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Transformations

Part 1

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Advice to teachers

Australian Mathematics educators in the early 21st century are facing some difficult questions. Why are so many of our upper secondary students abandoning the harder Maths? Why are they not connecting with this study? Has it become less relevant? Do we need more "real life" problems and more student directed activities, or are we failing on another level? I believe that Maths teaching has become more process driven at the expense of understanding, and that is where the problem lies. The quantity of material and limited time available for course delivery have made matters worse.

An appreciation of Mathematics can only come in the first instance from understanding. A failure to give sufficient attention to the teaching of concepts and logical thinking, with a focus instead on seemingly disconnected processes and rules, drains this study of the natural beauty it holds and fails to capture the imagination of students. With that in mind, this workbook was produced to provide students from year 10 upwards with the opportunity to begin exploring transformations of functions for themselves. A handy summary of the content is included in the appendix, but is not a substitute for the opportunity to explore that is provided through the exercises. Finally, as with any skill we want to master, practice is also important. Some practice is given in each exercise but more should be sourced from the text books now available, in follow up activities.

Transformations has long been an important Mathematical concept and is now an integral part of VCE Mathematical Methods. The course requires students to gain an understanding of how various transformations effect individual points on a plane, graphs of functions and their corresponding rules. A familiarity with the associated formal descriptive language and Mathematical notation is also required. While textbooks provide some insight, students often struggle to understand the form of presentation and many are dependent on their teachers for interpretation. With a few basic understandings and skills, students can explore these ideas themselves and grow in their appreciation of Mathematics. Your students may have had some exposure in junior secondary levels to transformations of geometric objects. If so, then they have already laid important groundwork. This workbook is intended for students from Year 10 upwards and covers reflections in the *x* and *y*-axes, translations parallel to the *x* and *y*-axes and dilations from the *x* and *y*-axes.

The guided exercises are designed to:

- Allow students to explore the effects of transformations on individual points , graphs of functions and their corresponding rules
- Encourage Mathematical thinking
- Teach the formal language, both worded and symbolic, that is used to describe transformations.

Students should be able to work through these exercises without much assistance. Solutions are provided and students should be encouraged to check their work as they go. There is assumed familiarity with

- Sketching graphs using substitution and plotting points
- Basic algebraic techniques including simplification, expansion and factorisation

Less experienced students may have difficulty understanding the significance of the form in which some answers are given. These students may only get to the first line of working but they should be able to follow and verify the truth of all steps in the given solution. Being able to rewrite answers in different forms is also a useful skill.

I haven't provided all possible variations of correct answers. The choice was generally made in favour of more elegant and common forms.

Example

Task	Given Solution	Advice
Given $f(x) = (x-1)^2 + 1$, the task is to find the image function g after a dilation from the Y-axis of factor 4.	$g(x) = (\frac{x}{4} - 1)^{2} + 1$ $= \left(\frac{1}{4}(x - 4)\right)^{2} + 1$	This is a straightforward substitution and should not pose a problem for most students at year 10 and above. Some students may then expand and simplify as follows: $g(x) = (\frac{x}{4} - 1)^2 + 1$ $= \frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{x}{2} + 1 + 1$ $= \frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{x}{2} + 2$ This is fine but you could also show them this more elegant presentation: $\frac{1}{16} (x^2 - 8x + 32)$ The reason for this partial factorization will elude some students and may require explanation. However, they should be able to
		verify that it is correct by expanding the inner bracket and comparing with the previous step. Also, it is a common error to omit the outer
		bracket here and then forget to square the $\frac{1}{4}$ in the next step.
	$=\frac{1}{16}(x-4)^2+1$	This is turning point form and should be recognized by students above year 10.

The transformations in this booklet are applied only to functions. The nature of the chosen transformations is such that the images will also be functions, which ties in nicely with the function notation used throughout. Of course, the transformations presented can be applied to any relation.

When your students have completed the booklet, you could look at transformations of relations that are not functions.

e.g. Consider the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 4$. Find the equation of the image after

a a translation of 1 unit in the positive *x* direction

We can't use function notation $f(x) \rightarrow f(x-1)$ to describe this transformation but the effect of the transformation on the graph and rule are familiar.





b a translation of 2 units in the positive *y* direction

Once again, we can't use function notation $f(x) \rightarrow f(x)+2$ to describe this transformation but the effect of the transformation on the graph and rule are familiar.



Some possible further extensions of this exercise:

- Consider dilations (parallel to the x axis/parallel to the y axis) of the given circle, finding the rule and noting changes to the shape of the graph.
- Consider the effect of combining transformations. Note that the order of transformations may produce a different result.

e.g. A translation of 1 to the right followed by dilation from the *y* axis of factor 2 produces:



but a dilation from the *y* axis of factor 2 followed by a translation of 1 unit to the right produces:



Note: Your students should be able to predict the image graphs without technology just by considering the effect of the transformations on a few well chosen points.

• Consider the relation $x^2 + y^2 = r^2$.

The graph of this relation is a circle with centre (0,0) and radius r.

The relation undergoes a translation of h units to the right, followed by a translation of k units up. Will this transformation produce a change in the shape or size of the original circle? Why or why not?

Show that the image equation is $(x-h)^2 + (y-k)^2 = r^2$.

What are the coordinates of the centre of the image graph?

The following will be covered in subsequent workbooks:

- Combinations of transformations
- Reflections in the line y = x
- Inverse transformations
- Given the graph of an elementary*function y = f(x), applying knowledge of transformations to then graph functions of the form y = Af(n(x+b))+c where A, n, b and $c \in R$, and $A, n \neq 0$ **.
- Describing transformations with matrices
- Families of transformed functions

Teaching Mathematics to a diverse group at any level is challenging but can also be enormously rewarding. Mathematics, when taught well, will make sense to your students. Try to ask questions that encourage logical thought. When you can, help your students to make connections between old and new ideas. Give plenty of practice to strengthen your students' familiarity with new work and build confidence. Finally, and most importantly, enjoy yourself. Your enthusiasm is contagious!

