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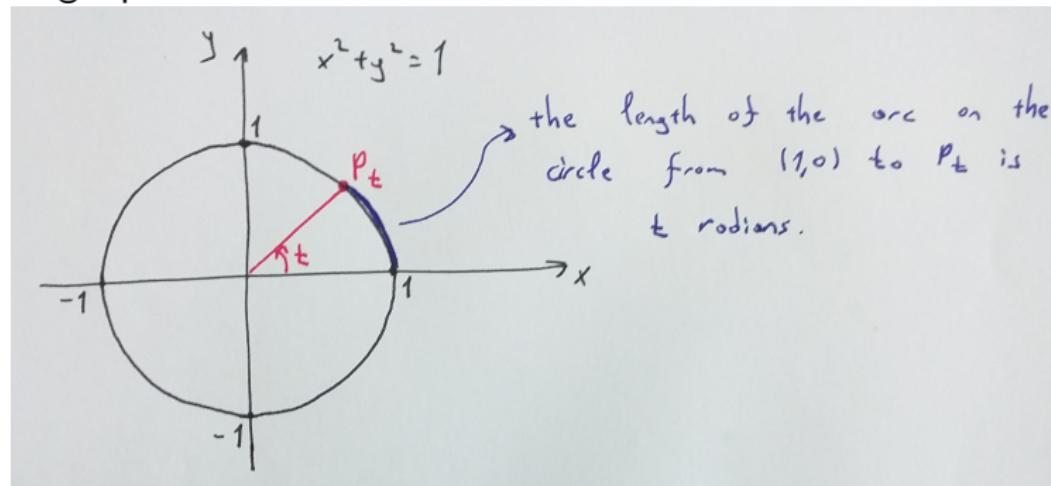
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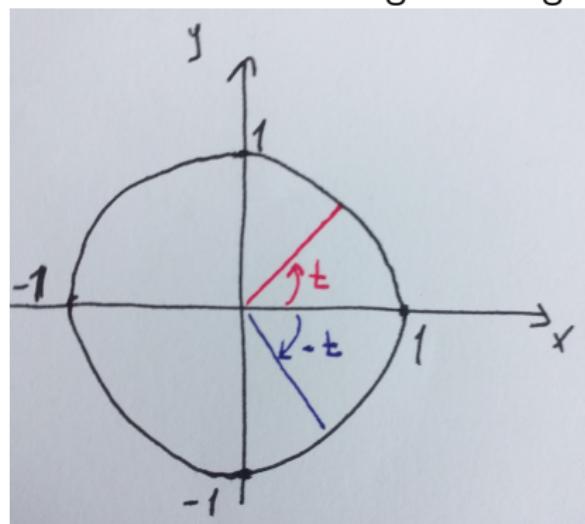
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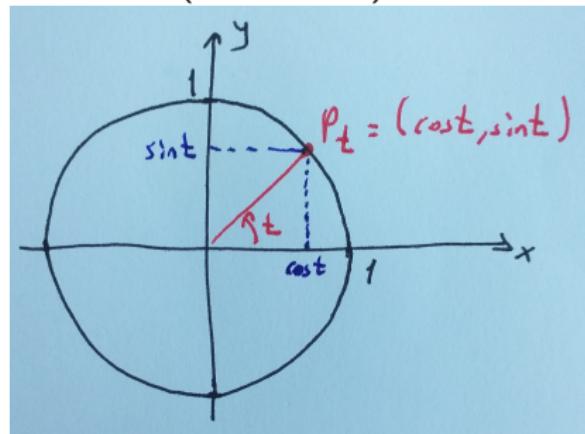
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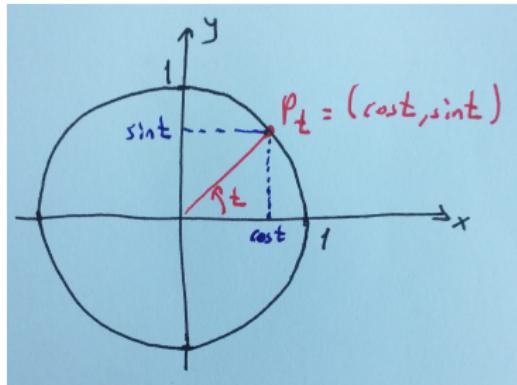
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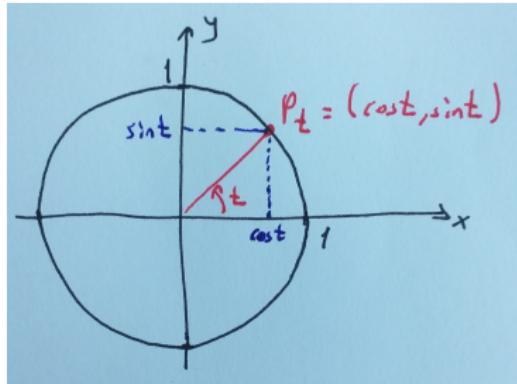
- * Move t radian on the unit circle from the point $(1, 0)$ to the point P_t . The functions $\cos t$ and $\sin t$ are defined as the x and y -coordinates of P_t respectively.

