

MAT1375, Classwork18, Fall2025

Ch17. Trigonometric Functions reviewed

1. Angle in standard position:

An angle in the plane is in standard position if its vertex is at the origin and the initial side is at the positive x -axis.

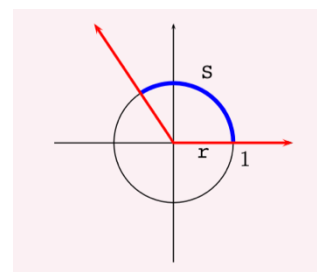
Counterclockwise direction: Angle <u>></u> 0.	Clockwise direction: Angle <u><</u> 0.	A full rotation measure as <u>360°</u>	An angle can be <u>more than</u> 360°

2. The **Central angle** is an angle whose vertex is at the center of the circle.

The **radian** measure of the central angle of a circle is **ratio** of the length of the intercept arc s with the circle radius r :

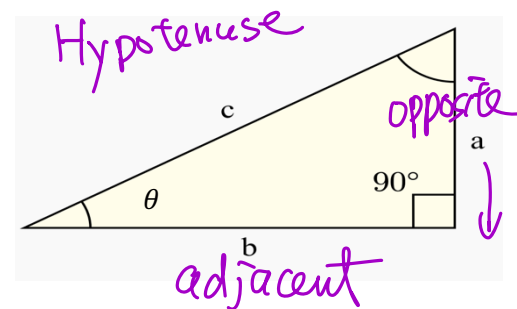
$$\text{Angle in radian} = \frac{s}{r}$$

When $r = 1$ and half circumference of this circle is π , then we have the central angle to be 180 in degree or $\frac{\pi}{r} = \pi$ in radian. $180^\circ \rightarrow \pi$ $360^\circ \rightarrow 2\pi$ $90^\circ \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}$



3. Right Triangle Definitions of **Trigonometric Functions** and **Reciprocal Identities**:

<u>sine</u> $\sin(\theta) = \frac{\text{length of side } \underline{\text{opposite}} \text{ angle } \theta}{\text{length of } \underline{\text{Hypotenuse}}} = \frac{a}{c}$	$\csc(\theta) = \frac{1}{\underline{\sin \theta}} = \frac{c}{a}$
<u>cosine</u> $\cos(\theta) = \frac{\text{length of side } \underline{\text{adjacent}} \text{ to angle } \theta}{\text{length of } \underline{\text{Hypotenuse}}} = \frac{b}{c}$	$\sec(\theta) = \frac{1}{\underline{\cos \theta}} = \frac{c}{b}$
<u>tangent</u> $\tan(\theta) = \frac{\text{length of side } \underline{\text{opposite}} \text{ angle } \theta}{\text{length of side } \underline{\text{adjacent}} \text{ to angle } \theta} = \frac{a}{b}$	$\cot(\theta) = \frac{1}{\underline{\tan \theta}} = \frac{b}{a}$



4. Quotient Identities:

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{\underline{\sin \theta}}{\underline{\cos \theta}}$$

$$\cot(\theta) = \frac{\underline{\cos(\theta)}}{\underline{\sin(\theta)}}$$

5. Reciprocal Identities:

$$\csc(\theta) = \frac{1}{\underline{\sin \theta}}$$

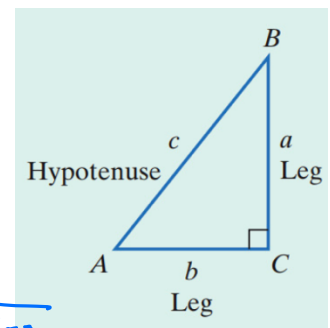
$$\sec(\theta) = \frac{1}{\underline{\cos \theta}}$$

$$\cot(\theta) = \frac{1}{\underline{\tan \theta}}$$

6. The Pythagorean Theorem:

The sum of the square of the lengths of the legs of a right triangle equals the square of the length of the hypotenuse.