Jana Kohout, 2016

*The VCAA study design for Mathematical Methods refers to "elementary functions of a single variable" and specifies "power functions, exponential functions, circular functions and polynomial functions".

** This form is taken directly from the VCAA study design, 2016.

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Exploring Transformations

When a point undergoes a transformation, it is shifted to a new position.

The point (1,3) is transformed by adding 2 to its *y*-coordinate and becomes (1,5). On a Cartesian plane the transformation is seen as a vertical shift upwards of the original point (1,3). The new point (1,5) is known as the image point.



The graph of any function is just a collection of points. When a function undergoes a transformation, the points that make up the original graph are shifted to new positions following some fixed rule that is applied to all the points e.g. add 2 to all the *x*-coordinates or multiply all the *y*-coordinates by 3. Consequently there may be changes to the overall shape and/or position of the graph. There may also be changes to the appearance of the rule. The transformed function is known as the image function.*



Exercise 1 <u>Reflection in the *x*-axis</u>

1 The original function $f(x) = x^2$ is transformed into its image function, g following the rule

"multiply all the *y*-coordinates by -1". Complete the table.

Points on <i>f</i>	(-3, 9	9) x -1	(-2,	4) _{X-1}	(-1 ,	_) X-1	(0,_) X-1	(1,	_) X-1	(2,	_) X-1	(3 ,	_) X-1	<mark>(x,_</mark>	_) X-1
Points on g	(-3,-	9)	(-2,-	-4)	(-1 ,	_)	(0,	_)	(,	_)	(,	_)	(,	_)	(x,	<mark>↓</mark> _)

* Note: The six transformations covered in this booklet, when applied to functions, result in images that are also functions. In fact, transformations can be applied to any relation, not just functions. Also, there are certain transformations which when applied to functions may not produce function images. This will be explored later. Right now, if you don't recall what a function is or you are unfamiliar with function notation, read appendix A on page 55.

2 Using the table in question 1 to help, sketch the graphs of f and g on the same axes below.



Assume functions f and g have a domain of R.**

** Only seven values of x (-3,-2,-1, 0, 1, 2 and 3) have been chosen for the table in question 1. Functions f and g having a domain of R, simply means that the x values are not restricted to those in the table. x can be any number including any positive or negative number, zero, a fraction, surd or other irrational number like π , in fact any number on the number line.

The formal language of transformations

Note that the graph of g is the mirror image of the graph of f with the x-axis acting as the mirror. This will always be the case when the y-coordinates of all points on the original graph are multiplied by -1. Here is a selection of phrases commonly used to describe this type of transformation:

"g is a mirror image of f in the x-axis"

"g is a reflection of f in the x-axis"

"The transformation is a reflection in the x-axis and f is mapped to g under this transformation."

Also, if g is a reflection of f in the x-axis then it is true to say that f is a reflection of g in the x-axis.

3	Complete the following for the above functions f and g :		\frown	
	original function: $f(x) =$	γ γ	/	
	transformation: reflection in the	What does function	on <i>g</i> do?	
	image function: $g(x) =$	Input	Output	$\left \right\rangle$
		x> g)>??	
		the highlighted part of question 1.	f the table in	
The ine			\mathcal{N}	,
The im	lage equation			
The mir	rror image of $f(x)$ in the x-axis is $-f(x)$. You will see th	is formally written as		

" $f(x) \rightarrow -f(x)$ ". Say: "f of x maps to negative f of x''

This just means that the rule for the original function is multiplied by -1 to obtain the rule for the image.

e.g. If $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + x - 2$, then the reflection of f in the x-axis is

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

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

Renaming the image as function g, we now have

$$g(x) = -x^{3} + 3x^{2} - x + 2$$

Why are the
brackets
important
here?

Which of the following function pairs are reflections of each other in the *x*-axis?Decide by examining the equations only. Do <u>not</u> sketch the graphs.

If the answer is "No", what is the equation for the reflection of f in the x-axis?

	f	g	Are f and g reflections of each other in the x-axis?
а	$f(x) = x^3$	$g(x) = -x^3$	
b	$f(x) = x^2 + 1$	$g(x) = -(x^2 + 1)$	
С	f(x) = x + 1	g(x) = -x + 1	
d	$f(x) = \sqrt{x}$	$g(x) = \sqrt{-x}$	

5 For each pair of functions in question 4, graph f and its <u>correct image</u> g on the same axes. A graphing calculator may be used, if needed.



Exercise 2 Translations up and down

1a f(x) = 2x is transformed into function g following the rule "add 1 to all the y-coordinates". Complete the table.

Points on <i>f</i>	(-3 ,-	·6) +1	(-2 ,-	-4) +1	(-1 ,) +1	(0,_) +1	(1,	+1	(2,	_) +1	(3,) +1	(x,) +1
Points on g	(-3,-	-5)	(-2 ,-	-3)	(-1 , _	_)	(0,_)	(,	↓)	(,	_)	(,)	(x,	•)

b f(x) = 2x is transformed into function *h* following the rule "subtract 3 from all the

y-coordinates". Complete the table.

Points on <i>f</i>	(-3 ,-	6) -3	(-2 ,-	-4) -3	(-1 ,) -3	(0,_) -3	(1,	_) -3	(2,	_) -3	(3 ,) -3	<mark>(</mark>) -3
Points on <i>h</i>	(-3,-	9)	(-2 ,-	7)	(-1 ,	_)	(0,_)	(,	▶)	(,	_)	(,)	(x,)

2 Using the tables from question 1 to help, sketch the graphs of *f*, *g* and *h* on the same axes below. Assume functions *f*, *g* and *h* have a domain of *R*.



The formal language of transformations

Note that the graph of g is just the graph of f with all points shifted up by 1 unit. Similarly, the graph of h is just the graph of f with all points shifted down 3 units. Here is a selection of phrases commonly used to describe these types of transformations:

"g is the image of f after a translation of 1 unit up"

"g is the image of f after a translation of 1 unit in the positive direction of the y -axis"

"h is the image of f after a translation of 3 units down"

"h is the image of f after a translation of 3 units in the negative direction of the y -axis"

"The transformation is a translation of 1 unit in the positive direction of the y-axis and f is mapped to g under this transformation."