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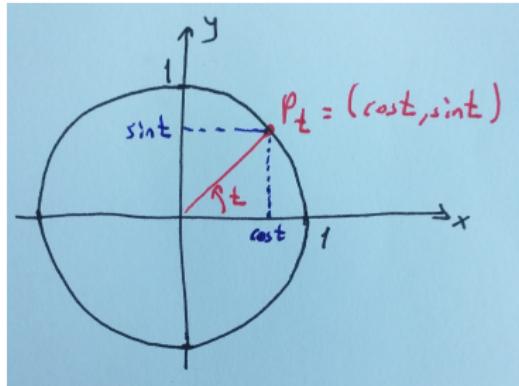
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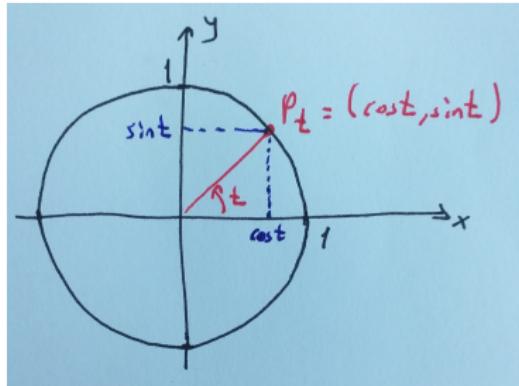
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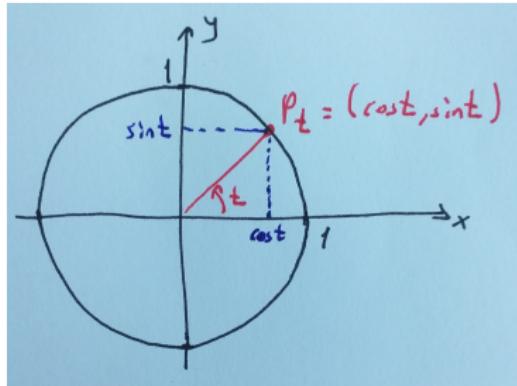
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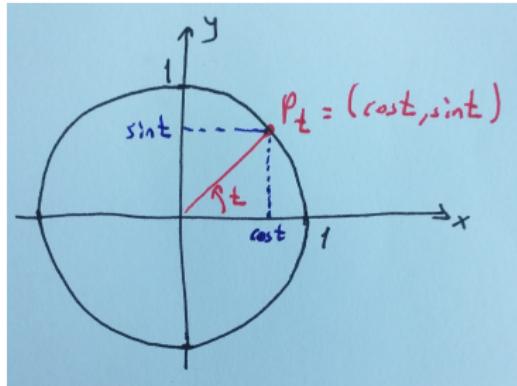
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Exercise: Observe the following identities by sketching the relevant angles.

