

# Unit 2

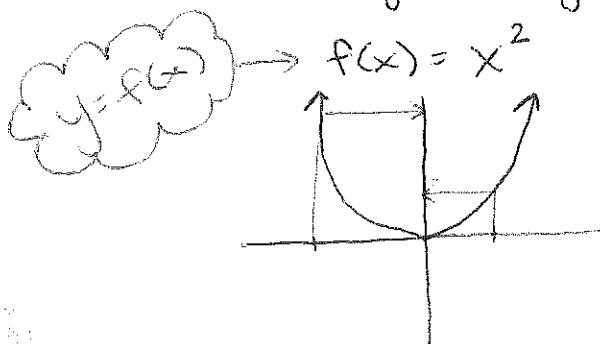
## Domain

### I. Definition of a Function (2A)

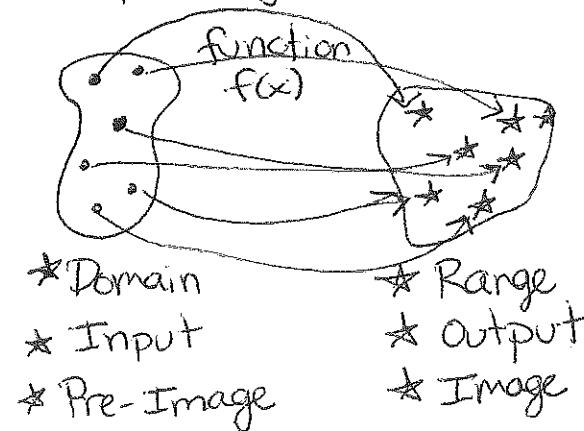
A function is a rule such that every  $x$ -value has exactly one  $y$ -value  
→ One and only one

#### A. Visualizations

##### 1. Algebraically



##### 2. Map Diagram

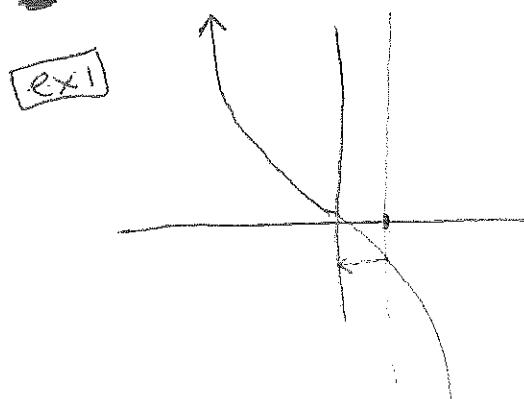


Domain: all possible  $x$ -values / input / pre-image

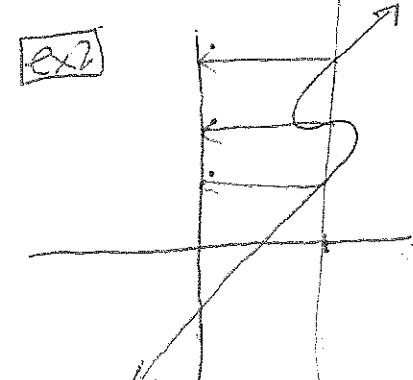
Range: all possible  $y$ -values / output / image

#### B. How to Determine if a Relation is a Function?

##### 1. Vertical Line Test



pass, b/c every  $x$ -value  
has exactly one  $y$ -value  
∴ function



fail, an  $x$ -value has  
more than one (3)  
different  $y$ -values  
∴ not a function

## 2. Ordered Pairs

**ex1**  $(-1, 3)(4, 5)(3, 5)(0, 2)$

pass, every  $x$ -value has exactly one  $y$ -value  
 $\therefore$  function

**ex2**  $(10, 4)(3, 8)(10, 7)(1, 2)$

fail, an  $x$ -value (10) has 2 different  $y$ -values  
 $\therefore$  not a function

## 3. Mathematically, given an Equation

→ given an equation, solve for  $y$  or  $f(x)$  and determine if every  $x$ -value has exactly one  $y$ -value after you plug it in.

**ex1**  $y - x^2 + 4 = 0$   
 $y = x^2 - 4$

pass, if you plug in an  $x$ -value, you will get one  $y$ -value  
 $\therefore$  function

**ex2**  $x - y^2 + 4 = 0$   
 $\sqrt{y^2} = \sqrt{x+4}$   
 $y = \pm \sqrt{x+4}$

$$\sqrt{r^2} = \sqrt{4}$$

$$r = \pm 2$$

fail, if you plug in an  $x$ -value you will get 2  $y$ -values!  
 $\therefore$  not a function

**ex3**  $|2y| + 3 = x$

$$|2y| = x - 3$$

$$2y = x - 3 \quad 2y = -(x - 3)$$

$$y = \frac{x-3}{2} \quad 2y = -x + 3$$

$$y = \frac{-x+3}{2}$$

$\therefore$  two part function  
if you plug in an  $x$ -value, you get 2 different  $y$ -values  
 $\therefore$  not a function

**ex4**  $|x+2| + y = 7$

$$y = 7 - |x+2|$$

if you plug in an  $x$  you get one  $y$   $\therefore$  pass  
 $\therefore$  function

## II Evaluating Functions (2E)

A. To "evaluate" a function at a specific value, means to "plug" in the number.

Ex1 Evaluate  $f(x) = 2x^2 - 9$  for  $f(3)$  and  $f(x+3)$

$$f(3) = 2(3)^2 - 9 = 2 \cdot 9 - 9 = \boxed{9}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x+3) &= 2(x+3)^2 - 9 = 2(x^2 + 6x + 9) - 9 \\ &= 2x^2 + 12x + 18 = \boxed{2x^2 + 12x + 9} \end{aligned}$$

B. The Difference Quotient

*you will use  
this in Calculus!!*

$$\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$$

Ex2 Evaluate  $f(x) = 3x^2 + 1$  for the difference quotient

$$\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$$

Trick: ① find  $f(a+h)$ .

② then find  $f(a)$

③ then put it together as

$$\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$$

①  $f(a+h) = 3(a+h)^2 + 1$

$$= 3(a^2 + 2ah + h^2) + 1$$

$$= 3a^2 + 6ah + 3h^2 + 1 \quad \checkmark$$

②  $f(a) = 3(a)^2 + 1 = 3a^2 + 1 \quad \checkmark$

③ Put it together

$$\frac{3a^2 + 6ah + 3h^2 + 1 - (3a^2 + 1)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{3a^2 + 6ah + 3h^2 + 1 - 3a^2 - 1}{h} = \frac{6ah + 3h^2}{h}$$

$$= \cancel{h}(6a + 3h) = \boxed{6a + 3h}$$

**Ex3** Evaluate  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$  for the difference quotient  
 $\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$

$$f(a+h) = \frac{1}{(a+h)+1} = \frac{1}{a+h+1}$$

$$f(a) = \frac{1}{a+1}$$

$$\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{\frac{1}{a+h+1} - \frac{1}{a+1}}{h} = \frac{(a+1) - (a+h+1)}{h(a+h+1)(a+1)} =$$

$$\frac{a+1-a-h-1}{(a+h+1)(a+1)} \cdot \frac{1}{h} = \frac{-h}{h(a+h+1)(a+1)} = \boxed{\frac{-1}{(a+h+1)(a+1)}}$$

### III Compositions of Functions (2D)

A. Visual



and  $f(g(x))$  is also written as  $f \circ g$ .