"The transformation is a translation of 3 units in the negative direction of the *y*-axis and *f* is mapped to *h* under this transformation."



3 Complete the following for the above functions *f*, *g* and *h*:

The image equation

Note A translation of *c* units up (where *c* is some positive constant) results in the original rule having *c* added to it. A formal way to express this idea is $f(x) \rightarrow f(x) + c$. Similarly, a translation of *c* units down



e.g. The image of $f(x) = 3x^2$ after a translation of 5 units in the positive direction of the *y*-axis

is

 $f(x) + 5 = 3x^2 + 5$

Renaming the image as function g, we now have

$$g(x) = 3x^2 + 5$$

e.g. The image of $f(x) = (x+1)^3$ after a translation of 4 units in the negative direction of the

y-axis is

 $f(x) - 4 = (x+1)^3 - 4$ or $f(x) - 4 = x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1 - 4$ $= x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x - 3$

Renaming the image as function g, we now have

$$g(x) = (x+1)^3 - 4$$

or $g(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x - 3$

4

g is the image of f after a translation of 2 units in the positive direction of the y-axis.

h is the image of *f* after a translation of π units in the negative direction of the *y*-axis.

Complete the following table by finding the rules for g and h.

	f	g	h
а	$f(x) = x^3$		
b	f(x) = -3x + 1		
с	$f(x) = (x-1)^2$		
d	$f(x) = 2\sqrt{x}$		

5 Check your answers to each part of question 4 by graphing f, g and h on the same axes. A graphing calculator may be used, if needed.



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Exercise 3 Vertical dilations

1a $f(x) = x^2 + 2$ is transformed into function *g* following the rule "multiply all the *y*- coordinates by 2". Complete the table.

Points on <i>f</i>	(-2,6) ×2	(-1 ,)	(0,)	(1,)	(2,)	(x ,)
Points on g	(-2,12)	(−1,)	(0,)	(,)	(,)	(x ,)

b $f(x) = x^2 + 2$ is transformed into function *h* following the rule "multiply all the *y*-coordinates by $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Complete the table.

Points	(-2,6	5)	(-1 ,	_)	(0,_	_)	(1,	_)	(2,_	_)	(x ,)
on f		$x\frac{1}{2}$		$x\frac{1}{2}$		$x\frac{1}{2}$		$x\frac{1}{2}$		$x\frac{1}{2}$		$x\frac{1}{2}$
Points												
on h	(-2,3)	(-1 ,	_)	(0,_	_)	(,	_)	(,	_)	(x,)

2 Using the tables from question 1 to help, sketch the graphs of *f*, *g* and *h* on the same axes

below. Assume functions f, g and h have a domain of R.



The formal language of transformations

Note that the transformation of f into g causes a "vertical stretching" of f so the image graph appears thinner than the original. This will always be the case when the y-coordinates of all points on the original graph are multiplied by a constant larger than 1. Vertical stretching can also be thought of as a stretching away from the x-axis.

Also note that the transformation of f into h causes a "vertical squashing" of f so the image graph appears wider than the original. This will always be the case when the y-coordinates of all points on the original graph are multiplied by a positive constant smaller than 1. Vertical squashing can also be thought of as a squashing towards the x-axis.

Here is a selection of phrases commonly used to describe these types of transformations:

"g is the image of f after a dilation from the x-axis of factor 2"

"*h* is the image of *f* after a dilation from the *x*-axis of factor $\frac{1}{2}$ "

"g is the image of f after a dilation parallel to the y-axis of factor 2"

"*h* is the image of *f* after a dilation parallel to the *y*-axis of factor $\frac{1}{2}$ "

"The transformation is a dilation from the x-axis of factor 2 and f is mapped to g under this transformation."

"The transformation is a dilation from the x-axis of factor $\frac{1}{2}$ and f is mapped to h under this transformation."

3 Complete the following for the above functions *f*, *g* and *h*:

a original function: f(x) = _____.

transformation: dilation from the ______ of factor _____

image function: g(x) =

b original function: f(x) = _____.

transformation: dilation parallel to the ______ of factor _____

image function: h(x) =

The image equation

Note that the image functions g and h above are just multiples of the original function f.

g is
$$2f(x) = 2(x^2 + 2)$$
 and h is $\frac{1}{2}f(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + 2)$

In general, a dilation from the x-axis of factor k results in the original rule being multiplied by k. A formal way to express this idea is $f(x) \rightarrow kf(x)$.

Say: "f of x maps to k times f of x"

eg If $f(x) = 2x^2 - x + 1$ and f undergoes a dilation from the x-axis of factor 4, then the image is

$$4f(x) = 4(2x^{2} - x + 1)$$

= $8x^{2} - 4x + 4$
Renaming the image as function g, we now have
 $g(x) = 8x^{2} - 4x + 4$
Why are the
brackets
important
here?

4 g is the image of f after a dilation from the x- axis of factor **3**

h is the image of *f* after a dilation parallel to the *y*-axis of factor $\frac{3}{4}$

Complete the following table by finding the rules for g and h.

	f	g	h
а	$f(x) = x^3$		
b	f(x) = -x + 1		
С	$f(x) = (x-1)^2 + 4$		
d	$f(x) = 2\sqrt{x}$		

5 Check your answers to each part of question 4 by graphing f, g and h on the same axes. A graphing calculator may be used, if needed.



Exercise 4 Reflection in the y-axis

1 $f(x) = x^3 + 1$ is transformed into function g following the rule "multiply all the x-coordinates by -1". Complete the table.

Points on f	(2,9) ×-1	(,)	(,)	(,)	(,)	(,)
Points on g	(-2,9)	(-1,2)	(0, <u>)</u>	(1,)	(2,)	(x,)

2 Using the table from question 1, sketch the graphs of *f* and *g* on the same axes below.

Assume functions f and g both have a domain of R.



The formal language of transformations

Note that the graphs of f and g are mirror images of each other with the y-axis acting as the mirror. This will always be the case when the x-coordinates of all points on the original graph are multiplied by -1. Here is a selection of phrases commonly used to describe this type of transformation:

"g is a mirror image of f in the y-axis"

"g is a reflection of f in the y-axis"

"The transformation is a reflection in the y-axis and f is mapped to g under this transformation."

