Transformations of the Sine Function (Vertical Stretch/Shrink)

- **Directions**: Open the "Transformations of Sine" GeoGebra activity and use it complete the the following questions.
- Intro: Remember the definition of sine,  $sin\theta = \frac{y}{r}$ , where r is the radius of the circle, and y is the y coordinate of the point on the circle AND the terminal side of  $\theta$ .(The blue point). Solving for y, we have  $y = rsin\theta$ , which represents the y coordinate of the blue point. For a given r, we can now graph the relationship by plotting points  $(\theta, y)$ . On the horizontal axis is the measure of  $\theta$ , and the vertical axis is y (vertical position of blue point). The collection of all ordered pairs together forms the graph of the function  $y = rsin\theta$ .

**Directions:** Make sure the checkbox for  $y = rsin(b(\theta - c))$  is checked. Set b = 1, c = 0

(b and c have no effect for these values. We will explore these later). Uncheck plot.

Set r = 1. So our function is y = sinθ. Use the pink slider to adjust θ to each of the values in the table below. Record in the table the y coordinate of the blue point for each θ. Then plot the ordered pairs from the table on the axes below.



- 2. Now check **plot** to and slide  $\theta$  to  $3\pi$  to graph  $y = sin\theta$  for  $-\pi \le \theta \le 3\pi$ . Sketch the wave on the axes above. What are the max and min y values of the function?
- 3. Now adjust to r = 2. Sketch the function on the axes above. Then do the same for r = .5. What is the relationship between the minimum and maximum values of the function and r?

## Transformations of Sine (Clockwise Rotation)

**Directions:** Make sure the checkbox for  $y = rsin(b(\theta - c))$  is unchecked. Then check the box for the red equation  $y = -rsin(b(\theta - c))$ . Again set  $\mathbf{b} = 1$ ,  $\mathbf{c} = 0$ . Uncheck plot.

Note: In the circle, the red angle is  $-\theta$ , which is a clockwise rotation of the same amount as the counter clockwise rotation by the pink angle  $\theta$ .

1. Set  $\mathbf{r} = 1$ . Rotate  $\theta$  to  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ . Draw the circle with  $-\theta$ ,  $\theta$ , and  $sin(-\theta)$  as it appears on the screen

2. Notice the y coordinate of the red point is  $y = sin(-\theta)$ . Since sine is an odd function, we can also write

$$y = sin(-\theta) = \_$$

3. Now we can plot ordered pairs  $(\theta, y)$  for  $y = -sin(\theta)$ . Use the pink slider to adjust  $\theta$  to each of the values in the table below. Record in the table the y coordinate of the blue point for each  $\theta$ . Then plot the ordered pairs from the table on the axes below



4. Now check **plot** and slide  $\theta$  to  $3\pi$  to graph  $y = -sin\theta$  for  $-\pi \le \theta \le 3\pi$ . Plot the full wave on the axes above. Now adjust to the following values and plot the waves you see for each value:  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{1}$ ,  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{2}$ ,  $\mathbf{r} = .5$ . How do these functions compare with the sketches from page 1? What transformation is applied?

## Transformations of Sine: (Frequency Change)

**Directions:** Now uncheck  $y = -rsin(b(\theta - c))$  and again check the blue equation  $y = rsin(b(\theta - c))$ . Set c = 0 and r = 1.

So far we have explored with  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{1}$ . In all sketches so far, notice that a full cycle, (**highlighted in yellow**) has a horizontal width of  $2\pi$ . The horizontal width of the of one cycle is called the **period** of the function. Observing the circle, the **period** is also the value of  $\theta$  for which the blue point completes a full rotation around the circle.

1. Set b = 2. Slide  $\theta$  to different values. Notice the blue angle  $2\theta$  has a measure that is twice the pink angle. Set  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$ . Sketch the circle below showing  $\theta$ ,  $2\theta$ ,  $sin(2\theta)$ 

2. Notice the y coordinate of the blue point is now is  $y = sin(2\theta)$ . Use the pink slider to adjust  $\theta$  to each of the values in the table below. Record in the table y coordinate of the blue point for each  $\theta$ . Then plot the ordered pairs from the table on the axes below



- 3. Now check **plot** to and slide  $\theta$  to  $3\pi$  to graph  $y = sin 2\theta$  for  $-\pi \le \theta \le 3\pi$ . Sketch the wave on the axes above.
- 4. Starting at  $\theta = 0$ , to what value do you slide  $\theta$  so that the blue point makes one rotation around the circle?
- 5. Remember to period is the horizontal width of a full cycle. What is the period of  $y = sin(2\theta)$ ? Set b = 3 and answer 3 and 4 again. Then b = .75. What is the relationship between b and the period?

## Transformations of Sine: (Phase Shift)

**Directions:** Make sure the checkbox for  $y = rsin(b(\theta - c))$  is checked. Set b = 1 and r=1 Uncheck Plot.

Note: So far we have explored with  $\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0}$ . Slide  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  to 0 and now set  $\mathbf{c} = \frac{\pi}{6}$ . Now our equation is  $\mathbf{y} = \sin\left(\mathbf{\theta} - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$ . Adjust  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  and notice that in the circle, the green angle is always  $\frac{\pi}{6}$  radians behind  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ . So the green angle has measure  $\boldsymbol{\theta} - \frac{\pi}{6}$ .

- 1. Set  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$  and sketch the circle below showing  $\theta, \theta \frac{\pi}{6}$ , and  $\sin\left(\theta \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$ .
- 2. Notice the y coordinate of the blue point is now is  $y = sin(\theta \frac{\pi}{6})$ . Use the pink slider to adjust  $\theta$  to each of the values in the table below. Record in the table y coordinate of the blue point for each  $\theta$ . Then plot the ordered pairs from the table on the axes below

	$y = sin\left(\theta - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$	θ
		0
У		$\frac{\pi}{6}$
		$\frac{2\pi}{3}$
θ		$\frac{7\pi}{6}$
		$\frac{5\pi}{3}$
		$\frac{13\pi}{6}$

- 3. Now check **plot** to and slide  $\theta$  to  $3\pi$  to graph  $y = sin\left(\theta \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$  for  $-\pi \le \theta \le 3\pi$ . Sketch the wave on the axes above.
- 4. Notice the full cycle highlighted in yellow. Slide c back and forth between 0 and  $\frac{\pi}{6}$ . What transformation is applied to the highlighted cycle?
- 5. Now slide c to  $-\frac{\pi}{6}$ . What is the relationship between the pink and green angle? What transformation is applied to the highlighted cycle now?
- 6. What is the relationship between c and the graph of  $y = sin\left(\theta \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$ .