

THEORETICAL PART:

Solutions

Definition (Period of a function):

A function f is said to be **periodic** if there is a positive number p such that

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

for all x in the domain of f . The smallest such number p is called the **period** of f .

Identities (Even/Odd Identities):

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(-x) &= -\sin(x), & \cos(-x) &= \cos(x), & \tan(-x) &= -\tan(x), \\ \csc(-x) &= -\csc(x), & \sec(-x) &= \sec(x), & \cot(-x) &= -\cot(x)\end{aligned}$$

Definition (Amplitude of Sine and Cosine curves):

Given a fixed real number a , the **amplitude** of the function $f(x) = a \sin(x)$ or the function $g(x) = a \cos(x)$ is the value $|a|$. As we know, the multiplication of $\sin(x)$ or $\cos(x)$ by a stretches (or compresses, if $-1 < a < 1$) the graph vertically by a factor of $|a|$, so the amplitude represents the distance between the x -axis and the maximum value of the function.

Definition (Frequency of Sine and Cosine curves):

Given a fixed real number b , the **frequency** of the function $f(x) = \sin(bx)$ or the function $g(x) = \cos(bx)$ is the number $b/2\pi$. When the independent variable represents time, measured in seconds, the measurement of frequency is stated in terms of **cycles per second**, or **hertz (Hz)**.

Definition (Period Revisited):

Given a fixed real number b , the **period** of the function $f(x) = \sin(bx)$ or the function $g(x) = \cos(bx)$ is the number $2\pi/b$. The period and frequency of a sinusoidal function are reciprocals of one another.

Definition (Amplitude, Period, and Phase Shift Combined):

Given constants a, b (such that $b > 0$), and c , the functions

$$f(x) = a \sin(bx - c), \quad g(x) = a \cos(bx - c)$$

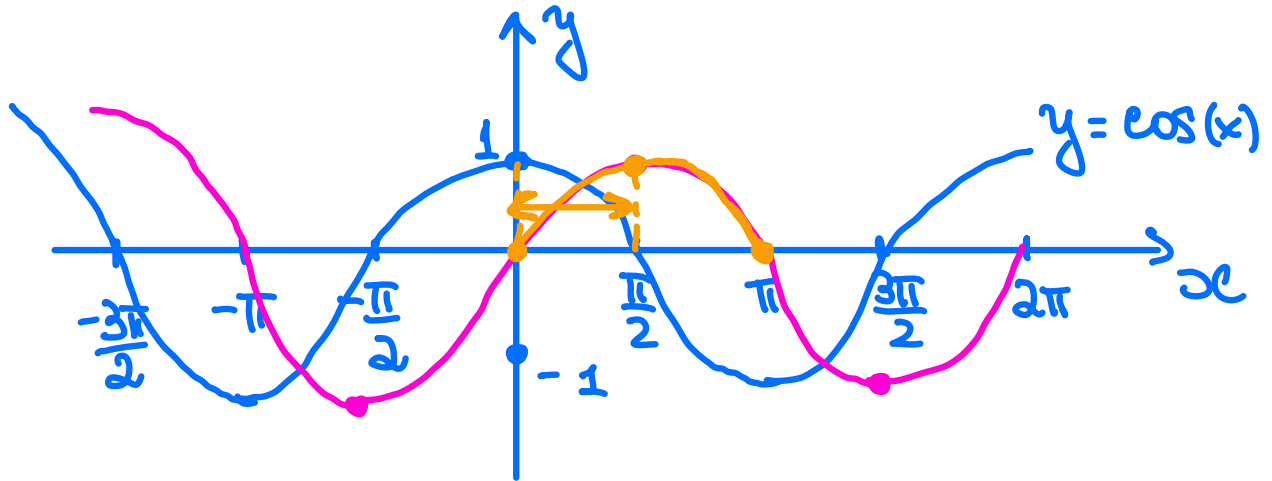
have **amplitude** $|a|$, **period** $2\pi/b$, and a **phase shift** of c/b . The left endpoint of one cycle of either function is c/b and the right endpoint is $c/b + 2\pi/b$.

Definition (Simple Harmonic Motion):

If an object is oscillating and its displacement from some midpoint at time t can be described by either $f(t) = a \sin(bt)$ or $g(t) = a \cos(bt)$, the object is said to be in **simple harmonic motion (SHM)**. In both cases, the maximum displacement of the object from its midpoint is the amplitude $|a|$ and its frequency of oscillation is $b/2\pi$.

