

1.2 Elementary Functions

Definition:

A function f is a rule that assigns each element x in the set A exactly one element y in the set B .

The element y is called the image of x under f

and is denoted by $f(x)$.

The set A is called the **Domain** of f .

The set B is called the **Codomain** of f .

The set $f(A) = \{y \in B : y = f(x) \text{ for some } x \in A\}$ is called the **range** of f .

To define a function we use the notation.

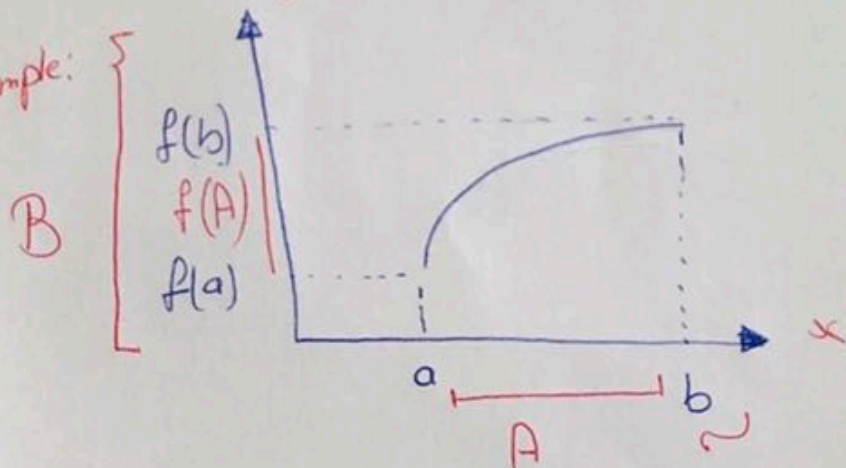
$$f: A \rightarrow B$$

$$x \rightarrow f(x)$$

x is independent variable. **متغير مستقل**

y is dependent variable. **متغير تابع**

Example:



Example: Find Domain and range of $f(x) = x^2$ (2)

$$f(x) = x^2$$

$$\text{Domain} = \mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$$

$$\text{Range} = [0, \infty)$$

* Two functions f and g are equal iff

① f and g are defined on the same domain

② $f(x) = g(x) \quad \forall x \in \text{Domain}$
 \in Belongs to

Example:

$$\text{Let } f_1: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x \rightarrow x^2$$

$$f_2: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x \rightarrow \sqrt{x^4}$$

$$f_3: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x \rightarrow x^2$$

Which of these functions are equal?

f_1 and f_2

since f_1 and f_2 are defined on the same

① f_1 and f_2 domain

② $f_1(x) = f_2(x) = x^2 \quad \forall x \in [0,1]$

$$\begin{aligned} (\sqrt{x})^2 &= \cancel{x} \\ \sqrt{x^2} &= \cancel{x} \end{aligned}$$

Even and odd function

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Def:

① $f: A \rightarrow B$ is called even if

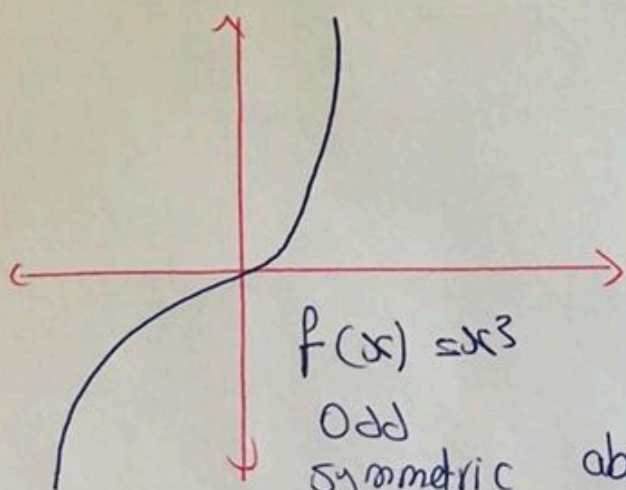
$$f(x) = f(-x)$$

"graphically: f is symmetric about the ~~y~~-axis"

② $f: A \rightarrow B$ is called odd if

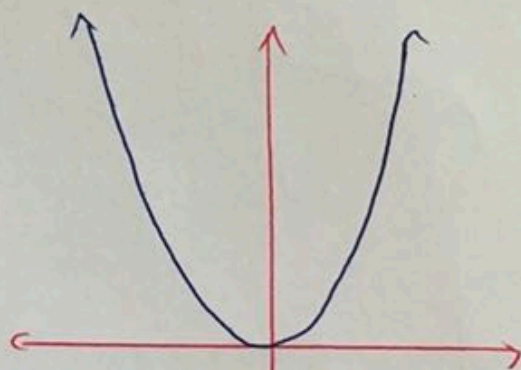
$$f(-x) = -f(x)$$

"graphically: f is symmetric about the origin"



$$f(x) = x^3$$

Odd symmetric about origin.



$$f(x) = x^2$$

even symmetric about y-axis

$\sin x$ odd

$$(\sin -x = -\sin x)$$

$\cos x$ even

$$(\cos -x = \cos x)$$

$\tan x$ odd

$$(\tan -x = -\tan x)$$

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Example: Is $y = \frac{x}{x^2+1}$ odd?

