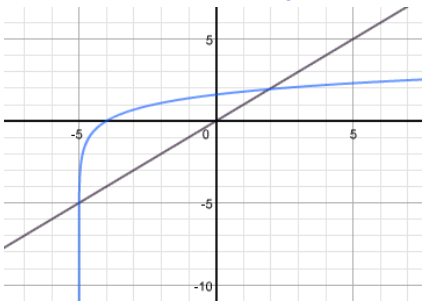


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Is the inverse a function? Why or why not?

Inverse Functions

Draw the inverse of the given function.



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Is the inverse a function? Why or why not?

Inverse Functions

Just like the Vertical Line Test, there is a simple way to determine if a function has an inverse just from looking at its graph.

Def: The Horizontal Line Test is used to determine if a function has an inverse. Just like the Vertical Line Test, if a horizontal line crosses the function more than once, it WILL NOT have an inverse.

Move this line to check:



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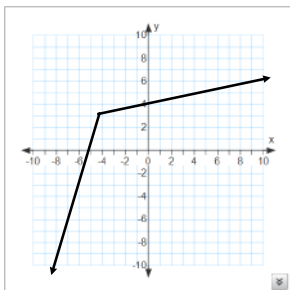
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Will the inverse of the given function be a function?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Move this line to check:

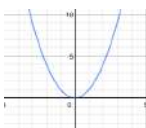


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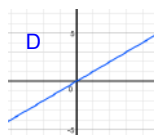
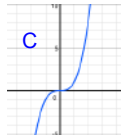
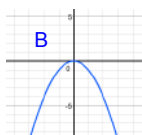
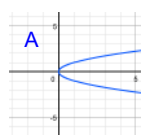
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Which graph is the inverse of the given function?

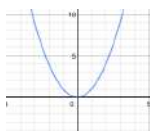


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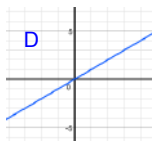
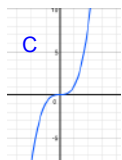
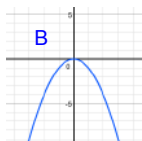
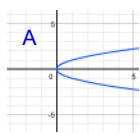
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38 Which graph is the inverse of the given function?

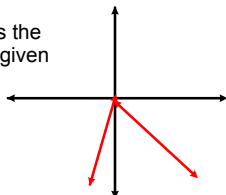


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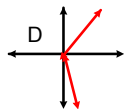
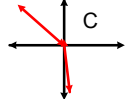
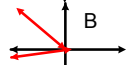
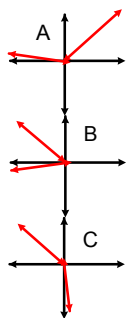


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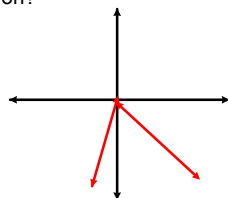


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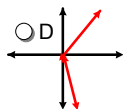
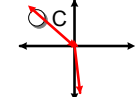
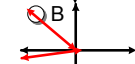
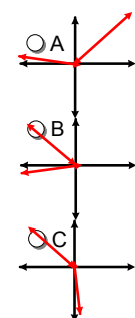


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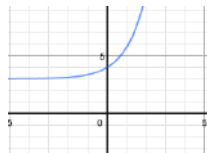
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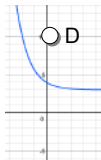
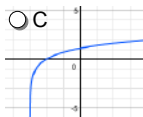
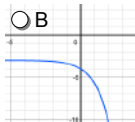
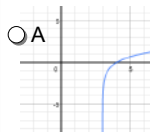
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40 Which graph is the inverse of the given function?



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41 Will the inverse of $f(x) = 2x^2 - 23x + 4$ be a function?

☐ Yes

☐ No

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Inverse Functions

Finding the inverse of a function algebraically:

Knowing that the inverse of a function switches x and y values, we can take this concept further when given an equation.

Given: $y = 3x - 1$ \longrightarrow Switch x and y . \longrightarrow Solve for y : \longrightarrow Inverse function:

$$x = 3y - 1$$
$$x + 1 = 3y$$
$$\frac{x + 1}{3} = y$$
$$y = \frac{x + 1}{3}$$

Find the inverse of the following functions.

a) $y = 2x + 1$

b) $f(x) = 4x + 9$

c) $y = 3x^2 - 1$

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42 Which of the following choices is the inverse of $f(x)$? $f(x) = 3x$

☐ A $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x}{3}$

☐ B $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{3}{x}$

☐ C $f^{-1}(x) = -3x$

☐ D $f^{-1}(x) = 0$

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43 Which of the following is the inverse of $f(x)$? $f(x) = 2 - 2x$

