

Function Transformations: Translations

Goals:

- Describe a horizontal and vertical translations in the form $T(x) = f(x - h) + k$.
- Understands that horizontal translations look to act in the opposite direction.
- Describe a horizontal and vertical stretch/compression/reflection in the form $T(x) = a \cdot f(bx)$
- Understands that the intercepts are invariant points after an expansion or reflection.

Terminology:

- Translation
- Mapping
- Image
- Expansion & Compression
- Reflection

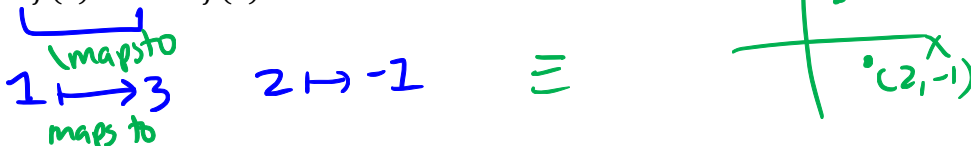
$f(x) = \sqrt{x}$; $f(x) = x^3$; $f(x) = \sin(x)$

↑ in ↑ out

Functions are operations. When we see the function $f(x) = y$ what is being denoted is a relationship of x to y and we can write it as follows using **mapping notation**

$x \mapsto y \equiv (x, y)$

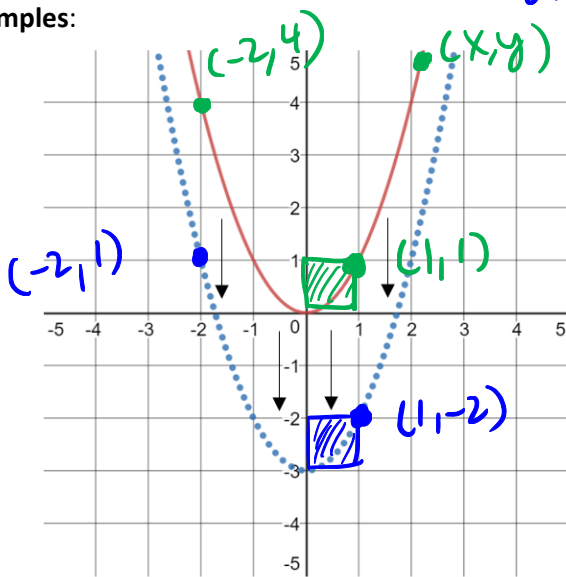
For example: If $f(1) = 3$ and $f(2) = -1$ then



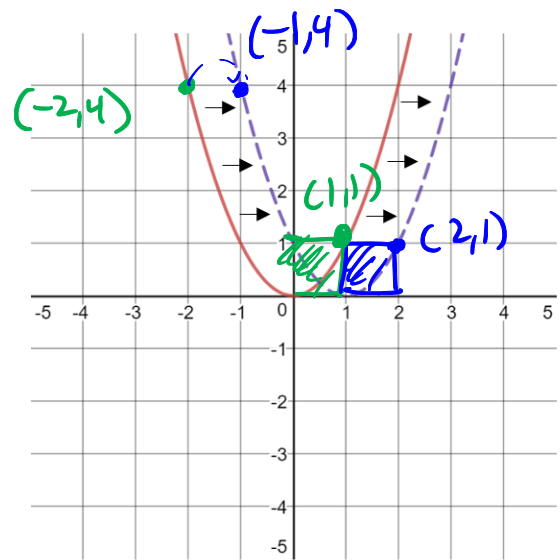
We are going to be looking at two major ways we can manipulate a function $f(x)$, and transform it into a new function, $T(x)$. For now, we will focus on just sliding the function around in 2D space (can move it horizontally and vertically). These are called **translations**.

