Sine and tangent sketches

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Learning target: Recognise sine, cosine and tangent graph features, including vertical asymptotes where applicable.

For a sine or cosine graph, amplitude describes the vertical distance from the midline and period describes the horizontal repetition length. Tangent has no amplitude because it is unbounded; its asymptotes divide the graph into repeating branches. Construct a sketch from exact key points and asymptotes instead of relying on a calculator window alone.

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Task 1. Sketch $y=2\sin(3x)-1$ for $0\leq x\leq 2\pi/3$. State the amplitude, period, midline and range, and mark five quarter-period points.

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