



MATHEMATICS METHODS Unit 1

2022 Investigation 1

Take Home Section

NAME: SOLUTIONS

Validation Test: Monday 9th May 2022

Weighting: 8%

Transformations of Functions

INSTRUCTIONS:

- It is recommended you work in small groups after school hours and come to tutoring.
- The Take Home part is not worth any marks.
- The Take Home part may be used in the validation test.
- You are encouraged to use your ClassPad to help you to complete the Take Home part.
- **No calculators** will be allowed in the validation test.

Introduction:

A **function** is an equation for which any x that can be plugged into the equation will yield exactly one y out of the equation. We can draw a graph of a function on the Cartesian plane.

There are certain actions we can perform on a function that change the graph in specific ways. These are called **TRANSFORMATIONS**.

TRANSFORMATIONS include:

1. Translations: (horizontal or vertical)
2. Dilations: (horizontal or vertical)
3. Reflections: (horizontal or vertical)

Function Notation:

Function notation is the way a function is written. It is meant to be a precise way of giving information about the function without a rather lengthy written explanation.

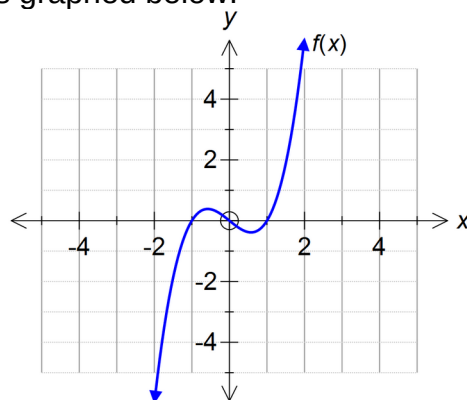
The most popular function notation is $f(x)$ which is read "f of x".
This is NOT the multiplication of f times x .

$$\underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{input} \\ \text{value}}}{f(x)} = \underset{\substack{\text{output value}}}{3x + 1}$$

Traditionally, functions are referred to by single letter names, such as f , g , h and so on. Any letter(s), however, may be used to name a function. Examples:

$$f(x) = x^2 + 1 \quad g(x) = x - 7 \quad h(b) = 3b^2 - 2b + 1 \quad S(t) = \frac{1}{2}t^2 - 3t + 1$$

1. The function $f(x) = x^3 - x$ is graphed below.



Use your Classpad to investigate how each of the following changes to $f(x) = x^3 - x$ affects the graph. Make sure you consider both **positive** and **negative** numbers. It is recommended that you draw your results on graph paper.

- Adding a number (constant) to the function. Eg. Adding 2 to the function $f(x) = x^3 - x$ results in $f(x) + 2 = x^3 - x + 2$.
- Adding a number to the variable. Eg. Adding the number 2 to the x value in the function $f(x) = x^3 - x$ so that every x in the function has been replaced by $(x+2)$. This results in the transformed function:

$$f(x+2) = (x+2)^3 - (x+2)$$
- Multiplying the function by a constant. Eg. If the function is multiplied by 2, $f(x)$ transforms to $2f(x)$. Thus using $f(x) = x^3 - x$ our transformed function becomes $2f(x) = 2x^3 - 2x$.
- Multiplying the variable by a number. Eg. Multiplying the variable by 2 using $f(x) = x^3 - x$ our transformed function becomes $f(2x) = (2x)^3 - (2x)$ which simplifies to $8x^3 - 2x$. Consider also multiplying the variable by a fraction < 1 . Eg. Multiplying the variable by $\frac{1}{2}$ using $f(x) = x^3 - x$ our transformed function becomes $f\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^3 - \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$ which simplifies to $\frac{x^3}{8} - \frac{x}{2}$.

2. Investigate the transformation from Q1 above with other graphs such as:

- $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$
- $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ or $f(x) = x^{-1}$

c) $f(x) = x^2$

PRACTICE PROBLEMS 1

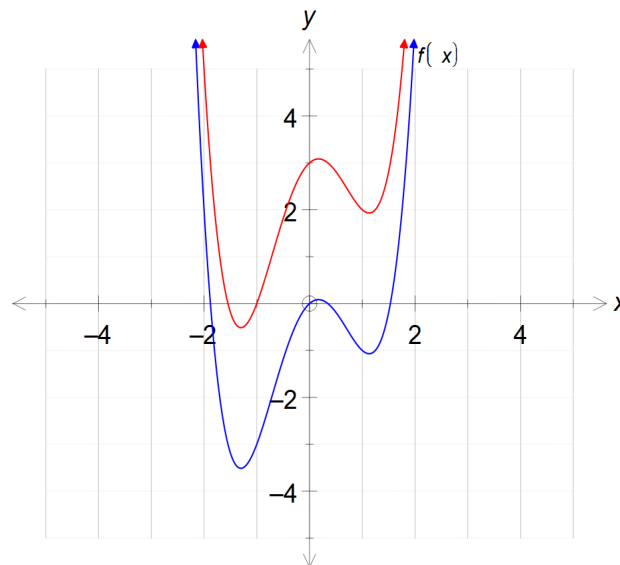
a) Drawn to the right is the graph of $f(x) = x^4 - 3x^2 + x$

- i. Using the terminology for transformations from page 1, describe the transformation on $f(x)$

if the equation becomes

$$f(x) + 3 = x^4 - 3x^2 + x + 3$$

Vertical translation 3 units



- ii. Add the sketch of $f(x) + 3$ to the same set of axes.