☐ A $f^{-1}(x) = 1 + \frac{x}{2}$

☐ B $f^{-1}(x) = 1 - \frac{x}{2}$

☐ C $f^{-1}(x) = -1 + \frac{x}{2}$

☐ D $f^{-1}(x) = -1 - \frac{x}{2}$

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44 Find the inverse of $y = 2x^2 - 4$

- ☐ A $y^{-1} = \sqrt{\frac{x}{2} - 2}$
- ☐ B $y^{-1} = \sqrt{2 - x}$
- ☐ C $y^{-1} = \pm\sqrt{2 - \frac{x}{2}}$
- ☐ D $y^{-1} = \pm\sqrt{\frac{x}{2} + 2}$

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Piecewise Functions

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Goals and Objectives

Students will be able to recognize Piecewise Functions, graph them and correctly evaluate them at given points.

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Why do we need this?

Recognize this problem?

A cell phone carrier charge \$70 for the first 1000 minutes and \$.25 for each minute after the first 1000.

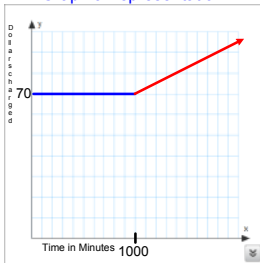
We all deal with piecewise functions and don't know it. Many common situations have limits, overages and maybe several parts. Knowing how to analyze these problems makes us smart consumers.

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Let's examine the previous situation...

A cell phone carrier charge \$70 for the first 1000 minutes and \$.25 for each minute after the first 1000.

Graphic Representation:



In Mathematical Notation:

$$y = \begin{cases} 70 & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1000 \\ .25(x - 1000) + 70 & \text{if } x > 1000 \end{cases}$$

In words:

The graph starts as a constant graph of $y = 70$ and after $x = 1000$ the graph becomes $y = .25(x - 1000) + 70$

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Def: A Piecewise Function is a combination of other functions.

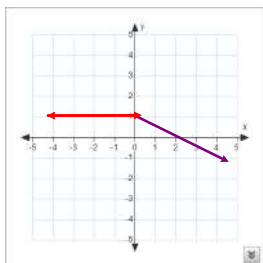
Notation:

$$y = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if parameters for } x \text{ in } f(x) \\ g(x) & \text{if parameters for } x \text{ in } g(x) \\ h(x) & \text{if parameters for } x \text{ in } h(x) \end{cases}$$

Note: There can be as many functions included as necessary.

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Create the piecewise notation for the following graph.

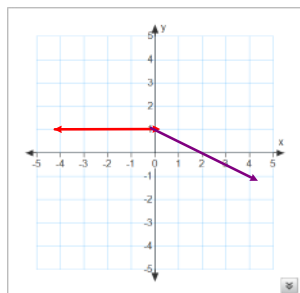


$$y = \begin{cases} & \text{if} \\ & \text{if} \end{cases}$$

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What is the domain and range of the function?



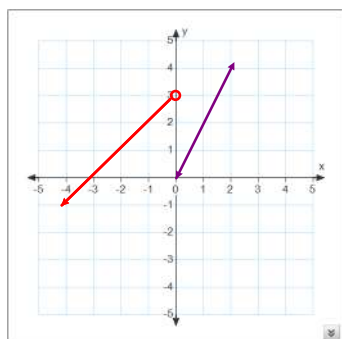
Domain:

Range:

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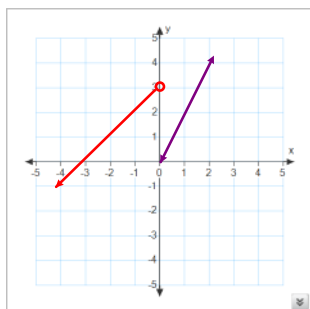


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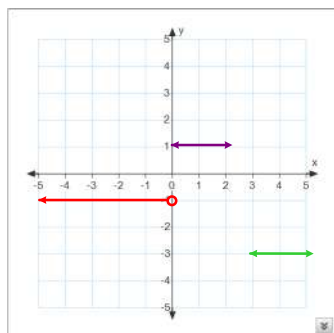


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Range:

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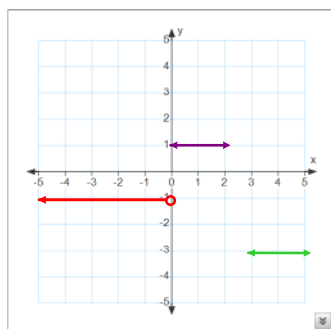
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$$y = \begin{cases} \text{if} \\ \text{if} \\ \text{if} \end{cases}$$

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State the domain and range of the function.