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$



7. Given the right triangles. Find $\sin(\theta)$, $\cos(\theta)$, $\tan(\theta)$.

$c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5$

$\sin(\theta) = \frac{3}{5}$, $\cos(\theta) = \frac{4}{5}$, $\tan(\theta) = \frac{3}{4}$

$c = \sqrt{8^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{64 + 36} = \sqrt{100} = 10$

$\sin(\theta) = \frac{6}{10} = \frac{3}{5}$
 $\cos(\theta) = \frac{8}{10} = \frac{4}{5}$
 $\tan(\theta) = \frac{6}{8} = \frac{3}{4}$

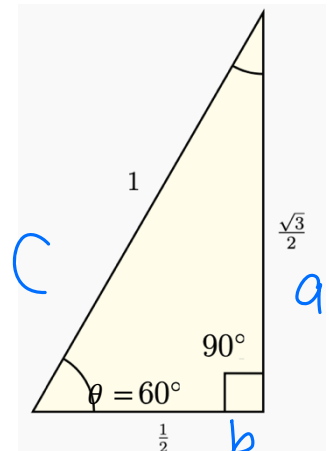
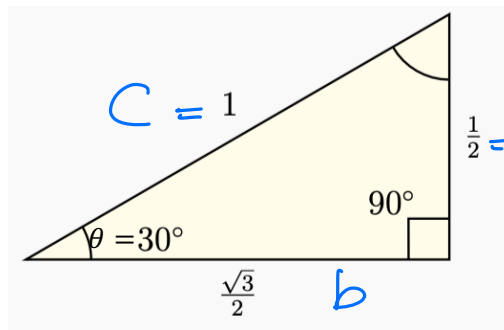
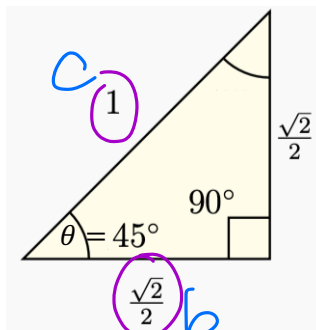
8. The values of trigonometric functions only depend on the size of angle, not the size of the triangle.

9. Pythagorean Triple: (leg, leg, hypotenuse) (a, b, c)

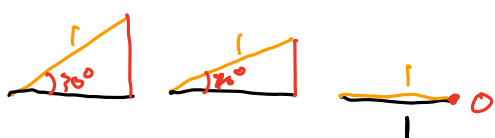
(3, 4, 5), (5, 12, 13), (7, 24, 25), (8, 15, 17)

(9, 12, 15), (6, 8, 10)

10. The values of trigonometric functions with special angles:



θ	0 (or 0°)	$\frac{\pi}{6}$ (or 30°)	$\frac{\pi}{4}$ (or 45°)	$\frac{\pi}{3}$ (or 60°)	$\frac{\pi}{2}$ (or 90°)
$\sin(\theta)$	$\frac{0}{1} = 0$	$\sin(\frac{\pi}{6}) = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$	$\sin(\frac{\pi}{4}) = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}{1} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	$\sin(\frac{\pi}{3}) = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}{1} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\sin(\frac{\pi}{2}) = \frac{\text{oppo}}{\text{H}} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$
$\cos(\theta)$	$\frac{1}{1} = 1$	$\cos(\frac{\pi}{6}) = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}{1} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\cos(\frac{\pi}{4}) = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}{1} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	$\cos(\frac{\pi}{3}) = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{1} = \frac{1}{2}$	$\cos(\frac{\pi}{2}) = \frac{A}{H} = \frac{0}{1} = 0$
$\tan(\theta)$	$\frac{0}{1} = 0$	$\tan(\frac{\pi}{6}) = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$\tan(\frac{\pi}{4}) = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}} = 1$	$\tan(\frac{\pi}{3}) = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{3}$	$\tan(\frac{\pi}{2}) = \frac{\text{oppo}}{A} = \frac{1}{0} \Rightarrow \text{undefined}$



$$\frac{1 \cdot \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{1} = \sqrt{3}$$