



# Trigonometry Final Exam Solutions

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1. (5 pts)      

A	B	C		E
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2. (5 pts)      

	B	C	D	E
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3. (5 pts)      

A		C	D	E
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4. (5 pts)      

A	B	C	D	
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5. (5 pts)      

A	B		D	E
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6. (5 pts)      

A	B	C		E
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7. (5 pts)      

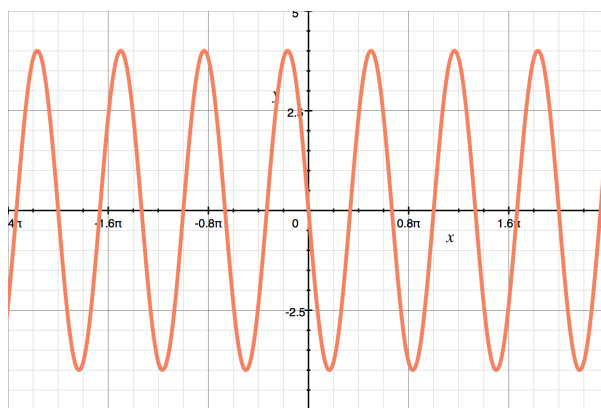
	B	C	D	E
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8. (5 pts)      

A		C	D	E
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9. (15 pts)      817 ft

10. (15 pts)       $c \approx 38.21, A \approx 23.98^\circ, B = 42.02^\circ$

11. (15 pts)       $\sin(-22^\circ) = (-\sin 60^\circ)(\cos 38^\circ) + (\cos 60^\circ)(\sin 38^\circ)$



12. (15 pts)



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1. D. Use Heron's formula to find the area of the triangle. If  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are the lengths of the sides of the triangle, then half the perimeter is

$$s = \frac{1}{2}(a + b + c)$$

$$s = \frac{1}{2}(9 + 10 + 11)$$

$$s = \frac{1}{2}(30)$$

$$s = 15$$

Plugging this value into Heron's formula, we get

$$A = \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

$$A = \sqrt{15(15-9)(15-10)(15-11)}$$

$$A = \sqrt{15(6)(5)(4)}$$

$$A = \sqrt{1,800}$$

$$A \approx 42$$

2. A. The angular velocity is



$$\omega = \frac{12 \text{ mi}}{12 \text{ hr-in}}$$

Convert to revolutions per second.

$$\omega = \frac{12 \text{ mi}}{12 \text{ hr-in}} \cdot \frac{5,280 \text{ ft}}{1 \text{ mi}} \cdot \frac{12 \text{ in}}{1 \text{ ft}} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ hr}}{60 \text{ min}} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ min}}{60 \text{ sec}} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ rev}}{2\pi}$$

$$\omega = \frac{12 \cdot 5,280 \cdot 12 \text{ rev}}{12 \cdot 60 \cdot 60 \cdot 2\pi \text{ sec}}$$

$$\omega = \frac{44 \text{ rev}}{5\pi \text{ sec}}$$

$$\omega \approx 2.80 \text{ revolutions per second}$$

3. B. The law of sines is

$$\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$$

We know that  $B = 70^\circ$ ,  $C = 45^\circ$ ,  $b = 15$ , and  $c = x$ . Since the sum of the interior angles of a triangle must be  $180^\circ$ ,

$$A = 180^\circ - 70^\circ - 45^\circ$$

$$A = 65^\circ$$

Substitute into the law of sines.

$$\frac{15}{\sin 70^\circ} = \frac{x}{\sin 45^\circ}$$



$$x \sin 70^\circ = 15 \sin 45^\circ$$

$$x = \frac{15 \sin 45^\circ}{\sin 70^\circ}$$

$$x \approx 11.3$$

4. E. Since the central angle  $\theta$  is in degrees, the area of the circular sector is

$$A = \pi r^2 \left( \frac{\theta}{360} \right)$$

Since the diameter is 6 ft, the radius is 3 ft.

$$A = \pi(3)^2 \left( \frac{70}{360} \right)$$

$$A = 9\pi \left( \frac{7}{36} \right)$$

$$A = \frac{7}{4}\pi$$

5. C. The period of a cosecant function is  $2\pi/b$  where  $b$  is the coefficient on  $\theta$ .

$$\frac{2\pi}{\frac{1}{12}}$$



$$2\pi \left( \frac{12}{1} \right)$$

$$24\pi$$

6. D. Use the product identity for  $\cos \theta \sin \alpha$ .

$$\cos \theta \sin \alpha = \frac{1}{2} [\sin(\theta + \alpha) - \sin(\theta - \alpha)]$$

$$\cos 135^\circ \sin 15^\circ = \frac{1}{2} [\sin(135^\circ + 15^\circ) - \sin(135^\circ - 15^\circ)]$$

$$\cos 135^\circ \sin 15^\circ = \frac{1}{2} (\sin 150^\circ - \sin 120^\circ)$$

$$\cos 135^\circ \sin 15^\circ = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$