**Ex1** Let  $f(x) = x^2$  and  $g(x) = x-3$ , find  $f \circ g$  and  $g \circ f$ .

$$f \circ g = f(g(x)) = f(x-3) = (x-3)^2 = \boxed{x^2 - 6x + 9}$$

$$g \circ f = g(f(x)) = g(x^2) = \boxed{x^2 - 3}$$

**Ex2** If  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt{2-x}$  and  $h(x) = x^2$ , find  $f \circ g \circ h$ .

$$f \circ g \circ h = f(g(h(x))) = f(g(x^2)) = f(\sqrt{2-x^2}) =$$

$$\sqrt{\sqrt{2-x^2}} = \boxed{\sqrt[4]{2-x^2}}$$

## IV Solving Linear, Polynomial & Rational Inequalities

A. Linear - in the form

$mx+b$  (2C)

1st power only

ex1 Solve and write in set and interval notation

$$2x+5 \geq 4x-9$$

$\leftarrow x$  is to the 1<sup>st</sup> power  
so just isolate  $x$ .

$$-2x \geq -14$$

$$x \leq 7$$

$\leftarrow$  when you divide by a negative, switch the sign.

Set:  $\{x | x \leq 7\}$

interval:  $(-\infty, 7]$

basically the  $x$ 's have exponents

B. Polynomial - in the form  $a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_0$

ex2 Solve and write in interval and set notation.

$$x^2 + 7x + 10 \leq 0$$

$\leq 0$  means negative

① Factor  $(x+5)(x+2) \leq 0$

$\therefore$  the product is negative

$$x+5=0 \quad x+2=0$$

so either  $+ \cdot - = -$

$x=-5$        $x=-2$

or  $- \cdot + = -$

② Find critical points

Are NOT the answer!

③ Set up intervals

The sign is  $<$   
so the intervals use  $( )$

$$(-\infty, -5) (-5, -2) (-2, \infty)$$

test point

$$-236 \quad -4 \quad 0$$

$$(x+5)$$

$$+$$

$$+$$

$$(x+2)$$

$$-$$

$$+$$

$$(x+5)(x+2)$$

$$+$$

$$+$$

$\leq 0$  ?

$$\text{?}$$

$$\text{?}$$

interval:  $(-5, -2)$

Set:  $\{x | -5 < x < -2\}$

**Ex3** Solve and write in set? interval notation

$$x^2 - 3x \geq 18$$

$$x^2 - 3x - 18 \geq 0$$

$$(x-6)(x+3) \geq 0$$

$$\begin{array}{c} (x=6) \\ (x=-3) \end{array}$$

critical points

test point

$$(x-6)$$

$$(x+3)$$

$$(x-6)(x+3)$$

$$\geq 0$$

$$-4$$

$$2$$

$$8$$

$$-$$

$$+$$

$$+$$

$$+$$

$$-$$

$$+$$

YES!

NO!

YES!

$\geq 0$  product is positive

$$- \cdot - = +$$

$$+ \cdot + = +$$

the sign is  $\geq$

so the intervals

use  $\boxed{ } \boxed{ }$

$$\text{interval: } (-\infty, -3] \cup [6, \infty)$$

$$\text{set: } \{x \mid x \leq -3 \text{ or } x \geq 6\}$$

C. Rational - ratio of two functions (fraction)

**Ex4** Solve and write in set? interval notation

$$\frac{x+3}{x-1} \leq 2$$

$$\frac{x+3}{x-1} - 2 \leq 0$$

$$\frac{x+3 - 2(x-1)}{x-1} \leq 0$$

$$\frac{x+3 - 2x + 2}{x-1} \leq 0$$

$$\frac{-x+5}{x-1} \leq 0$$

$$-x+5=0$$

$$x=5$$

$$x-1=0$$

$$x=1$$

critical points

should be  $\boxed{ } \boxed{ }$  but  
 $x \neq 1$  so with 1

$$\begin{array}{c} (-\infty, 1) \quad (1, 5) \quad (5, \infty) \\ -4 \quad 4 \quad 1, 2, 3, 5 \\ + \quad + \quad - \\ -x+5 \quad x-1 \quad - \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$\leq 0?$

$$\begin{array}{c} (-\infty, 1) \quad (1, 5) \quad (5, \infty) \\ -4 \quad 4 \quad 1, 2, 3, 5 \\ + \quad + \quad - \\ -x+5 \quad x-1 \quad - \\ \hline \end{array}$$

✓

X

✓

$$\text{interval: } (-\infty, 1) \cup [5, \infty)$$

$$\text{set: } \{x \mid x < 1 \text{ or } x \geq 5\}$$

## II Domain of Functions (2B)

Domain is the set of all possible  $x$ -values of a function

### A. Restricted Domain

A function will have a domain of all real numbers,  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $(-\infty, \infty)$ , unless it has a restricted domain from one of the following:

1. Denominator  $\neq 0$

**ex1**  $f(x) = \frac{x+3}{x+1}$  restriction,  $\neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} x+1 &\neq 0 \\ x &\neq -1 \end{aligned}$$

Domain: 
$$\left\{ x \mid x \neq -1 \right\}$$
 set everything except  
$$(-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, \infty)$$
 interval  $-1$

2. Radicand  $\geq 0$  {even roots only!}

**ex2**  $f(x) = \sqrt{2x+1}$  restriction, radicand  $\geq 0$

$$2x+1 \geq 0$$

$$x \geq -\frac{1}{2}$$

Domain: 
$$\left\{ x \mid x \geq -\frac{1}{2} \right\}$$
 set

$$\left[ -\frac{1}{2}, \infty \right)$$
 interval

3. Given restrictions

**ex3**  $f(x) = 3x^2 + 1$ ,  $1 < x < 5$

↑  
Domain would  
be  $\mathbb{R}$  ... but ↑

Given restriction

Domain:

$$\left\{ x \mid 1 < x < 5 \right\}$$
  
$$(1, 5)$$

set  
interval

## B. Tricky Problems

**ex4** Find the domain of

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{x^2 - 16}$$

$0 \leq x < 10$  Given restriction  
 ↗ restriction, denominator  $\neq 0$

$$x^2 - 16 \neq 0$$

$$(x-4)(x+4) \neq 0$$

$$\begin{cases} x \neq 4 \\ x \neq -4 \end{cases}$$

\*extraneous solution\*

b/c we know

$$0 \leq x < 10$$

Domain:

$$\{x | 0 \leq x < 10 \text{ and } x \neq 4\}$$

$$[0, 4) \cup (4, 10)$$

**ex5** Find the domain of  $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 9x + 18}$

restriction, radicand  $\geq 0$

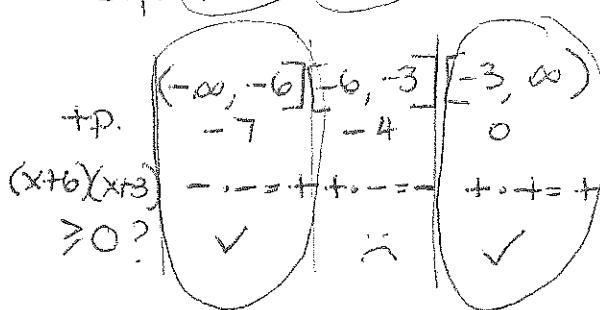
$$x^2 + 9x + 18 \geq 0$$

polynomial inequality!

$$(x+6)(x+3) \geq 0$$

$$\text{c.p. } \begin{cases} x=-6 \\ x=-3 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{matrix} + & + & + \\ - & - & + \end{matrix}$$



$$\text{Domain: } (-\infty, -6] \cup [-3, \infty)$$

$$\{x | x \leq -6 \text{ or } x \geq -3\}$$

**ex6** Find the domain of  $f(x) = \frac{2x^2 + 3}{\sqrt{x^2 + 3x}}$

$$\frac{2x^2 + 3}{\sqrt{x^2 + 3x}}$$

restriction,  $\geq 0$

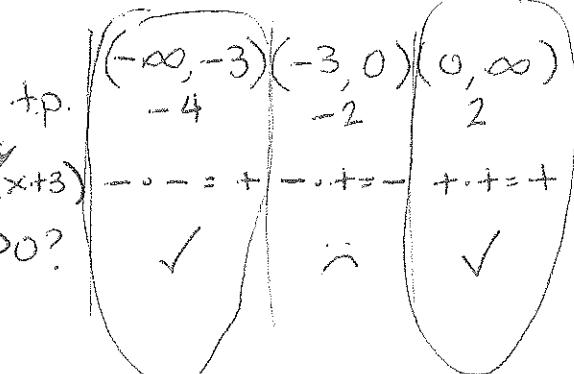
restriction,  $\neq 0$

$$x^2 + 3x > 0$$

$$x(x+3) > 0$$

fix: denominator  $> 0$

$$\text{G.P. } x=0 \quad x > -3$$



$$\text{Domain: } (-\infty, -3) \cup (0, \infty)$$

$$\{x | x < -3 \text{ or } x > 0\}$$

## VII Deconstructing Composite Functions (2D)

Goal: To find individual functions that will make up the given composite function.

