

Reflections of Functions (Horizontal and Vertical)

Given the parent function

$$y = f(x),$$

if $a < 0$; vertical reflection over x -axis

$$y = a \cdot f(bx)$$

if $b < 0$; horizontal reflection over the y -axis

a and b can cause a vertical or horizontal reflection of $f(x)$

Given the parent function

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$$y = f(x)$$

$$y = f(-x)$$

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$$y = -x^2$$

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$$y = -|x|$$

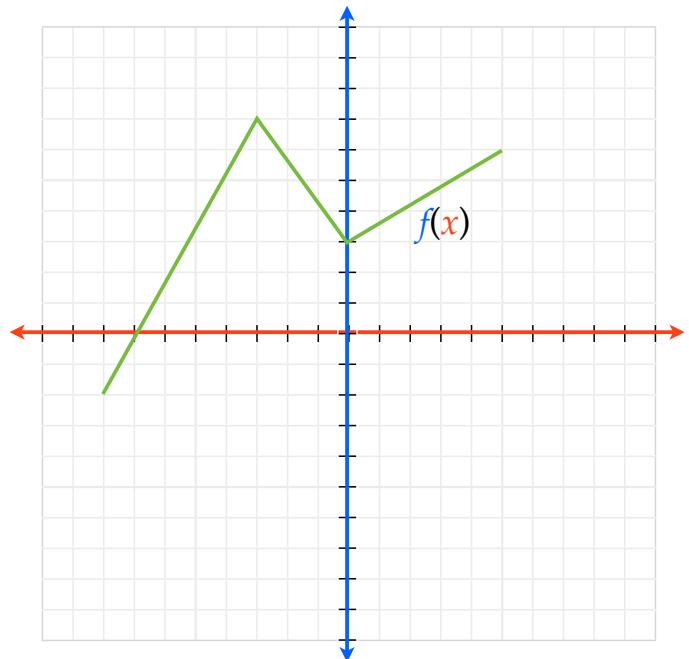
$$y = \sqrt{-x}$$

Graphing functions with reflections

Given the parent function

$$y = f(x),$$

Graph: $y = -f(x)$

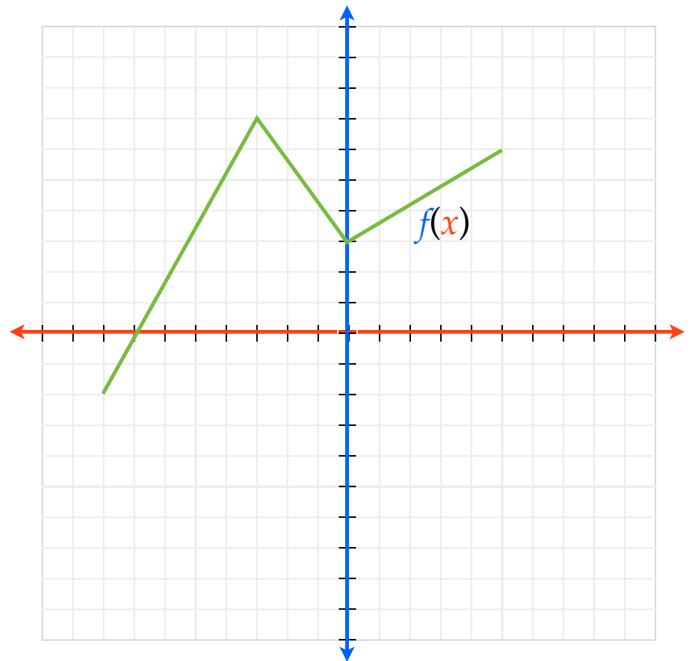


Graphing functions with reflections

Given the parent function

$$y = f(x),$$

Graph: $y = f(-x)$

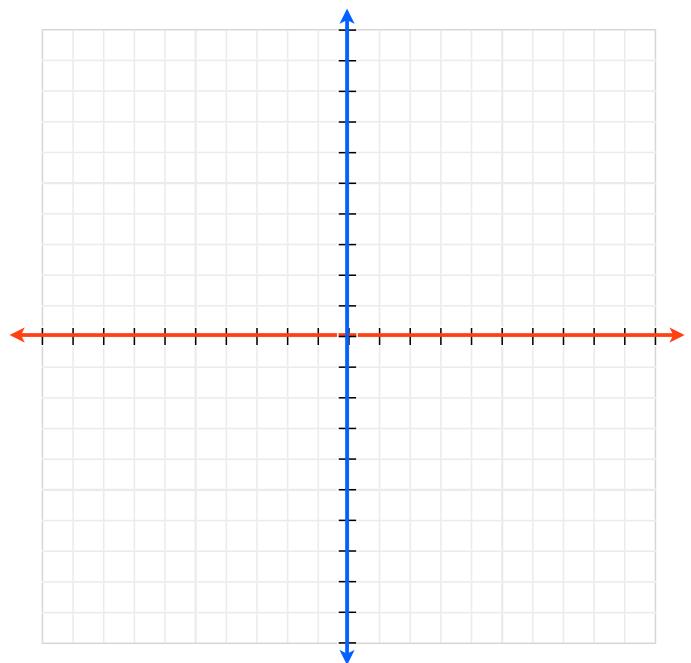


Graphing functions with reflections

Given the quadratic parent function

$$y = x^2$$

Graph: $y = -x^2$

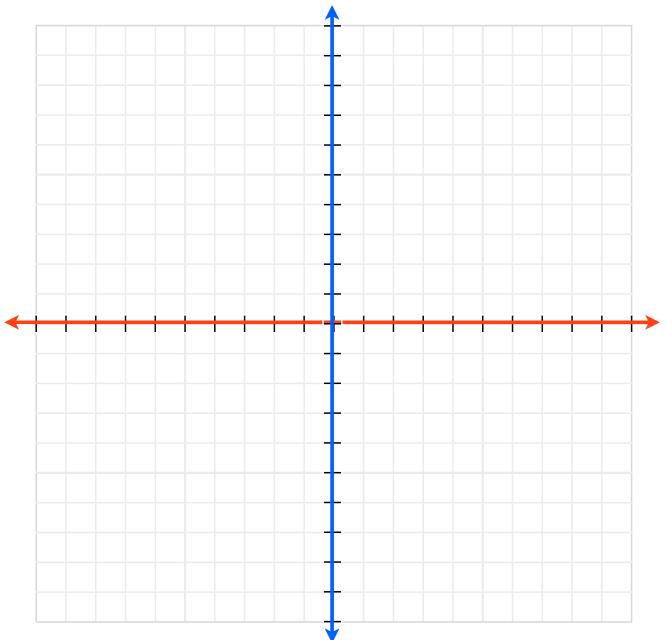


Graphing functions with reflections

Given the square root parent function

$$y = \sqrt{x}$$

Graph: $y = \sqrt{-x}$



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