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Trigonometry Worksheet: Amplitude and Period (1)

The amplitude and period of a function of the form

$$y = a \cos(bx + c)$$

or

$$y = a \sin(bx + c)$$

are given by:

$$\text{amplitude} = |a| \qquad \text{period} = \frac{2\pi}{|b|}$$

Example 1: The amplitude and period of

$$y = -2 \sin(-3x + \pi)$$

are given by: amplitude = $|-2| = 2$, period = $\frac{2\pi}{|-3|} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$

Example 2: The amplitude and period of

$$y = 0.5 \cos(\pi x + \pi)$$

are given by: amplitude = $|0.5| = 0.5$, period = $\frac{2\pi}{|\pi|} = 2$

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