A. Forwards f composition

- ex1 Find  $f \circ g$  if  $f(x) = 2x^2$  and  $g(x) = x + 1$

$$f \circ g = f(g(x)) = f(x+1) = 2(x+1)^2$$

B. Backwards f deconstruction

- ex1 Find  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  such that  $f(g(x)) = \sqrt[4]{x+9}$

→ Use the order of operations

① take  $x$  and add 9  $\leftarrow g(x)$

②  $4^{\text{th}}$  root the result  $\leftarrow f(x)$

→ when finding  $f(g(x))$ , you find  $g(x)$  first then plug that result into  $f(x)$  ... so.

$$\boxed{① g(x) = x+9}$$

$$\boxed{② f(x) = \sqrt[4]{x}}$$

$x$  always represents  
"the result" from the  
step before.

usually notation of  
a composition is  
an uppercase f

→ check

$$f(g(x)) = f(x+9) = \sqrt[4]{x+9} \quad \checkmark$$

- ex2 Find  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  such that  $F(x) = f(g(x)) = \frac{x^2-5}{3}$

combine { ① square  $x$

{ ② subtract 5 from the result

③ divide the result by 3 →

$$\boxed{g(x) = x^2 - 5}$$

$$\boxed{f(x) = \frac{x}{3}}$$

Check:

$$f(g(x)) = f(x^2 - 5) = \frac{x^2 - 5}{3} \quad \checkmark$$

Ex3 Find  $f(x)$ ,  $g(x)$  and  $h(x)$  such that

$$Q(x) = f(g(h(x))) \text{ if } Q(x) = \frac{1}{x^2+1}$$

① square  $x$

② add 1 to the result

③ 1 over the result

$$h(x) = x^2$$

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

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

\*check:  $f(g(h(x))) = f(g(x^2)) = f(x^2+1) = \frac{1}{x^2+1} \quad \checkmark$

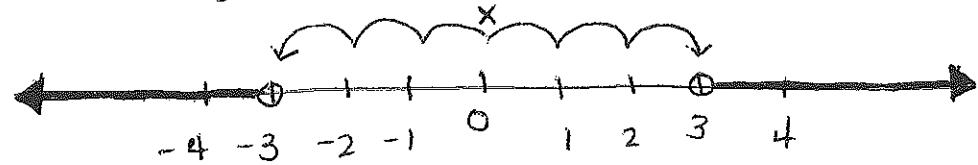
## VII Solving Absolute Value Inequalities (2H, 2I)

Absolute value is the "distance from 0"

**ex1**  $|x| > 3$   
↑ say

mean "x's distance from 0 is greater than 3."

matter:



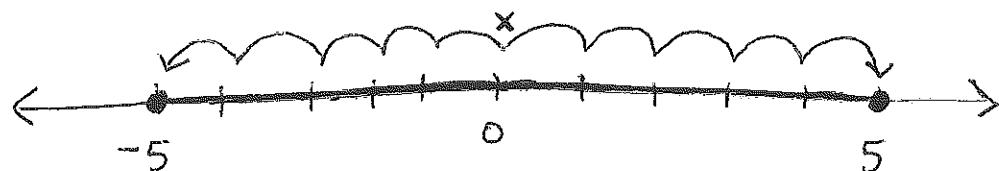
math:

$$\{x \mid x < -3 \text{ or } x > 3\} \text{ is the solution set}$$

**ex2**  $|x| \leq 5$   
↑ say

mean "x's distance from 0 is less than or equal to 5."

matter:



math:

$$\{x \mid -5 \leq x \leq 5\}$$

### General Rule

If $ x  \geq c$ then $x \leq -c$ or $x \geq c$	Greater than OR
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If  $	x	\leq c$  then  $-c \leq x \leq c$	Less than AND

**ex3** Solve  $|2x| \leq 14$

" $2x$ 's distance from 0 is less than 14"

$$-14 \leq 2x \leq 14$$

$$-7 \leq x \leq 7$$

$$\boxed{\{x \mid -7 \leq x \leq 7\}}$$

**ex4**  $|3x+2| \geq 4$

" $3x+2$ 's distance from 0 is greater than or equal to 4"

$$3x+2 \leq -4 \text{ or } 3x+2 \geq 4$$

$$3x \leq -6$$

$$x \leq -2$$

$$3x \geq 2$$

$$x \geq \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\boxed{\{x \mid x \leq -2 \text{ or } x \geq \frac{2}{3}\}}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Ex5}} \quad \frac{1}{4} |4x+8| - 2 < 3$$

★ isolate the absolute value first!!

$$\frac{1}{4} |4x+8| < 5$$

$$|4x+8| < 20$$

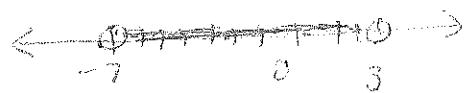
$$-20 < 4x+8 < 20$$

$$-28 < 4x < 12$$

$$-7 < x < 3$$

$$\boxed{\{x \mid -7 < x < 3\}}$$

$$\boxed{(-7, 3)}$$



Be careful, when you isolate the absolute value and get:

$$\begin{aligned} |x| &< -\# & |x| &> -\# \\ \text{positive } \# & \xrightarrow{\text{can't}} \text{a negative } \# & \text{positive } \# & \xrightarrow{\text{always greater than}} \text{negative number} \end{aligned}$$

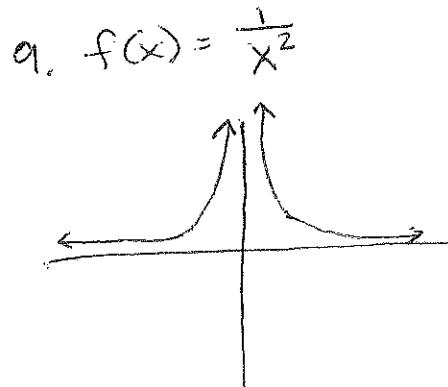
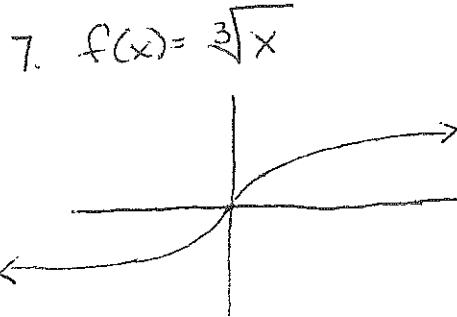
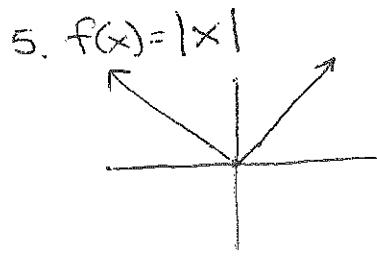
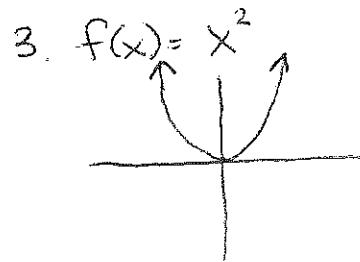
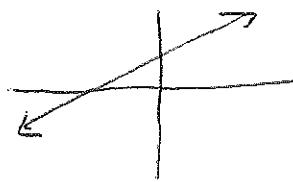
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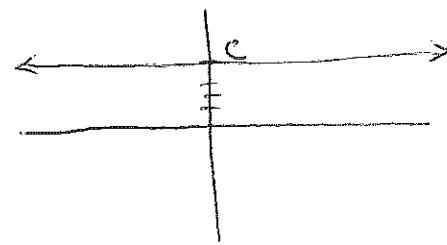
## VIII Translations of Parent Functions (2F)