Yes

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2+1}$$

$$f(-x) = \frac{-x}{(-x)^2+1} = \frac{-x}{x^2+1} = -\left(\frac{x}{x^2+1}\right) = -f(x)$$

so f is odd

Example: Is $y = \frac{x^3+1}{x^2+1}$ odd?

$$f(x) = \frac{x^3+1}{x^2+1} \quad \text{and} \quad -f(x) = \frac{-(x^3+1)}{x^2+1}$$

$$f(-x) = \frac{(-x)^3+1}{(-x)^2+1} = \frac{-x^3+1}{x^2+1} \neq -f(x)$$

so $f(-x) \neq f(x)$ and $f(-x) \neq -f(x)$

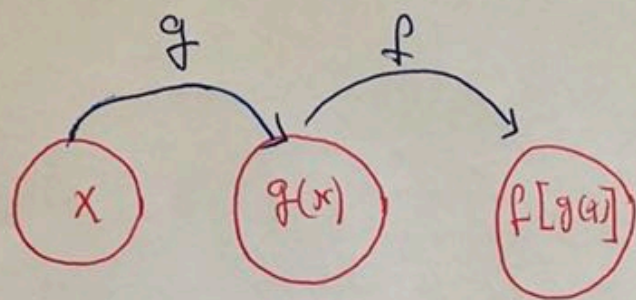
so $f(x)$ is neither even nor odd

Definition:

The composite function $f \circ g$ (also called the composition of f and g) is defined as

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f[g(x)]$$

for each x in the domain of g for which $g(x)$ is in the domain of f



Example:

If $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$, $x \geq 0$ and $g(x) = x^2 + 1$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Find

$$(a) (f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = f(g) = \sqrt{g} = \sqrt{x^2 + 1}$$

$$(b) (g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) = g(f) = g^2 + 1 = (\sqrt{x})^2 + 1 = x + 1$$

Note that $\sqrt{x^2} = |x|$

$$(\sqrt{x})^2 = x$$

Example:

If $f(x) = 2x^2$, $x \geq 2$ and $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$, $x \geq 0$

Find $(f \circ g)(x)$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} (f \circ g)(x) &= f(g(x)) \\ &= f(\sqrt{x}) \\ &= 2g^2 = 2(\sqrt{x})^2 = 2x \end{aligned}$$

1.2.2 Polynomial Functions

Def: A polynomial function is a function of the form

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n$$

where n is nonnegative integer and $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ are real valued constants with $a_n \neq 0$

$a_n \equiv$ leading coefficient
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$n =$ Degree أعلى درجة

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ex] } f(x) &= 2(x+1)^2 + 3 \\ f(x) &= 2[x^2 + 1 + 2x] + 3 \\ &= 2x^2 + 2 + 4x + 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$f(x) = 2x^2 + 4x + 5 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Deg} = 2 \\ \text{L.C} = 2 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Ex] } f(x) = x^2 + x^{-3} + 4$$

Not a polynomial

Constant function $f(x) = c$ Degree = 0
 Linear function $f(x) = mx + b$ Degree = 1
 Quadratic $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ Degree = 2

Example: $y = x^n$, n odd
 odd function

Ex] $f(x) = 5x^2 + x + 4$
 Deg = 2
 L.C = 2
 C.T = 4

Example $y = x^n$, n even
 even function

Ex] $f(x) = 5^3 * x^2 + x$
 Deg = 2
 L.C = 1
 C.T = 5³

1.2.3 Rational Functions

Def: A rational function is the quotient of two polynomial functions $P(x)$ and $Q(x)$

$f(x) = \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$ for $Q(x) \neq 0$

Ex] $y = \frac{1}{x}$, $x \neq 0$

Ex] $y = \frac{x^2 + 2x - 1}{x - 3}$, $x \neq 3$

1.2.4 Power Functions

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Definition: A power function is of the form

$$f(x) = x^r$$

where r is a real number

Example:

$$y = x^{\frac{1}{3}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$y = x^{\frac{5}{2}}, \quad x \geq 0$$

$$y = x^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \quad x > 0$$

1.2.5 Exponential Functions

Definition: The function f is an exponential function with base a if

$$f(x) = a^x$$

where a is a positive constant other than 1.