$$\cos 135^\circ \sin 15^\circ = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1 - \sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$

$$\cos 135^\circ \sin 15^\circ = \frac{1 - \sqrt{3}}{4}$$

7. A. Use the sum of cosines to find the exact value, since  $120^\circ + 45^\circ = 165^\circ$ .

$$\cos(\theta + \alpha) = \cos \theta \cos \alpha - \sin \theta \sin \alpha$$



$$\cos 165^\circ = \cos(120^\circ + 45^\circ)$$

$$\cos 165^\circ = \cos 120^\circ \cos 45^\circ - \sin 120^\circ \sin 45^\circ$$

$$\cos 165^\circ = -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)$$

$$\cos 165^\circ = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4}$$

$$\cos 165^\circ = -\frac{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{6}}{4}$$

8. B. Remember that a cosine function  $y = a \cos(b(\theta + c)) + d$  has a vertical stretch/compression of  $a$ , horizontal stretch/compression of  $b$ , a horizontal shift of  $c$ , and a vertical shift of  $d$ .

We need to apply the horizontal compression first,

$$y = a \cos(3(\theta + c)) + d$$

then the horizontal shift,

$$y = a \cos \left( 3 \left( \theta + \frac{\pi}{3} \right) \right) + d$$

$$y = a \cos(3\theta + \pi) + d$$

then the vertical stretch,

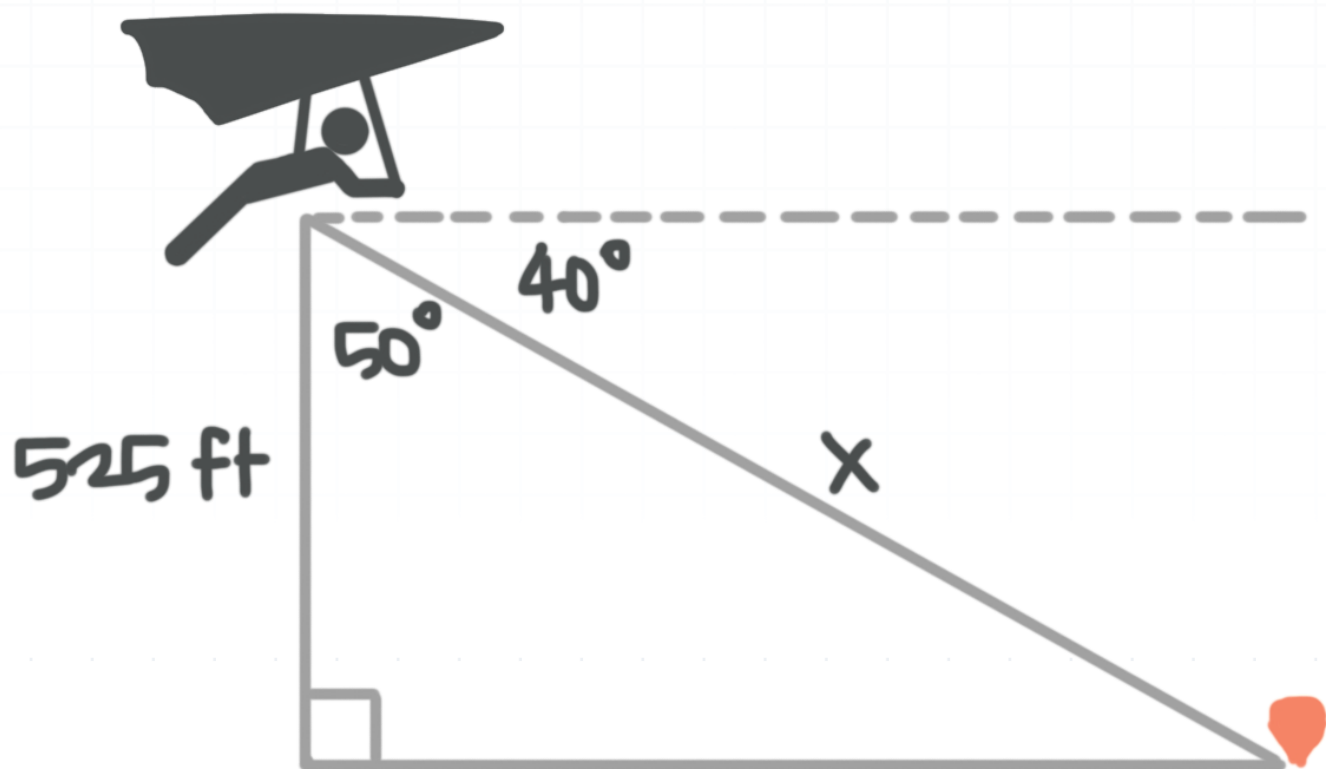


$$y = \frac{1}{5} \cos(3\theta + \pi) + d$$

and finally the vertical shift.

$$y = \frac{1}{5} \cos(3\theta + \pi) - 5$$

9. Draw a diagram.



Since the angle of depression is  $40^\circ$ , the angle inside the triangle is  $90^\circ - 40^\circ = 50^\circ$ . To find  $x$ , the slant distance from the hang glider to the barn, use

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}}$$

The adjacent is 525 ft and the hypotenuse is  $x$ .





