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# TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS AND THEIR GRAPHS

## Domains and Ranges of Sine and Cosine Functions

Let us consider a unit circle with centre at origin  $O$ .

Let  $P(x, y)$  be any point on the circle such that  $\angle XOP = \theta$  is in standard position. Then

$$\sin \theta = \frac{y}{1} \Rightarrow \sin \theta = y$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{x}{1} \Rightarrow \cos \theta = x$$

$\Rightarrow$  Corresponding to any real number

$\theta$ , there is one and only one

value of  $x$  and  $y$  i.e., one and only one value for each  $\sin \theta$  and  $\cos \theta$ .

Hence  $\sin \theta$  and  $\cos \theta$  are functions of  $\theta$ .

$\therefore \sin \theta$  and  $\cos \theta$  are defined for all  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ , the set of real numbers.

$\therefore$  Domain of  $\sin \theta = \mathbb{R}$

Domain of  $\cos \theta = \mathbb{R}$

To find the range, we have

Since  $P(x, y)$  is a point on the unit circle with centre at  $O$ .

$$\therefore -1 \leq x \leq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad -1 \leq y \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 \leq \cos \theta \leq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad -1 \leq \sin \theta \leq 1$$

## Domains and Ranges of Tangent and Cotangent Functions.

From figure ;  $\tan \theta = \frac{y}{x}$ ,  $x \neq 0$

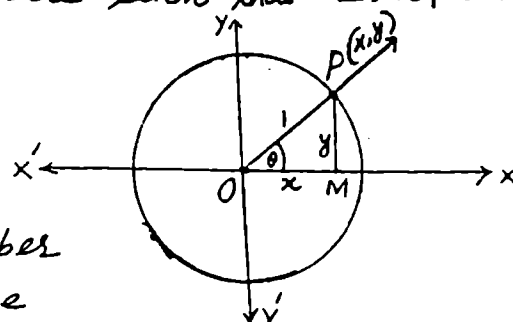
$\Rightarrow$  terminal side  $\overrightarrow{OP}$  should not coincide with  $OY$  or  $OY'$  (i.e.,  $Y$ -axis)

$$\Rightarrow \theta \neq \pm \frac{\pi}{2}, \pm \frac{3\pi}{2}, \pm \frac{5\pi}{2}, \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta \neq (2n+1) \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$\therefore$  Domain of  $\tan \theta$  is  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  but  $\theta \neq (2n+1) \frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

and range of  $\tan \theta = \mathbb{R}$



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Now  $\cot \theta = \frac{1}{\tan \theta} = \frac{x}{y}$ ,  $y \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow$  terminal side  $\vec{OP}$  should not coincide with  $OX$  or  $OX'$  (i.e.,  $X$ -axis).

$\Rightarrow \theta \neq 0, \pm\pi, \pm2\pi, \dots$

$\Rightarrow \theta \neq n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$\therefore$  Domain of  $\cot \theta$  is  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  but  $\theta \neq n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

and range of  $\cot \theta$  is  $\mathbb{R}$

## Domains and Ranges of Secant and Cosecant Functions.

From fig.  $\sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} = \frac{1}{x}$ ,  $x \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow$  terminal side  $\vec{OP}$  should not coincide with  $OY$  or  $OY'$  (i.e.,  $Y$ -axis)

$\Rightarrow \theta \neq \pm\frac{\pi}{2}, \pm\frac{3\pi}{2}, \pm\frac{5\pi}{2}, \dots$

$\Rightarrow \theta \neq (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$\therefore$  Domain of  $\sec \theta$  is  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  but  $\theta \neq (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

As  $\sec \theta$  attains all real values except those between  $-1$  and  $1$ .