b) Drawn to the right is the graph of $f(x) = x^3 - 7x^2 + 14x - 8$

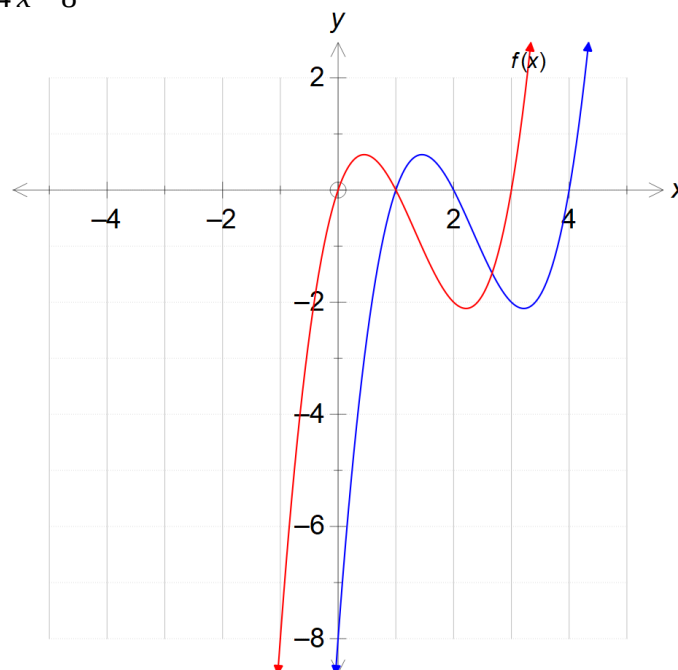
- i. Write down the new equation for $f(x+1)$

$$(x+1)^3 - 7(x+1)^2 + 14(x+1) - 8$$

- ii. Add the sketch of $f(x+1)$ to the same set of axes.

- iii. Fully describe the transformation.

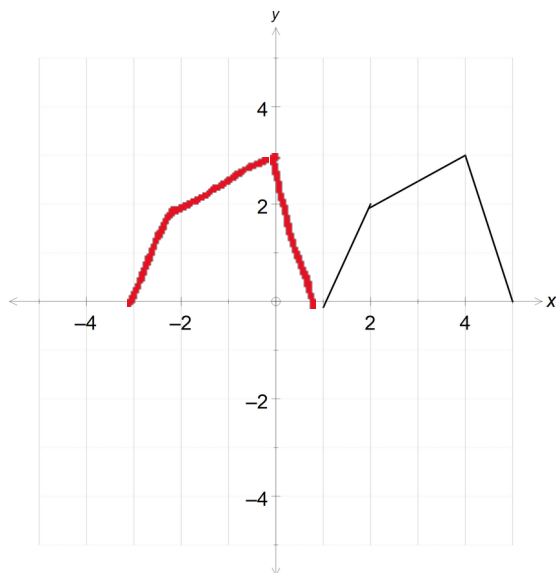
Horizontal translation 1 unit to the left



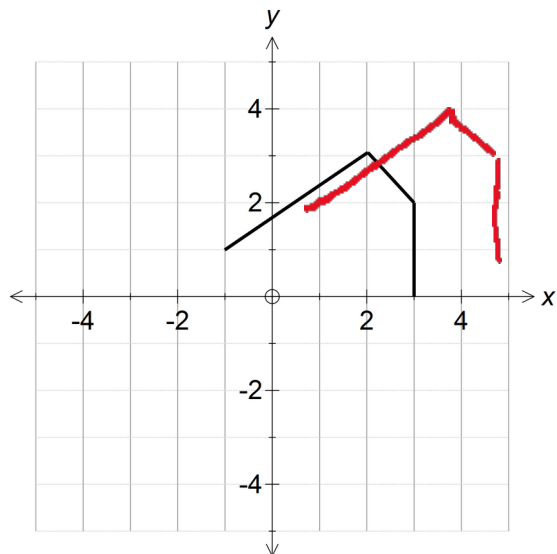
PRACTICE PROBLEMS 2

Draw each transformation on the original axes shown.