PRACTICAL PART:

1. Based on graphs of sine and cosine functions and the values of sine and cosine, construct a transformation of cosine that is equal to sine.



$$\sin(x) = \cos\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \cos(0) = 1$$

$$\cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \cos(-\pi) = -1$$

2. Determine the periods of the secant, cosecant, tangent, and cotangent functions.

$$\sec(x) = \frac{1}{\cos(x)}$$

$$\sec(x + \underline{2\pi}) = \frac{1}{\cos(x + 2\pi)} = \frac{1}{\cos(x)} = \sec(x)$$

$$\csc(x + \underline{2\pi}) = \csc(x)$$

$$\tan(x) = \frac{\sin(x)}{\cos(x)} = \tan(x + \underline{\pi}) = \tan(x)$$

$$\cot(x) = \cot(x + \underline{\pi})$$

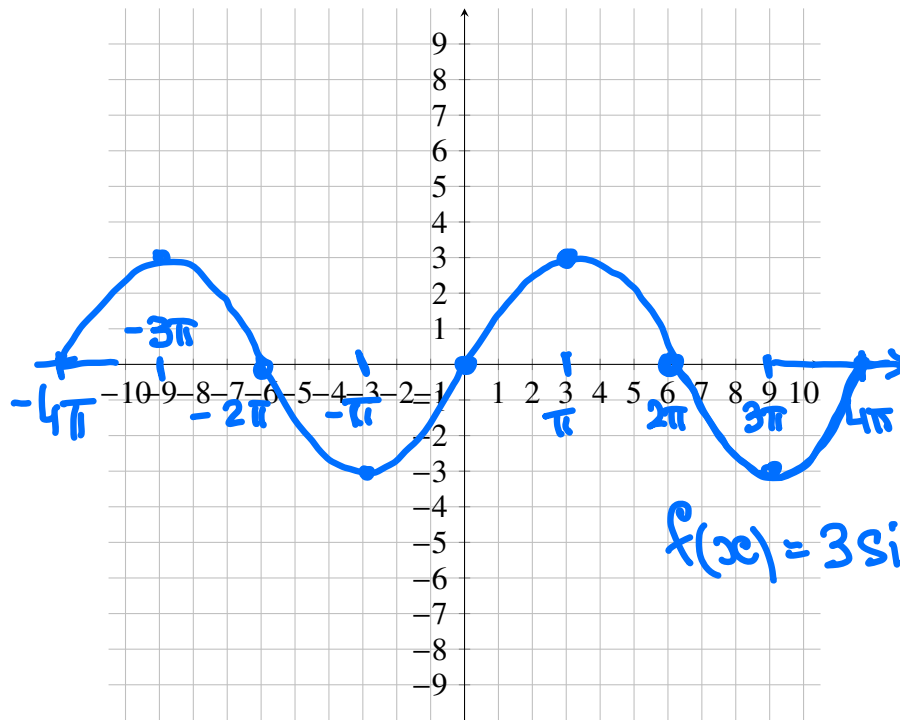
3. Use a cofunction identity and an even/odd identity to prove the transformation statement $\cos\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \sin(x)$ for all x .

$$\begin{aligned} \cos\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) &= \cos\left(-\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x\right)\right) = \\ &= \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x\right) = \sin(x) \quad \text{for all } x \end{aligned}$$

4. Determine the amplitude and frequency of each of the following functions. Then use your results to sketch the graph of one complete cycle of each function starting at $x = 0$.

