

Pre-Calculus 12

5.2 Transformations of Sinusoidal Functions

The principles of transformations from Chapter 1 can be applied to the trigonometric functions.

Equation	What it was called	Sin/Cos equivalent	What it does...
$y = af(x)$	Vertical Stretch	$y = a\sin x$ $y = a\cos x$	change of amplitude
$y = f(bx)$	Horizontal Stretch	$y = \sin(bx)$ $y = \cos(bx)$	change of period
$y = f(x) + k$	Vertical Translation	$y = \sin x + k$ $y = \cos x + k$	vertical displacement
$y = f(x + h)$	Horizontal Translation	$y = \sin(x + h)$ $y = \cos(x + h)$	phase shift

Any sine or cosine function can be expressed in the form

$$y = a\sin b(x-h) + k \quad \text{or} \quad y - k = a\cos(b(x-h))$$

Amplitude = $|a|$

Period = $\frac{2\pi}{b}$ or $\frac{360^\circ}{b}$

Phase Shift = h $(x - \pi/2)$ right $\pi/2$ $(x + \pi/4)$ left $\pi/4$

Vertical Displacement (new center line) = k
(sinusoidal axis)

Ex. #1: A sine function is given by the equation $y = 3 \sin 2(x - \frac{\pi}{4}) + 2$. Determine the following.

(a) Amplitude = $|3| = 3$

(b) Period = $\frac{2\pi}{2} = \pi$

(c) Phase shift $\frac{\pi}{4}$ right

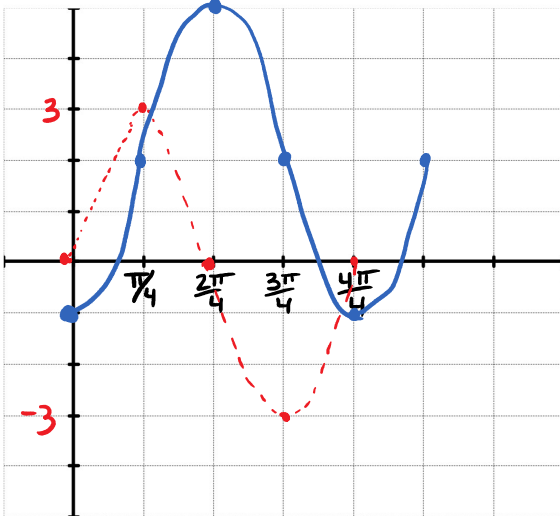
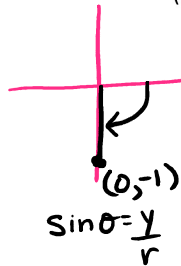
(d) Vertical displacement 2 up

(e) Domain $\{x | x \in \mathbb{R}\}$

(f) Range
 Max = $1(3) + 2$ Min = $-1(3) + 2$
 Max = 5 Min = -1
 $\{y | -1 \leq y \leq 5, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$

(g) y-intercept $x = 0$

$y = 3 \sin 2(0 - \frac{\pi}{4}) + 2$
 $y = 3 \sin(-\frac{\pi}{2}) + 2$
 $y = 3(-1) + 2$
 $y = -3 + 2$
 $y = -1$



old	
0	0
$\frac{\pi}{2}$	1
π	0
$\frac{3\pi}{2}$	-1
2π	0

$a = 3$
 Mult y's by 3
 $b = 2$
 divide x's by 2

graph these points

0	0
$\frac{\pi}{4}$	3
$\frac{2\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{2}$	0
$\frac{3\pi}{4}$	-3
$\frac{4\pi}{4} = \pi$	0

phase shift $\frac{\pi}{4}$
 Common denominator for phase shift and new x-values

Translate right $\frac{\pi}{4}$ (1 box)
 up 2 (2 boxes)

Ex. #2: A cosine function is given by the equation $y = -2 \cos \frac{2}{3} (x - \frac{\pi}{4}) + 1$. Determine the following.