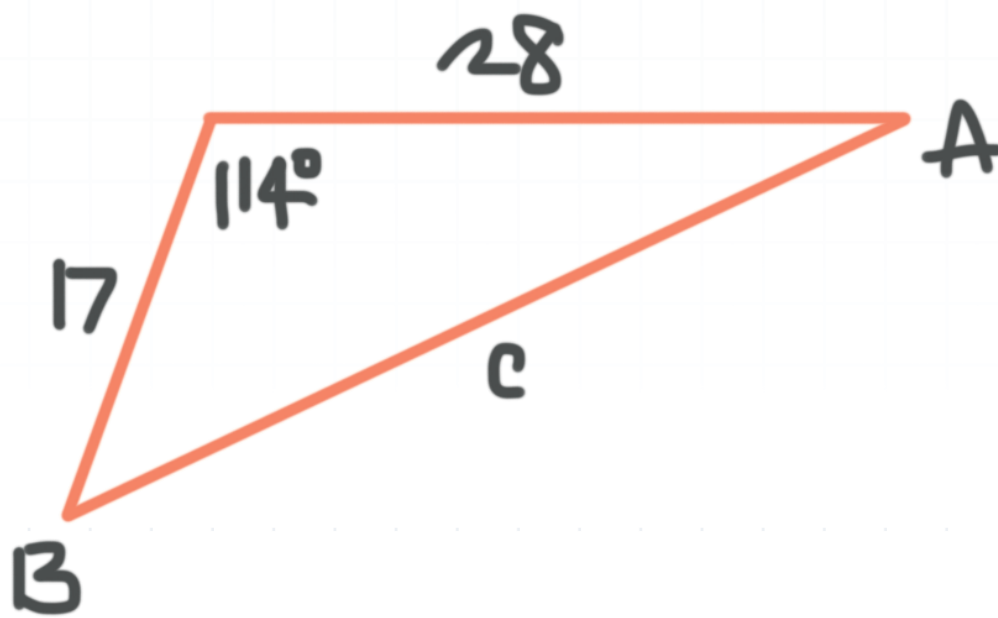
$$\cos 50^\circ = \frac{525}{x}$$

$$x \cos 50^\circ = 525$$

$$x = \frac{525}{\cos 50^\circ}$$

$$x \approx 817 \text{ ft}$$

10. Use the law of cosines to find side  $c$ .



$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C$$

$$c^2 = 17^2 + 28^2 - 2(17)(28)\cos 114^\circ$$

$$c^2 = 289 + 784 - 952 \cos 114^\circ$$

$$c = \sqrt{289 + 784 - 952 \cos 114^\circ}$$

$$c \approx 38.21$$



Use the law of sines to find angle  $A$ .

$$\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$$

$$\frac{17}{\sin A} = \frac{38.21}{\sin 114^\circ}$$

$$38.21 \sin A = 17 \sin 114^\circ$$

$$\sin A = \frac{17 \sin 114^\circ}{38.21}$$

$$A = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{17 \sin 114^\circ}{38.21} \right)$$

$$A \approx 23.98^\circ$$

Since the sum of all the angles in a triangle is  $180^\circ$ , subtract the measures of angles  $A$  and  $C$  from  $180^\circ$  to find angle  $B$ .

$$B = 180^\circ - A - C$$

$$B = 180^\circ - 23.98^\circ - 114^\circ$$

$$B = 42.02^\circ$$

11. The expression  $(-\sin 60^\circ)(\cos 38^\circ) + (\cos 60^\circ)\sin(38^\circ)$  is in the form

$$\sin(\theta + \alpha) = \sin \theta \cos \alpha + \cos \theta \sin \alpha$$

Substitute the angles from the expression.



$$\sin(-60^\circ + 38^\circ) = (\sin(-60^\circ))(\cos 38^\circ) + (\cos(-60^\circ))(\sin 38^\circ)$$

By the odd identity  $\sin \theta = -\sin(-\theta)$  and the even identity  $\cos \theta = \cos(-\theta)$ , the equation becomes

$$\sin(-60^\circ + 38^\circ) = (-\sin 60^\circ)(\cos 38^\circ) + (\cos 60^\circ)(\sin 38^\circ)$$

$$\sin(-22^\circ) = (-\sin 60^\circ)(\cos 38^\circ) + (\cos 60^\circ)(\sin 38^\circ)$$

12. Since the graph is the sine function, it will go through the origin. From the origin it will go down to  $-4$  since the amplitude is 4 and the function is negative. The period is

$$\frac{2\pi}{|b|} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

There are minimums at  $-\pi/2$  and  $\pi/6$  and maximums at  $-\pi/6$  and  $\pi/2$ . The zeros are at  $-2\pi/3$ ,  $-\pi/3$ ,  $0$ ,  $\pi/3$ , and  $2\pi/3$ .