$(x, y) \mapsto (u, v)$

Examples:



$(1, 1) \mapsto (1, -2)$
 $(-2, 4) \mapsto (-2, 1)$
 $(x, y) \mapsto (x, y - 3)$
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 shift down 3

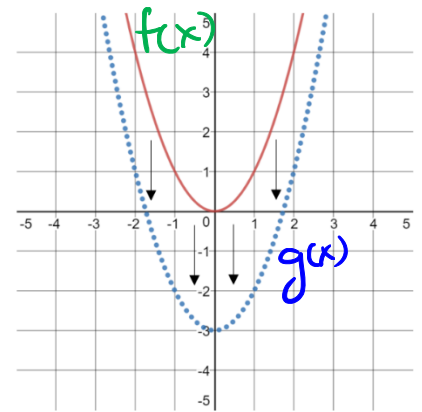


$(1, 1) \mapsto (2, 1)$
 $(-2, 4) \mapsto (-1, 4)$
 $(x, y) \mapsto (x + 1, y)$
 ↑
 shift right 1

For a **vertical translation**, we take our original function where $y = f(x)$ and...

$$(x, y) \mapsto (x, y + d)$$

vertical shift
 $d > 0$ up
 $d < 0$ down



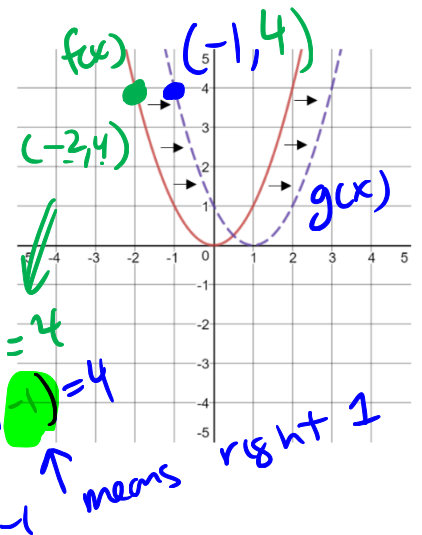
$$g(x) = f(x) + d$$

For a **horizontal translation**, we shift the function left and right but ...

$$(x, y) \mapsto (x + c, y)$$

change.

horiz. shift
 $c > 0$ right
 $c < 0$ left

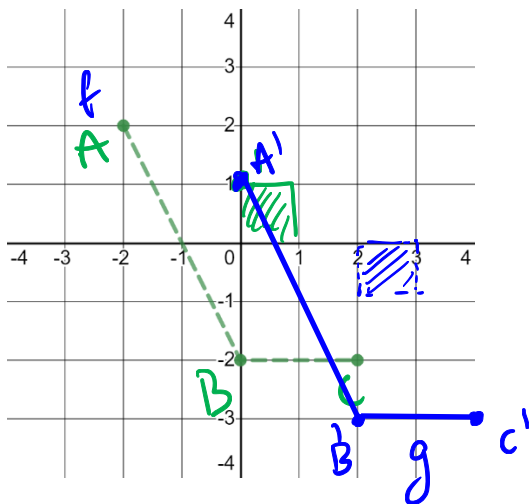


$$g(x) = f(x - c)$$

$f(-2) = 4$
 $f(-1) = 4$
 -1 means right 1

** After a transformation, the resulting function is called the **image function**.

Example 1: Given the graph of f , graph the image function after being translated 2 units right and 1 unit down. Write the mapping notation and function notation of the transformation



$$(x, y) \mapsto (x + 2, y - 1)$$

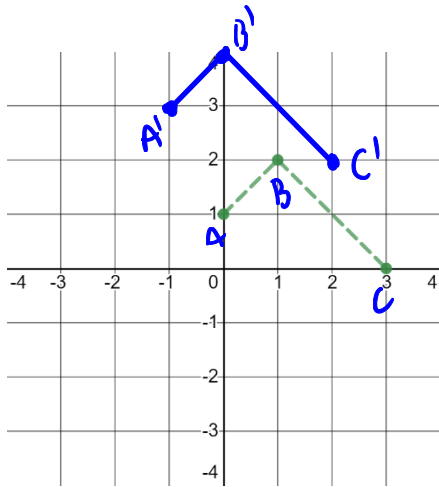
$$(-2, 2) \mapsto (0, 1)$$

$$(0, -2) \mapsto (2, -3)$$

$$(2, -2) \mapsto (4, -3)$$

$$g(x) = f(x - 2) - 1$$

Practice: Given the graph of g , graph the image function after being translated 1 unit left and 2 units up. Write the mapping notation and function notation of the transformation



