

## RBT

# Another Approach to determine Period & Phase Shift

Example:  $y = 3 \sin(4x - \pi) + 1$

The sine function has a fundamental period =  $2\pi$

★ Set the entire "angle" =  $2\pi$ , where sine ends a cycle.

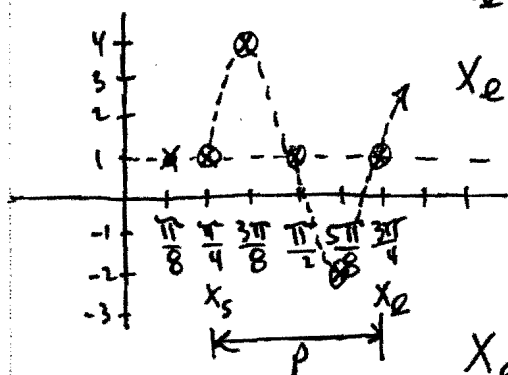
$$4x - \pi = 2\pi$$

★ Solve for  $x$ , the value where the problem ends a cycle.

$$4x_e - \pi = 2\pi$$

$$4x_e = 2\pi + \pi$$

$$x_e = \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$



↖ here is the end point of a cycle.

↑ here is the period

↖ here is the phase shift (start point of a cycle)

$$x_e = P + x_s$$

$$\frac{1}{4}P = \frac{1}{4}\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{8}$$

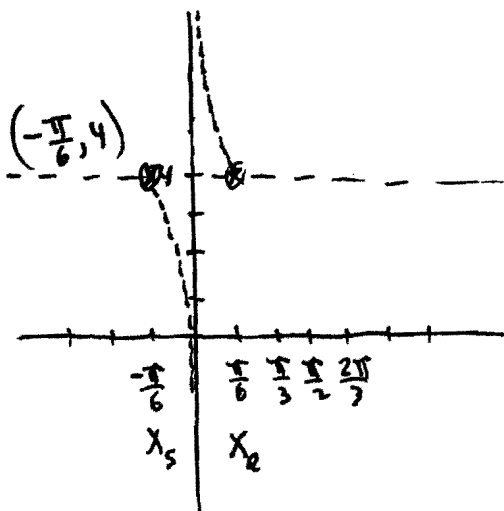
Example:  $y = -2 \tan\left(3x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + 4$

whole angle  $\rightarrow 3x + \frac{\pi}{2} = \pi \leftarrow$  Period of tangent fcn.

$$3x = \pi - \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$x_e = \frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$x_e = P + x_s$$



for tangent

$$\frac{1}{2}P = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

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$$y = 3 \sin(4x - \pi) + 1$$

$$\frac{y-1}{3} = \sin\left(\frac{x - \frac{\pi}{4}}{\frac{1}{4}}\right) \quad \leftarrow \text{transform form}$$

$$\text{Amplitude} = 3(1) = 3$$

$$\text{Period} = \frac{1}{4}(2\pi) = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \therefore \frac{1}{4}T = \frac{1}{4}\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{8}$$

$$\text{phase shift} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\text{node line} \Rightarrow y = 1$$

(vert. shift)

use phase shift  $\neq T$  or  $\frac{1}{4}T$   
to set scale "tic marks"

$$\frac{1}{4}T = \frac{\pi}{8} \quad S = \frac{\pi}{4} = 2\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right)$$

To sketch:

$\therefore$  use  $\frac{\pi}{8}$  for scale

- ① set axes with scaling
- ② Use phase shift + vertical shift to set starting point of cycle.
- ③ Set crest, other nodes, and troughs using  $\frac{1}{4}$  cycle increments.
- ④ Carefully add lines to complete a single cycle sketch.
- ⑤ Add other points if you wish & identify from the sketch another equation that represents the same graph. ( $y = -3 \sin 4x + 1$ )