The largest possible domain of $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Recall

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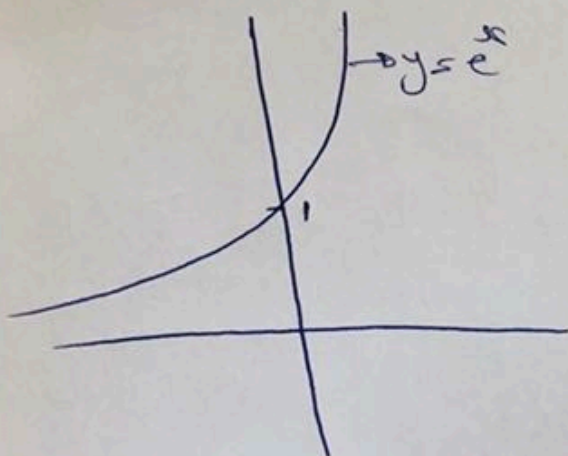
$$a^r \cdot a^s = a^{r+s}$$

$$\frac{a^r}{a^s} = a^{r-s}$$

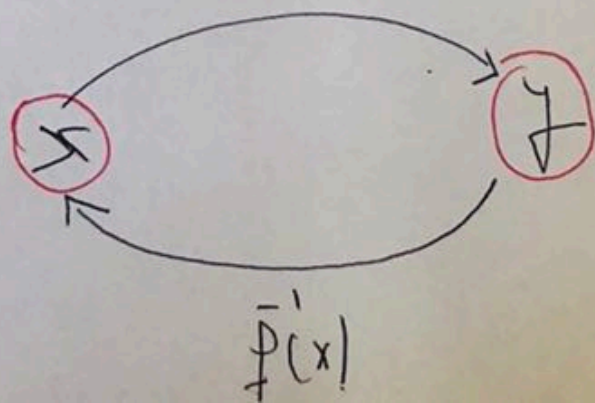
$$a^{-r} = \frac{1}{a^r}$$

$$(a^r)^s = a^{rs}$$

Example: $y = e^x$



1.2.6 Inverse Functions:
 $f(x)$



One to One function:

$f(x)$ is 1-1 iff $\forall x_1 \neq x_2$ then $f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$

Example:

$$f(x) = x^2$$

is not one to one

$$f(2) = f(-2) \text{ and } 2 \neq -2$$

Example:

