

GRADE 11

Trigonometry

WEBSITE NOTES

TOPIC: Trig functions and revision grade 10 trigonometry

- Basic graphs defined by $y = a \sin x$, $y = a \cos x$ and $y = \tan x$ for $\theta \in [-360^\circ; 360^\circ]$
- Investigate the effect of k and p on the graphs of the functions defined by:
 $y = \sin(kx)$, $y = \cos(kx)$, $y = \tan(kx)$
- $y = \sin(x + p)$, $y = \cos(x + p)$, $y = \tan(x + p)$

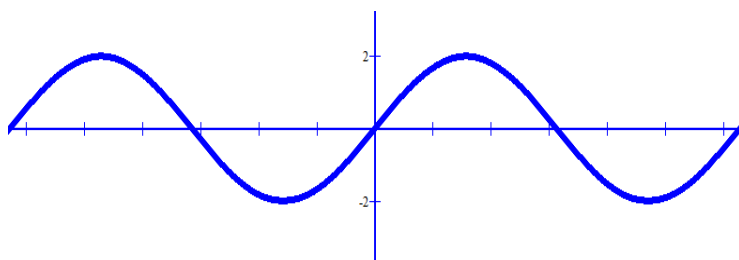
Three basic Trig Functions are

1. $y = a \sin x$
2. $y = a \cos x$
3. $y = \tan x$

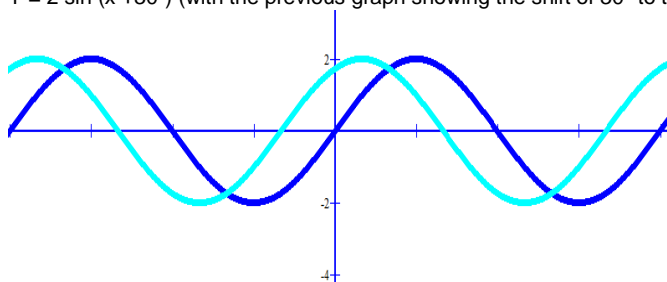
WHERE a REPRESENTS THE AMPLITUDE OF THE GRAPH OF SIN AND COS

Example 1

a. $Y = 2 \sin x$



b. $Y = 2 \sin(x + 30^\circ)$ (with the previous graph showing the shift of 30° to the left.)



- Amplitude = 2
- Range $[-2; 2]$ – y-values
- Domain $[-360^\circ; 360^\circ]$
- Period

for sin and cos

(how many degrees it takes

to complete a complete graph) $\frac{360^\circ}{\text{value in front of } x}$

IN THIS CASE THERE IS 1 BEFORE x BECAUSE THERE IS NO NUMBER SHOWN

$$\frac{360^\circ}{1} = 360^\circ$$

Exercise 2

Consider the following Trig Functions and work out the period of each:

1. $Y = \sin 2x$
2. $Y = 2 \cos 3x$
3. $Y = 3 \cos 2x$
4. $Y = 2 \tan 2x$

- Period **for sin and cos**

$$\frac{360^\circ}{\text{value in front of } x}$$

for tan

$$\frac{180^\circ}{\text{value in front of } x}$$

CHANGES IN GRAPHS (WILL APPLY TO ANY GRAPH FUNCTION)

If $f(x) = \sin x$

Function change	Shift	Example
$f(x) + c$	Shift the graph of $f(x)$ up c units	$F(x) = \sin x + c$
$f(x) - c$	Shift the graph of $f(x)$ down c units	$F(x) = \sin x - c$
$f(x + c)$	Shift the graph of $f(x)$ left c units	$F(x) = \sin (x + c)$
$f(x - c)$	Shift the graph of $f(x)$ right c units	$F(x) = \sin (x - c)$
$-f(x)$	Reflect the graph of $f(x)$ about the x -axis	$F(x) = -\sin x$
$f(-x)$	Reflect the graph of $f(x)$ about the y -axis	$F(x) = \sin (-x)$
$f(c.x)$	Compress the graph of $f(x)$ horizontally by a factor of c . For Trig graphs it will decrease the period.	$F(x) = \sin (c.x)$
$c.f(x)$	Stretch the graph of $f(x)$ vertically by a factor of c . For Trig graphs it will increase the amplitude.	$F(x) = c. \sin x$

Example 3

Given $y = \cos x$, complete the following table:

Function change	Shift
$f(x) + 3$	
$f(x) - 2$	
$f(x + 30^\circ)$	
$f(x - 45^\circ)$	
$-f(x)$	
$f(-x)$	
$f(2.x)$	
$3.f(x)$	