Also, if g is a reflection of f in the y-axis then it is true to say that f is a reflection of g in the y-axis.

3 Complete the following for the above functions *f* and *g*:

original function: f(x) =

transformation: reflection in the _____

image: g(x) =

The image equation

The mirror image of f(x) in the y-axis is f(-x). You will see this formally written as

" $f(x) \rightarrow f(-x)$ ". Say: "f of x maps to f of negative x"

This simply means that to obtain the image equation in this case, replace every instance of "x" in the original equation with "(-x)".

Notice the brackets around every instance of "-x" in this

image equation. It would be

incorrect to write

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

 $=x^{2}+x$

Why?

eg lf $f(x) = x^2 - x$, then the mirror image of f in the y-axis is

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

Renaming the image as function g, we now have

 $g(x) = x^2 + x$

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eg lf $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + x - 2$, then the mirror image of *f* in the *y*-axis is

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

Renaming the image as function g, we now have

$$g(x) = -x^3 - 3x^2 - x - 2$$

4 Which of the following function pairs are reflections of each other in the *y*-axis?

Decide by examining the equations only. Do <u>not</u> sketch the graphs.

If the answer is "No", what is the equation for the reflection of f in the y-axis?

	ſ	g	Are f and g reflections of each other in the y - axis?
а	f(x) = x + 2	g(x) = -x + 2	
b	$f(x) = x^2 + 1$	$g(x) = -x^2 + 1$	
C	$f(x) = \sqrt{x}$	$g(x) = \sqrt{-x}$	
d	$f(x) = x(x+1)^2$	$g(x) = -x(x-1)^2$	

5 For each pair of functions in question 4, graph *f* and its <u>correct image</u> *g* on the same axes. A graphing calculator may be used, if needed.



Exercise 5 Translations left and right

1a $f(x) = x^2 - 1$ is transformed into function g following the rule "add 1 to all the x-coordinates". Complete the table.

Points on <i>f</i>	(-2,3)	(,) +1	(,) +1	(,)	(,) 	()
Points on g	(-1, 3)	(0, 0)	(1,-1)	(2,)	(3,)	(x ,)

b $f(x) = x^2 - 1$ is transformed into function *h* following the rule "subtract 2 from all the

x- coordinates". Complete the table.

Points on <i>f</i>	(-2	2,3)	(-2	(-2	(-2	()	(_	-2	
Points on <i>h</i>	(4,3)	(-	-3, 0)	(-	-2, -1)	(-	-1 ,)),)	(x	,)

2 Using the tables from question 1, sketch the graphs of *f*, *g* and *h* on the same axes below.

Assume functions f, g and h have a domain of R.



The formal language of transformations

Note that the graph of g is just the graph of f with all points shifted right by 1 unit. Similarly, the graph of h is just the graph of f with all points shifted left 2 units. Here is a selection of phrases commonly used to describe these types of transformations:

"g is the image of f after a translation of 1 unit to the right"

"g is the image of f after a translation of 1 unit in the positive direction of the x-axis"

"h is the image of f after a translation of 2 units to the left"

"h is the image of f after a translation of 2 units in the negative direction of the x-axis"

"The transformation is a translation of 1 unit in the positive direction of the x-axis and f is mapped to g under this transformation."

"The transformation is a translation of 2 units in the negative direction of the x-axis and f is mapped to h under this transformation"

3 Complete the following for the above functions *f*, *g* and *h*:

a original function: $f(x) = $
transformation: translation of unit in the
image: $g(x) =$
b original function: $f(x) =$
transformation: translation of units in the
image: $h(x) =$

The image equation

If function f(x) undergoes a translation of c units to the right (where c is some positive constant) then its image is f(x-c).

You will see this formally written as " $f(x) \rightarrow f(x-c)$ ". Say: "f of x maps to f of x minus c"

This simply means that to obtain the image equation in this case, replace every instance of "x" in the original equation with "(x-c)".



This simply means that to obtain the image equation in this case, replace every instance of "x" in the original equation with "(x+c)".

e.g. If $f(x) = x^2 - 3x + 1$, and f undergoes a translation of 3 units to the right then its image is

$$f(x-3) = (x-3)^2 - 3(x-3) + 1$$

= x² - 6x + 9 - 3x + 9 + 1
= x² - 9x + 19

Renaming the image as function g, we now have

$$g(x) = x^2 - 9x + 19$$

e.g. The image of $f(x) = (2x+1)^3$ after a translation of 4 units in the negative direction of the x-axis is

$$f(x+4) = (2(x+4)+1)^{3}$$

= (2x+8+1)^{3}
= (2x+9)^{3}
= 8x^{3}+108x^{2}+486x+729

Renaming the image as function g, we now have

$$g(x) = (2x+9)^3$$

or
$$g(x) = 8x^3 + 108x^2 + 486x + 729$$

e is an irrational number,

4 g is the image of f after a translation of 2 units to the right.

approximately equal to 2.71828

 $e\approx 2.71828$

h is the image of f after a translation of e units in the negative direction of the x-axis.

	f	g	h
а	$f(x) = x^3 - 1$		
b	$f(x) = -3x^2 + x$		
С	$f(x) = (x+1)^2$		
d	$f(x) = 2\sqrt{1-x}$		
~	$J(x) = 2\sqrt{1-x}$		

Complete the following table by finding the rules for g and h.

5 Check your answers to each part of question 4 by graphing *f*, *g* and *h* on the same axes.

A graphing calculator may be used, if needed.



Exercise 6 Horizontal dilations

1a $f(x) = x^3$ is transformed into function g following the rule "multiply all the x-coordinates by 2". Complete the table.

Points on <i>f</i>	(-2,-8)	(,)	(,)	(,)	(,)	(,)
Points on g	(-4, -8)	(-2, -1)	(0,0)	(2,)	(4,)	(x ,)

b $f(x) = x^3$ is transformed into function *h* following the rule "multiply all the *x*-coordinates by $\frac{1}{2}$. Complete the table.