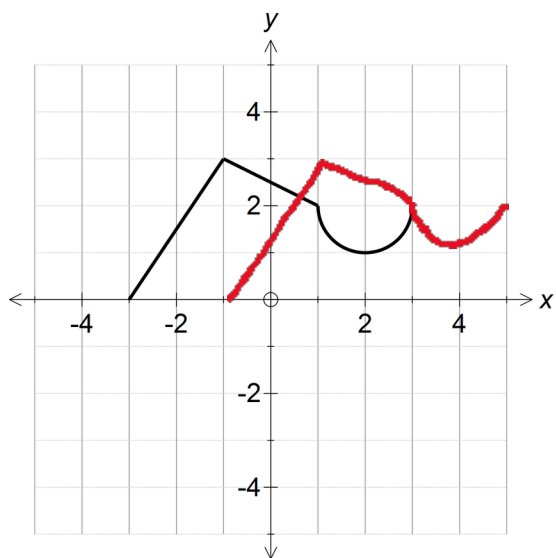
$$f(x) \rightarrow f(x+4)$$



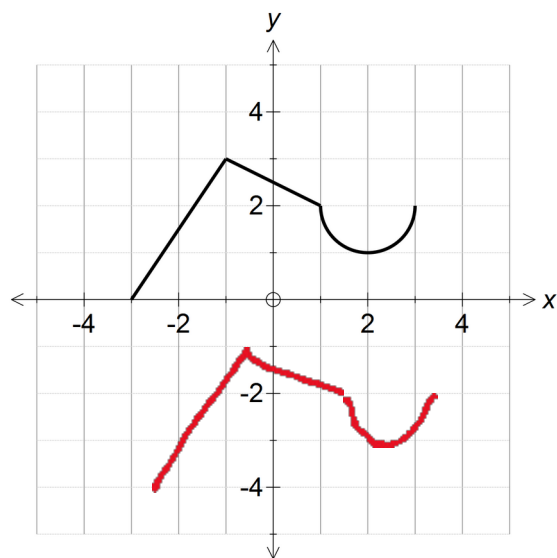
$$f(x) \rightarrow f(x)+1$$



$$f(x) \rightarrow f(x-2)$$



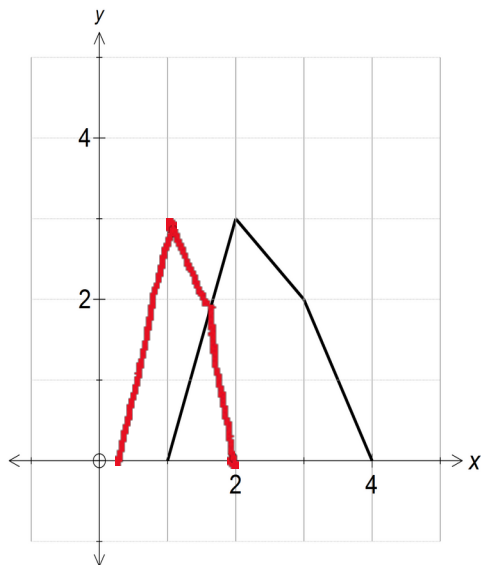
$$f(x) \rightarrow f(x-1)-4$$



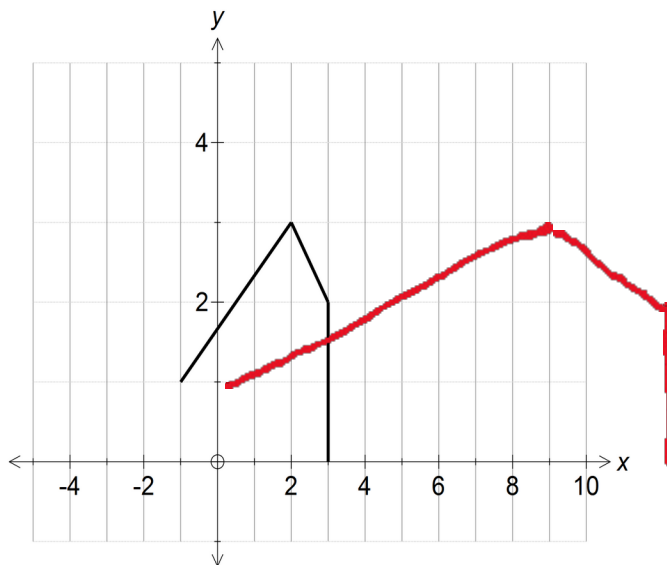
PRACTICE PROBLEMS 3

Draw each transformation on the original axes shown.

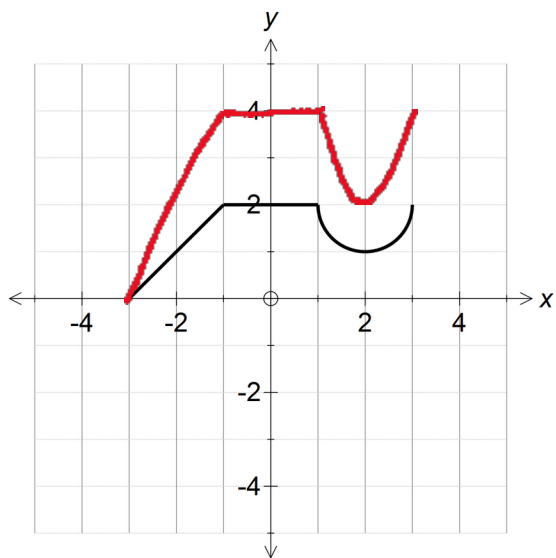
$$f(x) \rightarrow f(2x)$$



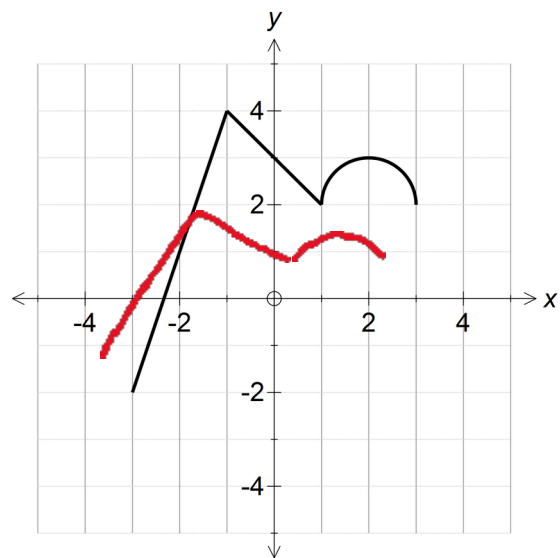
$$f(x) \rightarrow f\left(\frac{1}{3}x\right)$$



$$f(x) \rightarrow 2f(x)$$



$$f(x) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}f(x)$$



PRACTICE PROBLEMS 4**USE YOUR CLASSPAD**

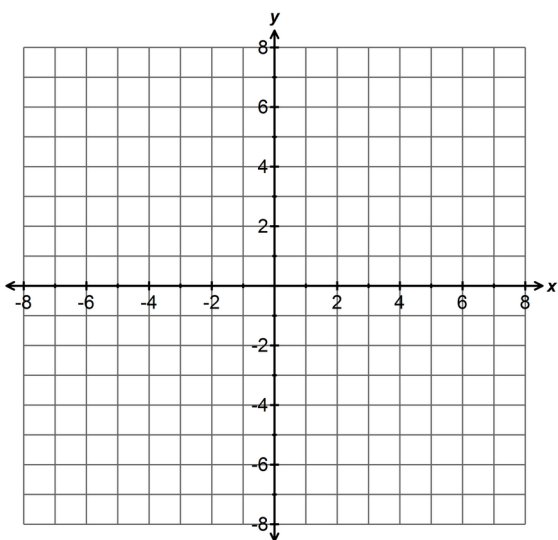
For each of the following:

- a** Use your classpad or otherwise to draw each of these original functions.
b Write down the new equation according to the transformation shown.
c Sketch the graph of both the original function and the transformation on the axes provided.

