

# Unit 6 – Sinusoidal Functions

## 6.5 – Sketching Sinusoidal Functions

Sine and cosine

parent f<sub>r</sub>  
 $f(\theta) = \sin(\theta)$   
 $f(\theta) = \cos(\theta)$

**Learning Goal:** We are learning to sketch the graphs of sinusoidal functions using transformations.

By this point in your illustrious High School careers, you have a solid understanding of Transformations of Functions in general. In terms of the sinusoidal functions Sine and Cosine in particular, the concepts are as you expect, but the transformations have specific meanings relating to nature of the sinusoidal “wave”.

### General Form of the Sine and Cosine Functions

$$f(\theta) = a \sin(k(\theta - d)) + c$$

$$g(\theta) = a \cos(k(\theta - d)) + c$$

Transformation	Properties
$a =$ amplitude (If $a < 0$ (negative) then we also have a vertical flip.)	$a = \frac{\max - \min}{2}$ ↳ If we sketch and we can see “max” & “min” values
$k =$ Period factor (If $k < 0$ then we also have a horizontal flip)	Period = $\frac{360}{k}$ $\Rightarrow k = \frac{360}{P}$
$d =$ Phase shift	Note: To determine $d$ you <b>MUST</b> factor “ $k$ ” away from “ $\theta$ & $d$ ” eg $f(\theta) = -2 \cos(3\theta - 240) + 1$ $d \neq 240!$ STANDARD FORM $f(\theta) = -2 \cos(3(\theta - 80)) + 1$ $d = 80!$
$c =$ central axis	$c = \frac{\max + \min}{2}$ ↳ If we have a sketch where we can “see” max & min value

vertical stretch

horizontal stretch

horizontal shift

vertical shift

$$f(\theta) = a \sin_{\cos} (k(\theta - d)) + c$$

### Example 6.5.1

Determine the amplitude, period, phase shift and the equation of the central axis for:

a)  $f(\theta) = 2 \sin(\theta + 60^\circ) + 1$  ←  $k=1$

Amplitude = 2

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

Central axis:  $y=1$

phase shift:  $60^\circ$  left

b)  $g(\theta) = 3 \cos(2\theta - 90^\circ)$  ↙ not in standard form  $k=2$

std. form:  $g(\theta) = 3 \cos(2(\theta - 45^\circ)) + 0$

amplitude:  $a=3$

$P = \frac{360}{k} = \frac{360}{2} = 180^\circ$

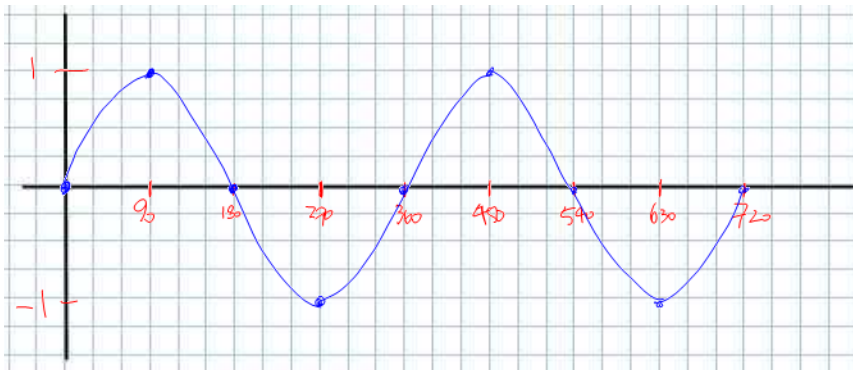
central axis:  $y=0$

phase shift:  $45^\circ$  right

### The Graphs of Sin and Cos

Using the special angles of  $0^\circ, 90^\circ, 180^\circ, 270^\circ,$  and  $360^\circ$ , graph the following functions: — axis angles

$$f(\theta) = \sin(\theta) \quad 0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 720^\circ$$



Patterns for sine/cosine.