(a) Amplitude = $|-2| = 2$

(b) Period = $\frac{2\pi}{2/3} = 2\pi \cdot \frac{3}{2} = 3\pi$

(c) Phase shift $\frac{\pi}{4}$ right

(d) Vertical displacement
up 1

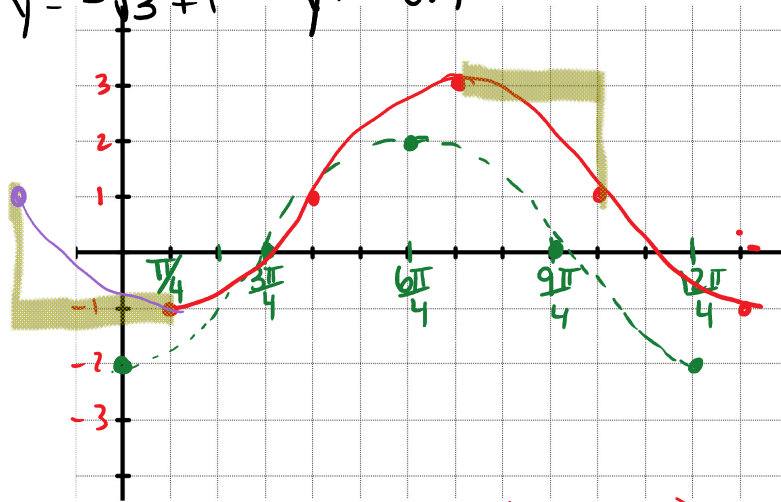
(e) Domain $\{x | x \in \mathbb{R}\}$

(f) Range
Max = $1(2) + 1$
Max = 3

Min = $-1(2) + 1$
Min = -1
 $\{y | -1 \leq y \leq 3, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$

(g) y-intercept $x = 0$

$y = -2 \cos \frac{2}{3} (0 - \frac{\pi}{4}) + 1$
 $y = -2 \cos (-\frac{\pi}{6}) + 1$
 $y = -2 (\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}) + 1$
 $y = -\sqrt{3} + 1 \quad y \approx -0.7$



Phase shift $\rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}$ (1 box)
 Vertical displacement $\uparrow 1$ (1 box)

old

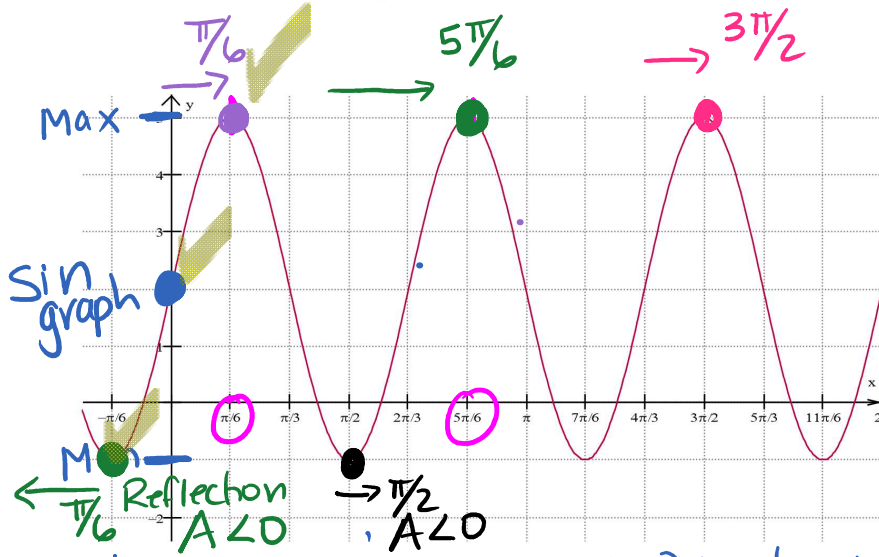
0	1
$\frac{\pi}{2}$	0
π	-1
$\frac{3\pi}{2}$	0
2π	1

$a = -2$
Mult y 's

$b = \frac{2}{3}$ Divide x 's by $\frac{2}{3}$

0	-2
$\frac{3\pi}{4}$	0
$\frac{6\pi}{4} = \frac{3\pi}{2}$	2
$\frac{9\pi}{4}$	0
$\frac{12\pi}{4} = 3\pi$	-2

Ex. #3: The partial graph of a cosine function is shown. Determine the equation of the function in the form $y = A \cos B(x + C) + D$



Amplitude

$$\text{Amp} = \frac{|\text{Max} - \text{Min}|}{2}$$

$$\text{Amp} = \frac{|5 - (-1)|}{2}$$

$$\text{Amp} = \frac{6}{2} = 3$$

$$A = 3$$

phase shift

$$\rightarrow \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$y = 3 \cos 3(x - \frac{\pi}{6}) + 2$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

$$y = 3 \cos 3(x - \frac{5\pi}{6}) + 2$$

$$\leftarrow \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$y = -3 \cos 3(x + \frac{\pi}{6}) + 2$$

Vertical Displacement

$$VD = \text{Max} - \text{Amp}$$

$$VD = 5 - 3$$

$$VD = 2$$

$$D = 2$$

$$\text{or } VD = \text{Min} + \text{Amp}$$

$$VD = -1 + 3$$

$$VD = 2$$

Period = Subtract 2 x-value (peaks)

$$\text{period} = \frac{5\pi}{6} - \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\text{period} = \frac{4\pi}{6} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$\text{period} = \frac{2\pi}{B}$$

$$\frac{2\pi}{3} = \frac{2\pi}{B}$$

$$3 = B$$