$$f(x) = x^3$$

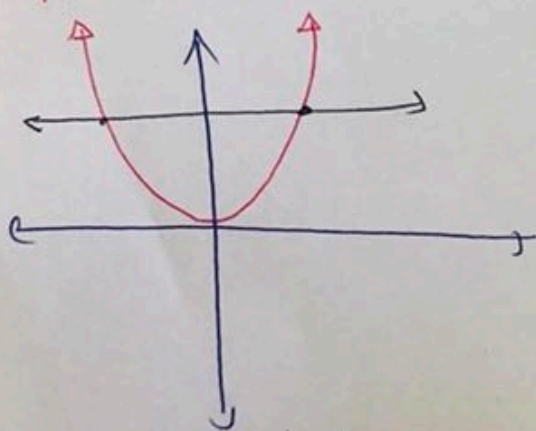
is one to one

Since $\forall x_1 \neq x_2$

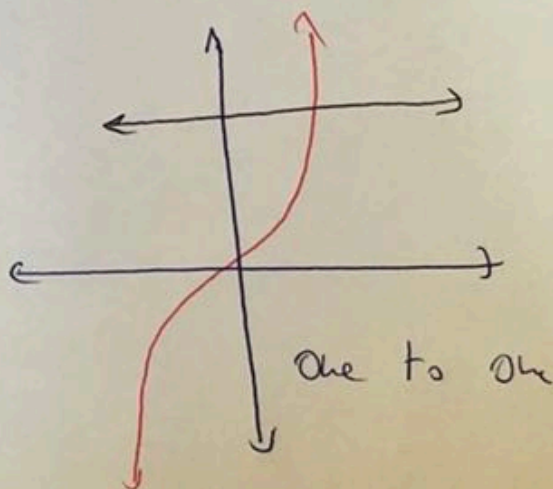
$$f(x_1) = x_1^3 \neq x_2^3 = f(x_2)$$

$f(x) = x^3$ is 1-1

Horizontal line test



Not 1-1



One to one

$f(x) = x^2$ is not one to one.
since for example $4 = f(2) = f(-2)$

$f(x) = x^3$ is one to one.
you can't find two different numbers with same image

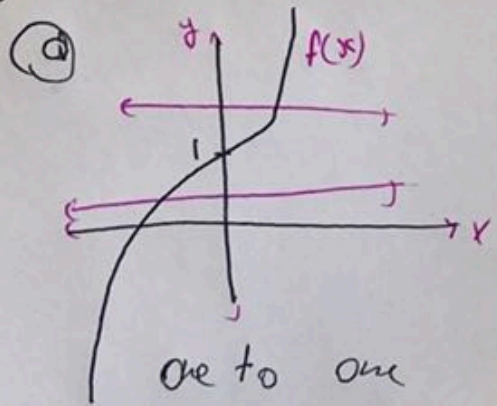
Definition:

Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be one to one function. with range $f(A)$.
The inverse function f^{-1} has domain $f(A)$ and range A
and is defined by: $f^{-1}(y) = x$ iff $y = f(x) \quad \forall y \in f(A)$

Example: Find the inverse function of $f(x) = x^3 + 1, x \geq 0$

Solution:

1) Is $f(x) = x^3 + 1, x \geq 0$ one to one?



or

$$f(x_1) = f(x_2)$$
$$x_1^3 + 1 = x_2^3 + 1$$
$$x_1^3 = x_2^3$$
$$x_1 = x_2$$

so f is one to one

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$$y = x^3 + 1$$

3)

$$x^3 = y - 1 \Rightarrow x = \sqrt[3]{y - 1}$$

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$$y = f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt[3]{x - 1}$$

Note: Graph of f and graph of f^{-1} are symmetric about the line $y = x$

Note that f^{-1} doesn't mean the reciprocal of f i.e. $\frac{1}{f}$
 $f^{-1} \circ f = x$ and $f \circ f^{-1}(x) = x$

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1.2.7 Logarithmic Functions:

Definition: The inverse function of $f(x) = a^x$ is called the logarithm to base a and is written $f^{-1}(x) = \log_a x$.

* e^x is the inverse of $\ln x$

Note that $\ln e^x = x$ and $e^{\ln x} = x$

* 10^x is the inverse of $\log_{10} x = \log x$

$$\log_{10} 10^x = x \quad \text{and} \quad \log_{10} 10^x = x$$

In general a^x is the inverse of $\log_a x$.

$$\boxed{1} \quad a^{\log_a x} = x \quad \text{for } x > 0$$

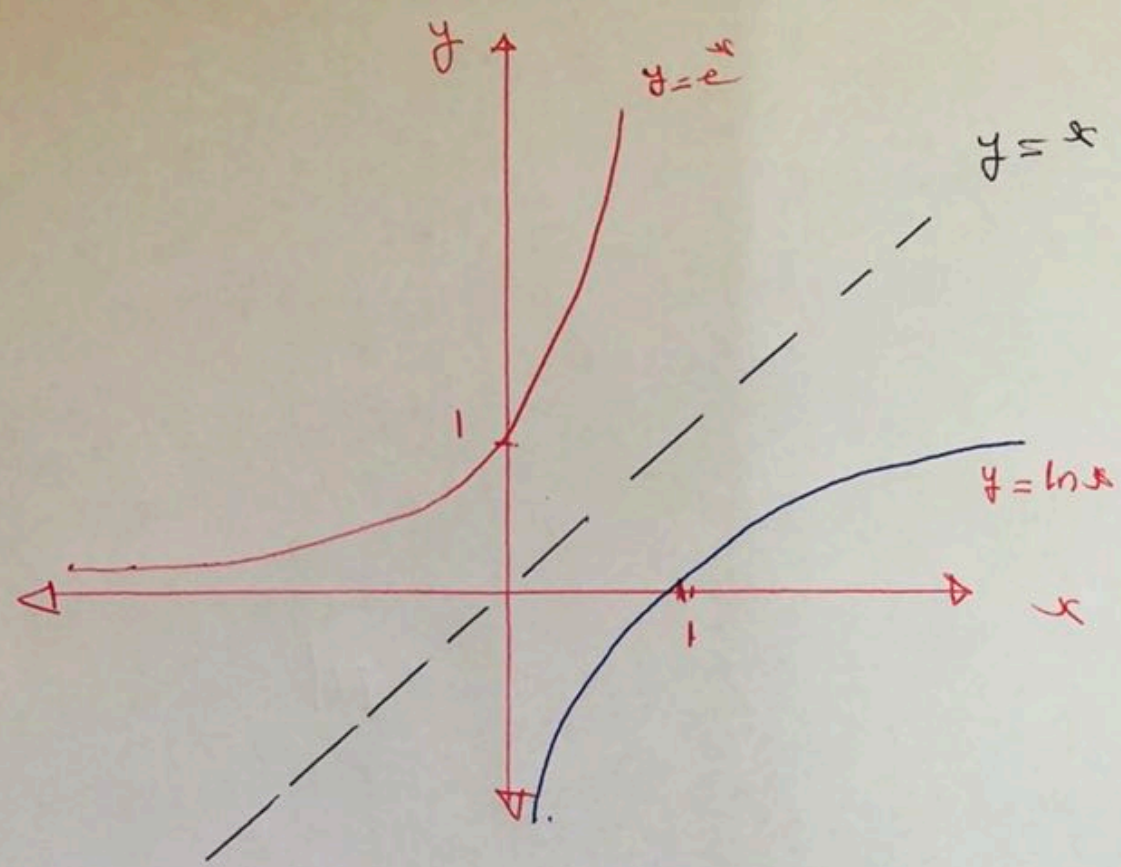
$$\boxed{2} \quad \log_a a^x = x \quad \text{for } x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Also, recall the following properties