a. $f(x) = 3 \sin(x/2)$

b. $g(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \cos(2\pi x)$



(a) $|a| = 3$

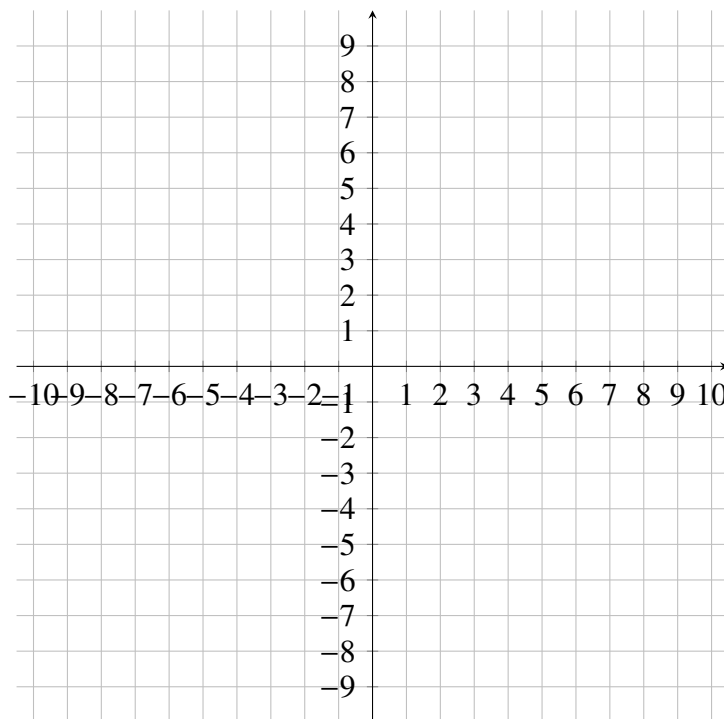
$\omega = \frac{1}{2} : 2\pi = \frac{1}{4\pi}$