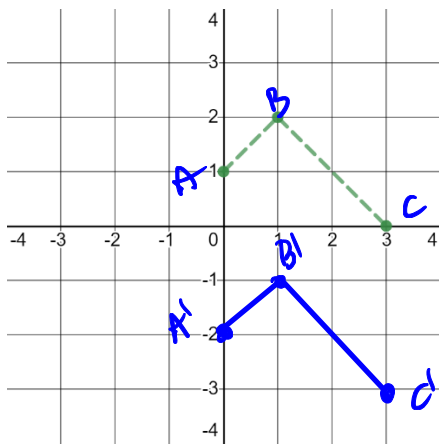
$$(x, y) \mapsto (x-1, y+2)$$

$$T(x) = g(x+1) + 2$$

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

Practice: Given the graph of g , graph the image function after it has been translated as follows:

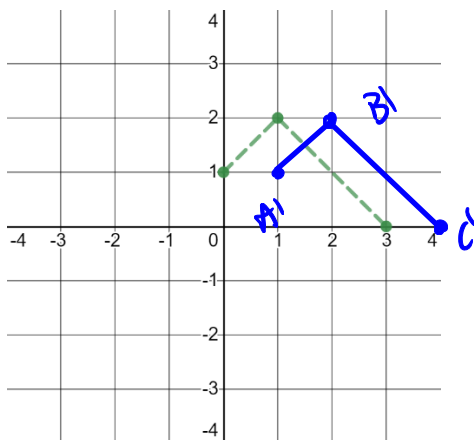
$$(x, y) \mapsto (x, y-3)$$



$$T(x) = g(x) - 3$$

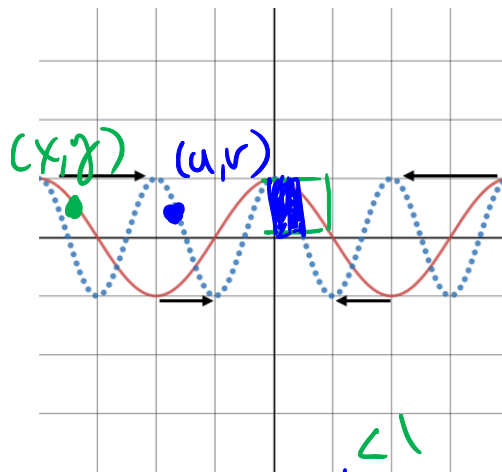
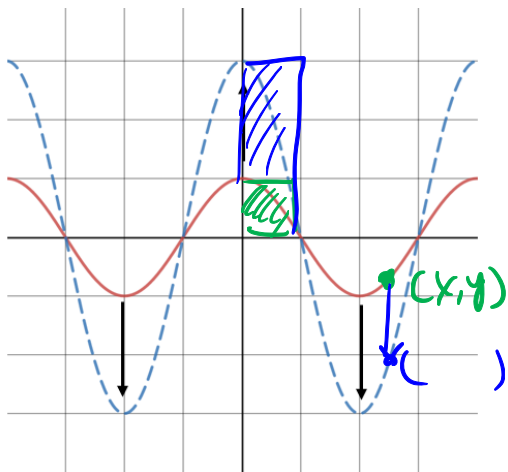
Practice: Given the graph of g , graph the image function after it has been translated as follows:

$$T(x) = g(x-1)$$



$$(x, y) \mapsto (x+1, y)$$

Aside from translating a function which preserves the general characteristics of the function (it just got moved around the graph) we can transform the graph in a more significant manner by stretching and compressing it relative to either axis.



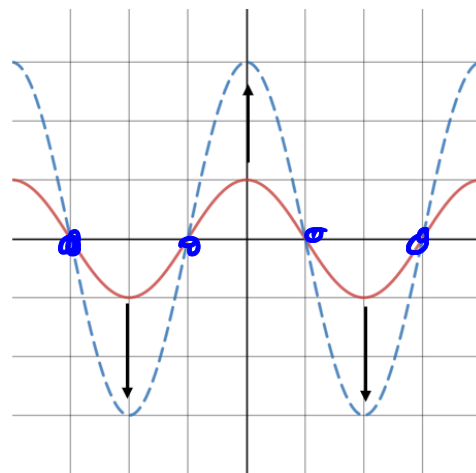
$(x, y) \mapsto (x, 3y)$
 ↑ expanded space vertically.

