

1 Graphing Trigonometric Functions

1.1 Goals

I will be able to graph a trigonometric functions using a unit circle as a guide.

I will be able to translate and transform trigonometric funtions.

1.2 Standards

1.3 Connections

Graphing a Sine Wave

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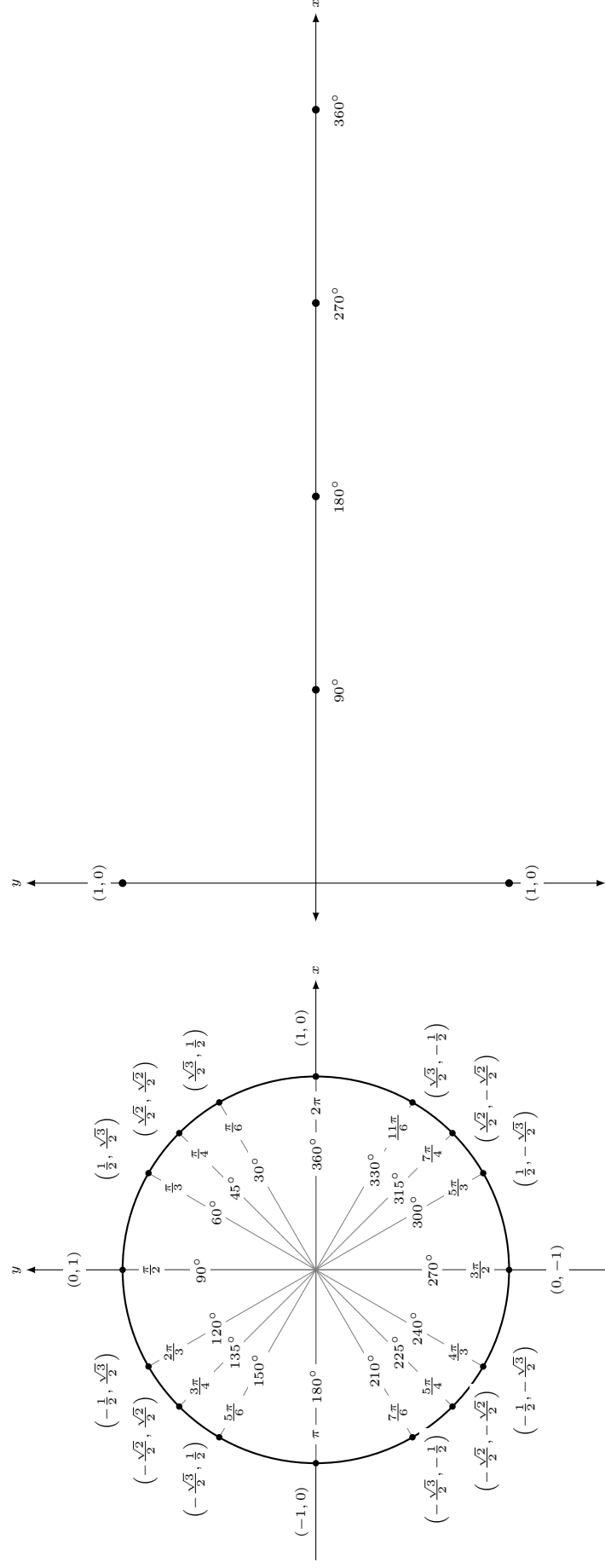
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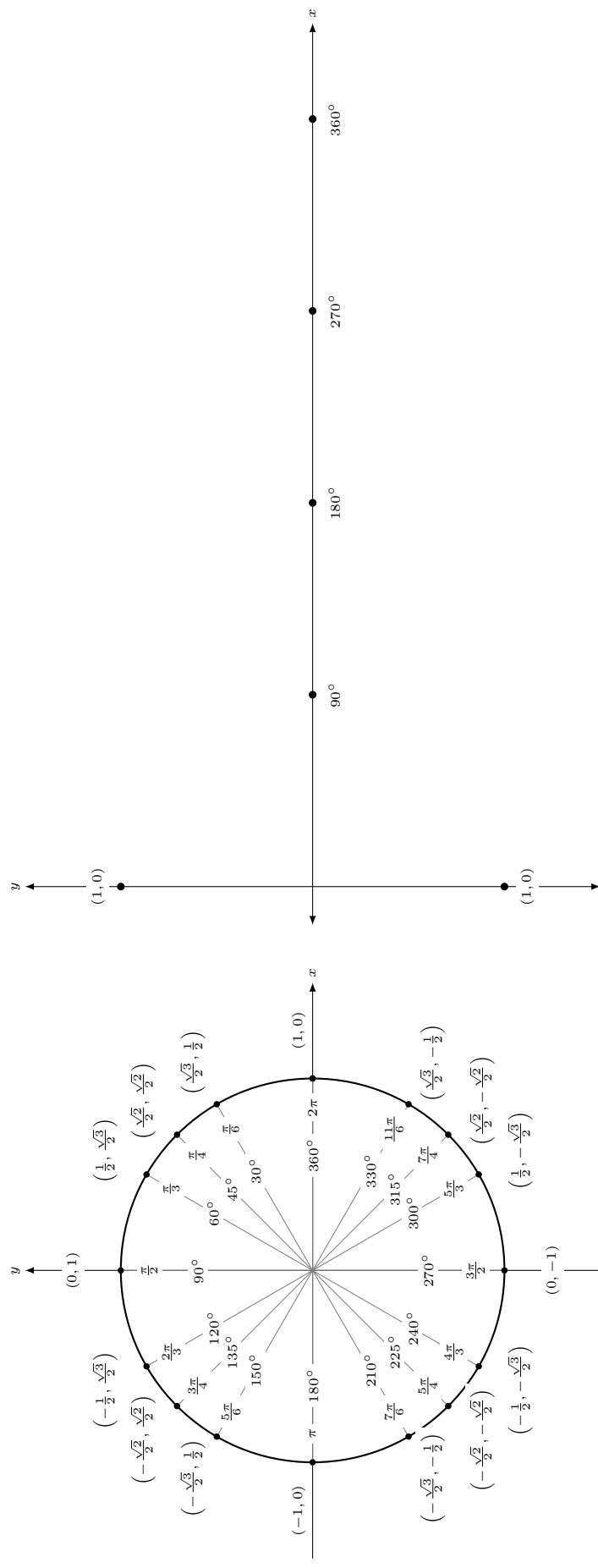
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Multipliers

What happens if we multiply something in front of the wave?

$$f(x) = 2 \cdot \sin(x)$$

