

Function	Domain	Range
$y = \sin x$	$-\infty < x < +\infty$	$-1 \leq y \leq 1$
$y = \cos x$	$-\infty < x < +\infty$	$-1 \leq y \leq 1$
$y = \tan x$	$-\infty < x < \infty, x \neq \frac{(2n+1)\pi}{2}, n \in Z$	$-\infty < y < +\infty$
$y = \cot x$	$-\infty < x < \infty, x \neq n\pi, n \in Z$	$-\infty < y < +\infty$
$y = \sec x$	$-\infty < x < \infty, x \neq \frac{(2n+1)\pi}{2}, n \in Z$	$y \geq 1 \text{ or } y \leq -1$
$y = \operatorname{cosec} x$	$-\infty < x < +\infty, x \neq n\pi, n \in Z$	$y \geq 1 \text{ or } y \leq -1$

Period of trigonometric functions:

Period of a trigonometric functions is the smallest +ve number which, when added to the original circular measure of the angle, gives the same value of the functions.

Alternative definition**“periodic function”**

A function $f(x)$ is said to be periodic if for a least positive number p , $f(x+p) = f(x)$ then p is called periodic of $f(x)$.

Theorem-1

Sine is a periodic function and its period is 2π .

Proof:

Suppose p is period of sine function such that

$$\sin(\theta + p) = \sin\theta, \quad \forall \theta \in R \rightarrow (i)$$

$$\text{put } \theta = 0$$

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

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

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

if $p = \pi$ then

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

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

if $p = 2\pi$ then

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

Which is true because $\sin(2\pi + \theta) = \sin\theta$

Hence sine is a periodic functions of periodic function of period 2π

Theorem -2

Cosine is a periodic function is a period is 2π .

Proof:

Suppose p is period of cosine function such that

$$\cos(\theta + p) = \cos\theta, \quad \forall \theta \in R \rightarrow (i)$$

$$\text{put } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + p\right) = \cos\frac{\pi}{2}$$

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

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

if $p = \pi$ then

$$(i) \Rightarrow \cos(\theta + \pi) = \cos\theta$$

False because $\cos(\pi + \theta) = -\cos\theta$

if $p = 2\pi$ then

$$(i) \Rightarrow \cos(\theta + 2\pi) = \cos\theta$$

Which is true because $\cos(2\pi + \theta) = \cos\theta$

Hence cosine is a periodic functions of periodic function of period 2π

Theorem -3

Tangent is a periodic function and its is π .

Proof:

Suppose p is period of tangent function such that

$$\tan(\theta + p) = \tan\theta, \quad \forall \theta \in R \rightarrow (i)$$

$$\text{put } \theta = 0$$

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

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

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

if $p = \pi$ then

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

Which is true because $\tan(\pi + \theta) = \tan\theta$

Hence tangent is a periodic functions of periodic function of period π

Theorem -4

Cosecant is a periodic functions and it period is 2π

Proof:

Suppose p is period of cosecant function such that

$$\operatorname{cosec}(\theta + p) = \operatorname{cosec}\theta, \quad \forall \theta \in R \rightarrow (i)$$

$$\text{put } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{cosec}\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + p\right) = \operatorname{cosec}\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + p\right)} = 1 \quad \because \left(\operatorname{cosec} \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{1}{\sin \frac{\pi}{2}} = \frac{1}{1} = 1 \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + p\right)$$

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

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

if $p = \pi$ then

$$(i) \Rightarrow \operatorname{cosec}(\theta + \pi) = \operatorname{cosec} \theta$$

False because $\operatorname{cosec}(\pi + \theta) = \frac{1}{\sin(\pi + \theta)} = \frac{1}{-\sin \theta}$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{cosec}(\theta + \pi) = -\operatorname{cosec} \theta$$

if $p = 2\pi$ then

$$(i) \Rightarrow \operatorname{cosec}(\theta + 2\pi) = \operatorname{cosec} \theta$$

Which is true because $\operatorname{cosec}(2\pi + \theta) = \frac{1}{\sin(2\pi + \theta)} = \frac{1}{\sin \theta}$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{cosec}(2\pi + \theta) = \operatorname{cosec} \theta$$

Hence cosecant is a periodic functions of periodic function of period 2π

Theorem -5

Secant is a periodic function and its period is 2π .

Proof:

Suppose p is period of secant function such that

$$\sec(\theta + p) = \sec \theta, \quad \forall \theta \in R \rightarrow (i)$$

$$\text{put } \theta = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \sec p = 1 \quad \because \left(\sec 0 = \frac{1}{\cos 0} = \frac{1}{1} = 1 \right)$$

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

$$p = 0, \pm\pi, \pm 2\pi, \pm 3\pi$$

if $p = \pi$ then

$$(i) \Rightarrow \sec(\theta + \pi) = \sec \theta$$

False because $\sec(\pi + \theta) = \frac{1}{\cos(\pi + \theta)} = \frac{1}{-\cos \theta}$

$$\Rightarrow \sec(\theta + \pi) = -\sec \theta$$

if $p = 2\pi$ then

$$(i) \Rightarrow \sec(\theta + 2\pi) = \sec \theta$$

Which is true because $\sec(2\pi + \theta) = \frac{1}{\cos(2\pi + \theta)} = \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$

$$\Rightarrow \sec(2\pi + \theta) = \sec \theta$$

Hence secant is a periodic functions of periodic function of period 2π .

