

5.4 THE GRAPH OF THE SINE AND COSINE FUNCTIONS

A single wave-length



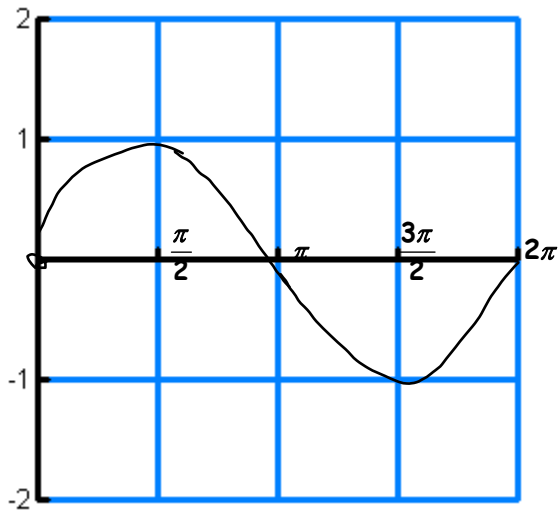
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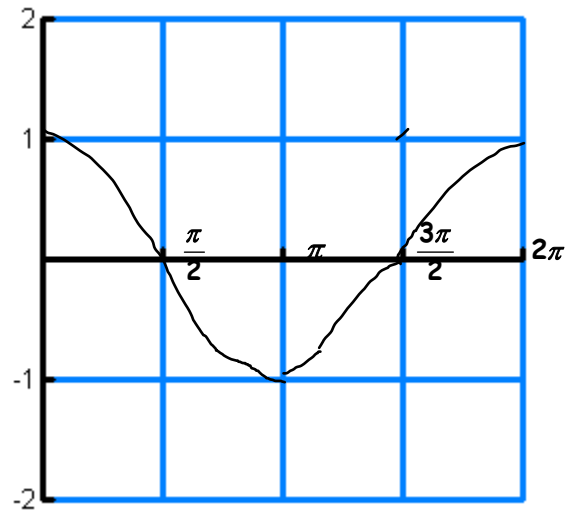
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graphs of sine and cosine over one period (one wave length)

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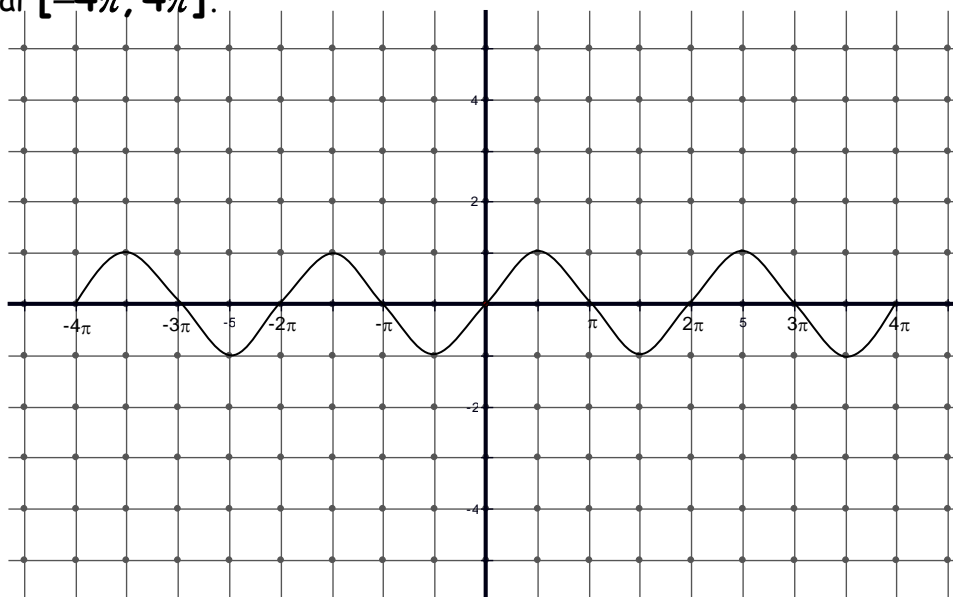
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The sine and cosine functions are **periodic** with a fundamental period of 360° or 2π . Their graphs are called **sine waves** or **sinusoids** because of their repeated pattern.