$$f(x) = (x-1)(x-2)(x-4) \text{ with transformation}$$

$$f(x) \rightarrow 2f(x).$$

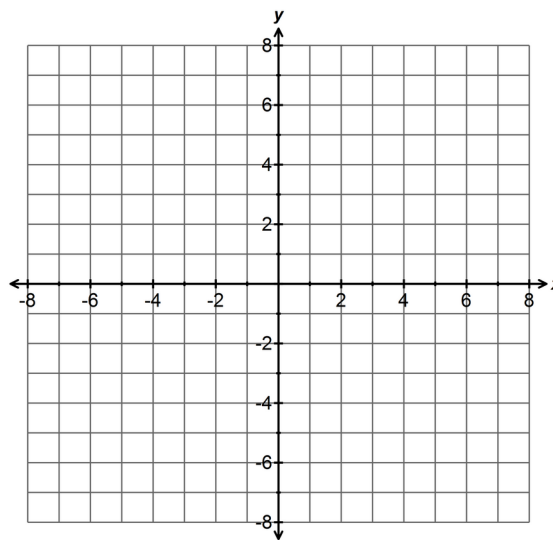
$$2f(x) = 2(x-1)(x-2)(x-4)$$



$$f(x) = x^3 - 3x \text{ with transformation}$$

$$f(x) \rightarrow -f(x).$$

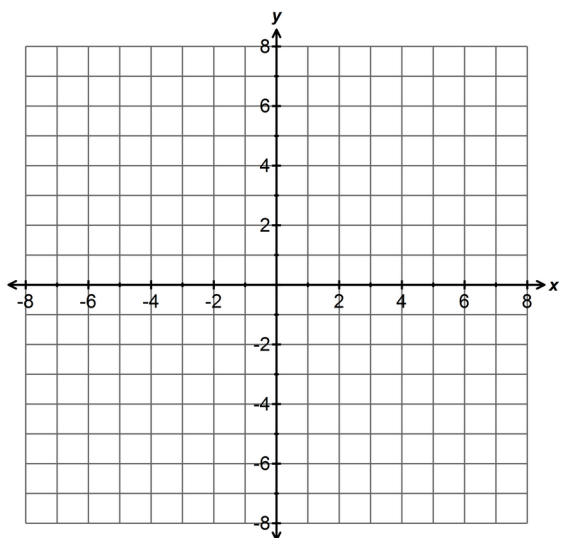
$$-f(x) = -x^3 + 3x$$



$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x-3} \text{ with transformation}$$

