

Graphing $f(x) = \sin x$ and $f(x) = \cos x$

Complete the following table of values for $f(x) = \sin x$ and $f(x) = \cos x$ then plot each on the grid below.

x	0°	30°	60°	90°	120°	150°	180°	210°	240°	270°	300°	330°	360°
$f(x) = \sin x$	0	0.5	0.87	1	0.87	0.5	0	-0.5	-0.87	-1	-0.87	-0.5	0
$f(x) = \cos x$	1	0.87	0.5	0	-0.5	-0.87	-1	-0.87	-0.5	0	0.5	0.87	1



For the sine function:

For the cosine function:

What is the period of the graph? 360°	What is the period of the graph? 360
What is the amplitude of the graph? $\frac{\text{max} - \text{min}}{2}$ 1	What is the amplitude of the graph? 1
What are the x - intercepts? 0, 180, 360	What are the x - intercepts? 90, 270
What is the y - intercept? (0,0)	What is the y - intercept? (0,1)
What is the axis of the curve? $\frac{\text{max} + \text{min}}{2}$ $y = 0$	What is the axis of the curve? $y = 0$ b/c $\frac{1 + (-1)}{2} = 0$
What are the max and min values? max=1 min=-1	What are the max and min values? max=1 min=-1
What is the domain? What is the range? D: $\{x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ R: $\{y \in \mathbb{R} \mid -1 \leq y \leq 1\}$	What is the domain? What is the range? D: $\{x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ R: $\{y \in \mathbb{R} \mid -1 \leq y \leq 1\}$
When is the graph increasing? $0 < x < 90^\circ$ $270 < x < 360$	When is the graph increasing? $180 < x < 360$
When is the graph decreasing? $90 < x < 270$	When is the graph decreasing? $0 < x < 180$
Explain why this graph is a function Passes the VLT, and there's one y value for every x	Explain why this graph is a function y values will repeat if we extend past 360°

THINKING: Compare the graphs of $y = \sin x$ and $y = \cos x$. How are they the same? How are they different?

Similarities

- periodic
- same period
- same equation of the axis $y = 0$
- same amplitude

\therefore The sine & cosine function are congruent sinusoidal curves; the cosine curve is the sine curve translated 90° to the left.
 $\cos x = \sin(x + 90)$