$(x, y) \mapsto (\frac{1}{2}x, y)$
 ↑ compressed space horizontally

For a **vertical expansion or compression** (expansion about the x -axis), we take our original function where $y = f(x)$ and...

$(x, y) \mapsto (x, ay)$

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



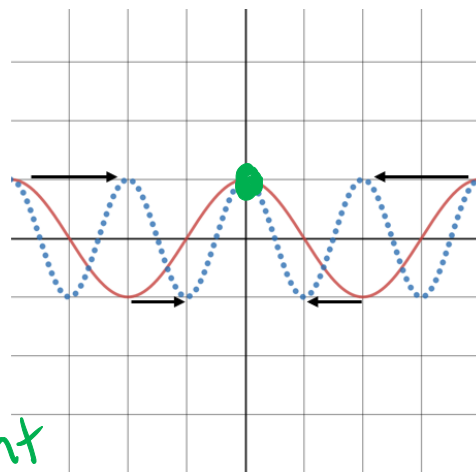
** $(x, 0) \mapsto (x, a \cdot 0) = (x, 0)$

For a **horizontal expansion or compression** (expansion about the y -axis), we have that...

$(x, y) \mapsto (bx, y)$

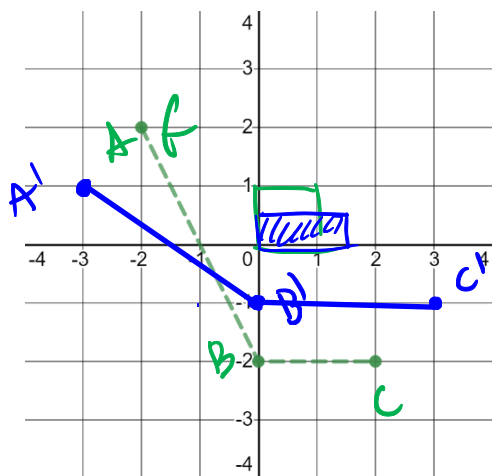
$g(x) = f(\frac{1}{b}x)$

opposite when inside f.



** $(0, y) \mapsto (b \cdot 0, y) = (0, y)$ invariant point

Example 2: Given the graph of f , graph the image function after it has vertically been compressed by a factor of 2 and horizontally expanded by a factor of $\frac{3}{2}$. Write the mapping notation and function notation of the transformation.



$$(x, y) \mapsto \left(\frac{3}{2}x, \frac{1}{2}y \right)$$

$$(-2, 2) \mapsto (-3, 1)$$

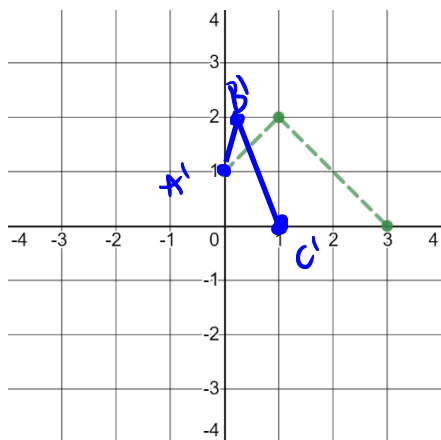
$$(0, -2) \mapsto (0, -1)$$

$$(2, -2) \mapsto (3, -1)$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{2}f\left(\frac{2}{3}x\right)$$

Practice: Given the graph of g , graph the image function after it has been translated as follows:

$$(x, y) \mapsto \left(\frac{1}{3}x, y \right)$$



$$T(x) = g\left(\frac{1}{3}x\right)$$

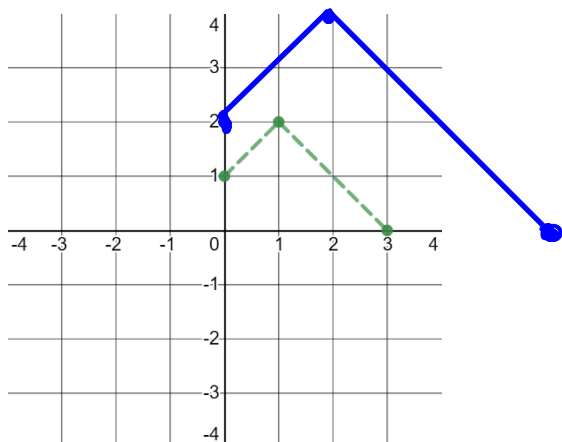
$$(0, 1) \mapsto (0, 1)$$

$$(3, 0) \mapsto (1, 0)$$

$$(1, 2) \mapsto \left(\frac{1}{3}, 2\right)$$

Practice: Given the graph of g , graph the image function after it has been translated as follows:

$$T(x) = 2g\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right)$$



$$(x, y) \mapsto (2x, 2y)$$

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

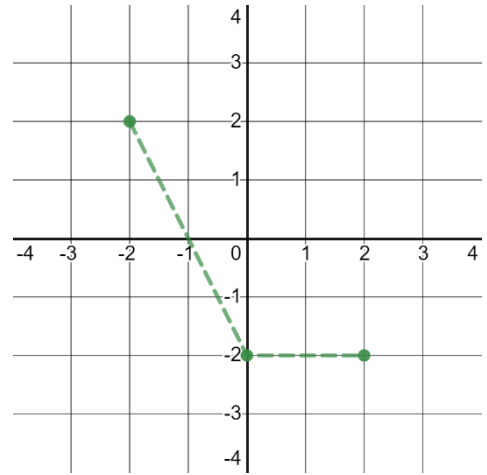
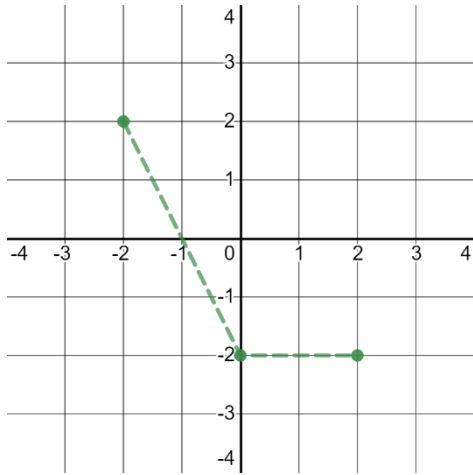
$$(1, 2) \mapsto (2, 4)$$

$$(3, 0) \mapsto (6, 0)$$

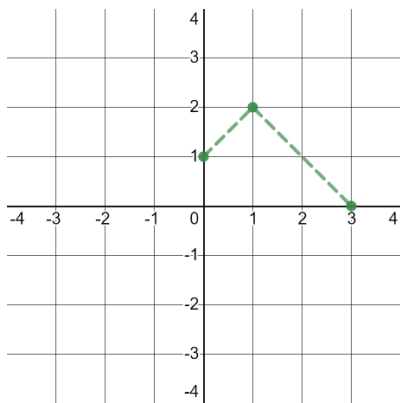
If the value of a or b is negative, this means we have the cases of a **reflection**.

$$(x, y) \mapsto (x, -y)$$

$$(x, y) \mapsto (-x, y)$$

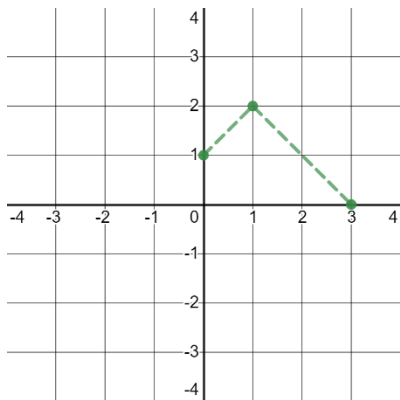


Practice: Given the graph of g , graph the image function after it has been reflected over the y -axis. Write the mapping notation and function notation of the transformation.



Practice: Given the graph of g , graph the image function after it has been translated as follows:

$$T(x) = -\frac{3}{2}g(-x)$$



Suggested problems: 1.1 page 12 – 14 # 2-4, 8-12, 16, 18, 19, C1

1.2 page 28 – 31 # 3-5, 7, 10, 12, 14, 16, C1, C2, C3

Textbook Reading: 1.1 page 6-12 & 1.2 page 16-27

Key Ideas on page 12 and 27

Next Class: Combining transformations and identifying transformed graphs