

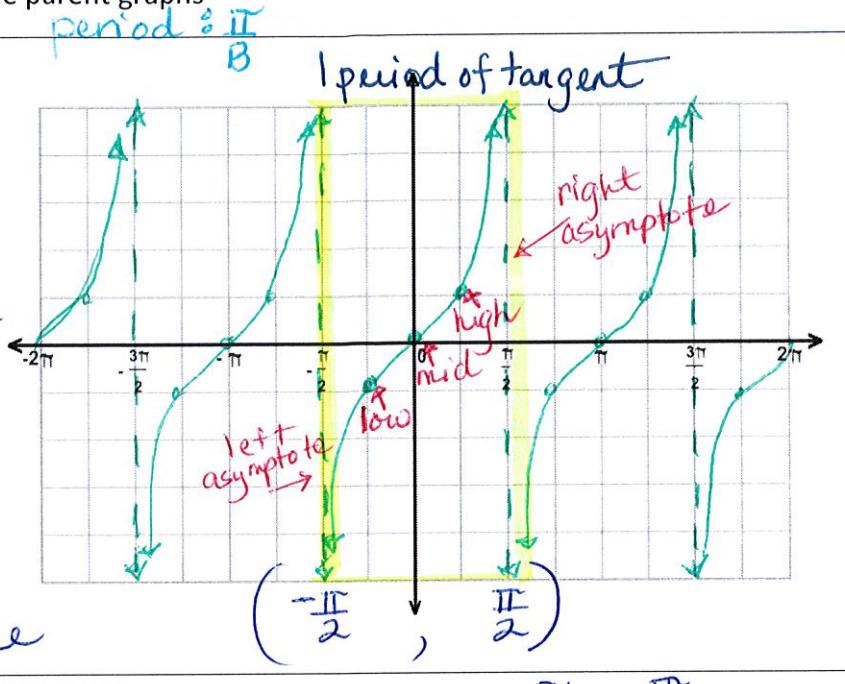
How Can I Sketch Transformations on the Tangent and Cotangent Functions?

First, let's find the basic characteristics of the parent graphs.

θ	$y = \tan \theta$
0	0
$\frac{\pi}{4}$	1
$\frac{\pi}{2}$	UND
$\frac{3\pi}{4}$	-1
π	0
$\frac{5\pi}{4}$	1
$\frac{3\pi}{2}$	UND
$\frac{7\pi}{4}$	-1
2π	0

The graph of tangent is discontinuous. There is one s-shaped curve per period. The graph increases to the right.

the period is less than sine/cosine



Period $\frac{\pi}{2}$

Intervals $\frac{\pi}{4}$

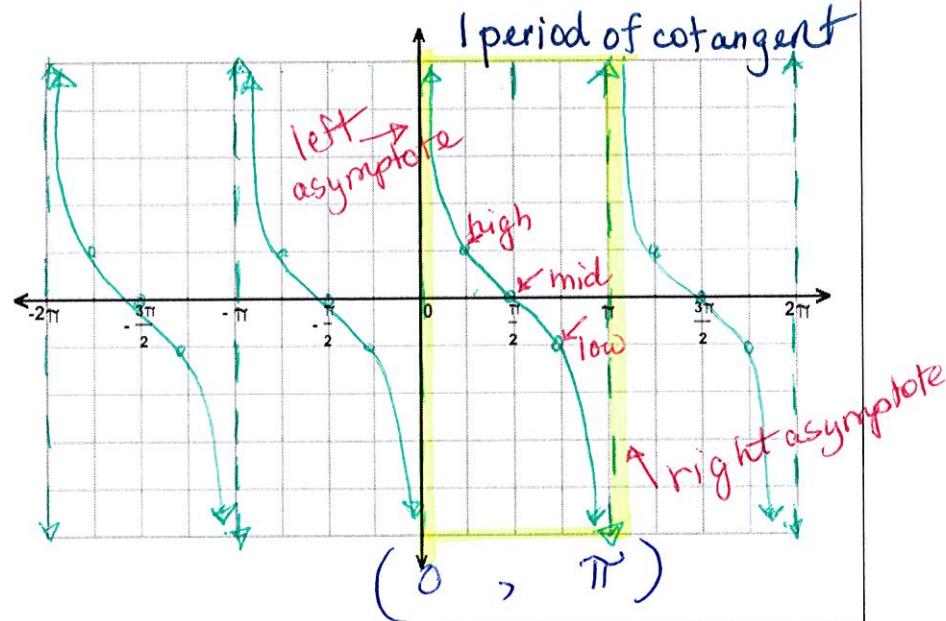
Asymptotes $-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}$

