

General Form:  $y = a \sin k(x - b) + c$

Amplitude:  $|a|$

Period:  $\frac{2\pi}{k}$

Horizontal phase shift:  $b$

Vertical phase shift:  $c$

**Step 1:** Algebraically, arrange the given equation into the general form.  $y = a \sin k(x - b) + c$

**Step 2:** By inspection, identify the amplitude, phase shifts and find the period using  $k$ .

**Step 3:** Plot the following five points:

Point 1:  $(b, c)$

Point 2:  $(b + \frac{\pi}{2k}, a + c)$

Point 3:  $(b + \frac{\pi}{k}, c)$

Point 4:  $(b + \frac{3\pi}{2k}, -a + c)$

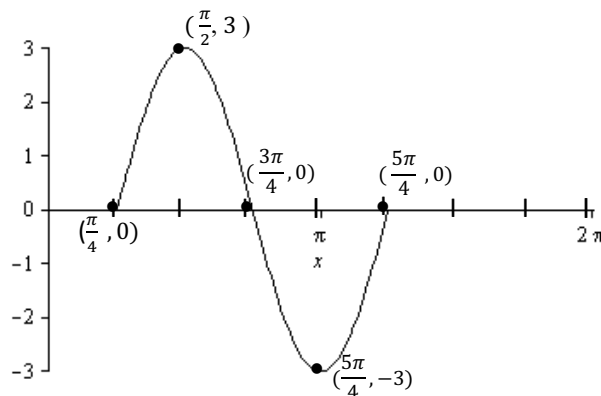
Point 5:  $(b + \frac{2\pi}{k}, c)$

**EXAMPLE :** Given  $y = 3 \sin(2x - \frac{2\pi}{4})$ , graph the sine function.

Step 1: By factoring out a 2, we get an equation in the general form:  $y = 3 \sin 2(x - \frac{\pi}{4})$

Step 2: By inspection,  $a = 3$ ;  $b = \frac{\pi}{4}$ ;  $c = 0$ ;  $k = 2$ ;  $Period = \frac{2\pi}{k} = \frac{2\pi}{2} = \pi$

Step 3: Plot Pt1:  $(\frac{\pi}{4}, 0)$  Pt2:  $(\frac{\pi}{2}, 3)$  Pt3:  $(\frac{3\pi}{4}, 0)$  Pt4:  $(\frac{5\pi}{4}, -3)$  Pt5:  $(\frac{5\pi}{4}, 0)$

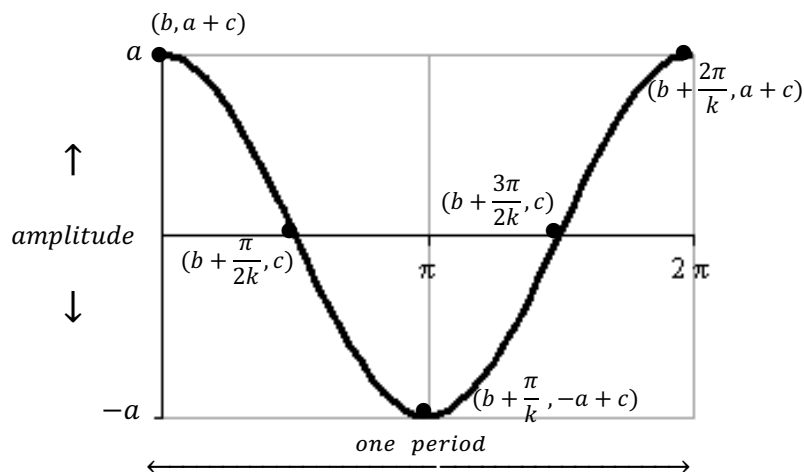




# COSINE GRAPH

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General Form:  $y = a \cos k(x - b) + c$

Amplitude:  $|a|$

Period:  $\frac{2\pi}{k}$

Horizontal phase shift:  $b$

Vertical phase shift:  $c$

**Step 1:** Algebraically, arrange the given equation into the general form.  $y = a \cos k(x - b) + c$

**Step 2:** By inspection, identify the amplitude, phase shifts and find the period using k.

**Step 3:** Plot the following five points:

Point 1:  $(b, a + c)$

Point 2:  $(b + \frac{\pi}{2k}, c)$

Point 3:  $(b + \frac{\pi}{k}, -a + c)$

Point 4:  $(b + \frac{3\pi}{2k}, c)$

Point 5:  $(b + \frac{2\pi}{k}, a + c)$

**EXAMPLE :** Given  $y = 5 \cos(3x + \frac{3\pi}{2}) + 1$ , graph the cosine function.

Step 1: By factoring out a 3, we can rewrite equation in the general form as  $y = 5 \cos 3(x - (-\frac{\pi}{2})) + 1$

Step 2: By inspection,  $a = 5$ ;  $b = -\frac{\pi}{2}$ ;  $c = 1$ ;  $k = 3$ ;  $Period = \frac{2\pi}{k} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$

Step 3: Plot Pt1:  $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, 6)$  Pt2:  $(-\frac{\pi}{3}, 1)$  Pt3:  $(-\frac{\pi}{6}, -4)$  Pt4:  $(0, 1)$  Pt5:  $(\frac{\pi}{6}, 6)$