$$\boxed{1} \quad \log_a sk = \log_a s + \log_a k$$

$$\boxed{2} \quad \log_a \left(\frac{s}{k}\right) = \log_a s - \log_a k$$

$$\boxed{3} \quad \log_a s^r = r \log_a s$$



Example: Simplify the following expressions

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \log_2 [8(x-2)] & \\ &= \log_2 8 + \log_2 (x-2) \\ &= \log_2 2^3 + \log_2 (x-2) \\ &= 3 + \log_2 (x-2) \end{aligned}$$

Directly

$$\log_2 2^3 = 3$$

or

$$\log_2 2^3 = 3 \log_2 2 = 3 \cdot 1 = 3$$

Remember that $\log_a a = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \log_3 9^x & \\ &= \log_3 \left(\frac{3^2}{3}\right)^x = \log_3 3^{2x} = 2x \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{c} \ln e^{3x^2+1} = 3x^2+1$$

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Identities:

$$\textcircled{a} a^x = e^{x \ln a} \quad \checkmark$$

$$e^{x \ln a} = e^{\ln a^x} = a^x$$

$$\textcircled{b} \log_a x = \frac{\ln x}{\ln a}$$

Example:

Write the following expressions in terms of base e .

$$\textcircled{a} 2^x$$

$$2^x = e^{x \ln 2} = e^{x \ln 2}$$

$$\textcircled{b} 10^{x^2+1}$$

$$10^{x^2+1} = e^{(x^2+1) \ln 10} = e^{(x^2+1) \ln 10}$$

$$\textcircled{c} \log_3 x$$

$$\log_3 x = \frac{\ln x}{\ln 3}$$

$$\textcircled{d} \log_2 3x-1$$

$$\log_2 3x-1 = \frac{\ln 3x-1}{\ln 2}$$

12.8 Trigonometric Functions:

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Trigonometric functions are examples of periodic functions