1) The Graph of $Y = \sin X$

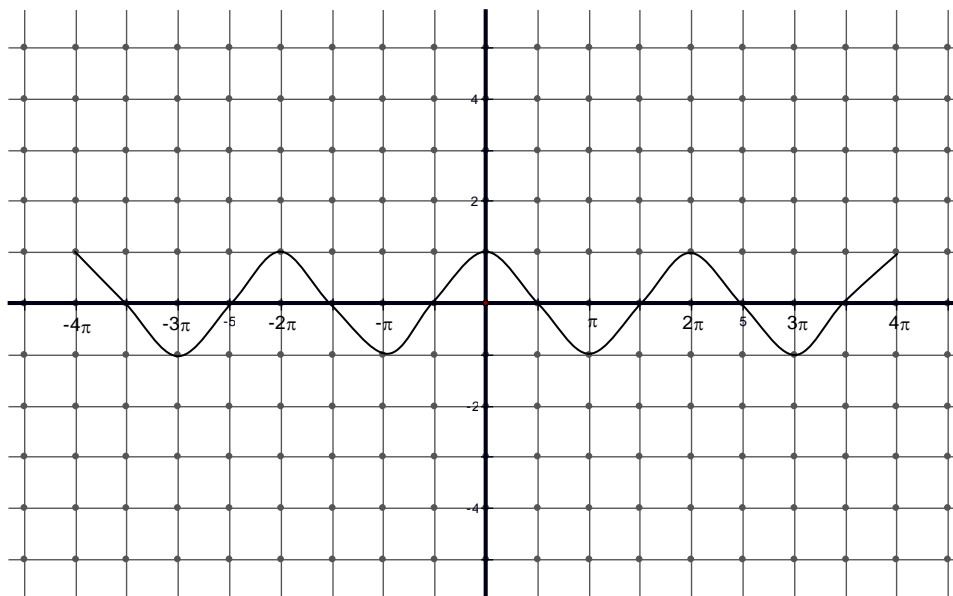
Using the grid below, let's sketch the graph of $y = \sin x$ in the interval $[-4\pi, 4\pi]$.



- a) **Domain:** All reals or $[-4\pi, 4\pi]$ b) **Range:** $-1, 1$
- c) **X-intercepts:** $0 + \pi k$, where k is an int. d) **Y-intercept:** $(0, 0)$
- e) The **maximum** value of 1 occurs at $X = \underline{\pi/2 + 2\pi k}$, where k is an int.
- f) The **minimum** value of -1 occurs at $X = \underline{3\pi/2 + 2\pi k}$, where k is an int.
- g) The sine function is ODD (**ODD/EVEN**) because **$\sin(-x) = -\sin(x)$** for every x in its domain; the graph is symmetric about the origin
- h) The **period** (one complete cycle) of the sine function is 2π
- i) The equation of the **midline** of the graph is $y=0$
- j) The **amplitude** (distance between the midline and the points of maximum or minimum values) is 1

2) The Graph of $Y = \cos x$

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Amplitude, Vertical Stretches and Shifts

The amplitude of a sinusoidal can be found by using the formula:

$$\text{Amplitude} = \frac{(\text{maximum}) - (\text{minimum})}{2}$$

3) Using your graphing calculator, graph the functions below. Find the amplitude, and the equation of the midline of the graph.