### A. Parent Functions

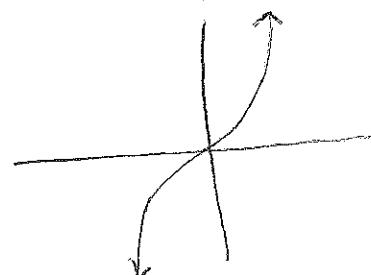
1.  $f(x) = mx + b$



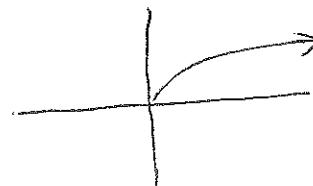
2.  $f(x) = c$



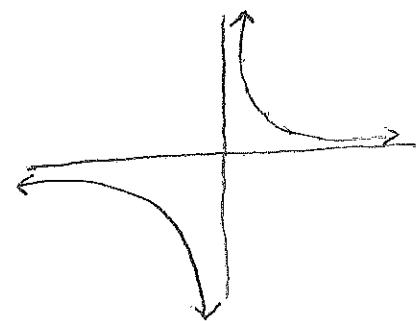
4.  $f(x) = x^3$



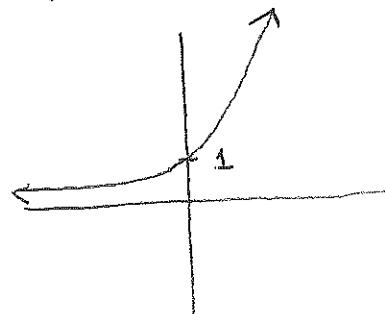
6.  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$



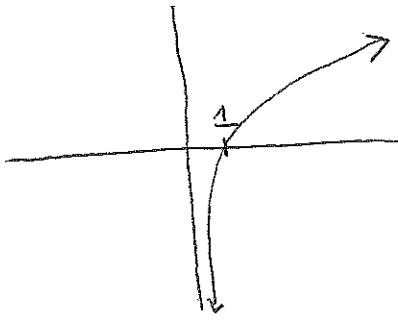
8.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$



10.  $f(x) = e^x$



11.  $f(x) = \ln(x)$

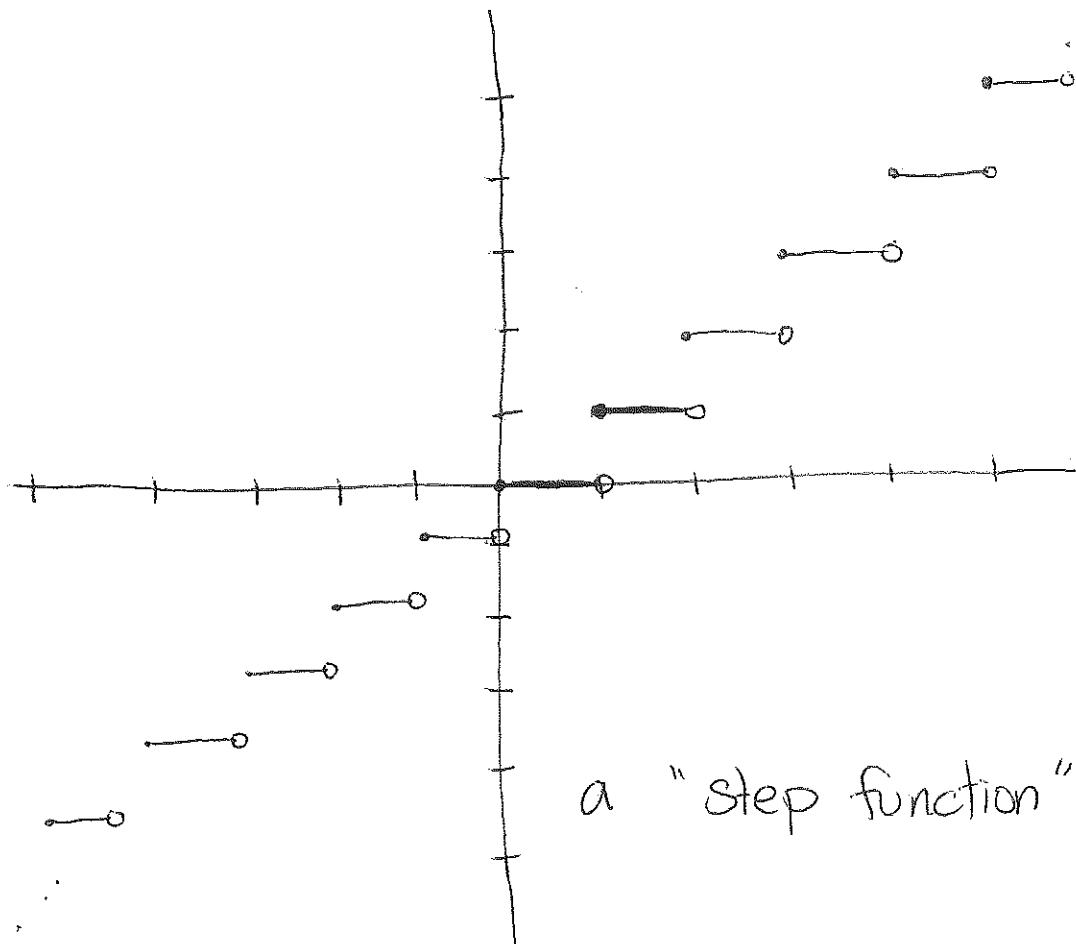


12.  $f(x) = [x]$  the "greatest integer" function

aka the "floor" function

→ means the greatest integer that is  
less than or equal to the number

$x$	$y = [x]$
5	5
7.5	4
3.1	3
2.999	2
2.1	2
1.5	1
.5	0
0	0
-.5	-1
-1	-1
-1.3	-2
-1.57	-2
-3.01	-4
-2.999	-4



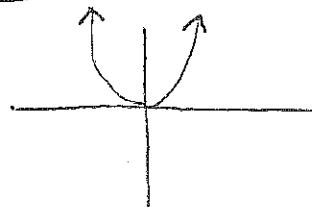
## B. Translating

### 1. Reflection

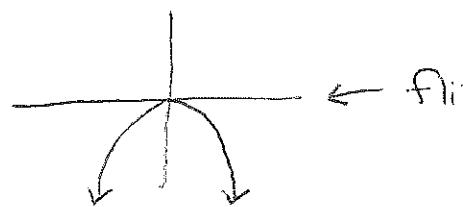
To reflect across the xaxis :  $-f(x)$

To reflect across the yaxis :  $f(-x)$

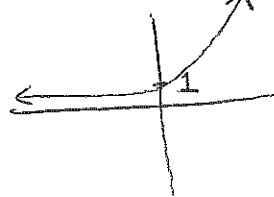
[ex1]  $f(x) = x^2$



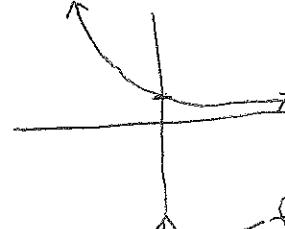
$\rightarrow f(x) = -x^2$  outside



[ex2]  $f(x) = e^x$



$\rightarrow f(x) = e^{-x}$  "inside"