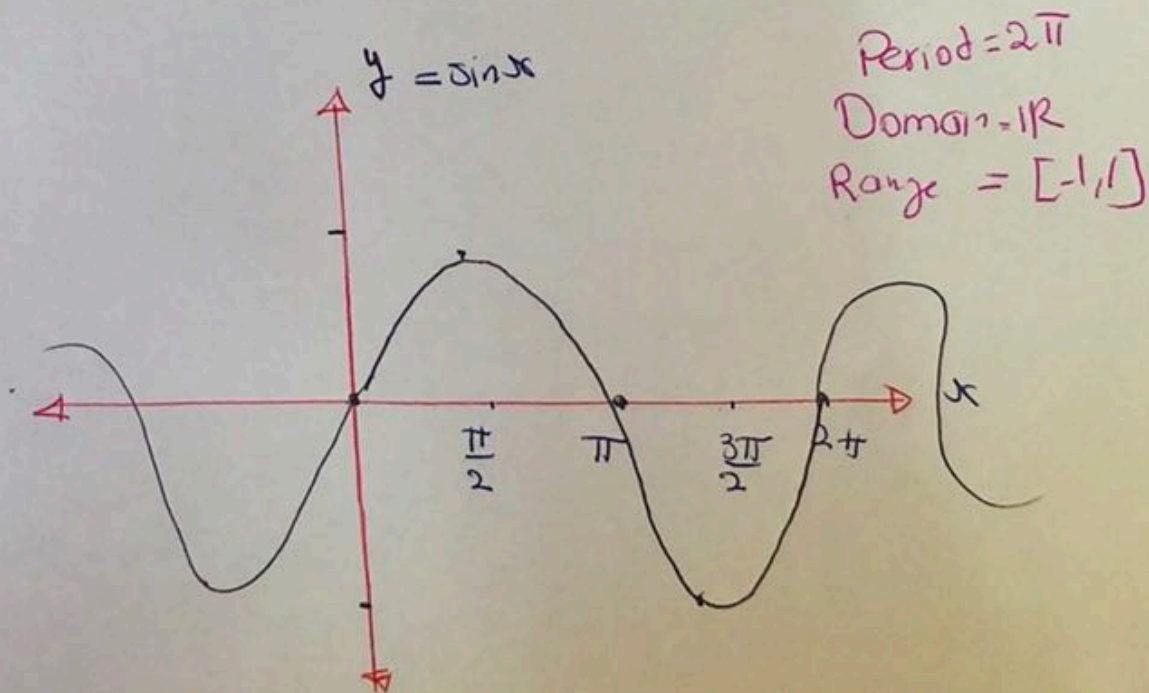
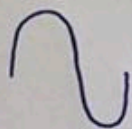
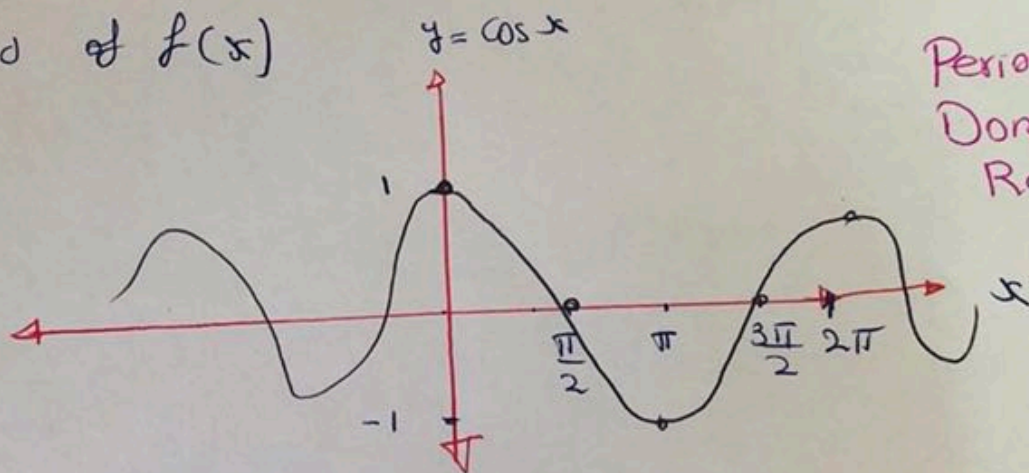
Definition:

A function $f(x)$ is periodic if there is a positive constant a such that

$$f(x+a) = f(x)$$

for all x in the domain

If a is the smallest number with this property, we call it the period of $f(x)$



$y = \tan x$

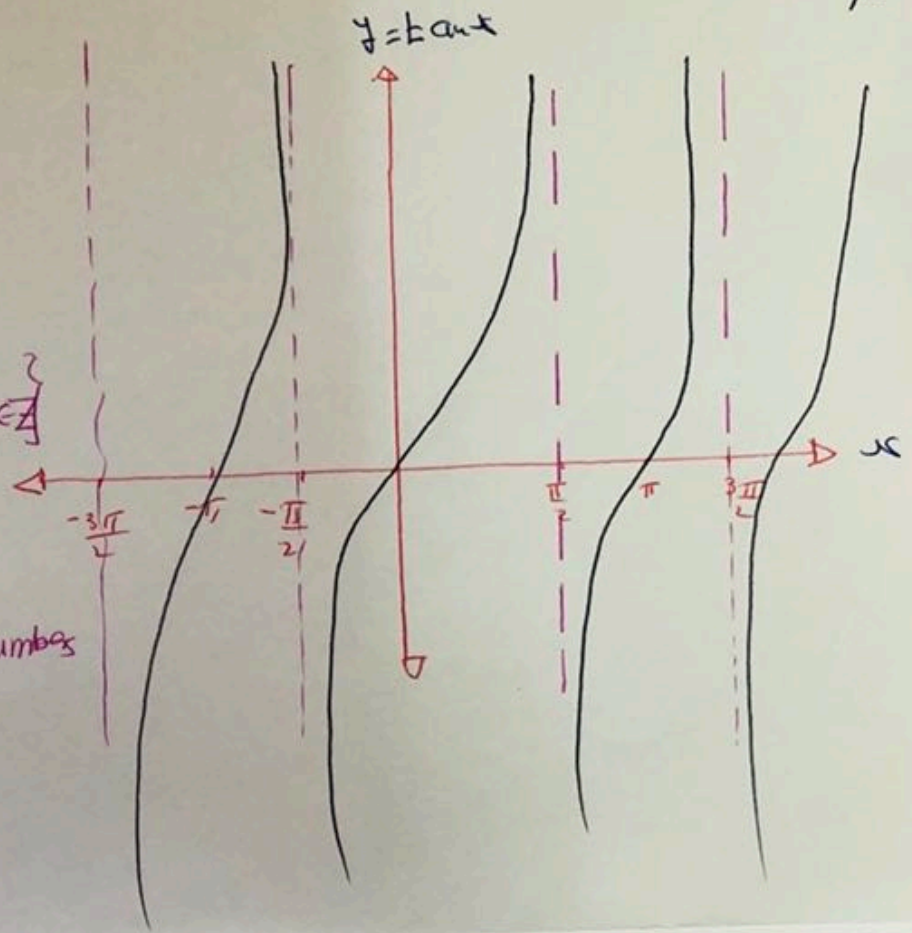
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period $\neq \pi$