5 critical values

ASYMPTOTE, LOW, MIDDLE, HIGH, ASYMPTOTE

θ	$y = \cot \theta$
0	UND
$\frac{\pi}{4}$	1
$\frac{\pi}{2}$	0
$\frac{3\pi}{4}$	-1
π	UND
$\frac{5\pi}{4}$	1
$\frac{3\pi}{2}$	0
$\frac{7\pi}{4}$	-1
2π	UND

The graph of cotangent is decreasing left to right. On the parent graph, the 1st period lies between 0 and pi.



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Asymptotes 0, pi

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Graphing Tan and Cot

Graph each function.

$$1. \ y = 2 \cot\left(\frac{1}{2}\theta - \frac{7\pi}{4}\right) + 1$$

$$2. \ y = 4 \tan\left(\frac{1}{3}\theta - \frac{5\pi}{6}\right) + 3$$

$$3. \ y = 2 + \tan\left(2\theta - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$

$$4. \ y = -2 + 2 \cot 5\theta$$

$$5. \ y = 3 \cot\left(2\theta + \frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$6. \ y = 2 \tan\left(3\theta + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) + 2$$

$$1. \quad y = 2 \cot\left(\frac{1}{2}\theta - \frac{7\pi}{4}\right) + 1$$

period : $\frac{\pi}{\frac{1}{2}} \rightarrow 2\pi$

intervals : $\frac{2\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{2}$

DECREASING

For cotangent, set argument = 0 to find starting θ -value

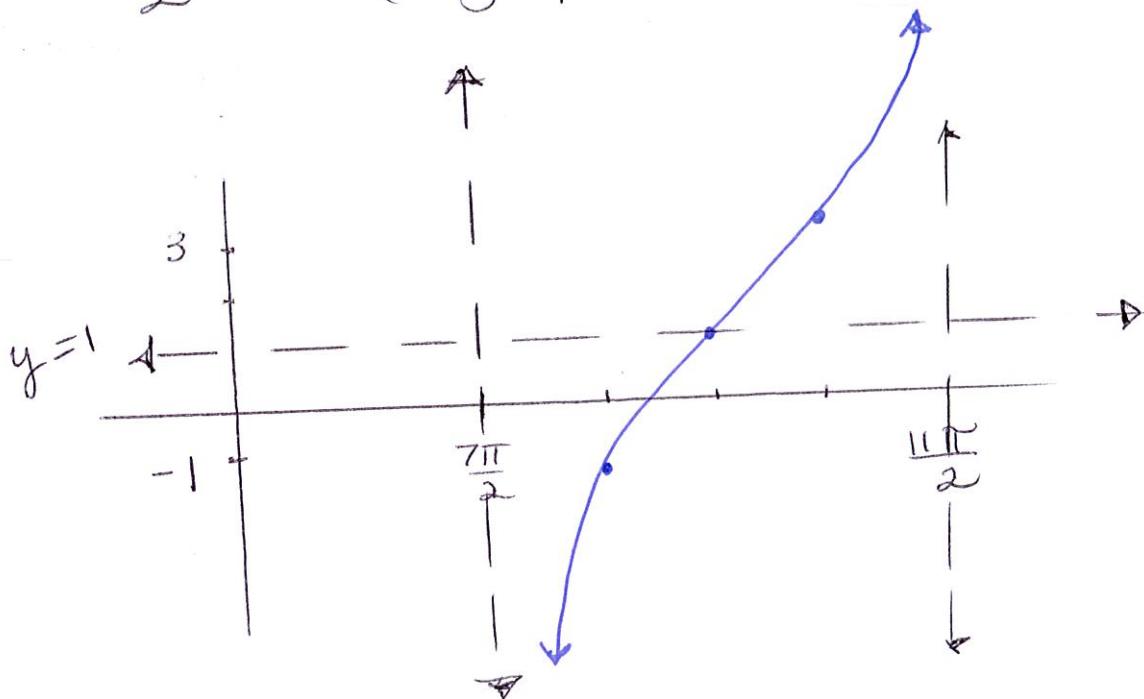
LEFT ASYMPTOTE : $\frac{1}{2}\theta - \frac{7\pi}{4} = 0$

$$\frac{1}{2}\theta = \frac{7\pi}{4}$$

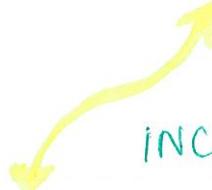
$$\theta = \frac{14\pi}{4} = \frac{7\pi}{2}$$