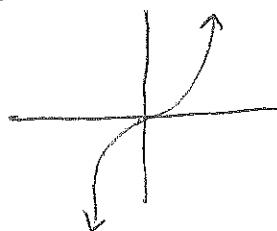
flip across y-axis

### 2. Vertical Shift

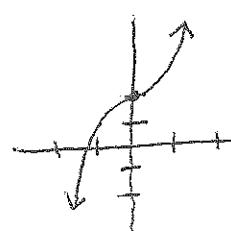
To shift up :  $f(x) + c$  outside

To shift down :  $f(x) - c$  outside

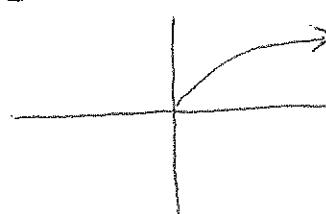
[ex3]  $f(x) = x^3$



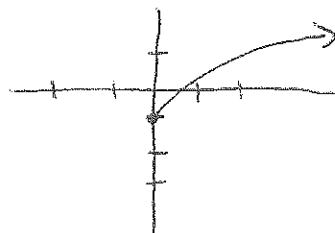
$\rightarrow f(x) = x^3 + 2$  outside



[ex4]  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$



$\rightarrow f(x) = \sqrt{x} - 1$

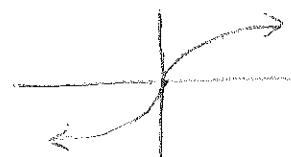


### 3. Horizontal Shift

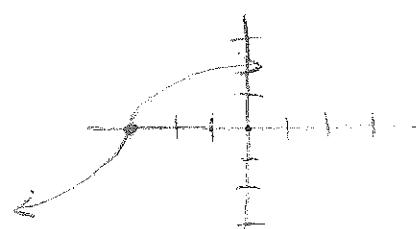
To shift to the left:  $f(x+c)$

To shift to the right:  $f(x-c)$

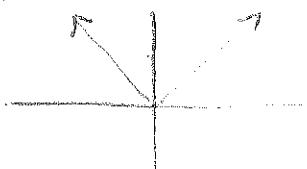
$$\boxed{\text{ex5}} \quad f(x) = \sqrt{x}$$



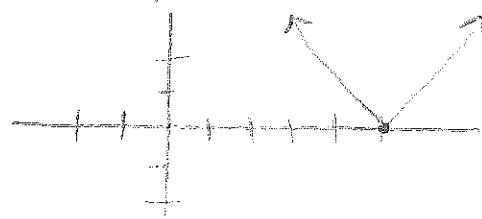
$$\rightarrow f(x) = \sqrt{x+3}$$



$$\boxed{\text{ex6}} \quad f(x) = |x|$$



$$\rightarrow f(x) = |x-5|$$



### Cheat Sheet

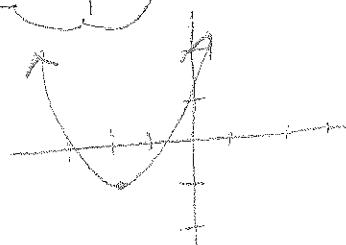
Reflect	$-f(x) \Rightarrow$ across x-axis $f(-x) \Rightarrow$ across y-axis
Vertical Shift	$f(x)+c \Rightarrow$ up $f(x)-c \Rightarrow$ down
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### 4. Combination Problems

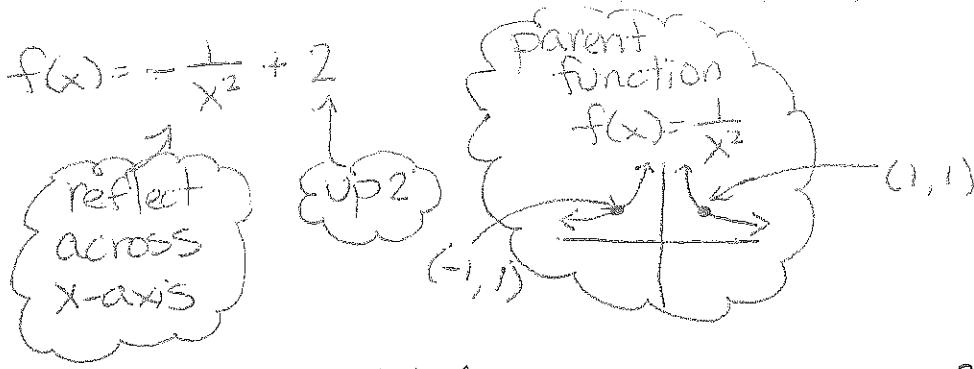
$$\boxed{\text{ex7}} \quad \text{Graph } f(x) = (x+2)^2 - 1$$



→ pick a point from the parent function? move it!  
finish the graph from there



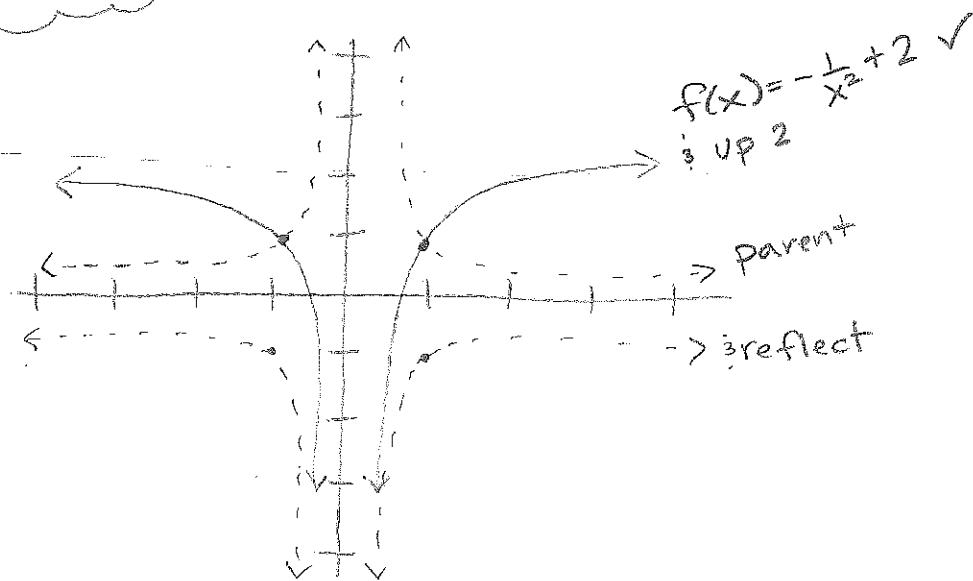
**Ex8** Graph  $f(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} + 2$



→ Use the order of operations!