i) $\cos(\pi - t) = -\cos t, \sin(\pi - t) = \sin t$

ii) $\cos(\pi + t) = -\cos t, \sin(\pi + t) = -\sin t$

iii) $\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - t\right) = \sin t, \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - t\right) = \cos t$

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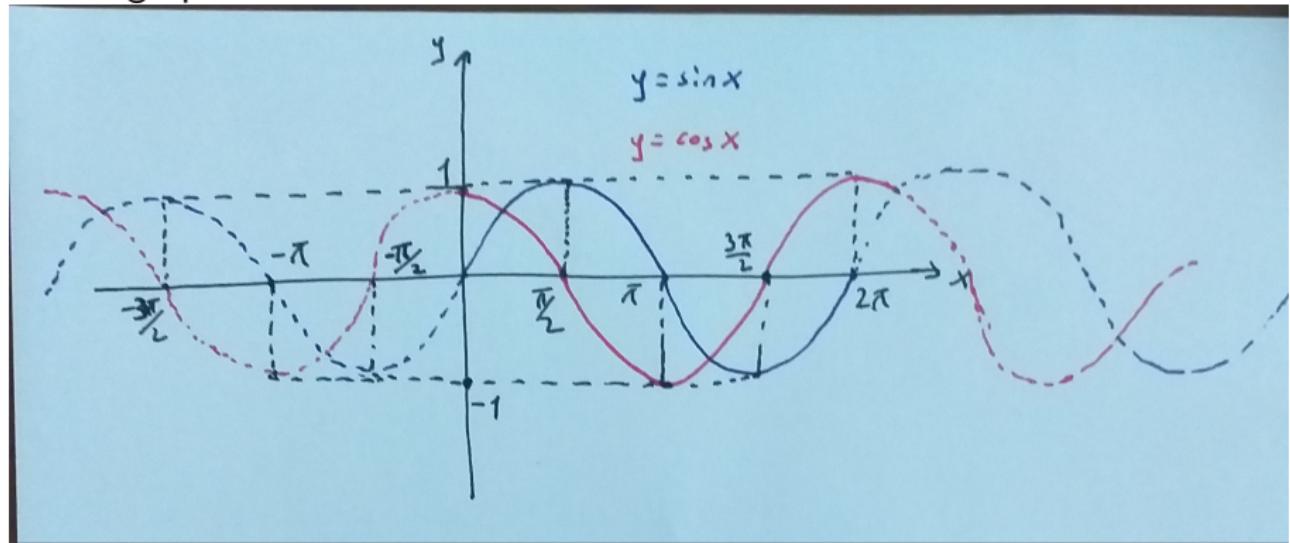
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$\cos t$	1				0				