Points on <i>f</i>	$\begin{pmatrix} (-2,-8) \\ x^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{pmatrix}$	$\left(\underline{},\underline{}\right)$	$\left(\underline{}, \underline{} \right)$	$\left(\underline{}, \underline{} \right)$	$\left(\underline{}, \underline{} \right)$	$\left(\underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{array}}_{x\frac{1}{2}}, \underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \end{array}}_{x\frac{1}{2}} \right)$
Points on <i>h</i>	↓ (-1, -8)	$\left(-\frac{1}{2}, -1\right)$	$\left(\begin{array}{c} \bullet\\ 0 \end{array}, 0 \right)$	$\left(\begin{array}{c} \frac{1}{2}, \end{array}\right)$	<pre>↓ (1,)</pre>	(x ,)

2 Using the tables from question **1**, sketch the graphs of *f*, *g* and *h* on the same axes below.



Assume functions f, g and h have a domain of R.

The formal language of transformations

Note that the transformation of f into g causes a "horizontal stretching" of the original graph so the image graph appears wider than the original. This will always be the case when the x-coordinates of all points on the original graph are multiplied by a constant larger than 1. Horizontal stretching can also be thought of as stretching away from the y-axis.

Also note that the transformation of f into h causes a "horizontal squashing" of f so the image graph appears thinner than the original. This will always be the case when the x-coordinates of all points on the

original graph are multiplied by a positive constant smaller than 1. Horizontal squashing can also be thought of as squashing towards the *y*-axis.

Here is a selection of phrases commonly used to describe these types of transformations:

"g is the image of f after a dilation from the y-axis of factor 2"

"*h* is the image of *f* after a dilation from the *y*-axis of factor $\frac{1}{2}$ "

"g is the image of f after a dilation parallel to the x-axis of factor 2"

"*h* is the image of *f* after a dilation parallel to the *x*-axis of factor $\frac{1}{2}$ "

"The transformation is a dilation from the y-axis of factor 2 and f is mapped to g under this transformation."

"The transformation is a dilation from the *y*-axis of factor $\frac{1}{2}$ and *f* is mapped to *h* under this transformation."

3 Complete the following for the above functions *f*, *g* and *h*:

a original function: f(x) = _____

transformation: dilation from the ______ of factor _____

image: g(x) =

b original function: f(x) = _____.

transformation: dilation parallel to the ______ of factor _____

image: h(x) =

The image equation

If function f(x) undergoes a dilation from the *y*-axis of factor *k* then its image is $f\left(\frac{x}{k}\right)$.

You will see this formally written as "
$$f(x) \rightarrow f\left(\frac{x}{k}\right)$$
".
How would you say this?

This simply means that to obtain the image equation in this case, replace every instance of "x" in the original equation with " $\left(\frac{x}{k}\right)$ ".

eg1 If $f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x$ undergoes a dilation from the y-axis of factor 3 then its image is



Renaming the image as function g, we now have

$$g(x) = \frac{2x^2}{9} - x$$

eg2 If $f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x$ undergoes a dilation from the y-axis of factor $\frac{1}{3}$ then its image is



Renaming the image as function g, we now have

$$g(x) = 18x^2 - 9x$$

4 *g* is the image of *f* after a dilation from the *y*-axis of factor 4

h is the image of *f* after a dilation parallel to the *x*-axis of factor $\frac{2}{3}$

Complete the following table by finding the rules for g and h.

	f	g	h
а	f(x) = -x + 1		
b	$f(x) = x^3$		
с	$f(r) = (r-1)^2 + 1$		
	f(x) = (x - 1) + 1		
d	$f(x) = 2\sqrt{x}$		

5 Check your answers to each part of question 4 by graphing *f*, *g* and *h* on the same axes.

A graphing calculator may be used, if needed.


SOLUTIONS

Exercise 1 <u>Reflection in the *x*-axis</u>

1

Points on <i>f</i>	(-3,9)	(-2,4)	(-1,1)	(0,0)	(1,1)	(2,4)	(3,9)	(x,x^2)
Points on g	(-3,-9)	(-2,-4)	(-1,-1)	(0,0)	(1,-1)	(2,-4)	(3,-9)	$(x,-x^2)$

2



Multiplying the *y*-coordinates by -1 has produced a reflection of *f*.

g is the mirror image of f with the x-axis acting as the mirror.

3 original function: $f(x) = x^2$

transformation: reflection in the x-axis

image: $g(x) = -x^2$

	$\int f$	g	Are f and g reflections
			of each other in the
			x-axis?
а	$f(x) = x^3$	$g(x) = -x^3$	
		5(')	YES
b	$f(x) = x^2 + 1$	$g(x) = -(x^2 + 1)$	
		8() ()	YES
С	f(x) = x + 1	g(x) = -x + 1	NO
			g(x) = -(x+1) or
			g(x) = -x - 1
d	f(z)		NO
ŭ	$J(x) = \sqrt{x}$	$g(x) = \sqrt{-x}$	
			$g(x) = -\sqrt{x}$



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Exercise 2 Translations up and down

1a

Points on <i>f</i>	(-3,-6)	(-2,-4)	(-1,-2)	(0,0)	(1,2)	(2,4)	(3,6)	(x,2x)
Points on g	(-3,-5)	(-2,-3)	(-1,-1)	(0,1)	(1,3)	(2,5)	(3,7)	(x,2x+1)

b

Points on <i>f</i>	(-3,-6)	(-2,-4)	(-1,-2)	(0,0)	(1,2)	(2,4)	(3,6)	(x,2x)
Points on <i>h</i>	(-3,-9)	(-2,-7)	(-1,-5)	(0,-3)	(1,-1)	(2,1)	(3,3)	(x, 2x - 3)

2



Adding 1 to the *y*coordinates has shifted *f* by one unit up to make *g*.

