## Task 1: Give it a go

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I kept getting tripped up on the radian -> degree conversion. I am struggling to understand the purpose of the  $\sin/\cos$  ratio

#### 2) Review quiz results

#### a) Identify a question

Though I get the right answer eventually, I need to better understand how to convert radians to degrees and vice versa.

I am also struggling to understand the purpose of the  $\sin/\cos$  ratio. It's purpose hasn't become clear to me yet.

#### b/c) Implement a strategy to address this and your strategy.

I plan to study more intently on both of these and asking the teacher for help. I understand there is something with Special/standard triangles in understanding the ratios so I will focus on asking that. I will attempt to mockup an easy-to-refer-to resource for radian to degree conversion and vice versa.

#### 4) Reflection on improvement

I did improve drastically in speed once again, this time by a factor of  $3.9\times$ . I now have a phrase to remember degree-to-radian: " $^{\circ}$  ×  $\pi$  over 180" said like "degree pi over 180" which from that I can remember the reverse too.

I am starting to gain an understanding of sin and cos through the trigonometric identities and unit circle. It still eludes me intuitively but I am understanding it better each day mathematically through study. The unit circle is becoming an intuitive tool.

# Task 2: Trigonometry

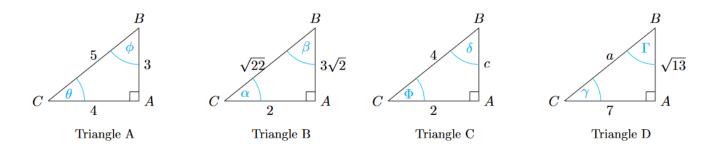
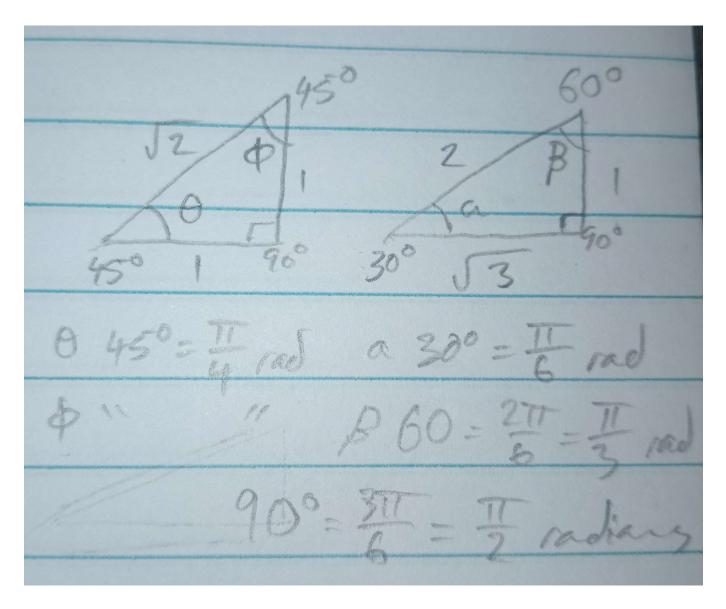


FIGURE 1. Triangle

## 1) Draw the two special triangles



#### a) Explain how special triangles can be used to solve triangle A's angles

The two main special triangles don't align with Triangle A and therefore cannot be used to solve these triangles' angles.

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{3}{4}$$

-> 
$$\theta = \arctan(\frac{3}{4})$$
  
 $\theta = 0.6435 \text{ radians} = 36.87^{\circ}$   
 $\phi = 180 - 90 - 36.87^{\circ} = 53.13^{\circ}$   
 $\phi = \pi - \frac{\pi}{2} - 0.6435 = 0.9272952180$ 

#### b) Explain how special triangles can be used to solve triangle B's angles

The two main special triangles don't align with Triangle B.