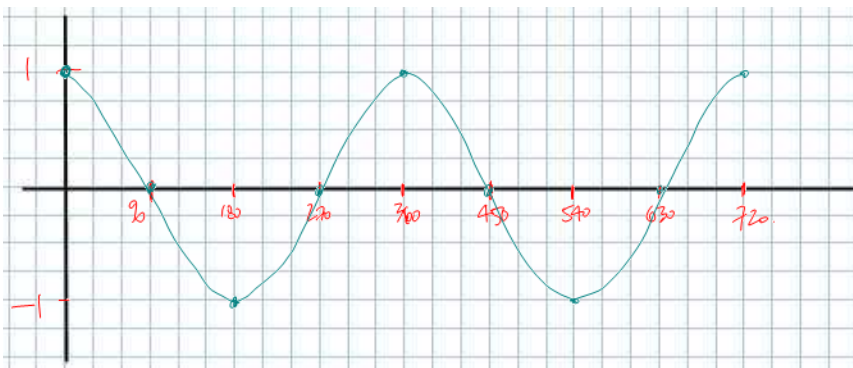
Sine:

"CA - max - CA - min - CA..."

If "a" is negative.

"CA - min - CA - max - CA..."

$$g(\theta) = \cos(\theta) \quad 0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 720^\circ$$



Cosine

"max - CA - min - CA - max..."

If "a" is negative, then the pattern is

"min - CA - max - CA - min..."

**Example 6.5.2**

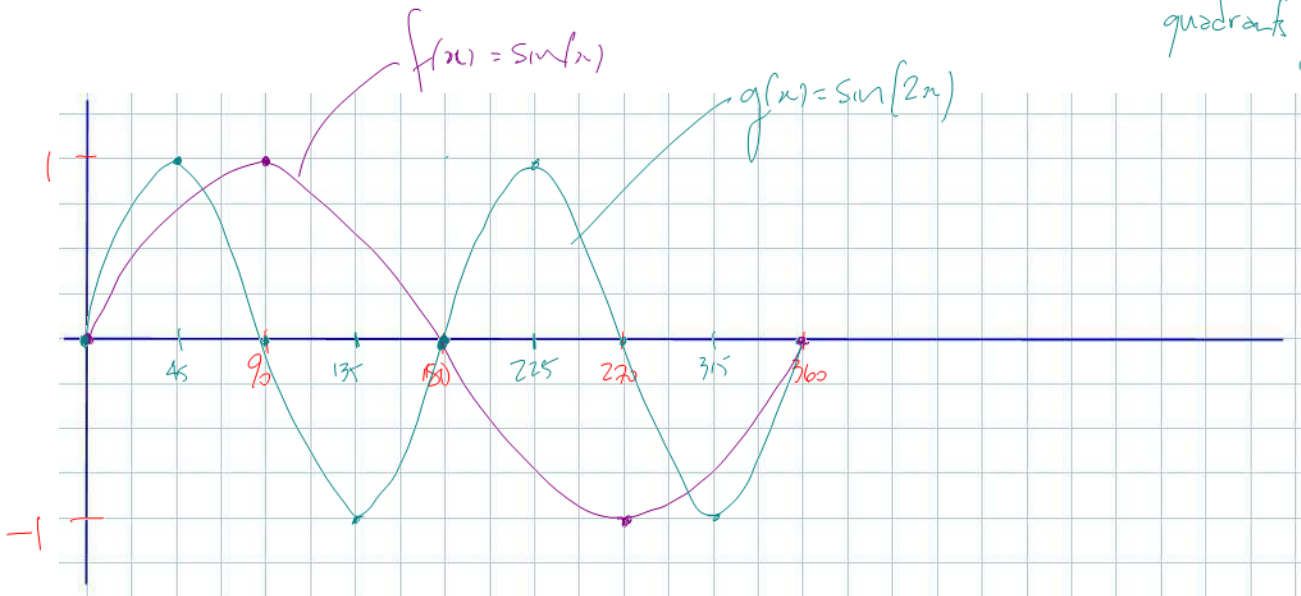
Sketch  $f(x) = \sin(x)$  and  $g(x) = \sin(2x)$  for  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  on the same set of axes.

