# **Circular functions**

## Exact values



sin and cos graphs

$$f(x) = a\sin(bx - c) + d$$
$$f(x) = a\cos(bx - c) + d$$

where

- *a* is the *y*-dilation (amplitude)
- *b* is the *x*-dilation (period)
- c is the x-shift (phase)
- *d* is the *y*-shift (equilibrium position)

Domain is  $\mathbb R$ 

Range is [-b+c, b+c];

Graph of cos(x) starts at (0, 1). Graph of sin(x) starts at (0, 0).

**Mean / equilibrium:** line that the graph oscillates around (y = d)

#### Amplitude

Graph oscillates between +a and -a in y-axis

 $a=0\ {\rm produces}\ {\rm straight}$  line

a < 0 inverts the phase (sin becomes cos, vice vera)

#### Period

Period T is  $\frac{2\pi}{b}$ 

b = 0 produces straight line

b<0 inverts the phase

#### Phase

c moves the graph left-right in the x axis.

If  $c = T = \frac{2\pi}{b}$ , the graph has no actual phase shift.

## Symmetry

$$\sin(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}) = \sin\theta$$
$$\sin(\theta + \pi) = -\sin\theta$$

$$\cos(\theta + \frac{1}{2}) = -\cos\theta$$
$$\cos(\theta + \pi) = -\cos(\theta + \frac{3\pi}{2}) = \cos(-\theta)$$

# Pythagorean identity

 $\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta = 1$ 

## **Complementary relationships**

$$\sin(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta) = \cos\theta$$
$$\cos(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta) = \sin\theta$$

$$\sin \theta = -\cos(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2})$$
$$\cos \theta = \sin(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2})$$

tan graph

$$y = a \tan(nx)$$

where

- *a* is *x*-dilation (period)
- $n \text{ is } y\text{-dilation} (\equiv \text{amplitude})$
- period T is  $\frac{\pi}{n}$
- range is R
- roots at  $x = \frac{k\pi}{n}$
- asymptotes at  $x = \frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2n}, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}$

Asymptotes should always have equations and arrow pointing up

# Solving trig equations

- 1. Solve domain for  $n\theta$
- 2. Find solutions for  $n\theta$
- 3. Divide solutions by n

$$\sin 2\theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \quad \theta \in [0, 2\pi] \quad (\therefore 2\theta \in [0, 4\pi])$$
$$2\theta = \sin^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$
$$2\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{7\pi}{3}, \frac{8\pi}{3}$$
$$\therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{7\pi}{6}, \frac{4\pi}{3}$$