θ	cot θ
$\frac{7\pi}{2}$	UND (asymptote)
4π	HIGH 3
$\frac{9\pi}{2}$	MID 1
5π	LOW -1

$\frac{11\pi}{2}$ UND (asymptote)



$$2. \quad y = 4 \tan\left(\frac{1}{3}\theta - \frac{5\pi}{6}\right) + 3$$

 INCREASING

$$\text{period} : \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\text{intervals} : \frac{\pi}{4 \cdot 4} = \frac{\pi}{16}$$

$$\text{Start} : \frac{1}{3}\theta - \frac{5\pi}{6} = -\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{3}\theta = \frac{2\pi}{6}$$

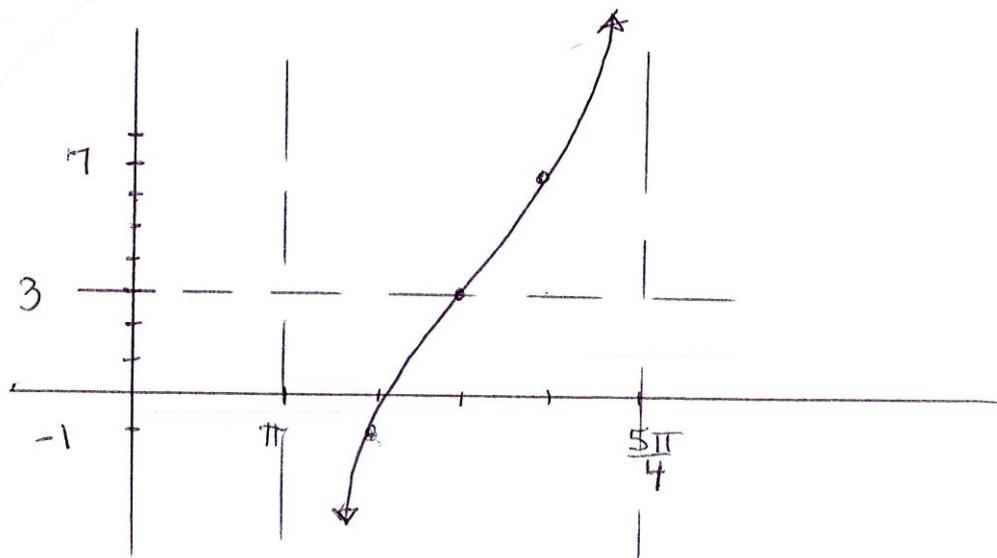
$$\theta = \frac{6\pi}{6} = \pi$$

For tangent graphs
set argument $= -\frac{\pi}{2}$
to find starting
 θ value.

θ	$\tan \theta$
π	UND
$\frac{17\pi}{16}$	-1 (Low)
$\frac{18\pi}{16}$	3 (Mid)
$\frac{19\pi}{16}$	7 (High)
$\frac{20\pi}{16}$	UND