\* 1<sup>st</sup>: reflect

\* 2<sup>nd</sup>: UP 2



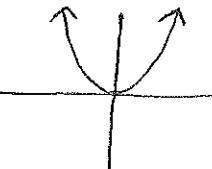
## B. Transforming Parent Functions

### 1. Reflections

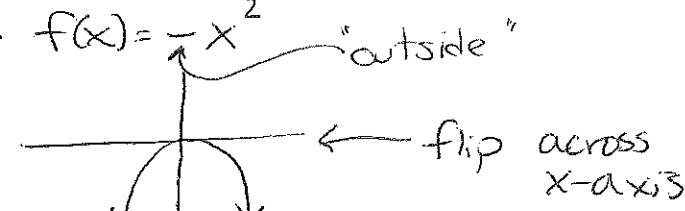
To reflect across the x-axis:  $-f(x)$

To reflect across the y-axis:  $f(-x)$

[ex1]  $f(x) = x^2$

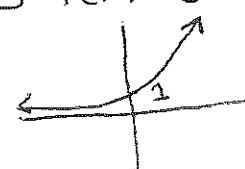


$\rightarrow f(x) = -x^2$  "outside"



flip across x-axis

[ex2]  $f(x) = e^x$



$\rightarrow f(x) = e^{-x}$  "inside"



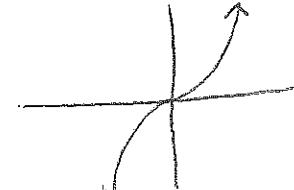
flip across y-axis

### 2. Vertical Shifts

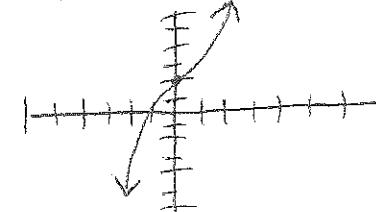
To shift up:  $f(x) + c$  ← constant

To shift down:  $f(x) - c$

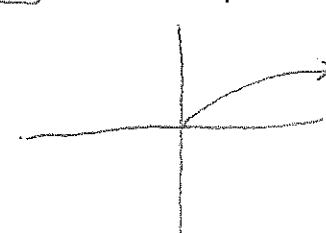
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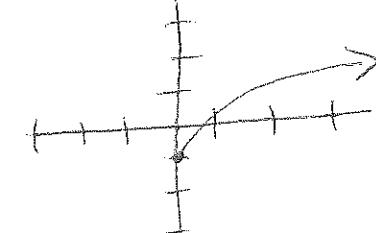
$\rightarrow f(x) = x^3 + 2$  "outside"



[ex4]  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$



$\rightarrow f(x) = \sqrt{x} - 1$  "outside"

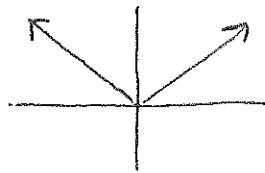


### 3. Horizontal Shifts

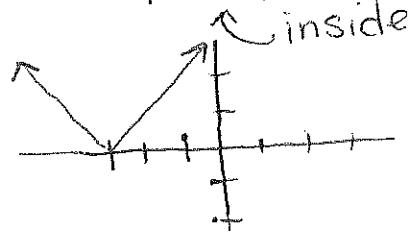
To shift to the right:  $f(x-c)$

To shift to the left:  $f(x+c)$

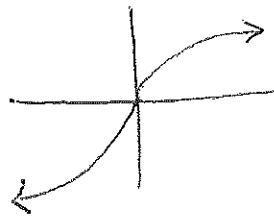
$$\boxed{\text{ex5}} \quad f(x) = |x|$$



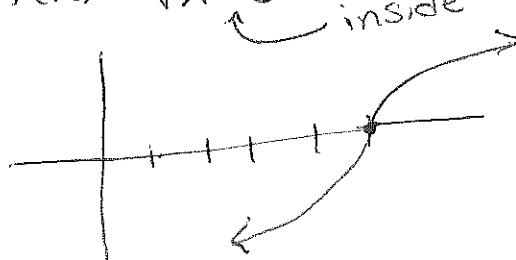
$$\rightarrow f(x) = |x+3|$$



$$\boxed{\text{ex6}} \quad f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$$



$$\rightarrow f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x-5}$$



### 4. Vertical Stretch/Shrink

To stretch vertically:  $(cf(x))$  if  $c > 1$

To shrink vertically:  $(c f(x))$  if  $0 < c < 1$

$$\boxed{\text{ex7}} \quad f(x) = 3x^2$$

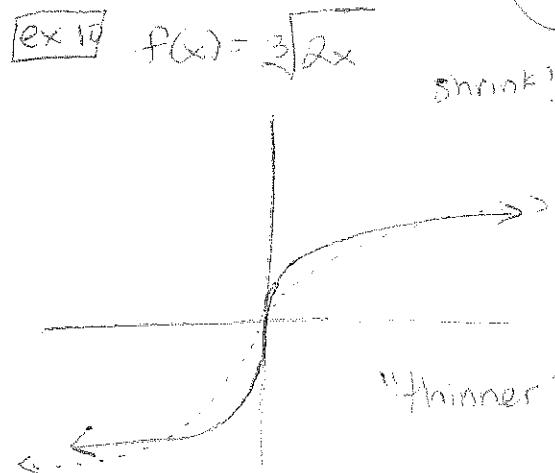
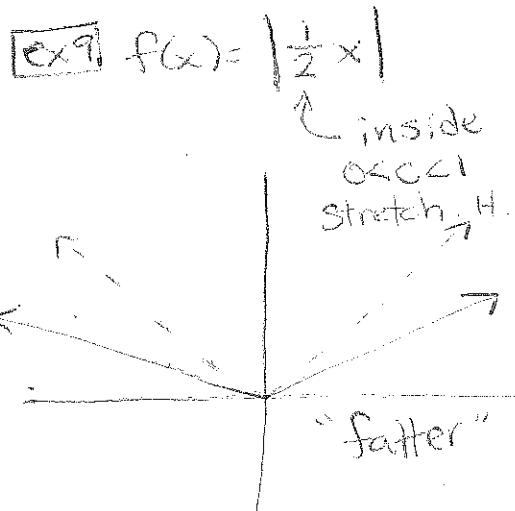
*outside*  
 $3 > 1 \therefore \text{stretch}$   
"taller"

$$\boxed{\text{ex8}} \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{x}$$

*outside*  
 $0 < c < 1$   
 $\therefore \text{shrink}$   
"Shorter"

## 5. Horizontal Stretch/Shrink

To stretch horizontally:  $f(cx)$  if  $0 < c < 1$   
 To shrink horizontally:  $f(cx)$  if  $c > 1$



