

$\tan(x)$ is a periodic tangent function. For real arguments, the Tangent function can be defined as: the tangent of an angle α in a right-angle triangle is the ratio of the length of the opposite leg to the length of the adjacent leg. Also, Tangent function is basically defined by:

$$\tan x \equiv \frac{\sin x}{\cos x},$$

where $\sin(x)$ is sine function and $\cos(x)$ is cosine function.

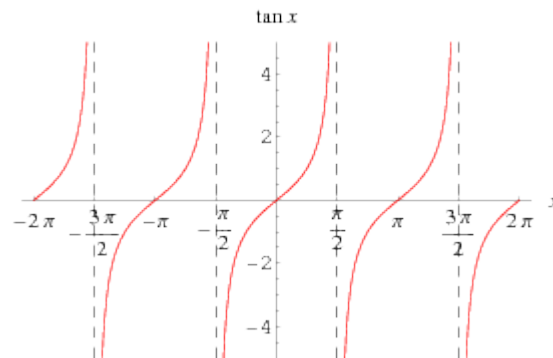


Fig : Tangent Function

DOMAIN : $\{\theta \mid \theta \neq k(\pi/2), \text{ where } k \text{ is an odd integer}\}$

CO-DOMAIN: $(-\infty, \infty)$

CHARACTERISTICS:

- Period of tangent function is π .
- Vertical Asymptotes: $x = \pi/2 + k\pi$, where k is an integer.
- Tangent is an increasing function in every interval between any of two successive vertical asymptotes, that is $f(x_1) < f(x_2)$ for all $x_1 < x_2$.
- Tangent is an odd function with mirror symmetry since $\tan(-x) = -\tan(x)$ and its graph is symmetric with respect to origin.
- Zeroes of tangent are $n\pi$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, which are same as that of sine function.