$\therefore$  Range of  $\sec \theta = \mathbb{R} - \{x / -1 < x < 1\}$

Now  $\operatorname{cosec} \theta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = \frac{1}{y}$ ,  $y \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow$  terminal side  $\vec{OP}$  should not coincide with  $OX$  or  $OX'$  (i.e.,  $X$ -axis)

$\Rightarrow \theta \neq 0, \pm\pi, \pm2\pi, \dots$

$\Rightarrow \theta \neq n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$\therefore$  Domain of  $\operatorname{cosec} \theta$  is  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  but  $\theta \neq n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$

As  $\operatorname{cosec} \theta$  attains all real values except those between  $-1$  and  $1$ .

$\therefore$  Range of  $\operatorname{cosec} \theta = \mathbb{R} - \{x / -1 < x < 1\}$

Now summarizing the above results in the form of a table as:

Function	Domain	Range
$y = \sin x$	$\mathbb{R}$	$-1 \leq y \leq 1$
$y = \cos x$	$\mathbb{R}$	$-1 \leq y \leq 1$
$y = \tan x$	$x \in \mathbb{R}$ but $x \neq (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{R}$
$y = \cot x$	$x \in \mathbb{R}$ but $x \neq n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{R}$
$y = \sec x$	$x \in \mathbb{R}$ but $x \neq (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{R} - \{x \mid -1 < x < 1\}$
$y = \csc x$	$x \in \mathbb{R}$ but $x \neq n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{R} - \{x \mid -1 < x < 1\}$

## Periodic Function

A function  $f$  is said to be periodic if for every  $x$  belonging to its domain  $D$ , there exists a positive number  $p$  such that  $x+p \in D$  and

$$f(x+p) = f(x).$$

If  $p$  is the least positive number satisfying these conditions, then it is called the period of  $f$ .

## Periodicity: All the

six trigonometric functions repeat their values for each increase or decrease of  $2\pi$  in  $\theta$ . This behaviour of trigonometric functions is called periodicity.

## Theorem

Sine is a periodic function and its period is  $2\pi$ .

Proof: Let  $p$  be the period of sine. Then

$$\sin(\theta+p) = \sin \theta, \forall \theta \in \mathbb{R}$$

Putting  $\theta=0$  in ①, we get

$$\sin(0+p) = \sin 0 \Rightarrow \sin p = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \sin^{-1}(0)$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 0, \pi, 2\pi, \dots$$

i) If  $p = \pi$ , then from ①

$$\sin(\theta + \pi) = \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow -\sin \theta = \sin \theta \text{ (not true)}$$

$$\because \sin(\theta + \pi) = -\sin \theta$$

$\therefore \pi$  is not the period of  $\sin \theta$

ii) If  $p = 2\pi$ , then from ①

$$\sin(\theta + 2\pi) = \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \sin \theta \text{ (true)} \quad \because \sin(\theta + 2\pi) = \sin \theta$$

$\therefore 2\pi$  is the period of  $\sin \theta$

Theorem: Tangent is a periodic function and its period is  $\pi$ .

Proof: Let  $p$  be the period of  $\tan$ . Then

$$\tan(\theta+p) = \tan \theta, \forall \theta \in \mathbb{R}$$

Putting  $\theta=0$  in ①, we get

$$\tan(0+p) = \tan 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan p = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 0, \pi, 2\pi, 3\pi, \dots$$

$p=0$  can't be the period of  $\tan \theta$   $\therefore p=0$  is not positive.

At  $p=\pi$ , then from ①

$$\tan(\theta+\pi) = \tan \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = \tan \theta \text{ (true)}$$

$\therefore \pi$  is the period of  $\tan \theta$

$\therefore$  it is the least +ve number for which  $\tan(\theta+\pi) = \tan \theta$ .

Similarly we can prove that

i)  $2\pi$  is the period of  $\cos \theta$

ii)  $2\pi$  is the period of  $\operatorname{cosec} \theta$

iii)  $2\pi$  is the period of  $\sec \theta$

iv)  $\pi$  is the period of  $\cot \theta$ .