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(For example; $\sin(5\pi/6) = \sin(\pi - \pi/6) = \sin(\pi/6) = \sin(30^\circ) = 1/2$).

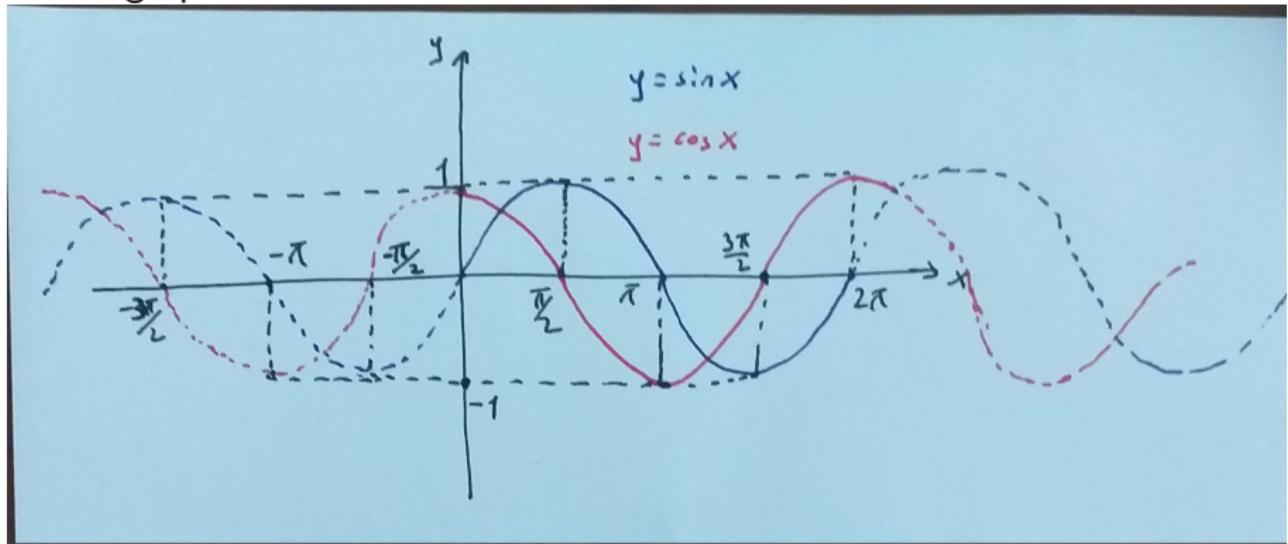
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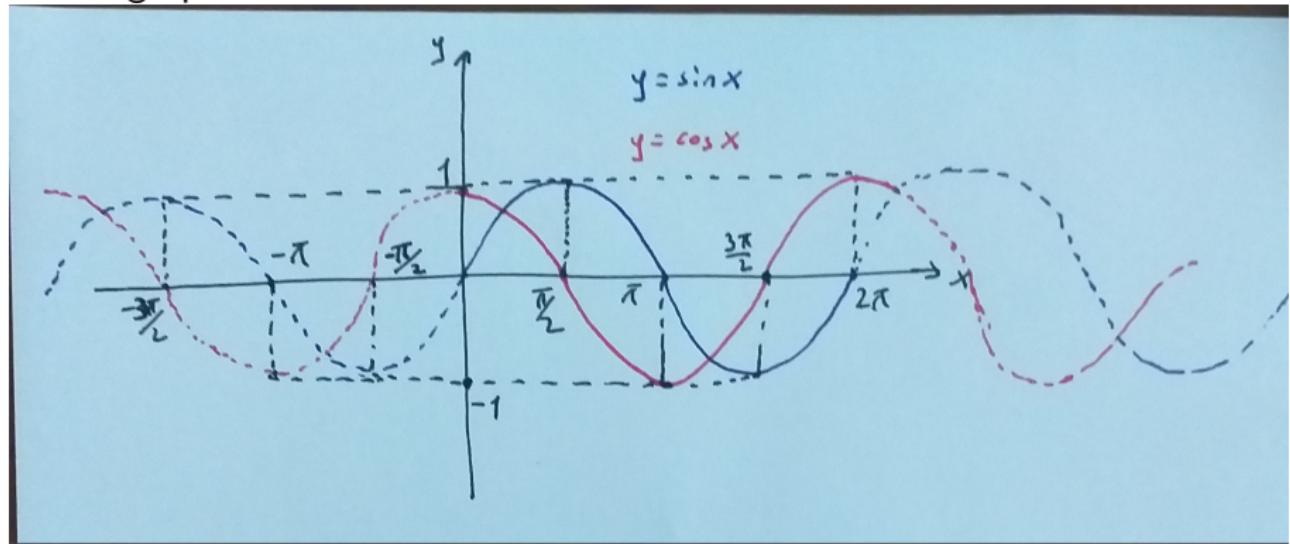
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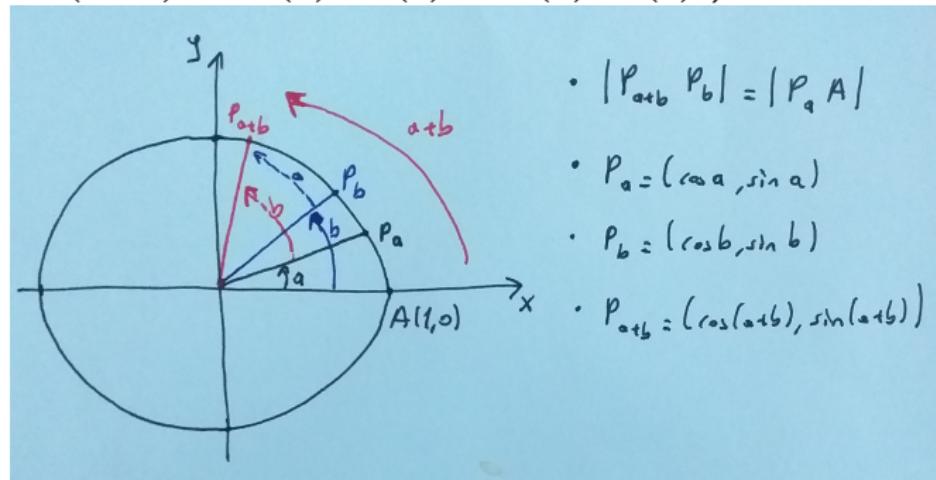
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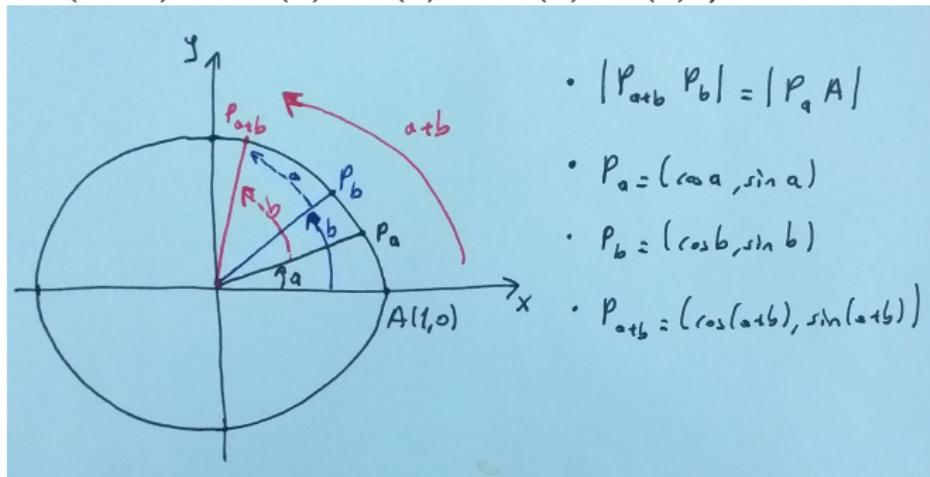
