

# TRANSFORMATIONS

## RIGID

leave the size & shape of a graph unchanged

Horizontal

$\rightarrow y = f(x-c)$   
translation to the right by  $c$  units

$\rightarrow y = f(x+c)$   
translation to the left by  $c$  units

Vertical

$\rightarrow y = f(x)+c$   
translation up by  $c$  units

$\rightarrow y = f(x)-c$   
translation down by  $c$  units

## Absolute Value

$f(|x|)$

- all  $x$  values become ( $+/-$ )
- keep the right side
- delete left side, reflect right side across  $y$ -axis

$|f(x)|$

- all  $y$  values become (+)
- keep the top & reflect the bottom across  $x$ -axis

## NON-RIGID

usually distort the shape of a graph

## REFLECTIONS

$\rightarrow y = -f(x)$

reflection across  $x$ -axis

$\rightarrow y = f(-x)$

reflection across  $y$ -axis

Horizontal stretches/shrinks  
 $y = f\left(\frac{x}{c}\right)$

$\rightarrow$  a stretch by a factor of  $c$  if  $c > 1$

$\rightarrow$  a shrink by a factor of  $c$  if  $c < 1$

Vertical stretches/shrinks

$y = c \cdot f(x)$

$\rightarrow$  a stretch by a factor of  $c$  if  $c > 1$

$\rightarrow$  a shrink by a factor of  $c$  if  $c < 1$