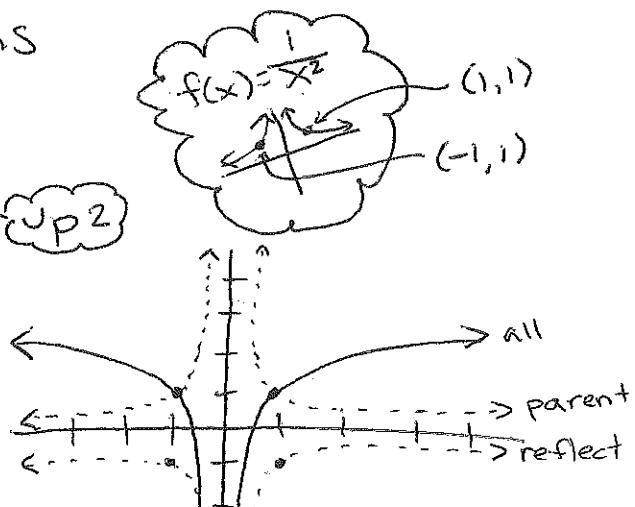
## 6. Combination Problems

**Ex 11** Graph  $f(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} + 2$

→ follow the order of operations

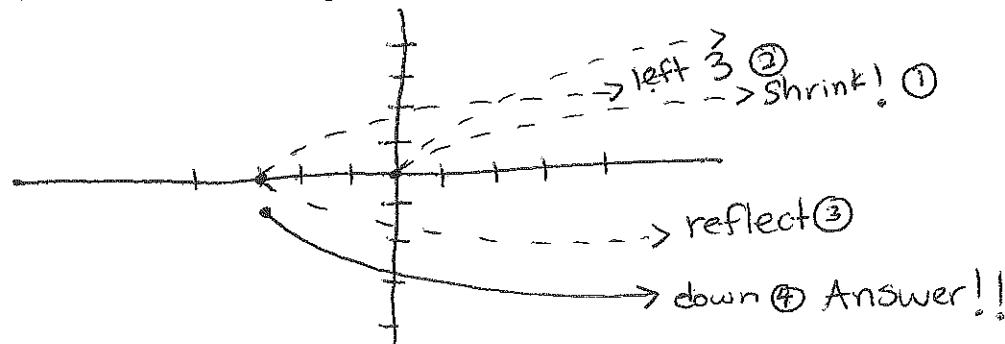
1<sup>st</sup>: reflect

2<sup>nd</sup>: up 2



**Ex 12** Graph  $f(x) = -\sqrt{2x+3} - 1$

reflect across the x-axis  
left ③  
down 1  
Shrink Horizontally ①



# Cheat Sheet

Reflect	$-f(x) \Rightarrow$ across $x$ -axis $f(-x) \Rightarrow$ across $y$ -axis
Vertical Shift	$f(x)+c \Rightarrow$ up $f(x)-c \Rightarrow$ down
Horizontal Shift	$f(x+c) \Rightarrow$ left $f(x-c) \Rightarrow$ right
Vertical	$cf(x)$ if $c > 1$ stretch: away from $x$ -axis $cf(x)$ if $0 < c < 1$ shrink: closer to $x$ -axis
Horizontal	$f(cx)$ if $0 < c < 1$ stretch: away from $y$ -axis $f(cx)$ if $c > 1$ shrink: closer to $y$ -axis

## C. Graphing Piecewise Defined Functions

**Ex 1**  $f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x + 3 & x \geq 2 \\ x^2 & -1 \leq x < 2 \\ \frac{1}{2}x + 3 & x < -1 \end{cases}$

(right) 3 functions  
 (middle) on one graph  
 (left)

range tells you what each piece looks like ( $\infty$ )

Domain tells you when each parent function starts and stops on the  $x$ -axis.  
 "walls" (time)

\*To graph\*

① Identify each shape

$$-2x + 3 \Rightarrow \text{line, slope} = -\frac{2}{1}$$

$$x^2 \Rightarrow \text{parabola}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}x + 3 \Rightarrow \text{line, slope} = \frac{1}{2}$$

② Identify "walls", when does the graph change over?

$$\textcircled{a} x = -1$$

$$\textcircled{b} x = 2$$

③ Identify where each piece begins and ends

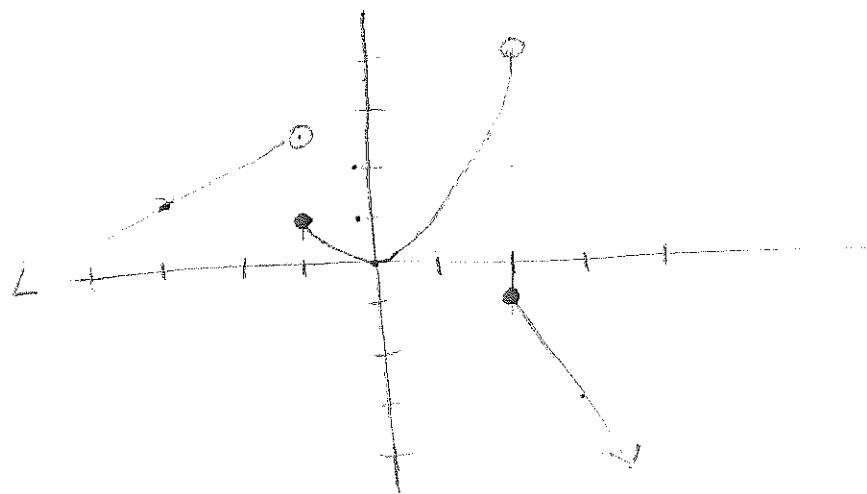
(plug in your "wall" values into the corresponding ranges)

$$\textcircled{a} x = -1 \quad \frac{1}{2}(-1) + 3 = 2\frac{1}{2} \quad (-1, 2\frac{1}{2}) \circ \text{ b/c } x < -1$$

$$(-1)^2 = 1 \quad (-1, 1) \bullet \text{ b/c } -1 \leq x < 2$$

$$\textcircled{b} x = 2 \quad (2)^2 = 4 \quad (2, 4) \circ \text{ b/c } -1 \leq x < 2$$

$$-2(2) + 3 = -1 \quad (2, -1) \bullet \text{ b/c } x \geq 2$$



**ex2**  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{x+1} & x \geq 4 \\ -2x & -2 < x < 4 \\ (x+1)^3 & x \leq -2 \end{cases}$  (R) walls

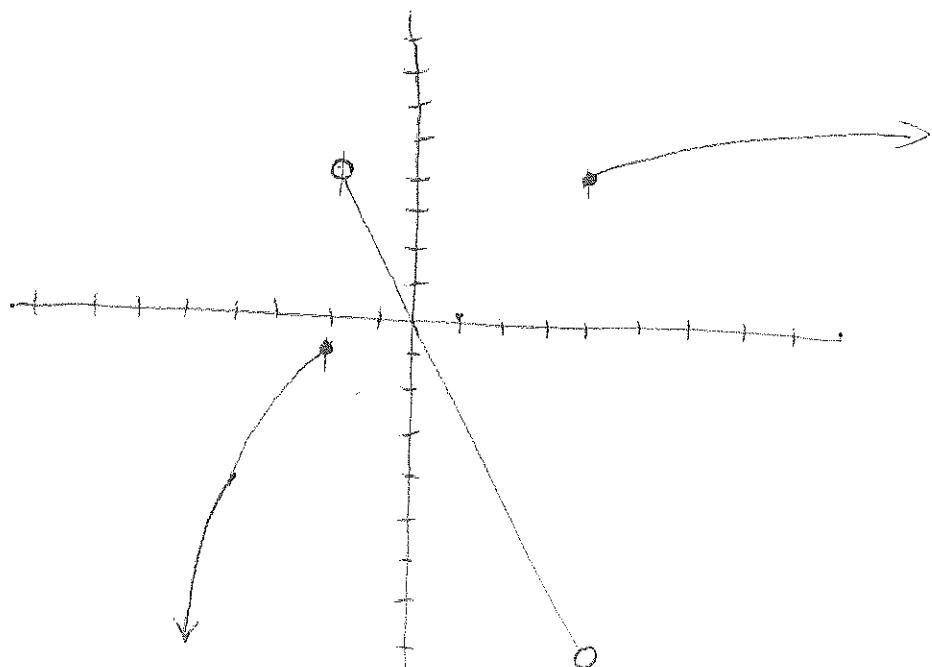
**(R)**  $x = -2$   
**(M)**  $x = 4$

**(L)**

**F** UP 1  
**line**  $\text{Slope}^2 = -\frac{2}{1}$   
 $\uparrow$  left +1

@  $x = -2$   $(-2+1)^3 = -1$   $(-2, -1) \circ$   
 $-2(-2) = +4$   $(-2, +4) \circ$

@  $x = 4$   $-2(4) = -8$   $(4, -8) \circ$   
 $\sqrt{4+1} = 3$   $(4, 3) \circ$

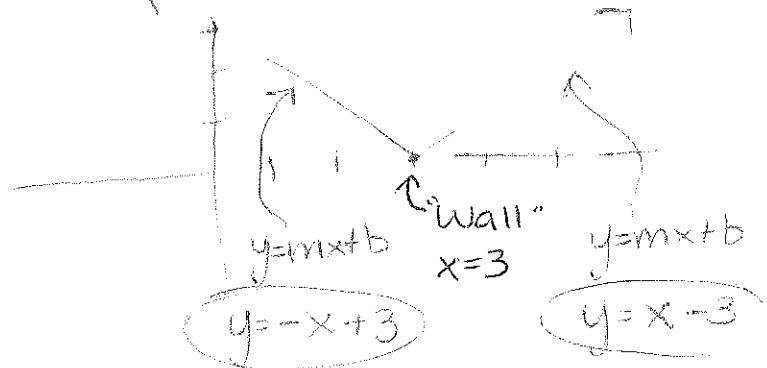


## IX Writing Absolute Value Functions as Piecewise (2G)

Looking at

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

right 3



$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x - 3 & x \geq 3 \\ -x + 3 & x < 3 \end{cases}$$