### \* EXERCISE 11.1 \*

Find the periods of the following functions.

1)  $\sin 3x = \sin(3x+2\pi)$

$$= \sin 3\left(x + \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$$

$$\therefore \text{period of } \sin 3x = \frac{2\pi}{3} \text{ Ans.}$$

2)  $\cos 2x = \cos(2x+2\pi)$

$$= \cos 2\left(x + \pi\right)$$

$$\therefore \text{period of } \cos 2x = \pi \text{ Ans.}$$

3)  $\tan 4x = \tan(4x+\pi)$

$$= \tan 4\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$\therefore \text{period of } \tan 4x = \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ Ans.}$$

④  $\cot \frac{x}{2} = \cot\left(\frac{x}{2} + \pi\right)$   
 $= \cot \frac{1}{2}(x+2\pi)$

$$\therefore \text{period of } \cot \frac{x}{2} = 2\pi \text{ Ans.}$$

⑤  $\sin \frac{x}{3} = \sin\left(\frac{x}{3} + 2\pi\right)$

$$= \sin \frac{1}{3}(x+6\pi)$$

$$\therefore \text{period of } \sin \frac{x}{3} = 6\pi \text{ Ans.}$$

⑥  $\operatorname{cosec} \frac{x}{4} = \operatorname{cosec}\left(\frac{x}{4} + 2\pi\right)$

$$= \operatorname{cosec} \frac{1}{4}(x+8\pi)$$

$$\therefore \text{period of } \operatorname{cosec} \frac{x}{4} = 8\pi \text{ Ans.}$$

⑦  $\sin \frac{x}{5} = \sin\left(\frac{x}{5} + 2\pi\right)$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \sin(x+10\pi)$$

$$\therefore \text{period of } \sin \frac{x}{5} = 10\pi \text{ Ans.}$$

⑧  $\cos \frac{x}{6} = \cos\left(\frac{x}{6} + 2\pi\right)$

$$= \cos \frac{1}{6}(x+12\pi)$$

$$\therefore \text{period of } \cos \frac{x}{6} = 12\pi$$

⑨  $\tan \frac{x}{7} = \tan\left(\frac{x}{7} + \pi\right)$

$$= \tan \frac{1}{7}(x+7\pi)$$

$$\therefore \text{period of } \tan \frac{x}{7} = 7\pi \text{ Ans.}$$

⑩  $\cot 8x = \cot(8x+\pi)$

$$= \cot 8\left(x + \frac{\pi}{8}\right)$$

$$\therefore \text{period of } \cot 8x = \frac{\pi}{8} \text{ Ans.}$$

⑪  $\sec 9x = \sec(9x+2\pi)$

$$= \sec 9\left(x + \frac{2\pi}{9}\right)$$

$$\therefore \text{period of } \sec 9x = \frac{2\pi}{9} \text{ Ans.}$$

$$(12) \operatorname{cosec} 10x$$

$$= \operatorname{cosec}(10x + 2\pi)$$

$$= \operatorname{cosec} 10\left(x + \frac{2\pi}{10}\right)$$

$$= \operatorname{cosec} 10\left(x + \frac{\pi}{5}\right)$$

$$\therefore \text{period of } \operatorname{cosec} 10x = \frac{\pi}{5} \text{ Ans.}$$

$$(13) 3\sin x = 3\sin(x + 2\pi)$$

$$\therefore \text{period of } 3\sin x = 2\pi \text{ Ans.}$$

$$(14) 2\cos x = 2\cos(x + 2\pi)$$

$$\therefore \text{period of } 2\cos x = 2\pi \text{ Ans.}$$

$$(15) 3\cos \frac{x}{5} = 3\cos\left(\frac{x}{5} + 2\pi\right)$$

$$= 3\cos \frac{1}{5}(x + 10\pi)$$

$$\therefore \text{period of } 3\cos \frac{x}{5} = 10\pi \text{ Ans.}$$