Subtracting 3 from the *y*coordinates has shifted *f* by three units down to make *h*.

a original function: f(x) = 2x

transformation: translation of 1 unit in the

positive direction of the *y*-axis

Image: g(x) = 2x + 1

b original function: f(x) = 2x

transformation: translation of 3 units in the

negative direction of the y-axis

Image: h(x) = 2x - 3

	f	g	h
а	$f(x) = x^3$	$g(x) = x^3 + 2$	$h(x) = x^3 - \pi$
b	f(x) = -3x + 1	g(x) = -3x + 3	$h(x) = -3x + 1 - \pi$
с	$f(x) = (x-1)^2$	$g(x) = (x-1)^2 + 2$ or	$h(x) = (x-1)^2 - \pi$
		$g(x) = x^2 - 2x + 3$	
d	$f(x) = 2\sqrt{x}$	$g(x) = 2\sqrt{x} + 2$	$h(x) = 2\sqrt{x} - \pi$









Exercise 3 Vertical dilations

1a

Points on <i>f</i>	(-2,6)	(-1,3)	(0,2)	(1,3)	(2,6)	$\left(x, x^2 + 2\right)$
Points on g	(-2,12)	(-1,6)	(0,4)	(1,6)	(2,12)	$(x,2(x^2+2))$ $=(x,2x^2+4)$

b

Points on <i>f</i>	(-2,6)	(-1,3)	(0,2)	(1,3)	(2,6)	(x,x^2+2)
Points on <i>h</i>	(-2,3)	$\left(-1,\frac{3}{2}\right)$	(0,1)	$\left(1,\frac{3}{2}\right)$	(2,3)	$\left(x,\frac{1}{2}\left(x^2+2\right)\right)$
		or $\left(-1,1\frac{1}{2}\right)$		or $\left(1,1\frac{1}{2}\right)$		$=\left(x,\frac{x^2}{2}+1\right)$

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a original function: $f(x) = x^2 + 2$	b original function: $f(x) = x^2 + 2$
Transformation: dilation from the x -axis of factor 2	Transformation: dilation parallel to the
Image: $g(x) = 2(x^2 + 2)$ or $g(x) = 2x^2 + 4$	y-axis of factor $\frac{1}{2}$ $h(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + 2)$ Image: or $h(x) = \frac{x^2}{2} + 1$

	f	g	h
а	$f(x) = x^3$	$g(x) = 3x^3$	$h(x) = \frac{3}{4}x^{3}$ or $h(x) = \frac{3x^{3}}{4}$
b	f(x) = -x + 1	g(x) = 3(-x+1) = -3x+3	$h(x) = \frac{3}{4}(-x+1)$ = $-\frac{3}{4}x + \frac{3}{4}$ or $h(x) = -\frac{3x}{4} + \frac{3}{4}$
C	$f(x) = (x-1)^2 + 4$	$g(x) = 3[(x-1)^{2} + 4]$ = 3(x-1)^{2} + 12 or $g(x) = 3(x^{2} - 2x + 1) + 12$ = 3x ² - 6x + 15	$h(x) = \frac{3}{4} [(x-1)^2 + 4]$ = $\frac{3}{4} (x-1)^2 + 3$ or $h(x) = \frac{3}{4} (x^2 - 2x + 1) + 3$ = $\frac{3}{4} x^2 - \frac{3}{2} x + 3\frac{3}{4}$
d	$f(x) = 2\sqrt{x}$	$g(x) = 3(2\sqrt{x})$ $= 6\sqrt{x}$	$h(x) = \frac{3}{4} \left(2\sqrt{x} \right)$ $= \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{x}$



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Exercise 4 **<u>Reflection in the y-axis</u>**

Points on <i>f</i>	(2,9)	(1,2)	(0,1)	(-1,0)	(-2,-7)	$\left(-x, -x^3+1\right)$
Points on g	(-2,9)	(-1,2)	(0,1)	(1,0)	(2,-7)	$\left(x,-x^3+1\right)$



image:
$$g(x) = -x^3 + 1$$

	f	g	Are f and g reflections
			of each other in the y-
			axis?
а	f(x) = x + 2	g(x) = -x + 2	YES
b	$f(x) = x^2 + 1$	$g(x) = -x^2 + 1$	NO $g(x) = x^2 + 1$ <i>f</i> is its own reflection in the <i>y</i> -axis!
C	$f(x) = \sqrt{x}$	$g(x) = \sqrt{-x}$	YES

d	$f(x) = x(x+1)^2$	$g(x) = -x(x-1)^2$	YES	
		Note:		
		$g(x) = -x(-x+1)^2$		
		$= -x \left[\left(-x \right)^2 - 2x + 1 \right]$		
		$=-x\left(x^2-2x+1\right)$		
		$= -x(x-1)^2$		



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Exercise 5 Translations left and right

1a

Points on <i>f</i>	(-2,3)	(-1,0)	(0,-1)	(1,0)	(2,3)	$\left(x-1,\left(x-1\right)^2-1\right)$
						or $(x-1,x^2-2x)$
Points	(-1,3)	(0,0)	(1,-1)	(2,0)	(3,3)	$\left(x,\left(x-1\right)^2-1\right)$
						or $(x, x^2 - 2x)$

b

Points on <i>f</i>	(-2,3)	(-1,0)	(0,-1)	(1,0)	(2,3)	$(x+2,(x+2)^2-1)$ or $(x+2,x^2+4x+3)$
Points on <i>h</i>	(-4,3)	(-3,0)	(-2,-1)	(-1,0)	(0,3)	$(x,(x+2)^2-1)$ or (x,x^2+4x+3)



a original function: $f(x) = x^2 - 1$

transformation: translation of 1 unit in the

positive direction of the *x*-axis

Image:

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

 $g(x) = x^2 - 2x$

b original function: $f(x) = x^2 - 1$

transformation: translation of 2 units in the

negative direction of the x-axis

Image:
or
$$h(x) = (x+2)^2 - 1$$

 $h(x) = x^2 + 4x + 3$

or

4	4	

r			
	f	g	h
а	$f(x) = x^3 - 1$	$g(x) = \left(x - 2\right)^3 - 1$	$h(x) = (x+e)^3 - 1$
		or $g(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 9$	or $h(x) = x^3 + 3x^2e + 3xe^2 + e^3 - 1$
b	$f(x) = -3x^2 + x$	$g(x) = -3(x-2)^{2} + (x-2)$	$h(x) = -3(x+e)^{2} + (x+e)$
		$=-3x^{2}+13x-14$	$= -3x^2 - 6xe - 3e^2 + x + e$
			$= -3x^2 + (1 - 6e)x - 3e^2 + e$
С	$f(x) = (x+1)^2$	$g(x) = ((x-2)+1)^2$	$h(x) = ((x+e)+1)^2$
		$=(x-1)^2$	$= (x+e+1)^2$
		or $g(x) = x^2 - 2x + 1$	or $h(x) = x^2 + 2(e+1)x + e^2 + 2e + 1$
d	$f(x) = 2\sqrt{1-x}$	$g(x) = 2\sqrt{1 - (x - 2)}$	$h(x) = 2\sqrt{1 - (x + e)}$
		$=2\sqrt{3-x}$	$=2\sqrt{1-e-x}$





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1a

Points on <i>f</i>	(-2,-8)	(-1,-1)	(0,0)	(1,1)	(2,8)	$\left(\frac{x}{2}, \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^3\right)$ $=\left(\frac{x}{2}, \frac{x^3}{8}\right)$
Points on g	(-4,-8)	(-2,-1)	(0,0)	(2,1)	(4,8)	$\left(x, \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^3\right)$ $= \left(x, \frac{x^3}{8}\right)$

b

Points on <i>f</i>	(-2,-8)	(-1,-1)	(0,0)	(1,1)	(2,8)	$ \begin{pmatrix} 2x, (2x)^3 \\ = (2x, 8x^3) \end{pmatrix} $
Points on <i>h</i>	(-1,-8)	$\left(-\frac{1}{2},-1\right)$	(0,0)	$\left(\frac{1}{2},1\right)$	(1,8)	$ \begin{pmatrix} x, (2x)^3 \end{pmatrix} = (x, 8x^3) $



a original function: $f(x) = x^3$ transformation: dilation from the *y*-axis of factor 2 $g(x) = \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^3$ Image: or $g(x) = \frac{x^3}{8}$ b original function: $f(x) = x^3$ transformation: dilation parallel to the *x*-axis of factor $\frac{1}{2}$ Image: $h(x) = (2x)^3$ or $h(x) = 8x^3$

	f	g	h
а	f(x) = -x + 1	$g(x) = -\frac{x}{4} + 1$	$h(x) = -\left(\frac{x}{2/3}\right) + 1 = -\frac{3x}{2} + 1$
b	$f(x) = x^3$	$g(x) = \left(\frac{x}{4}\right)^3$	$h(x) = \left(\frac{x}{2/3}\right)^3$ $\left(\frac{3x}{3}\right)^3$
		or $g(x) = \frac{1}{64}$	$= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ or $h(x) = \frac{27x^3}{8}$
C	$f(x) = (x-1)^2 + 1$	$g(x) = (\frac{x}{4} - 1)^2 + 1$	$h(x) = \left(\frac{x}{2/3} - 1\right)^2 + 1$
		$= \left(\frac{1}{4}(x-4)\right) + 1$ $= \frac{1}{4}(x-4)^{2} + 1$	$= \left(\frac{3x}{2} - 1\right) + 1$ $\left(3\left(-2\right)\right)^2$
		$-16^{(x-y)+1}$	$= \left(\frac{2}{2}\left(x - \frac{2}{3}\right)\right) + 1$ $9\left(2^{2}\right)^{2} + 1$
			$=\frac{1}{4}\left(x-\frac{1}{3}\right)+1$
a	$f(x) = 2\sqrt{x}$	$g(x) = 2\sqrt{\frac{x}{4}}$	$h(x) = 2\sqrt{\frac{x}{2/3}}$
		$= 2 \times \frac{\sqrt{x}}{2}$ $= \sqrt{x}$	$= 2\sqrt{\frac{3x}{2}}$
			$= \sqrt{4 \times \frac{1}{2}}$ $= \sqrt{6x}$



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RELATIONS AND FUNCTIONS

A <u>relation</u> is a rule that tells us about the relationship between certain variables (like x and y).

Given a value for x, the relation tells us how to work out the corresponding value for y.







A <u>function</u> is a special type of relation.

When each input value generates only one output value, the relation is known as a function.

e.g. 1 continued	e.g. 2 continued
Each input value x , has only one output value y .	The input value of $\frac{4}{2}$ generates two output values:
So $y = x^2 - 1$ is a function.	2 and -2 .
	So $y = \pm \sqrt{x}$ is <u>not</u> a function.

When a relation is known to be a function, we can replace "y" in the rule with "f(x)" or "g(x)" or "h(x)"....

This is known as "<u>function notation</u>".

e.g. 1 continued	e.g. 2 continued
We can rewrite $y = x^2 - 1$ as $f(x) = x^2 - 1$	We <u>cannot</u> rewrite $y = \pm \sqrt{x}$ as $f(x) = \pm \sqrt{x}$
or $g(x) = x^2 - 1$	or $g(\mathbf{x}) = \pm \sqrt{x}$
or $h(x) = x^2 - 1$	or $h(x) = \pm \sqrt{x}$

The graph of a function/relation is just a picture of all the coordinate pairs (x, y) that are generated by its rule.



Vertical lines drawn on top of a graph will pick up any input value (x) that has more than one output value (y).

Using this idea we can identify a function by its graph.

Graphs of functions will pass the <u>vertical line test</u> i.e. it is not possible to draw a vertical line anywhere that crosses the graph more than once.



TRANSFORMATIONS SUMMARY

A transformation shifts a point on a plane to a new point.

An entire graph, which is just a collection of points, will be shifted, stretched, squashed or reflected to a new position by a transformation.

