

Lesson 46 – Trigonometric Functions

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Lesson Objectives

- Make the connection between angles in standard position and sinusoidal functions
- Graph and analyze a periodic function
- Introduce transformations of periodic functions

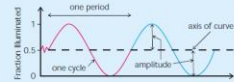
(A) Key Terms Related to Periodic Functions

- Define the following key terms that relate to trigonometric functions:
 - (a) period
 - (b) amplitude
 - (c) axis of the curve (or equilibrium axis)

(A) Key Terms

Key Ideas

- Repeating data forms a periodic function.
- A periodic function has a self-repeating graph.
- The cycle of a graph is the smallest complete repeating pattern of the graph.
- The length of one cycle is called the period.
- The horizontal line that is halfway between the maximum and minimum values of a periodic curve is called the axis of the curve.



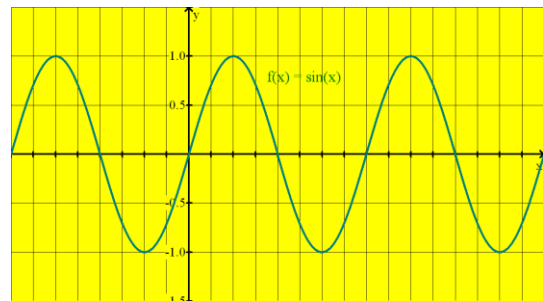
- The equation of the axis of the curve is
$$y = \frac{\text{maximum value} + \text{minimum value}}{2}$$

- The magnitude of the vertical distance from the axis of the curve to either the maximum or minimum value is called the amplitude of the function. The amplitude, a , is calculated as
$$a = \frac{\text{maximum value} - \text{minimum value}}{2}$$

(A) Graph of $f(x) = \sin(x)$

- We can use our knowledge of angles on Cartesian plane and our knowledge of the trig ratios of special angles to create a list of points to generate a graph of $f(x) = \sin(x)$
- See link at <http://www.univie.ac.at/future.media/moe/galerie/fun2/fun2.html#sincostan>

(A) Graph of $f(x) = \sin(x)$



(A) Features of $f(x) = \sin(x)$

- The graph is **periodic** (meaning that it repeats itself)
- **Domain:**
- **Range:**
- **Period:** length of one cycle, how long does the pattern take before it repeats itself →.
- **x-intercepts:**
- **Axis of the curve** or **equilibrium axis:** →
- **amplitude:** max height above equilibrium position - how high or low do you get →
- **y-intercept:**
- **max. points:**
- **min. points:**

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(A) Features of $f(x) = \sin(x)$

- The graph is **periodic** (meaning that it repeats itself)
- **Domain:** $x \in \mathbb{R}$
- **Range:** $[-1,1]$
- **Period:** length of one cycle, how long does the pattern take before it repeats itself → 360° or 2π rad.
- **x-intercepts:** every 180° , $x = 180^\circ n$ where $n \in \mathbb{I}$ or πn where $n \in \mathbb{I}$.
- **Axis of the curve** or **equilibrium axis:** x-axis
- **amplitude:** max height above equilibrium position - how high or low do you get => 1 unit
- **y-intercept:** $(0^\circ, 0)$
- **max. points:** $90^\circ + 360^\circ n$ (or $2\pi + 2\pi n$)
- **min. points:** $270^\circ + 360^\circ n$ or $-90^\circ + 360^\circ n$ or $-\pi/2 + 2\pi n$

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(A) Features of $f(x) = \sin(x)$

- Five point summary of $f(x) = \sin(x)$

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y=f(x)					

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(B) Graph of $f(x) = \cos(x)$

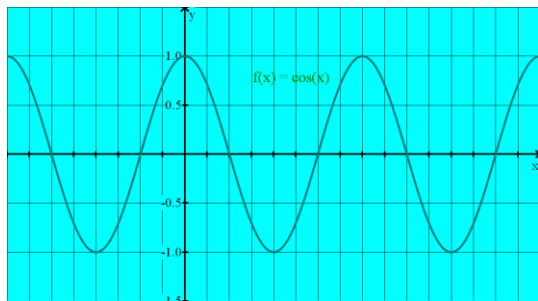
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(B) Graph of $f(x) = \cos(x)$