↑  
-(x - 3)

Note: only one "or equals to" sign per wall value.

pattern: 1<sup>st</sup> is the same  $x \geq \text{wall}$

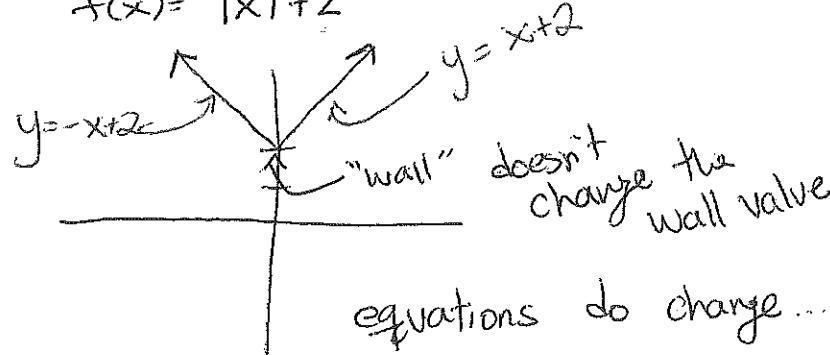
2<sup>nd</sup> is the opposite  $x < \text{wall}$

why?  $|5| = 5$  answer is the same as the value you put in...

$|-5| = 5$  answer is the opposite as the value you put in.  
 $-(-5) = 5$   
 ↓ "fix"

Question: Does a vertical shift change the wall value?  
 Does it change your equations?

$$f(x) = |x| + 2$$



equations do change... up 2

**ex1** Write as a piecewise  $f(x) = |2x+7|$

① "wall"  $2x+7=0$   
 $x = -\frac{7}{2}$

② Test a point less than  $-\frac{7}{2}$  and greater than  $-\frac{7}{2}$

\* greater than:  $x \geq -\frac{7}{2}$  ... test 5...  $|2(5)+7| = |17| = 17$

same ∵ equation is the same  
use  $2x+7$

\* less than:  $x < -\frac{7}{2}$  ... test -10...  $|2(-10)+7| = |-13| = 13$

opposite ∵ equation is the opposite  
use  $-(2x+7) = -2x-7$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x+7 & x \geq -\frac{7}{2} \\ -2x-7 & x < -\frac{7}{2} \end{cases}$$

→ doesn't affect "wall"

**ex2** Write as a piecewise:  $f(x) = |4x+2| + 3$

$$4x+2=0$$

$$4x=-2$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

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

↑ pos same      ← check 3  
↓ neg ∵ opposite      ← check -3

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 4x+5 & x \geq -\frac{1}{2} \\ -4x+1 & x < -\frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

ex3) Write as a piecewise  $f(x) = |x+1| + |4x-16|$

$$x = -1$$

$$x = 4$$

2 "walls"

∴ 3 parts

to the graph

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \text{pos. : same } (x+1) + (4x-16) & x \geq 4 \\ \text{pos. : same } (x+1) + -(4x-16) & -1 \leq x < 4 \\ \text{neg. : opp } -(x+1) + -(4x-16) & x < -1 \end{cases}$$

$$x \geq 4$$

$$-1 \leq x < 4$$

$$x < -1$$

check 5

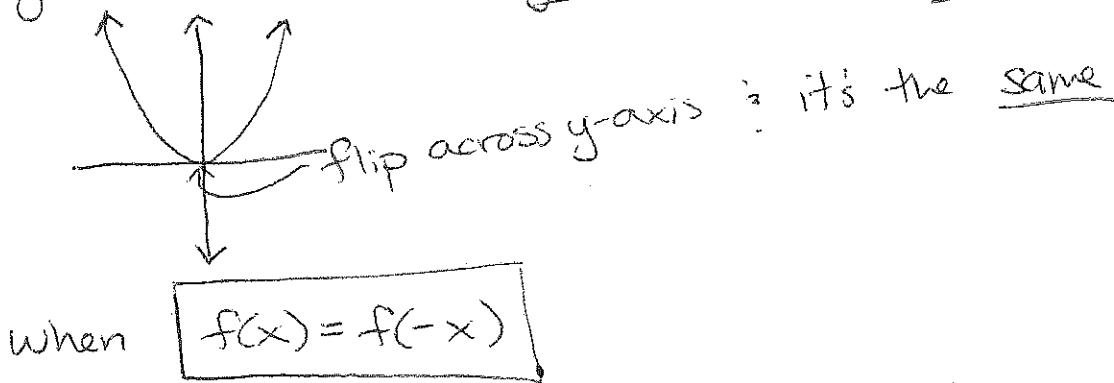
check 0

check -2

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 5x - 15 & x \geq 4 \\ -3x + 17 & -1 \leq x < 4 \\ -5x + 15 & x < -1 \end{cases}$$

## X Symmetry (2J)

1. Symmetric about the y-axis; aka EVEN

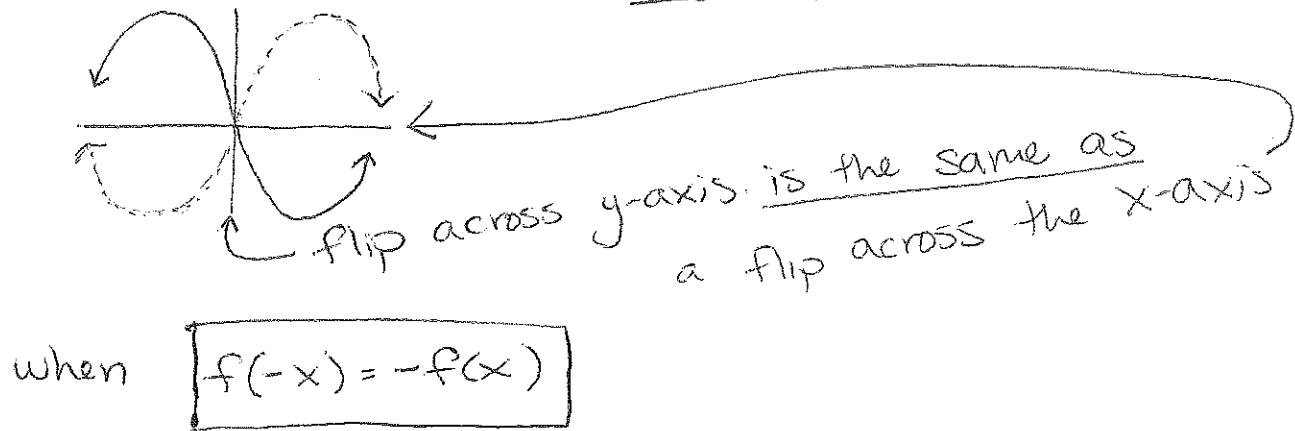


[ex1] Is  $f(x) = x^4 + 1$  even?

$$f(-x) = (-x)^4 + 1 = x^4 + 1$$

same!!  $\therefore$  EVEN

2. Symmetric about the origin; aka ODD



[ex2] Is  $f(x) = 2x^3 + x$  odd?

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

same!!

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

$\therefore$  ODD

ex3 Is  $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 + 1$  even, odd or neither?

$$f(-x) = (-x)^3 + (-x)^2 + 1 = -x^3 + x^2 + 1 \quad (\text{not even})$$

$$-f(x) = -(x^3 + x^2 + 1) = -x^3 - x^2 - 1 \quad (\text{not odd})$$

∴ NEITHER

ex4 Is  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}|x| + x^4$  even, odd or neither?

$$f(-x) = \frac{1}{2}|-x| + (-x)^4 = \frac{1}{2}|x| + x^4 \quad \text{EVEN!}$$