$\times 4$

\downarrow



$$3. \quad y = 2 + \tan(2\theta - \frac{\pi}{6})$$

period : $\frac{\pi}{2}$

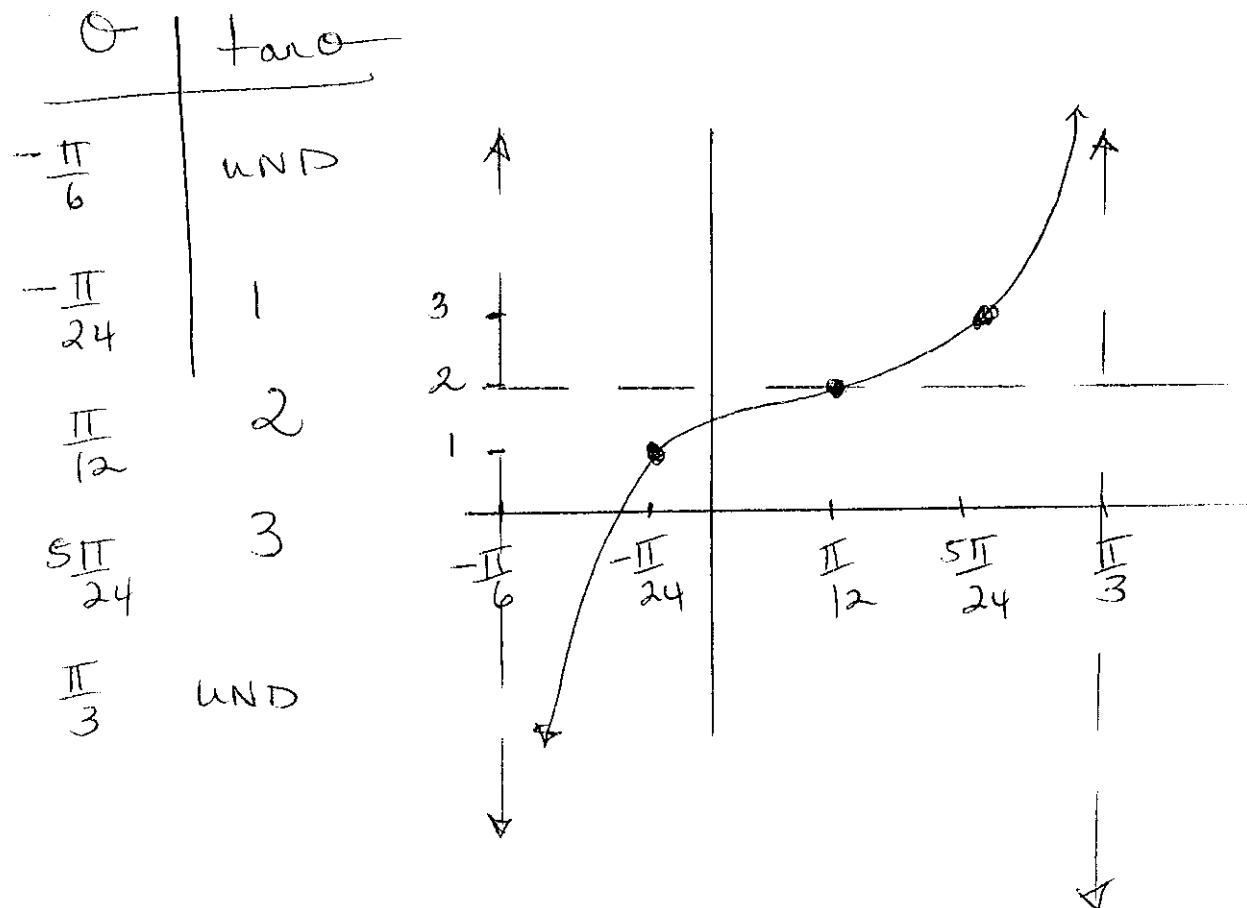
intervals : $\frac{\pi}{8}$

start : $2\theta - \frac{\pi}{6} = -\frac{\pi}{2}$

$$2\theta = -\frac{2\pi}{6}$$

$$\theta = -\frac{2\pi}{12}$$

$$\theta = -\frac{\pi}{6}$$



$$4. \quad y = -2 + 2 \cot 5\theta$$

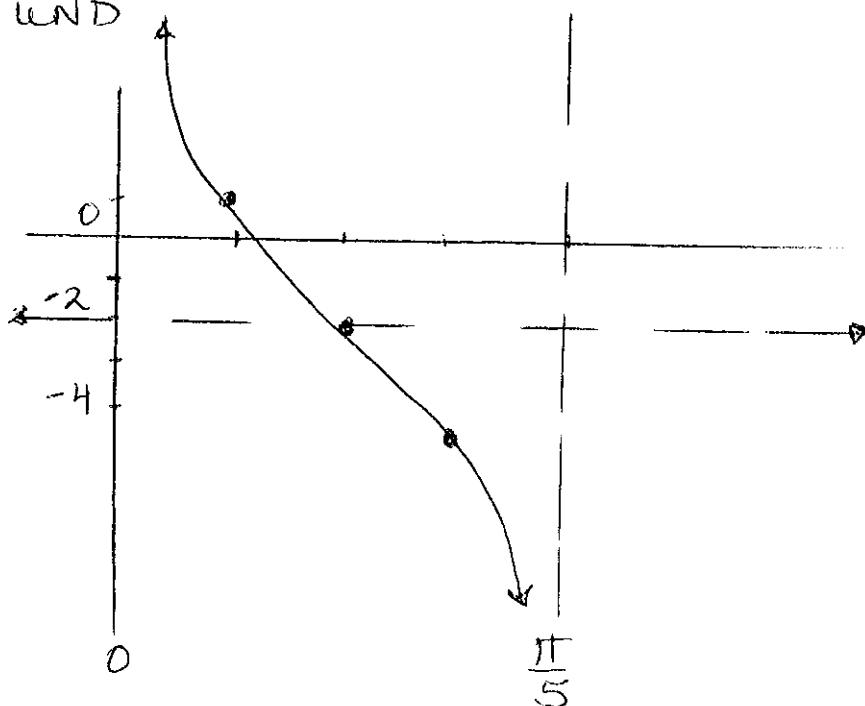
period : $\frac{\pi}{5}$

intervals : $\frac{\pi}{20}$

Start : $5\theta = 0$

$\theta = 0$

θ	$\cot \theta$
0	UND
$\frac{\pi}{20}$	HIGH 0
$\frac{2\pi}{20}$	MID -2
$\frac{3\pi}{20}$	LOW -4
$\frac{4\pi}{20}$	UND



$$5. \quad y = 3 \cot\left(2\theta + \frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$$

period: $\frac{\pi}{2}$

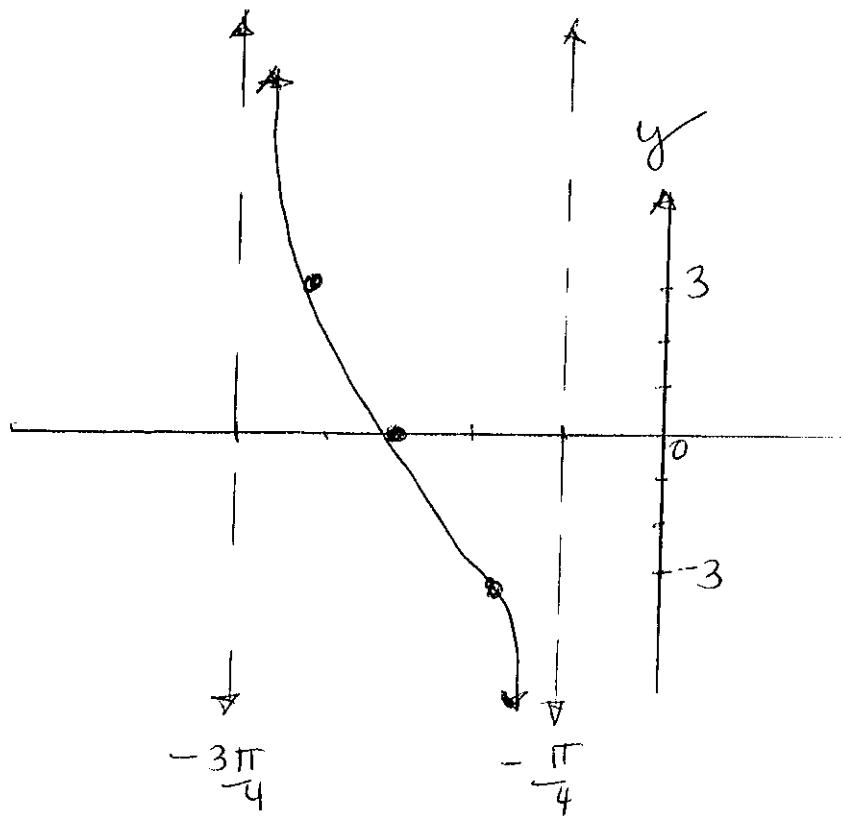
intervals: $\frac{\pi}{8}$

$$\text{start: } 2\theta + \frac{3\pi}{2} = 0$$

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

$$\theta = -\frac{3\pi}{4}$$

θ	$\cot\theta$
$-\frac{3\pi}{4}$	UND
$-\frac{5\pi}{8}$	3
$-\frac{4\pi}{8}$	0
$-\frac{3\pi}{8}$	-3
$-\frac{2\pi}{8}$	UND



$$6. \quad y = 2 + \tan\left(3\theta + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) + 2$$

$$\text{period} : \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\text{intervals} : \frac{\pi}{12}$$

$$\text{start} : 3\theta + \frac{\pi}{6} = -\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$3\theta = -\frac{4\pi}{6}$$

$$\theta = -\frac{4\pi}{18}$$

$$\theta = -\frac{2\pi}{9}$$

θ	$\tan \theta$
$-\frac{2\pi}{9}$	UND
$-\frac{5\pi}{36}$	0
$-\frac{\pi}{18}$	2
$\frac{\pi}{36}$	4
$\frac{\pi}{9}$	UND