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$$\begin{aligned}|P_{a+b}B|^2 &= (\cos(a+b) - \cos b)^2 + (\sin(a+b) - \sin b)^2 = \dots = \\2 - 2\cos(b)\cos(a+b) - 2\sin(b)\sin(a+b) &\\= |PA|^2 &= (\cos a - 1)^2 + \sin^2 a = 2 - 2\cos a\end{aligned}$$

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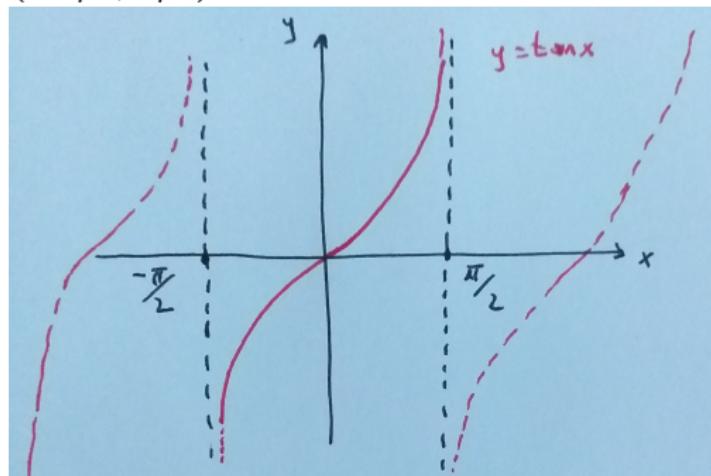
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