Analysis on  $g(x)$ . - 1 transformation  
 "k=2"

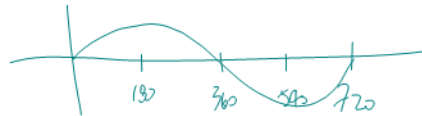
$$P = \frac{360}{k} = \frac{360}{2} = 180^\circ$$

"division of period into quadrants"

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta Q &= \frac{P}{4} \\ &= \frac{180}{4} \\ &= 45^\circ \end{aligned}$$



Now... what would  $\sin\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right)$  look like?



**Notes about Domain and Range:** Consider the function  $f(x) = -2\cos(3x + 90^\circ) + 3$ . Determine

all the transformations for this function. Without graphing, determine the range of the function.

Determine the domain of the function for: 1 cycle; 2 cycles; 3 cycles. *standard form*  $f(x) = -2\cos(3(x+30)) + 3$

amplitude	2 with flip	period: $\frac{360}{k} = \frac{360}{3} = 120^\circ$
central axis	$y = 3$	phase shift $30^\circ$ left.

Range: (picture)

max:  $CA + \text{amp}$   
 min:  $CA - \text{amp}$

$$R = \{f(x) \in \mathbb{R} \mid 1 \leq f(x) \leq 5\}$$

Domain:

- 1 cycle:  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 \leq x \leq 120\}$
- 2 cycles:  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 \leq x \leq 240\}$
- 3 cycles:  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 \leq x \leq 360\}$

**Example 6.5.3**

Sketch  $f(\theta) = 2 \cos(\theta - 60^\circ) + 1$  on  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ . State transformations, create tables, and state domain and range of the function.

*start at min*  $k=1 \therefore$  standard form already

amp:  $2$   $\omega = 1$   
 slip

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

c.A.  $y = -1$  phase shift  $60^\circ$  right

Will see 2 techniques

- ① "Old school" transformed Tables of Values
- ② Counting  $\omega$  &  $d\theta$ .