Transformation	Effect of the	Effect of the	Visual effect of	Example
	transformation	transformation	the	
	on a point	on a rule	transformation	
			on a graph	

REFLECTION IN THE X-AXIS

reflection in the <i>x</i> -axis	The <i>y</i> -value of an ordered pair is multiplied by	The original rule is multiplied by	The transformation produces a	<i>f</i> is mapped to <i>g</i> by a re <i>x</i> -axis.	f	
	-1.	-1 to get the rule of the image.	mirror image of the original graph with the	point on f : (2,5)	image point on g : (2,-1×5)	
			<i>x</i> -axis acting as a mirror.	(-,-)	=(2,-5)	
			\bigcirc	original rule:	image rule:	
	$(a,b) \rightarrow (a,-b)$	$f(x) \to -f(x)$	V	$f(x) = x^2 + 1$	$g(x) = -f(x)$ $= -(x^{2}+1)$ $= -x^{2}-1$	4 3- 4-

TRANSLATIONS UP AND DOWN

<pre>c>0 translation of c units in the positive direction of the y-axis</pre>	The <i>y</i> -value of an ordered pair has <i>c</i> added to it.	The original rule has <i>c</i> added to it.	The transformation produces a shift upwards of the original graph.	f is mapped to g by a in the positive dire point on f: (3,1)	a translation of 3 units ection of the <i>y</i> -axis. image point on <i>g</i> : (3,1+3) =(3,4)	9+ 8- 7- 6- 5- 4- f
	$(a,b) \rightarrow (a,b+c)$	$f(x) \to f(x) + c$	Î	original rule: $f(x) = (x-3)^2 + 1$	image rule: g(x) = f(x) + 3 $= (x - 3)^{2} + 1 + 3$ $= (x - 3)^{2} + 4$	$\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1$
<i>c</i> >0 translation of <i>c</i> units in the	The <i>y</i> -value of an ordered pair has <i>c</i> subtracted from it.	The original rule has <i>c</i> subtracted from it.	The transformation produces a shift downwards of the original	f is mapped to g by a in the negative dir point on f:	a translation of 1 unit ection of the <i>y</i> -axis. image point on <i>g</i> :	ту 3-
negative direction of the <i>y</i> -axis	$(a,b) \rightarrow (a,b-c)$	$f(x) \to f(x) - c$	graph.	(4,2) original rule: $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$	(4,2-1) = (4,1) image rule: g(x) = f(x) - 1 = $\sqrt{x} - 1$	
DILATION FROM THE X-AXIS

<i>k</i> >1 dilation from the <i>x</i> -axis of factor <i>k</i>	The <i>y</i> -value of an ordered pair is multiplied by <i>k</i> . $(a,b) \rightarrow (a,kb)$	The original rule is multiplied by <i>k</i> . $f(x) \rightarrow kf(x)$	The transformation produces a vertical stretch of the original graph.	<i>f</i> is mapped to <i>g</i> by a <i>x</i>-axis of factor 2 . point on <i>f</i> : (1,3) original rule: $f(x) = x^3 + 2$	dilation from the image point on g: $(1,2 \times 3)$ = (1,6) image rule: g(x) = 2f(x) $= 2(x^3 + 2)$ $= 2x^3 + 4$	y
0<k<1< b=""> dilation from the <i>x</i>-axis of factor <i>k</i></k<1<>	The <i>y</i> -value of each ordered pair is multiplied by <i>k</i> .	The original rule is multiplied by <i>k</i>	The transformation produces a vertical squash of the original graph.	f is mapped to g by a x-axis of factor $\frac{1}{2}$. point on f: (0,2)	dilation from the image point on g: $\left(0, \frac{1}{2} \times 2\right)$ = (0,1)	TY T
	$(a,b) \rightarrow (a,kb)$	$f(x) \to k f(x)$		original rule: $f(x) = \sqrt{4 - x^2}$	image rule: $g(x) = \frac{1}{2}f(x)$ $= \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{4-x^{2}})$ $= \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4-x^{2}}$	

Transformation	Effect of the	Effect of the	Visual effect of	Example
	transformation	transformation	the	
	on a point	on a rule	transformation	
			on a graph	

REFLECTION IN THE Y-AXIS

reflection in the y-axis	The <i>x</i> -value of an ordered pair is multiplied by -1.	Every instance of " x " in the original rule is replaced with " $(-x)$ ".	The transformation produces a mirror image of the original graph with the y-axis acting as a mirror .	<i>f</i> is mapped to <i>g</i> by a reflection in the <i>y</i> -axis .		ў 2-
				point on <i>f</i> : (2,1)	image point on g: $(-1 \times 2, 1)$ = (-2, 1)	
				original rule:	image rule:	
	$(a,b) \rightarrow (-a,b)$	$f(x) \to f(-x)$		$f(x) = x^2 - 2x + 1$	g(x) = f(-x) = (-x) ² - 2(-x) + 1 = x ² + 2x + 1	

TRANSLATIONS LEFT AND RIGHT

<i>c</i> >0 translation of <i>c</i> units in the positive direction of the <i>x</i> -axis	The <i>x</i> -value of an ordered pair has <i>c</i> added to it. $(a,b) \rightarrow (a+c,b)$	Every instance of "x" in the original rule is replaced with " $(x-c)$ ". $f(x) \rightarrow f(x-c)$	The transformation produces a shift to the right of the original graph.	f is mapped to g by a in the positive direction point on f: (2,0) original rule: f(x) = 3x - 6	image point on g: (2 + 1,0) $= (3,0)$ image rule: g(x) = f(x-1) $= 3(x-1)-6$ $= 3x-3-6$ $= 3x-9$	y s y s y s y s y s y y s y y s y y y y y y y y y y y y y
c>0 translation of <i>c</i> units in the negative direction of the <i>x</i> -axis	The <i>x</i> -value of an ordered pair has <i>c</i> subtracted from it. $(a,b) \rightarrow (a-c,b)$	Every instance of "x" in the original rule is replaced with " $(x+c)$ ". $f(x) \rightarrow f(x+c)$	The transformation produces a shift to the left of the original graph.	f is mapped to g by a in the negative dir point on f: (1,3) original rule: $f(x) = 3^x$	image point on g: (1-2,3) $= (-1,3)$ image rule: $g(x) = f(x+2)$ $= 3^{(x+2)}$ $= 3^{x+2}$	



DILATION FROM THE Y-AXIS



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