$$f(x) \rightarrow f(x)+2$$

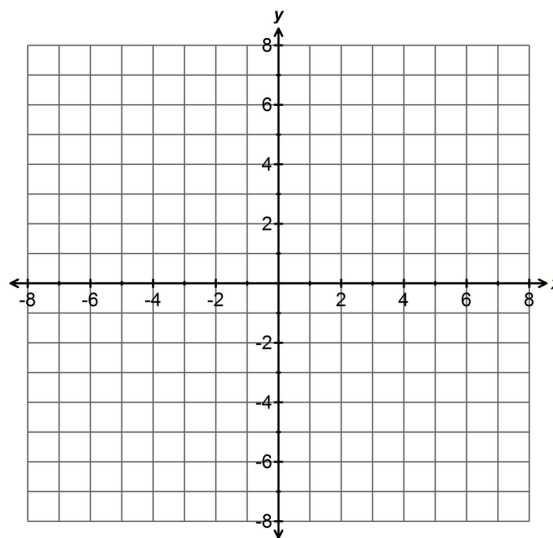
$$f(x)+2 = \frac{1}{x-3} + 2$$



$$f(x) = \sqrt{x-4} \text{ with transformation}$$

$$f(x) \rightarrow f(x+2)$$

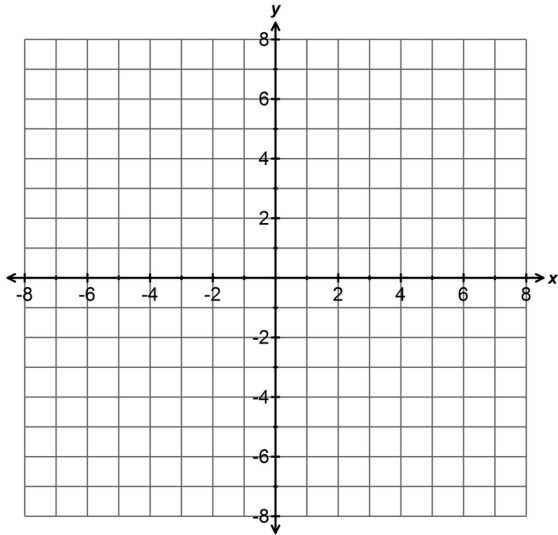
$$f(x+2) = \sqrt{x-2}$$



$f(x) = (x+1)(x+2)(x-1)$ with transformation

$$f(x) \rightarrow f(x-1)$$

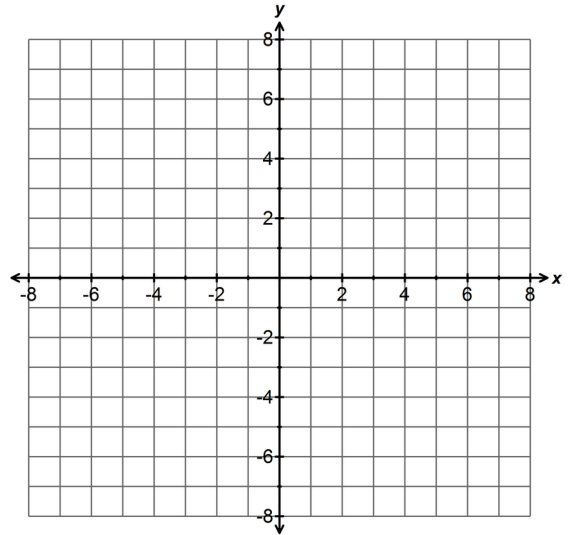
$$f(x-1) = x(x+1)(x-2)$$



$f(x) = (x+1)^2(x+2)(x-1)$ with transformation

$$f(x) \rightarrow f(-x)$$

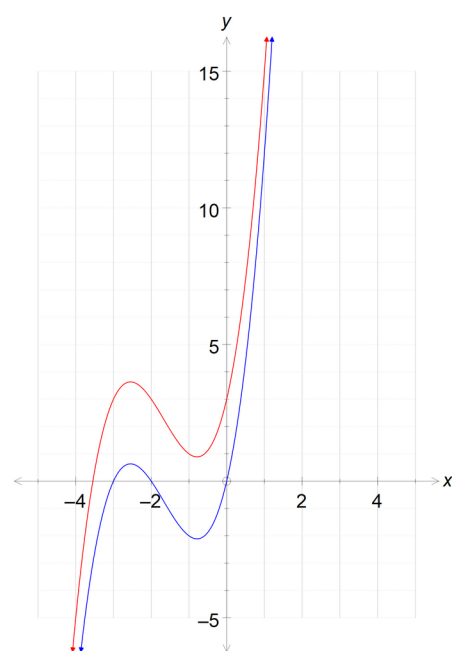
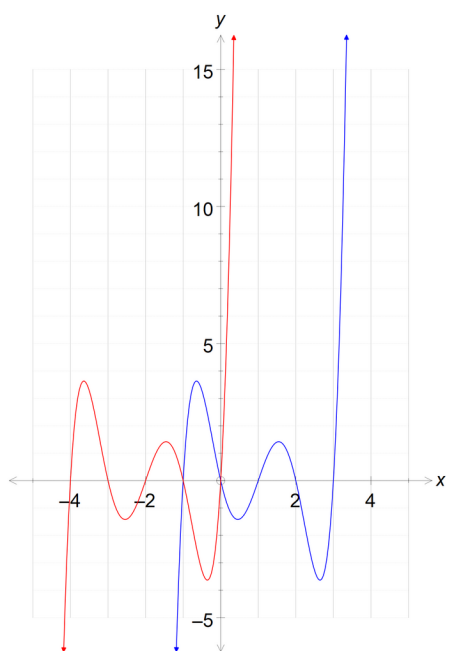
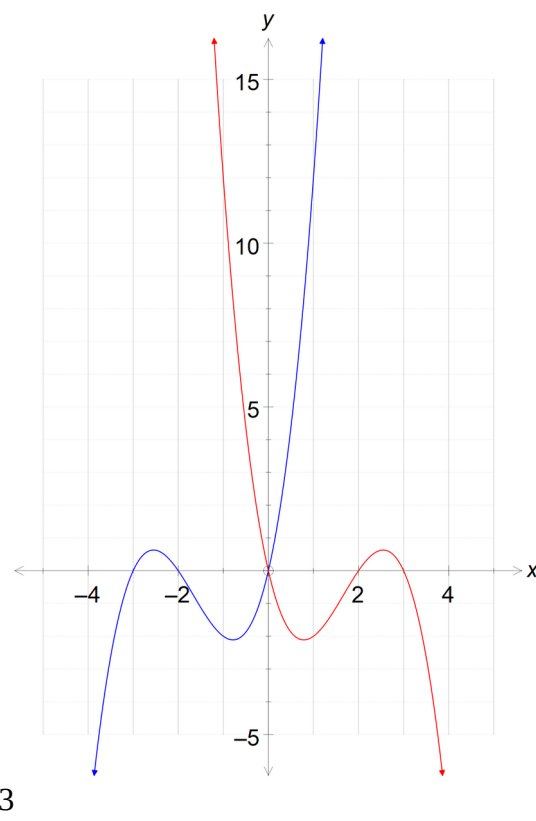
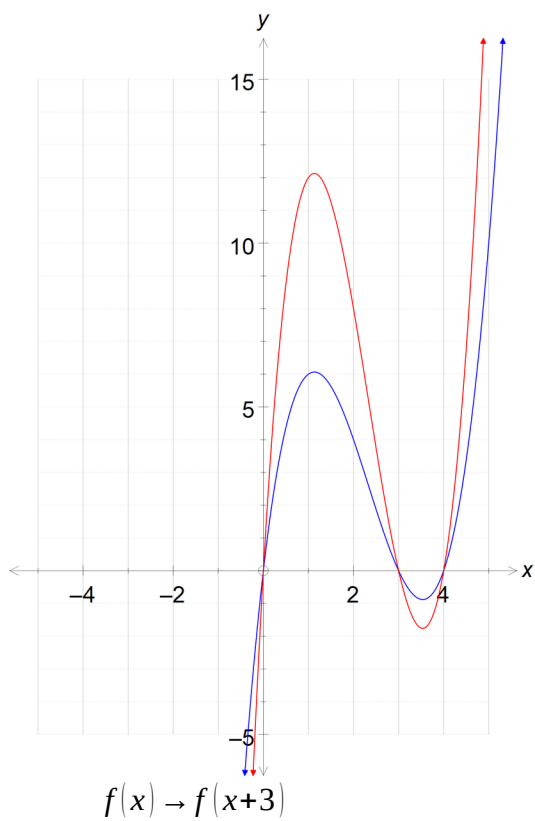
$$f(-x) = (-x+1)(-x+2)(-x-1)$$



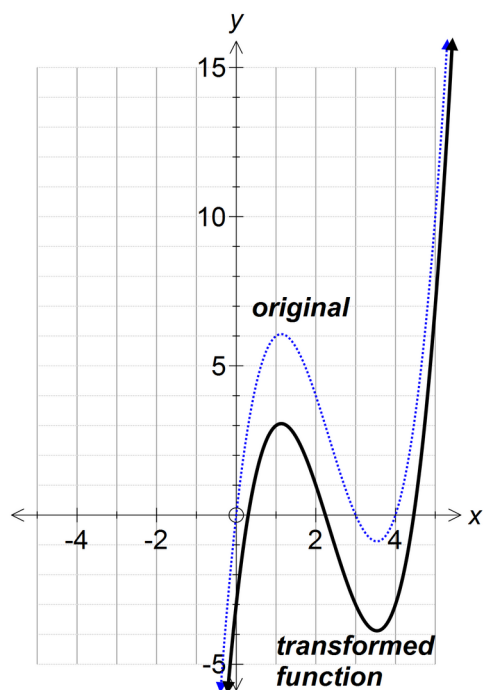
Sketch the graphs of the following transformations:

$$f(x) \rightarrow 2f(x)$$

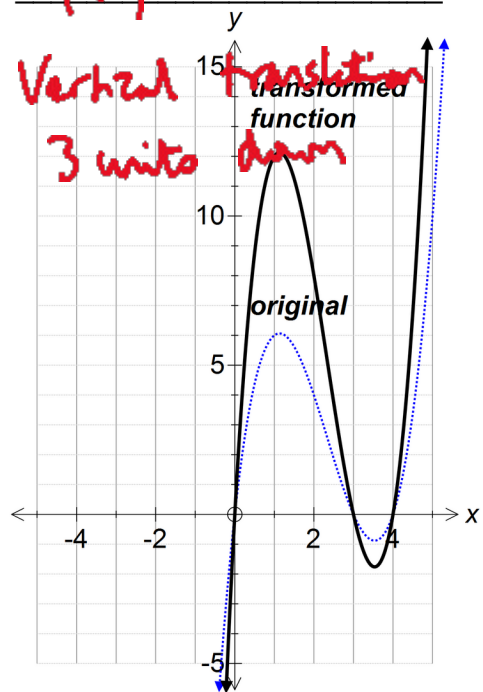
$$f(x) \rightarrow f(-x)$$



For each of the following, describe the transformation in words AND using function notation (e.g. $f(x) \rightarrow 2f(x)$ or $f(x) \rightarrow f(x-3)$)

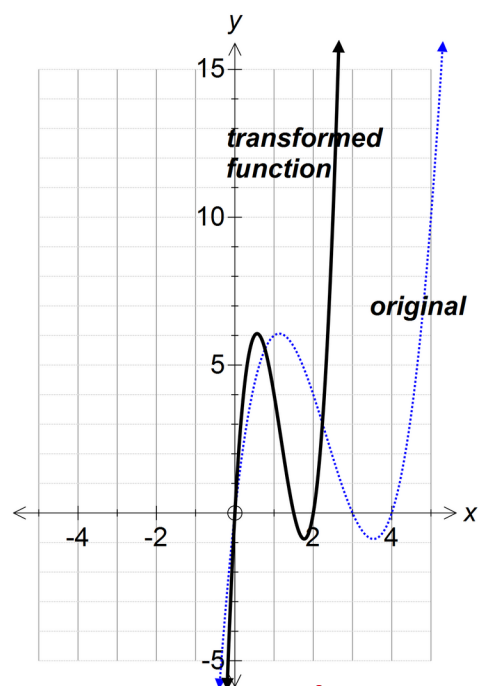


$$f(x) \rightarrow f(x) - 3$$

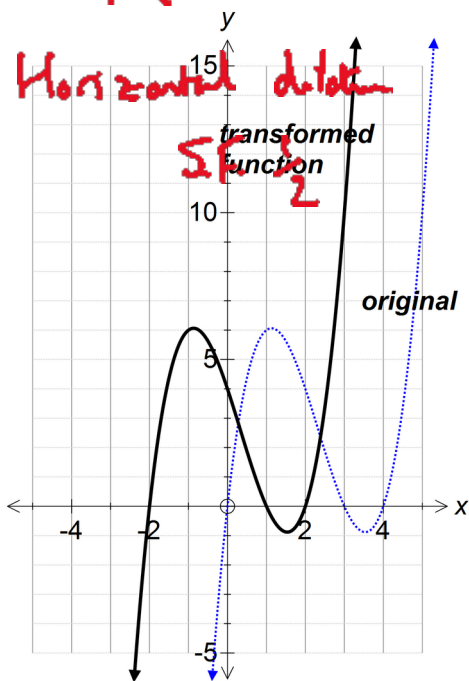


$$f(x) \rightarrow 2f(x)$$

Vertical dilation SF 2

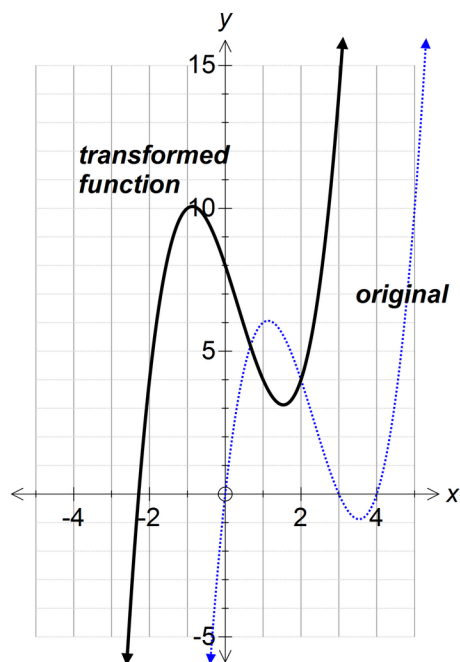


$$f(x) \rightarrow f(2x)$$



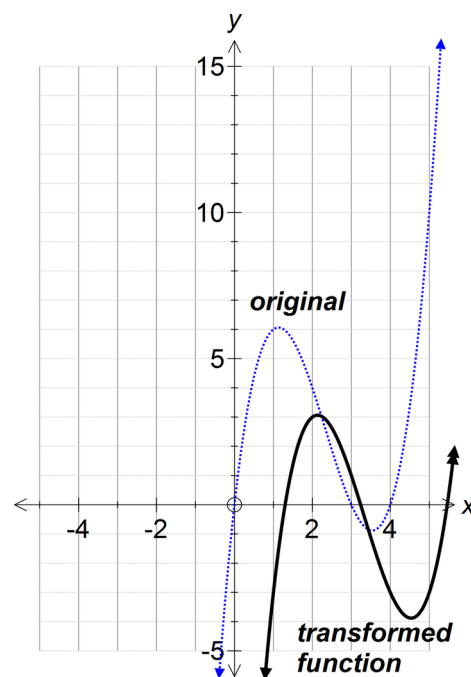
$$f(x) \rightarrow f(x + 2)$$

Horizontal translation
2 units left



$$f(x) \rightarrow f(x+2) + 4$$

Translation through $\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$



$$f(x) \rightarrow f(x-1) - 3$$

Translation through $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$

PRACTICE PROBLEMS 5Describe **in order** the transformations shown by the following functions:

1. $f(x) \rightarrow -f(x)+3$

2. $f(x) \rightarrow 2f(x)-1$

3. $f(x) \rightarrow f(x-1)+4$

4. $f(x) \rightarrow 2f(x-3)$

5. $x^2(x-5) \rightarrow (x-2)^2(x-2-5)-1$

6. $\frac{1}{x+3} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2x+6}+5$

7. $\sqrt{x} \rightarrow 2\sqrt{x-4}$

8. $x^3(x-1) \rightarrow 4(x+1)^3x$

1. Reflect in x-axis and translate 3 units vertically up

2. Dilation parallel to SF 2 then translation 1 unit vertically down
y-axis3. Horizontal translation 1 unit right then translation 4 units vertically up
or vice-versa4. Horizontal translation 3 units right then vertical dilation SF 2
parallel to y-axis

5. Horizontal translation 2 units right then vertical translation 1 unit down

6. Dilation parallel to y-axis SF $\frac{1}{2}$ then vertical translation 5 up

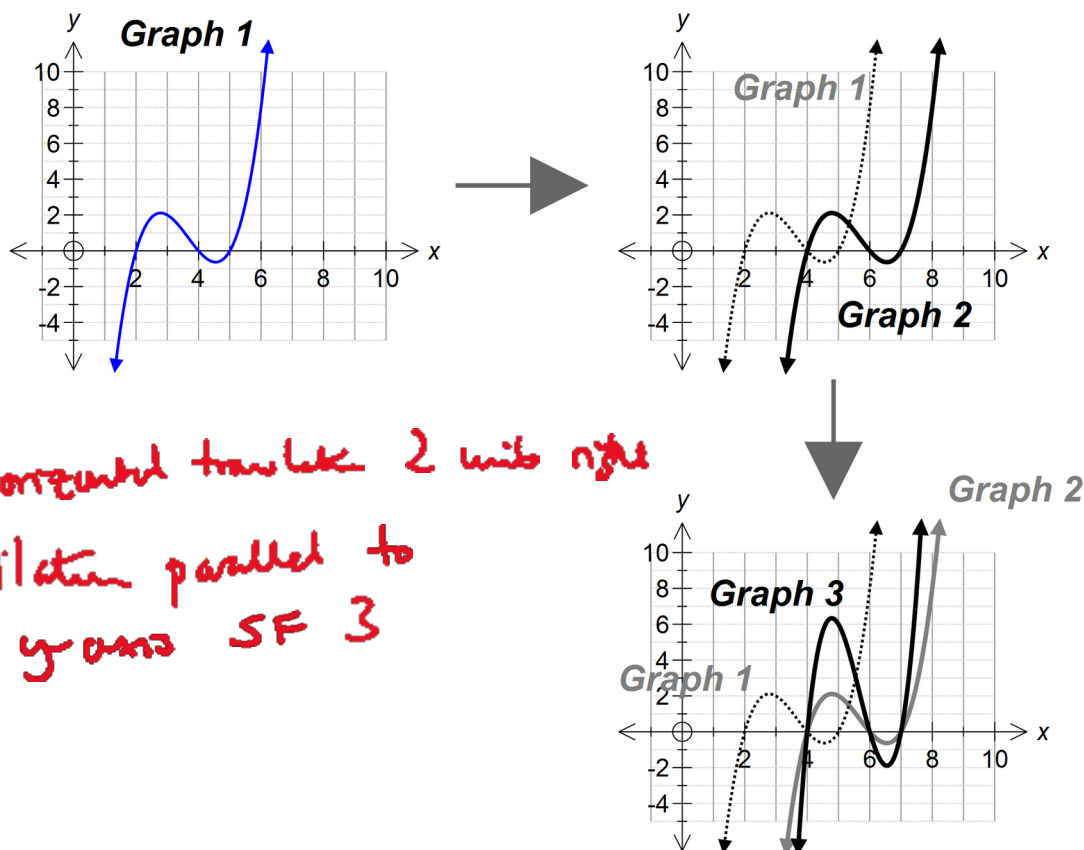
7. Horizontal translation 4 units right then dilation parallel to y SF 2

8. Horizontal translation 1 unit left then dilation parallel to y-axis SF 4

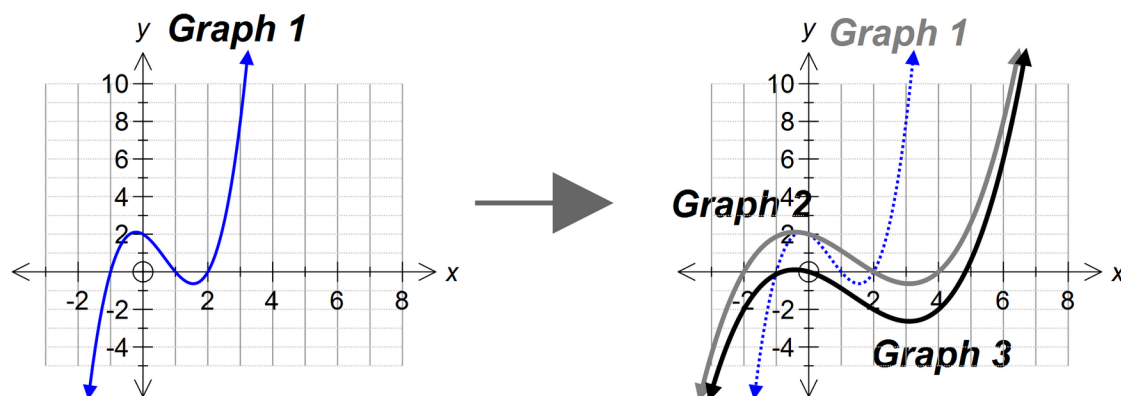
PRACTICE PROBLEMS 6

Describe **in order** the transformation that take place from graph 1 to graph 3 in each case:

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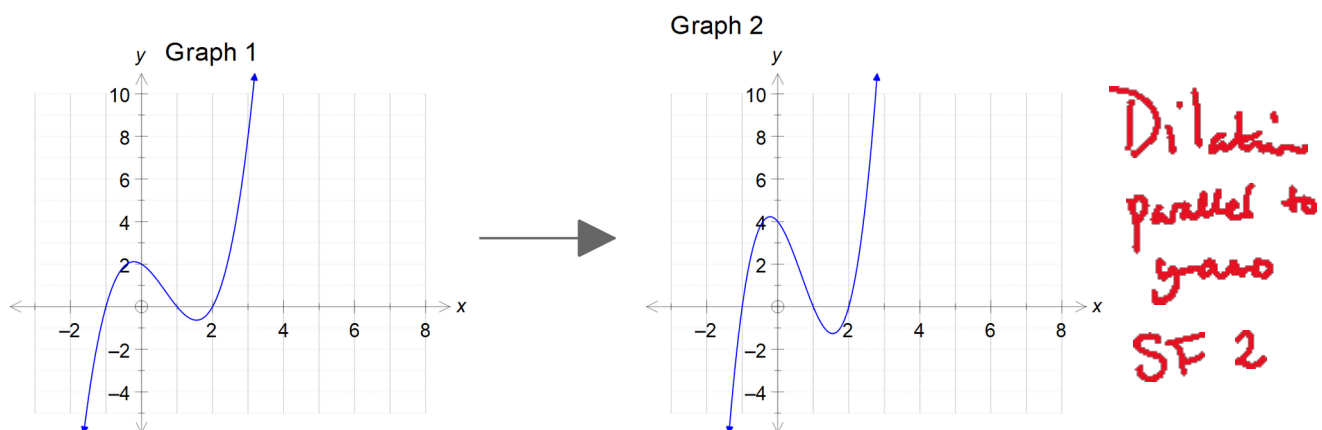
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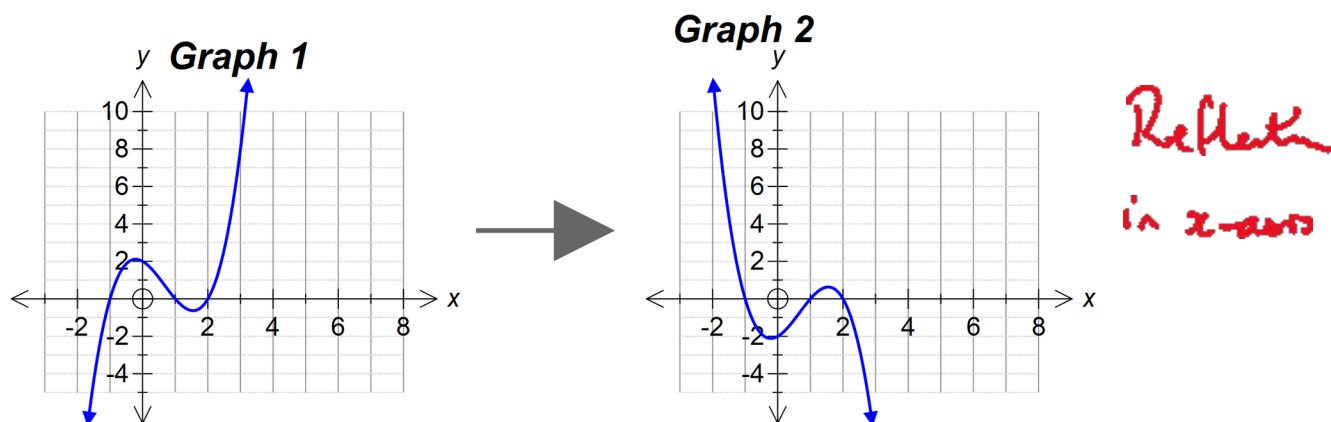
PRACTICE PROBLEMS 7

Describe the transformation(s) that take place to create the second graph from the first:

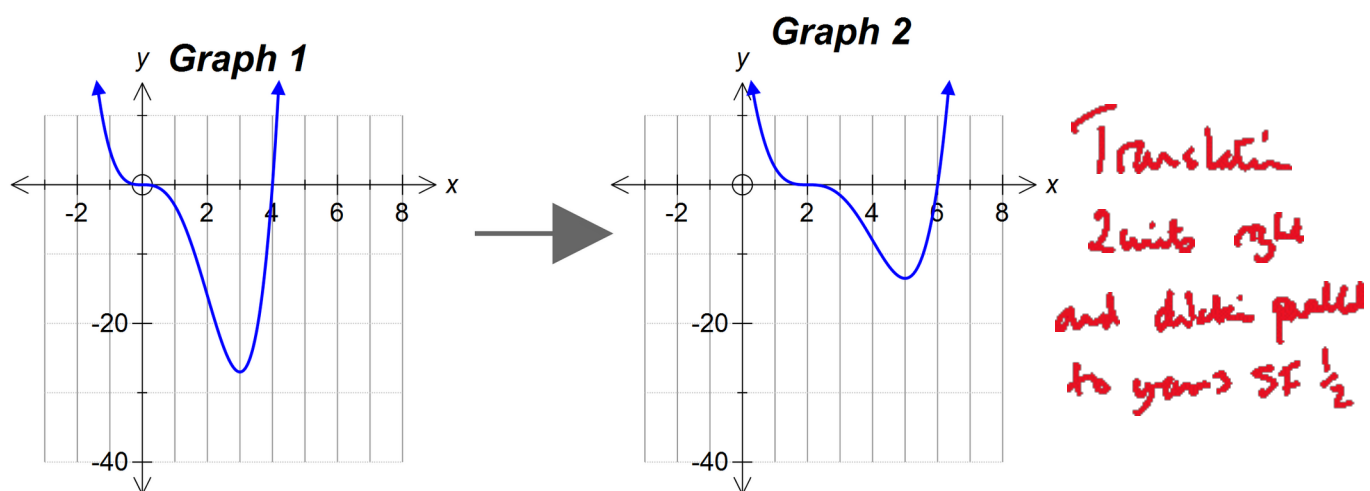
1.



2.



3.



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