# 1 Function Definitions

Relation - Any relationship (set of ordered pairs)

Function - A relation that maps each input (x) to exactly one output (y)

Finite - Countable (discrete)

Infinite - Uncountable

Mapping Diagram - A visual representation of inputs and outputs (finite only)

**Vertical Line Test (VLT)** - A relation is not a function if you can draw a vertical line and cross the graph more than once. (: VLT fails/passes : this is/is not a function.)

# 2 Function Notation

f(x)

- used in place of y in equations
- helpful for identifying equations and input used

# 3 Parent Functions

### **Quadratic Function**

$$\begin{array}{l} y=x^2 \\ \text{Key Points} = \{(\text{-2,4}), \ (\text{-1,1}), \ (0,0), \\ (1,1), \ (2,4)\} \\ \text{Domain} = \{\mathbb{R}\} \\ \text{Range} = \{y\epsilon \mathbb{R} | y \geq 0\} \end{array}$$



### **Root Function**

$$y = \sqrt{x}$$
  
Key Points = {(0,0), (1,1), (4,2), (9,3)}  
Domain = { $x \in \mathbb{R} | x \ge 0$ }  
Range = { $y \in \mathbb{R} | y \ge 0$ }



### **Cubic Function**

$$y = x^3$$
  
Key Points = {(-2,-8), (-1,-1), (0,0), (1,1), (2,8)}  
Domain = { $\mathbb{R}$ }  
Range = { $\mathbb{R}$ }



### **Absolute Value Function**

$$\begin{array}{l} y = |x| \\ \text{Key Points} = \{ (\text{-2,2}), \ (\text{-1,1}), \ (0,0), \\ (1,1), \ (2,2) \} \\ \text{Domain} = \{ \mathbb{R} \} \\ \text{Range} = \{ y \epsilon \mathbb{R} | y \geq 0 \} \end{array}$$



### **Reciprocal Function**

$$y = \frac{1}{x}$$
Key Points =  $\{(-2, -\frac{1}{2}), (-1, -1), (-\frac{1}{2}, -2), (\frac{1}{2}, 2), (1, 1), (2, \frac{1}{2})\}$ 
Domain =  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} | x \neq 0\}$ 
Range =  $\{y \in \mathbb{R} | y \neq 0\}$ 



### **Exponential Function**

$$y = 2^x$$
  
Key Points = {(-2, 1/4), (-1, 1/2), (0,1), (1,2), (2,4)}  
Domain = { $\mathbb{R}$ }  
Range = {  $y \in \mathbb{R} | y > 0$ }



# 4 Domain and Range

**Domain** - The set of all x values (input) **Range** - The set of all y values (output)

### Symbols

- ullet R the set of real numbers
- $\bullet~\mathbbmss{Z}$  the set of integers
- $\bullet$   $\epsilon$  belongs to
- | such that
- €,<,≤,>

For finite sets there are no duplicates and the values are in order.

#### Domain & Range From Equations - Common Restrictions

- 1. Cannot divide by zero
- 2. Cannot square root negatives
- 3. Vertex restrictions (use the graph)

## 5 The Inverse Function

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

- The inverse function is the "reverse" of the original function
- f(x) operates in a specific way and order,  $f^{-1}(x)$  will do the opposite operation in the reverse order
- Referred to as "inverse of f" or "f inverse"

$$(x,y)\epsilon f(x), (y,x)\epsilon f^{-1}(x)$$

Note:

$$f(f^{-1}(x)) = f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$$
  
  $f(x)$  and  $f^{-1}(x)$  "cancel" each other

Steps to find the inverse:

1. Given a list of points flip the coordinates (x,y) turns to (y,x)

- 2. Given an equation in function notation
  - convert "y=" to "let f(x) = y"
  - switch x and y variables
  - solve for y
  - if the inverse expression is a function, convert back to  $f^{-1}(x)$
- 3. Given a discrete graph flip all points and replot
- 4. Given a continuous graph choose select points to flip OR reflect graph in the line  $\mathbf{y}=\mathbf{x}$

# 6 Transformations

$$y = af(k(x-d)) + c$$

Where:

- a and c affect the y-coordinate
- k and d affect the x-coordinate

### **Functions**

Quadratic Function

$$y = x^2$$
  

$$y = a(k(x - d))^2 + c$$

 $y = a(k(x-d))^2 + \frac{1}{2} \int dx$ 



Root Function

$$y = \sqrt{x}$$
$$y = a\sqrt{k(x-d)} + c$$



Cubic Function

$$y = x^3$$

$$y = a(k(x - d))^3 + c$$

 $\begin{array}{c|c}
2 \uparrow \\
\hline
-2/2 \uparrow \\
\hline
2
\end{array}$ 

Absolute Value Func

$$y = |x|$$
$$y = a|k(x - d)| + c$$



Reciprocal Function

$$y = \frac{1}{x}$$
$$y = \frac{a}{k(x-d)} + c$$



Exponential Func

$$y = 2^x$$
$$y = a2^{k(x-d)} + c$$



### **Effects of Letters**

**a:** 
$$0 < |a| < 1$$

Vert. compression by a factor of |a| Multiply y values by |a|

Vertical stretch by a factor of |a|Multiply y values by |a|

Reflection over the x-axis Multiply y values by -1

**k:** 
$$0 < |k| < 1$$

Horizontal stretch by a factor of  $\frac{1}{|k|}$ Multiply x values by  $\frac{1}{|k|}$ 

Horizontal compression by  $\frac{1}{|k|}$ Multiply x values by  $\frac{1}{|k|}$ 

Reflection over the y-axis Multiply x values by -1

**c:** 
$$c > 0$$

Shift up c units Add c to y values

c < 0

Shift down c units Add c to y values **d**: d > 0

Shift right d units Add d to x values

d < 0

Shift left d units Add d to x values

### Notes:

- k must be factored out in order to determine the value of d
- The order to complete transformations is:
  - Stretch/Compress
  - 2) Reflect
  - 3) Shift

## **Piecewise Functions**

**Piecewise** - A **funciton** made up of two or more functions on given intervals. **Notation Examle** 

$$\begin{cases} function & restrictions \\ x & 0 < x \le 100 \\ 1 & 100 < x \end{cases}$$