Parent:  $g(\theta) = \cos(\theta)$

Transformed

$\theta_T = \theta_p + 60$	$f = -2g + 1$
60	-1
150	1
240	3
330	1
420	-1

$$d\theta = \frac{P}{4}$$

$$= \frac{360}{4}$$

$$= 90$$

Phase Shift  
 $60^\circ$  right

scale:  $gcf\{d\theta, P.S.\}$

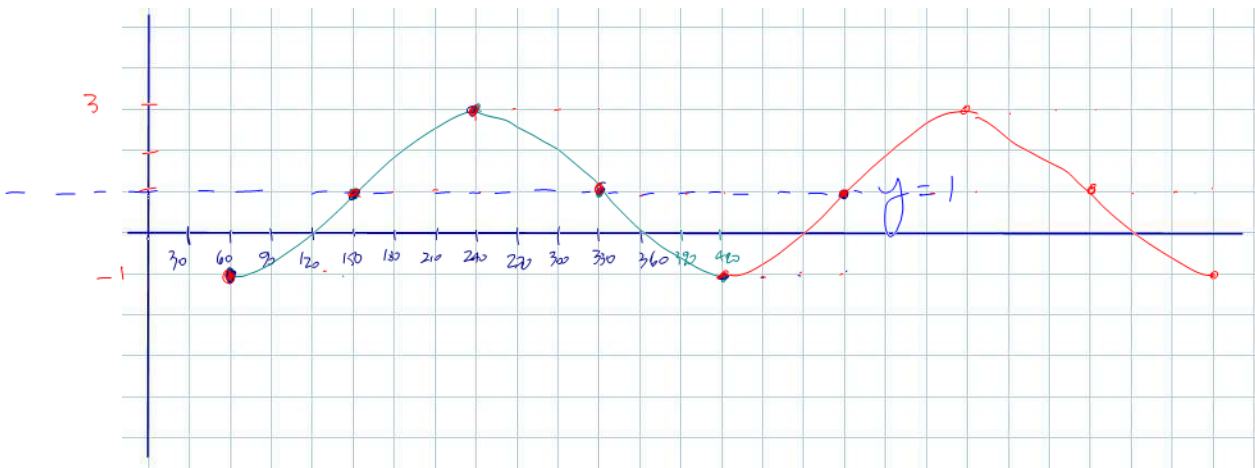
$$= gcf\{90, 60\}$$

$$= 30$$

$\Rightarrow$  Phase Shift 2 boxes

$\Rightarrow d\theta \Rightarrow 3$  boxes

$\theta_r$	$g$
$0^\circ$	1
$90^\circ$	0
$180^\circ$	-1
$270^\circ$	0
$360^\circ$	1



CA - max - CA - min - (CA - max) - - -  
 factor k 'out'

**Example 6.5.4**

Sketch  $f(\theta) = 3\sin(2\theta - 90) - 1$ . State transformations, create tables, and state domain and range of the function.

standard form  $f(\theta) = 3\sin(2(\theta - 45)) - 1$  k=2

amplitude = 3

$P = \frac{360}{k} = \frac{360}{2} = 180^\circ$

CA:  $y = -1$

ToV.

parent:  $g(\theta) = \sin\theta$

Phase shift:  $45^\circ$  right

transformed  $f(\theta)$

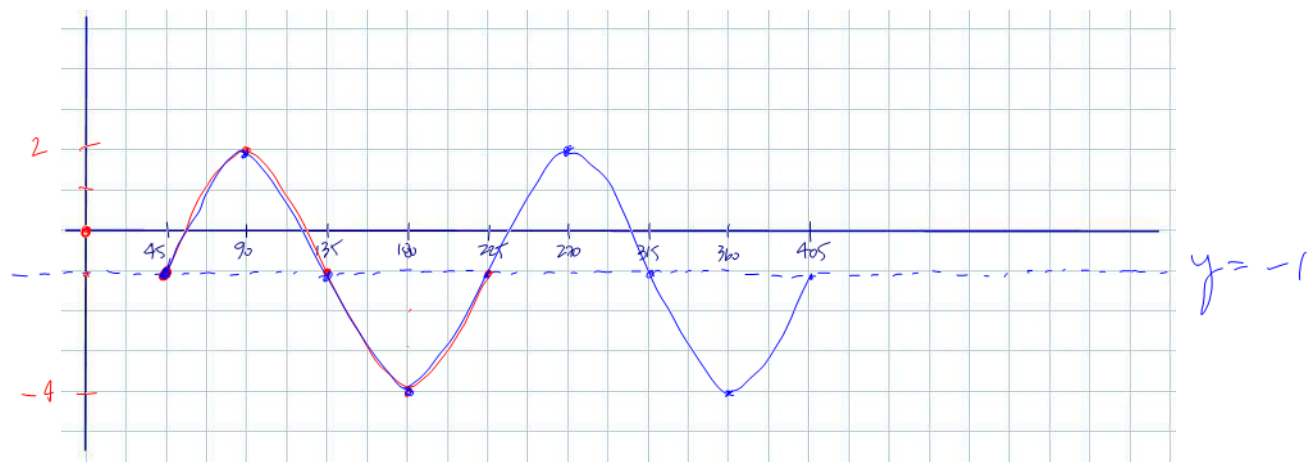
$\theta_T = \frac{1}{2}\theta_P + 45$	$f = 3g - 1$
45	-1
90	2
135	-1
180	-4
225	-1

Counting technique

$P = 180$   
 $\Rightarrow \Delta\theta = \frac{P}{4} = \frac{180}{4} = 45^\circ$   
 Phase shift  $45^\circ$  right

scale:  $gc f \{ \Delta\theta, P.S. \}$   
 $= gc f \{ 45, 45 \}$   
 $= 45$

$\theta_P$	$g$
0	0
90	1
180	0
270	-1
360	0



**Success Criteria**

- I can sketch the graph of a sinusoidal function by applying the transformations to the parent function.