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(B) Features of $f(x) = \cos(x)$

- The graph is **periodic**
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- **y-intercept:**
- **max. points:**
- **min. points:**

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(B) Features of $f(x) = \cos(x)$

- The graph is **periodic**
- Domain:** $x \in \mathbb{R}$
- Range:** $[-1,1]$
- Period:** length of one cycle, how long does the pattern take before it repeats itself $\rightarrow 360^\circ$ or 2π rad.
- x-intercepts:** every 180° starting at 90° , $x = 90^\circ + 180^\circ n$ where $n \in \mathbb{I}$ (or $\pi/2 + \pi n$ where $n \in \mathbb{I}$)
- Axis of the curve** or **equilibrium axis:** $\rightarrow x$ -axis
- amplitude:** max height above equilibrium position - how high or low do you get $\Rightarrow 1$ unit
- y-intercept:** $(0^\circ, 1)$
- max. points:** $0^\circ + 360^\circ n$ ($2\pi n$)
- min. points:** $180^\circ + 360^\circ n$ or $-180^\circ + 360^\circ n$ (or $\pi + 2\pi n$)

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(B) Features of $f(x) = \cos(x)$

- Five point summary of $f(x) = \cos(x)$

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(C) Graph of $f(x) = \tan(x)$

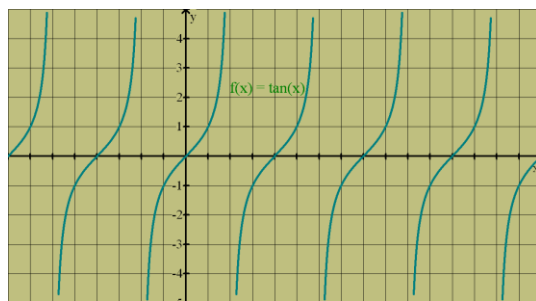
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(C) Graph of $f(x) = \tan(x)$



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(C) Features of $f(x) = \tan(x)$

- The graph is **periodic**
- Domain:**
- Asymptotes:**
- Range:**
- Period:** length of one cycle, how long does the pattern take before it repeats itself \rightarrow
- x-intercepts:**
- amplitude:** max height above equilibrium position - how high or low do you get \rightarrow
- y-intercept:**
- max. points:**
- min. points:**

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(C) Features of $f(x) = \tan(x)$

- The graph is **periodic**
- Domain:** $x \in \mathbb{R}$ where x cannot equal 90° , 270° , 450° , or basically $90^\circ + 180^\circ n$ where $n \in \mathbb{I}$
- Asymptotes:** every 180° starting at 90°
- Range:** $x \in \mathbb{R}$
- Period:** length of one cycle, how long does the pattern take before it repeats itself = 180° or π rad.
- x-intercepts:** $x = 0^\circ$, 180° , 360° , or basically $180^\circ n$ where $n \in \mathbb{I}$ or $x = \pi n$
- amplitude:** max height above equilibrium position - how high or low do you get \Rightarrow none as it stretches on infinitely
- y-intercept:** $(0^\circ, 0)$
- max. points:** none
- min. points:** none

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(C) Features of $f(x) = \tan(x)$

- Five point summary of $f(x) = \tan(x)$

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(D) Internet Links

- [Unit Circle and Trigonometric Functions \$\sin\(x\)\$, \$\cos\(x\)\$, \$\tan\(x\)\$ from AnalyzeMath](#)
- [Relating the unit circle with the graphs of \$\sin\$, \$\cos\$, \$\tan\$ from Maths Online](#)

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(E) Transformed Sinusoidal Curves

- Since we are dealing with general sinusoidal curves, the basic equation of all our curves should involve $f(x) = \sin(x)$ or $f(x) = \cos(x)$
- In our questions, though, we are considering TRANSFORMED sinusoidal functions however → HOW do we know that???
- So our general formula in each case should run something along the lines of $f(x) = a\sin(k(x+c)) + d$

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The General Sinusoidal Equation

- In the equation $f(x) = a\sin(k(x+c)) + d$, explain what:
 - a represents?
 - k represents?
 - c represents?
 - d represents?