$$an(lpha) = rac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$$
->  $lpha = \arctan(rac{3\sqrt{2}}{2})$ 
 $lpha = 1.1303$  radians

$$eta=\pi-rac{\pi}{2}-1.1303=0.4405$$
 radians

#### c) Explain using a special triangle to find $\cos(\frac{\pi}{6})$ , giving the answer too

The special triangle with sides ratio  $1:\sqrt{3}:2$ 

We can decide the smallest angle, and apply the formula  $\cos(\theta) = \frac{\text{adjacent}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$ 

$$->\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}=0.8660$$

$$-> \cos(\frac{\pi}{6}) = 0.8660$$

If the bigger angle is chosen, we can apply  $\sin( heta) = rac{ ext{opposite}}{ ext{hypotenuse}}$ 

$$->\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}=0.8660$$

and get the same answer.

## 2) Find the length of side c in Triangle C in figure 1

$$c = \sqrt{x^2 - b^2}$$
  
->  $c = \sqrt{4^2 - 2^2}$   
->  $c = \sqrt{16 - 4}$   
->  $c = \sqrt{12}$ 

#### 3) Find the angle $\delta$ in Triangle C in radians

$$\tan(\delta) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{12}}$$
->  $\delta = \arctan(\frac{2}{\sqrt{12}})$ 
= 0.524 radians

#### 4) Find the length of side a in Triangle D in figure 1

$$c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$
->  $c = \sqrt{\sqrt{13}^2 + 7^2}$ 
->  $c = \sqrt{13 + 49}$ 
 $c = \sqrt{62} = 7.874$ 

## 5) Find the angle $\gamma$ in Triangle D in radians

$$\sin(\gamma) = \frac{\sqrt{13}}{7}$$
->  $\gamma = \arcsin(\frac{\sqrt{13}}{7})$ 
=  $0.541$  radians

## 6) Convert $21\degree$ to radians

$$21^{\circ} imes rac{\pi}{180^{\circ}}=0.367$$
 radians

# 7) Convert $\frac{\pi}{5}$ radians to degrees

$$\frac{\pi}{5} \times \frac{180}{\pi} = 36^{\circ}$$

## Task 3: Functions and relations

## 1) Give the domain and range of the following

a) 
$$y = \frac{2}{x+3}$$

Division can be any value except for 0. We can force a zero into the equation by finding what will make x cancel out the 3 and find  $\frac{2}{0}$ 

$$x + 3 = 0$$

-> 
$$x = -3$$

The domain is therefore  $x \neq -3$ 

A division can result in any value, even 0 if the numerator is 0, like  $\frac{0}{x+3}$ . Since it isn't, the range can be anything except 0

The range is therefore  $y \neq 0$ 

**b)** 
$$y = \frac{23}{\sqrt{5-x}}$$

A real square root cannot be negative and the denominator cannot be =0

$$5 - x = 0$$

$$-> -x = -5$$

$$x = 5$$

x therefore cannot =5 as  $\sqrt{5-5}=\sqrt{0}=0$  which will create a division-by-zero error. It also cannot be any value above 5 like  $\sqrt{5-6}=\sqrt{-1}$  as this will create a complex number.

Therefore the domain is x > 5

As a real square root will always produce a positive number and as the division will prevent values of 0, the range is

## 2) Show that $x^2 + y^2 = 49$ is not a function

A requirement of functions is that every x value has only one y value. This equation is not a function, it is a relation -  $x^2 + y^2 = 7^2$  that will create a circle.

$$x^{2} + y^{2} = 49$$
->  $x^{2} + 0^{2} = 49$ 
->  $x^{2} = 49$ 
 $x = \pm 7$ 

Take the value of x=0 for example:

$$x^{2} + y^{2} = 49$$
->  $0^{2} + y^{2} = 49$ 
->  $y = \pm \sqrt{49}$ 
 $y = \pm 7$ 

The y value is 7 or -7, meaning one value of x is equal to at least two values of y and therefore eliminating it from being a function.