Theorem -6

Tangent is a periodic function and its period is π .

Proof:

Suppose p is period of cotangent function such that

$$\cot(\theta + p) = \cot \theta, \quad \forall \theta \in R \rightarrow (i)$$

$$\text{put } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cot\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + p\right) = \cot \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\tan p = 0 \quad \because \left(\cot\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta\right) = -\tan \theta \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan p = 0$$

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

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

if $p = \pi$ then

$$(i) \Rightarrow \cot(\theta + \pi) = \cot \theta$$

Which is true because $\cot(\pi + \theta) = \cot \theta$

Hence cotangent is a periodic functions of periodic function of period π

Now remember that

Functions	Period	Take angle θ
sin	2π	0
cos	2π	$\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$
tan	π	0
cosec	2π	$\frac{\pi}{2}$
sec	2π	0
cot	π	$\frac{\pi}{2}$

Exercise 11.1

Find the periods of the following functions.

Q.NO.1. $\sin 3x$

Solution:

\because period of $\sin x$ is 2π . so

$$\sin(3x + 2\pi) = \sin 3x \quad \because \sin(\theta + 2\pi) = \sin \theta$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{period of } \sin 3x \text{ is } \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

Q.NO.2. $\cos 2x$

Solution:

\because period of $\cos 2x$ is 2π . so

$$\cos(2x + 2\pi) = \cos 2x \quad \because \cos(\theta + 2\pi) = \cos \theta$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{period of } \cos 2x \text{ is } \pi$$

Q.NO.3. $\tan 4x$

Solution:

\because period of $\tan x$ is π . so

$$\tan(4x + \pi) = \tan 4x \quad \because \tan(\theta + \pi) = \tan \theta$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{period of } \tan 4x \text{ is } \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Q.NO.4. $\cot \frac{x}{2}$

Solution :

\because period of $\cot x$ is π . so

$$\cot\left(\frac{x}{2} + \pi\right) = \cot \frac{x}{2} \quad \because \cot(\theta + \pi) = \cot \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cot \frac{1}{2}(x + 2\pi) = \cot \frac{x}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{period of } \cot \frac{x}{2} \text{ is } 2\pi$$

Q.NO.5. $\sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)$

Solution:

\therefore period of $\sin x$ is 2π . so

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{period of } \sin\frac{x}{3} \text{ is } 6\pi$$

Q.NO.6. $\operatorname{cosec}\frac{x}{4}$

Solution:

\therefore period of $\operatorname{cosec} x$ is 2π . so

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{period of } \operatorname{cosec}\frac{x}{4} \text{ is } 8\pi$$

Q.NO.7. $\sin\frac{x}{5}$

Solution:

\therefore period of $\sin x$ is 2π . so

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{period of } \sin\frac{x}{5} \text{ is } 10\pi$$

Q.NO.8. $\cos\frac{x}{6}$

Solution:

\therefore period of $\cos x$ is 2π . so

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{period of } \cos\frac{x}{6} \text{ is } 12\pi$$

Q.NO.9. $\tan\frac{x}{7}$

Solution:

\therefore period of $\tan x$ is π . so

$$\tan\left(\frac{x}{7} + \pi\right) = \tan\frac{x}{7} \quad \therefore \tan(\theta + \pi) = \tan\theta$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{period of } \tan\frac{x}{7} \text{ is } 7\pi$$

Q.NO.10. $\cot 8x$

Solution:

\therefore period of $\cot x$ is π . so

$$\cot(8x + \pi) = \cot 8x \quad \therefore \cot(\theta + \pi) = \cot\theta$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{period of } \cot 8x \text{ is } \frac{\pi}{8}$$

Q.NO.11. $\sec 9x$

Solution:

\therefore period of $\sec x$ is 2π . so

$$\sec(9x + 2\pi) = \sec 9x \quad \therefore \sec(\theta + \pi) = \sec\theta$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{period of } \sec 9x \text{ is } \frac{2\pi}{9}$$

Q.NO.12. $\operatorname{cosec} 10x$

Solution:

\therefore period of $\operatorname{cosec} x$ is 2π . so

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{period of } \operatorname{cosec} 10x \text{ is } \frac{\pi}{5}$$

Q.NO.13. $3\sin x$

Solution:

\therefore period of $\sin x$ is 2π . so

$$3\sin(x + 2\pi) = 3\sin x \quad \therefore \sin(\theta + 2\pi) = \sin\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{period of } 3\sin x \text{ is } 2\pi$$

Q.NO.14. $2\cos x$

Solution:

\therefore period of $\cos x$ is 2π . so

$$2\cos(x + 2\pi) = 2\cos x \quad \therefore \cos(\theta + 2\pi) = \cos\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{period of } 2\cos x \text{ is } 2\pi$$

Q.NO.15. $3\cos\frac{x}{5}$

Solution:

\therefore period of $\cos x$ is 2π . so

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{period of } 3\cos\frac{x}{5} \text{ is } 10\pi$$

With best wishes