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The General Sinusoidal Equation

- In the equation $f(x) = a\sin(k(x+c)) + d$, explain what:
 - a represents? → vertical stretch/compression → so changes in the **amplitude**
 - k represents? → horizontal stretch/compression → so changes in the **period**
 - c represents? → horizontal translations → so changes in the **starting point of a cycle** (phase shift)
 - d represents? → vertical translations → so changes in the **axis of the curve (equilibrium)**

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(D) Transforming $y = \sin(x)$

- Graph $y = \sin(x)$ as our reference curve
 - (i) Graph $y = \sin(x) + 2$ and $y = \sin(x) - 1$ and analyze → what features change and what don't?
 - (ii) Graph $y = 3\sin(x)$ and $y = \frac{1}{4}\sin(x)$ and analyze → what features change and what don't?
 - (iii) Graph $y = \sin(2x)$ and $y = \sin(\frac{1}{2}x)$ and analyze → what features change and what don't?
 - (iv) Graph $y = \sin(x+\pi/4)$ and $y = \sin(x-\pi/3)$ and analyze → what changes and what doesn't?
- We could repeat the same analysis with either $y = \cos(x)$ or $y = \tan(x)$

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(E) Combining Transformations

- We continue our investigation by graphing some other functions in which we have combined our transformations
- (i) Graph and analyze $y = 2 \cos(2x) - 3$ → identify transformations and state how the key features have changed
- (ii) Graph and analyze $y = \tan(\frac{1}{2}x + \pi/4)$ → identify transformations and state how the key features have changed

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(B) Writing Sinusoidal Equations

- ex 1. Given the equation $y = 2\sin3(x - 60^\circ) + 1$, determine the new amplitude, period, phase shift and equation of the axis of the curve.
- Amplitude is obviously 2
- Period is $2\pi/3$ or $360^\circ/3 = 120^\circ$
- The equation of the equilibrium axis is $y = 1$
- The phase shift is 60° to the right

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(B) Writing Sinusoidal Equations

- ex 2. Given a cosine curve with an amplitude of 2, a period of 180° , an equilibrium axis at $y = -3$ and a phase shift of 45° right, write its equation.
- So the equation is $y = 2 \cos[2(x - 45^\circ)] - 3$
- Recall that the k value is determined by the equation period = $2\pi/k$ or $k = 2\pi/\text{period}$
- If working in degrees, the equation is modified to period = $360^\circ/k$ or $k = 360^\circ/\text{period}$

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(B) Writing Sinusoidal Equations

- ex 3. Write an equation and then graph each curve from the info on the table below:

	A	Period	PS	Equil
Sin	7	3π	$\frac{1}{4}\pi$ right	-6
Cos	8	180°	None	+2
Sin	1	720°	180° right	+3
Cos	10	$\frac{1}{2}\pi$	π left	none

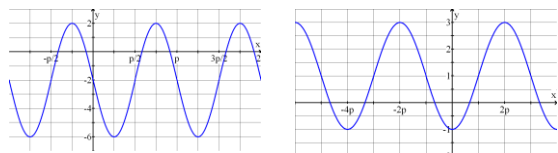
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(B) Writing Sinusoidal Equations

- ex 4. Given several curves, repeat the same exercise of equation writing → write both a sine and a cosine equation for each graph



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(E) Homework

- Nelson text,
- Section 5.2, p420, Q1-6eol, 11,12, 15-19
- Section 5.6, p455, Q1-10eol,11,13,18
- Nelson text, page 464, Q8,9,10,12,13-19

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