

1-3 NOTES Linear functions

Horizontal Translation \Leftrightarrow

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

$h > 0$ right, $h < 0$ left

$f(x) = 3x+1$
translate right by 2

$$g(x) = 3(x-2) + 1$$

$$g(x) = 3x - 5$$

Same slope,
diff. y-int.

Vertical Translation \Uparrow

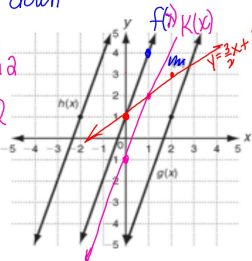
Use $f(x) \rightarrow f(x) + k$.

$k > 0$, up
 $k < 0$ down

$f(x) = 3x+1$
translate down 2

$$k(x) = (3x+1) - 2$$

$$k(x) = 3x - 1$$



Horizontal stretch or compression by a factor of b

Use $f(x) \rightarrow f\left(\frac{1}{b}x\right)$.

$b > 1$ stretch

$0 < b < 1$ compression

$$f(x) = 3x+1$$

horiz. stretch factor 2

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

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

Vertical stretch or compression by a factor of a

Use $f(x) \rightarrow a \cdot f(x)$.

$a > 1$ or $a < -1$

vert. stretch

$0 < a < 1$ or $-1 < a < 0$

vert. compression

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

vert. compression factor of $\frac{1}{4}$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{4}(2x+1) = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4}$$