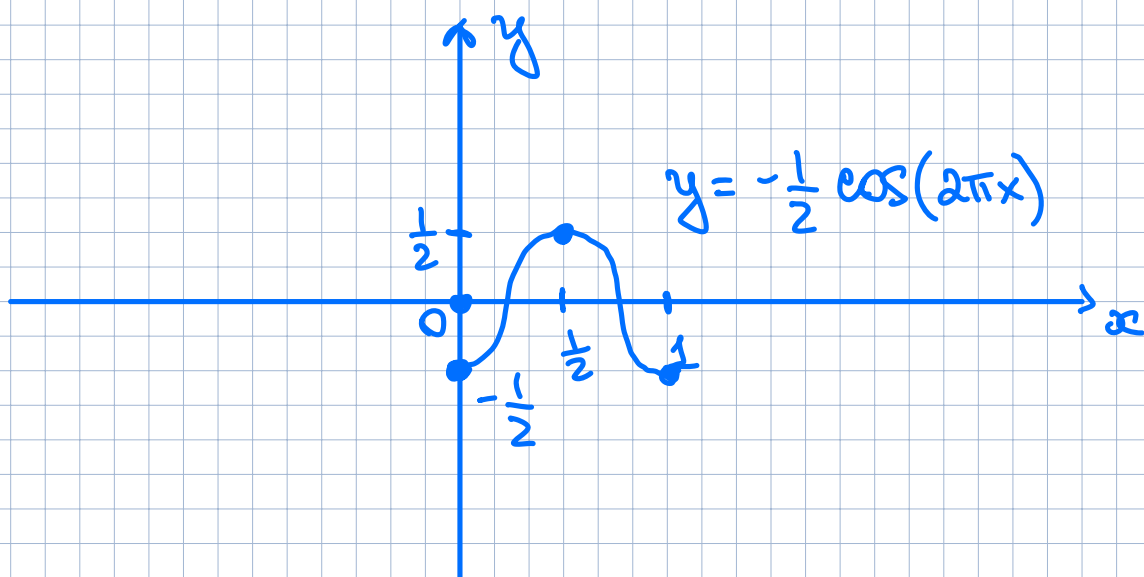
(b) $|a| = \frac{1}{2}$

$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{2\pi} = 1$

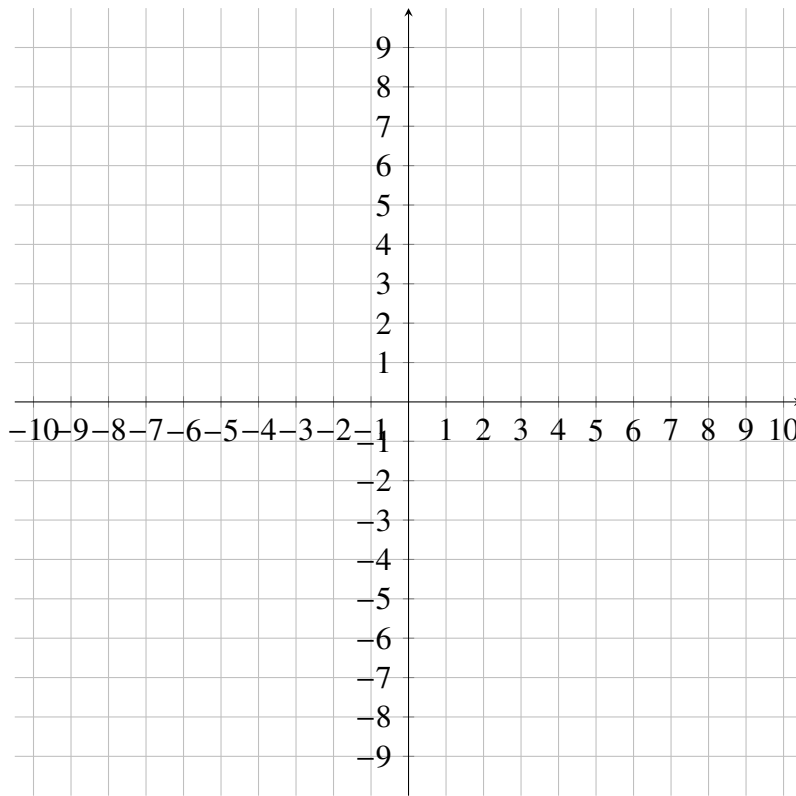
$T = \frac{1}{\omega}$

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





5. Sketch the graph of $f(x) = -2 \cos(\pi x - \pi)$.



6. A heart rate of 1200 beats per minute (bpm) is typical for a hummingbird. What is the length of the period, in seconds, of such a heart rate?

$$1200 \text{ bpm} = 1200 \cdot \frac{1}{60} = \boxed{20} \text{ bps}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{\nu} = \frac{1}{20} = 0.05 \text{ (s)}$$

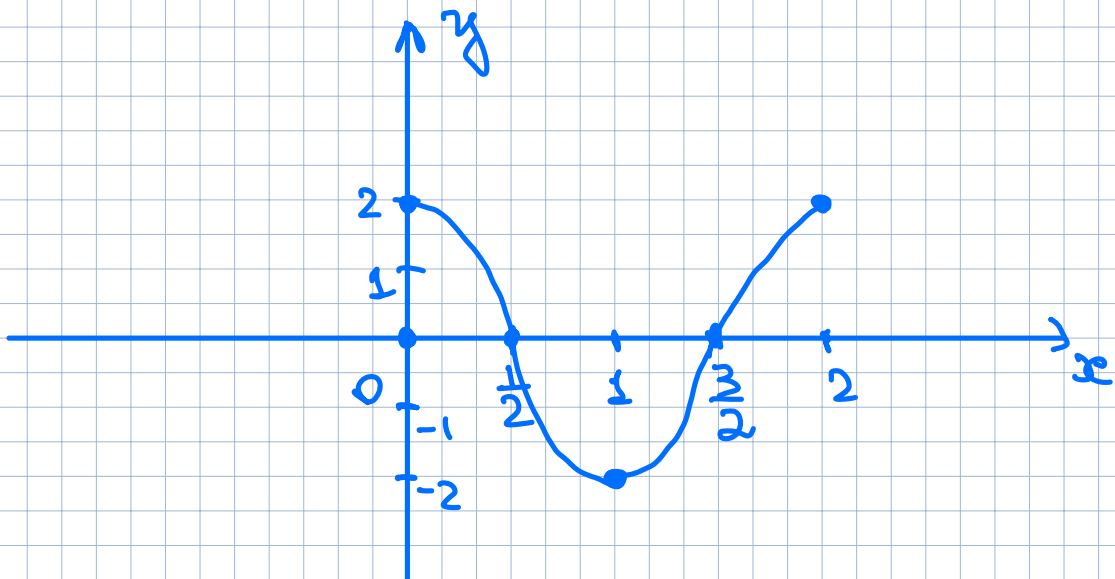
$$5. \quad y = -2 \cos(\pi x - \pi)$$

$$|a| = 2$$

$$b = \frac{\pi}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\pi} = 2$$

$$\text{phase shift : } \frac{c}{b} = \frac{\pi}{\pi} = 1$$



7. Sketch the graph of $f(t) = -4e^{-t} \cos(6\pi t)$. (harmonic motion)