Domain = $\mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{ \frac{(2n+1)\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$

Range = $(-\infty, \infty)$

Domain contains all real numbers except multiples of $\frac{\pi}{2}$ the odd integer



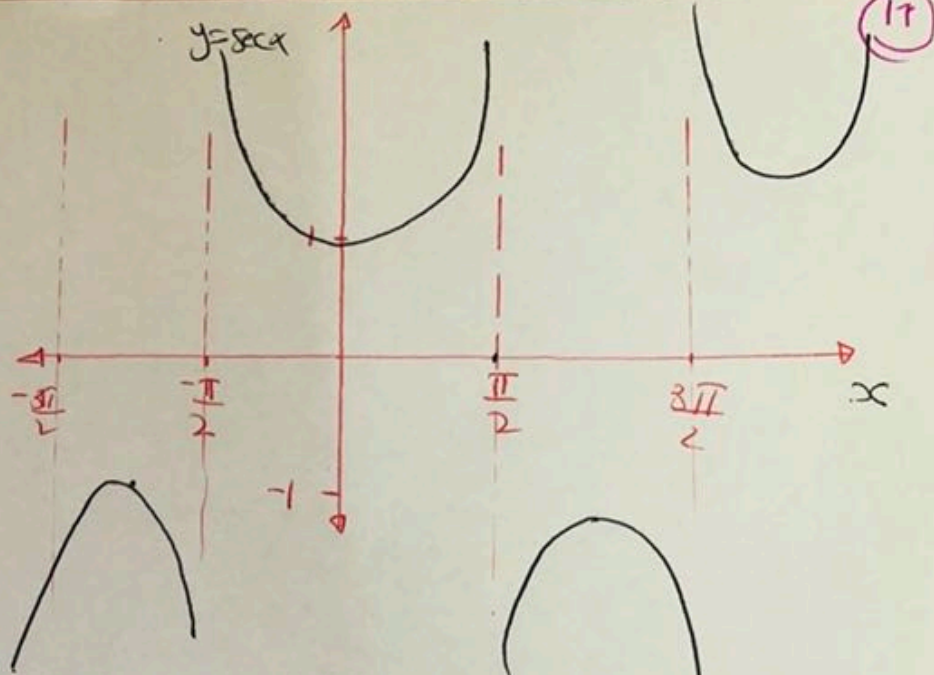
$$y = \sec x$$

$$\text{Period} = 2\pi$$

Domain = \mathbb{R} except
odd multiples of $\frac{\pi}{2}$

$$= \mathbb{R} - \left\{ (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2} : n \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