Domain:

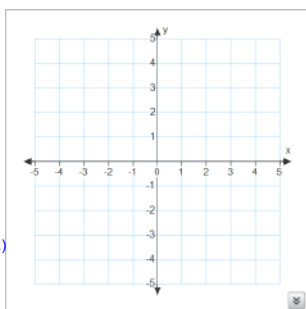
Range:

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$$y = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } x \leq -1 \\ 2x + 3 & \text{if } -1 < x \leq 1 \\ -4 & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

Graphing a piecewise function:

- Visualize the entire graph of each individual piece
- Graph only the parts defined by x (Be aware of endpoints being either open or closed.)
- Repeat for each part.



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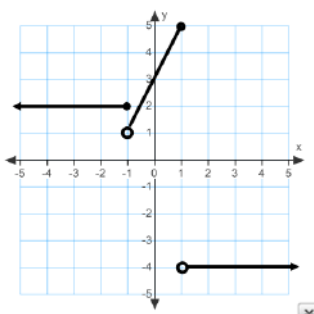
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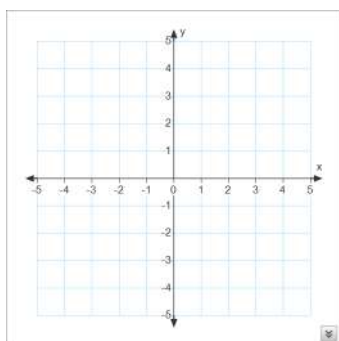


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Graph:

$$y = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3}x^2 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ -2 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

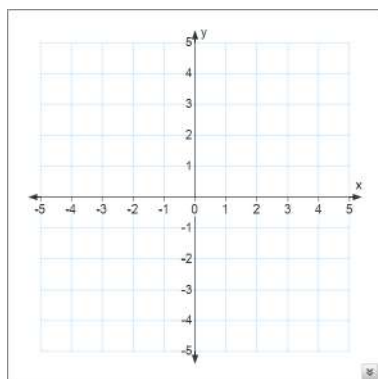


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Graph:

$$y = \begin{cases} |x-2| & \text{if } x > 2 \\ |x+1|-2 & \text{if } -3 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 3x+9 & \text{if } x < -3 \end{cases}$$



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Evaluating Piecewise Functions

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} |x-2| & \text{if } x < 1 \\ x^2 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Find:

- a) $f(-3)$
- b) $f(5)$
- c) $f(1)$
- d) $f(-10)$

Piecewise Functions are evaluated exactly like we do regular functions. The only difference is that you will need to decide which part of the function to use depending on the value of x you are given.

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45 Find $f(0)$ given:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ 3 & \text{if } 0 < x \end{cases}$$

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46 Find $f(1)$ given:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x & \text{if } x < 1 \\ -2 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

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47 Find $f(-11)$ given:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x^2 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ -x + 2 & \text{if } 1 \leq x < 4 \\ x^3 & \text{if } x \geq 4 \end{cases}$$

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48 Find $f(7)$ given:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x^2 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ -x + 2 & \text{if } 1 \leq x < 4 \\ x^3 & \text{if } x \geq 4 \end{cases}$$

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49 Find $f(2)$ given:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x^2 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ -x + 2 & \text{if } 1 \leq x < 4 \\ x^3 & \text{if } x \geq 4 \end{cases}$$

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50 Find $f(3)$ given:

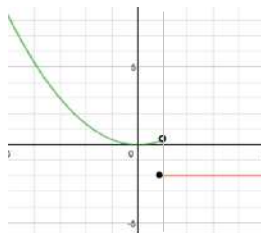
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x^2 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ -x + 2 & \text{if } 1 \leq x < 4 \\ x^3 & \text{if } x \geq 4 \end{cases}$$

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Making Piecewise Functions Continuous

Def: A continuous function is one that has no breaks, jumps, holes and will have a value for each point in the domain.



Is this function continuous?

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We can make a piecewise function continuous by getting the open endpoint of the first equation to match the closed endpoint of the second.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x + b & \text{if } x < 1 \\ -2b & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

The critical point is when $x = 1$.

1. Set the pieces equal to each other. $\rightarrow 3x + b = -2b$
2. Plug in x . $\rightarrow 3(1) + b = -2b$
3. Solve for b . $\rightarrow 3 + b = -2b$
4. Write the new, continuous function. $\rightarrow 3 = -3b$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 1 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ 2 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

$-1 = b$

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Find the value of b that makes the function continuous.
Rewrite the function.

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$$f(x) = \begin{cases} b - 3x & \text{if } x < 1 \\ x - 2b & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

- 1) What is the critical point?
- 2) Find b .
- 3) Rewrite the function.

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Find the value of a that makes the function continuous.
Rewrite the function.

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$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2a - x & \text{if } x < 2 \\ |x + a| & \text{if } 2 \leq x \end{cases}$$

- 1) What is the critical point?
- 2) Find a .
- 3) Rewrite the function.

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This is the end of Working with Functions.