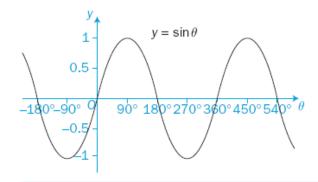
TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS

SINE CURVE

The Graph of $f(x) = \sin x$



• The sine curve is a periodic function. It has a period of 360° or 2π radians.

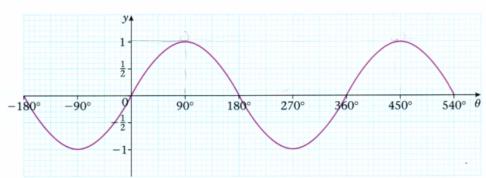
$$\sin (\theta + 360^{\circ}) = \sin \theta$$
 and $\sin (\theta - 360^{\circ}) = \sin \theta$

Periodic functions repeat themselves after a given interval. This interval is called the period of the function.

• The graph of $y = \sin \theta$ has symmetry about the line $\theta = 90^\circ$. $\sin (90^\circ + \theta) = \sin (90^\circ - \theta)$

Similarly $y = \sin \theta$ has symmetry about the line $\theta = 450^{\circ}$ and so on.

 $y = \sin \theta$



Functions that repeat themselves after a certain interval are called periodic functions, and the interval is called the period of the function. You can see that $\sin \theta$ is periodic with a period of 360°.

Hint: The graph of $\sin \theta$, where θ is in radians, has period 2π .

There are many symmetry properties of $\sin \theta$ (some were seen in Example 5) but you can see from the graph that

Hint: Because it is periodic.

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 $\sin (\theta + 360^\circ) = \sin \theta^\circ \text{ and } \sin (\theta - 360^\circ) = \sin \theta^\circ$ $\sin (90^\circ - \theta) = \sin (90^\circ + \theta)$

Hint: Symmetry about $\theta = 90^{\circ}$.

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