Equation	Amplitude	Equation of Midline
$y = 3 \sin x$	3	$Y=0$
$y = 5 \sin x + 2$	5	$Y=2$
$y = \frac{1}{2} \sin x - 3$	1/2	$Y=-3$

4) Write an equation to obtain the midline.

$$Y = (\text{maximum} + \text{minimum})/2$$

Generalizations on the graph of $y = A \sin x + B$ or $y = A \cos x + B$

5) Discuss the roles played by parameters A and B:

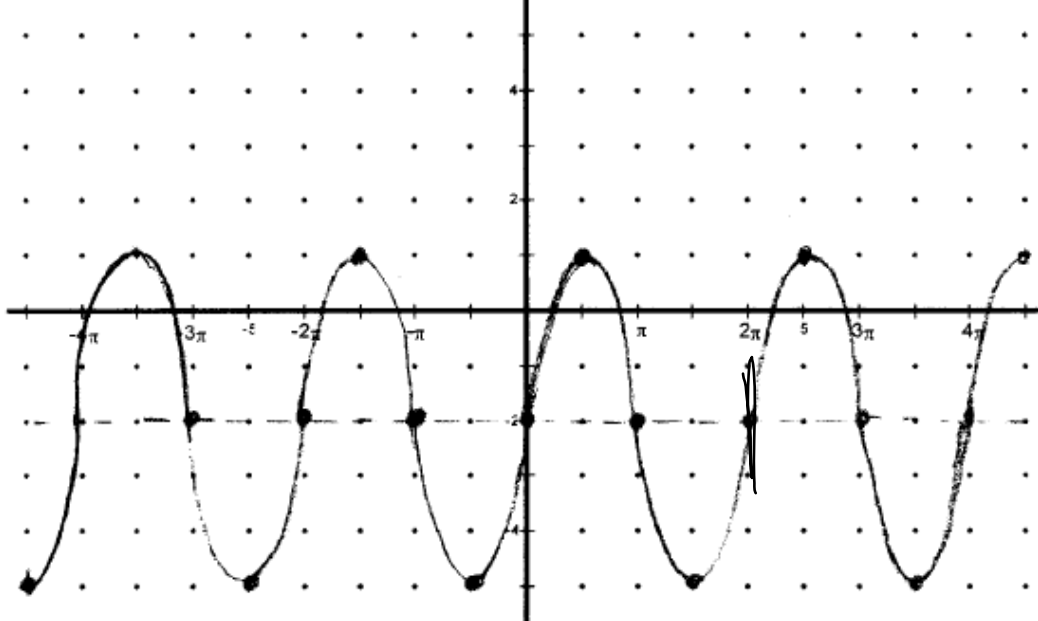
a) The role of A: _____ Sets amplitude _____

b) The role of B: _____ Vertical shift _____

c) Does B affect the amplitude of the sine wave? Explain.

_____ No, it is applied a simple addition after the sin is calculated _____

6) Find an equation for the following graph: $y = 3\sin(x) - 2$



Period of the Sine and Cosine Functions

Background: The period (one complete cycle) along the x-axis of the functions $y = \sin x$ or $y = \cos x$ is 2π radians or 360° degrees.

7) Does the amplitude of the sinusoidal function affect the period? Explain.
 _____ No, period is determined before sine is calculated. _____

8) Graph and compare the functions $y = \sin 2x$ and $y = \sin x$ on the same graph. Explain what happens to the period when x is multiplied by 2. (use the terms horizontal **stretch** or **compression**)

_____ The period is horizontally compressed by a factor of 2. _____
 _____ The period is cut in half. _____

9) Graph and compare the graphs of $y = \cos \frac{x}{2}$ and $y = \cos x$. Explain

What happens to the period when x is multiplied by $\frac{1}{2}$.

_____ The period doubles. _____

Now we are ready to draw some generalizations...

- 10) The period of a sinusoid of the type $y = \sin \omega x$ or $y = \cos \omega x$, for any real number ω is given by the formula:

$$\text{Period } T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$$

- 11) Furthermore, the following effects are observed when $\omega > 1$ and when $0 < \omega < 1$:

$\omega > 1$ ___ It is horizontally compressed _____

$|\omega| < 1$ ___ It is horizontally stretched _____

12) Let $f(x) = 2\sin(3x) - 4$.

- a) The amplitude is 2.
- b) The equation of the midline is $y = -4$.
- c) The period is $2\pi/3$.
- d) The Domain is All reals and the range $[-6, -2]$.