$$\text{Range} = (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$$

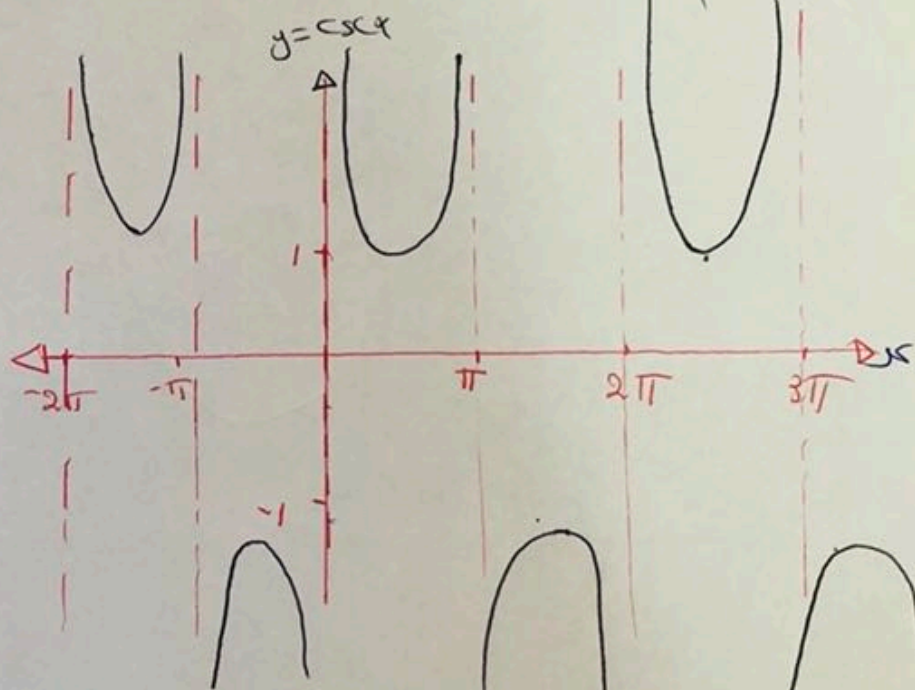


$$y = \csc x$$

$$\text{Period} = 2\pi$$

Domain = $\mathbb{R} - \{ n\pi : n \in \mathbb{Z} \}$

$$\text{Range} = (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$$

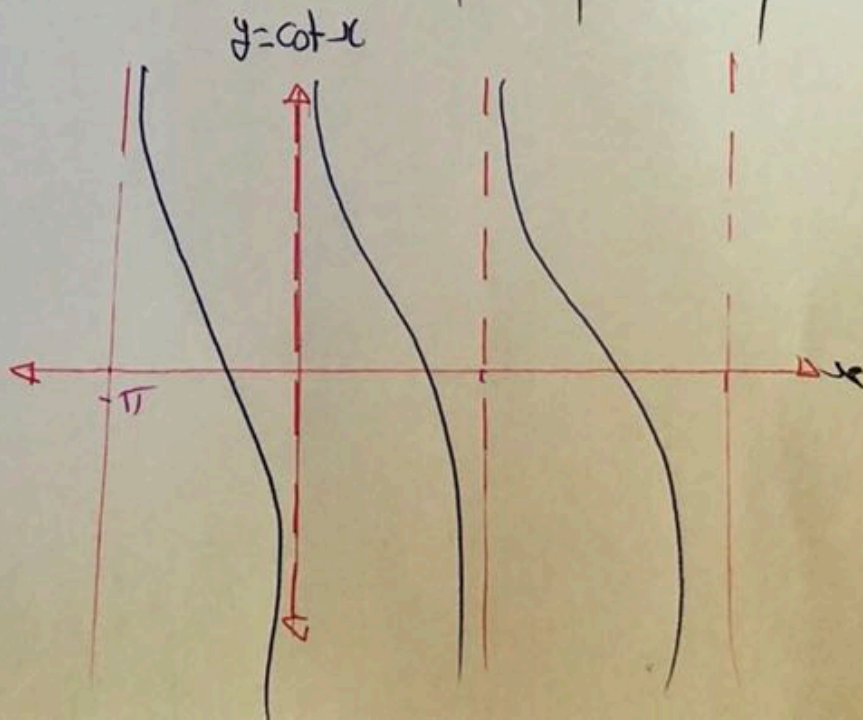


$$y = \cot x$$

$$\text{Period} = \pi$$

Domain = $\mathbb{R} - \{ n\pi : n \in \mathbb{Z} \}$

$$\text{Range} = (-\infty, \infty)$$



How to compute period

$$\boxed{y = \sin ax} \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{y = \cos ax}, \quad \boxed{y = \csc ax} \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{y = \sec ax}$$

$$\text{period} = \frac{2\pi}{\text{coefficient of } x} = \frac{2\pi}{a}$$

$$\boxed{y = \tan ax} \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{y = \cot ax}$$

$$\text{Period} = \frac{\pi}{\text{coefficient of } x} = \frac{\pi}{a}$$

Example: Period of $\sin 4x$ is $\frac{2\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{2}$

period of $\tan \frac{x}{2}$ is $\frac{\pi}{\frac{1}{2}} = \pi * 2 = 2\pi$