



Lecture 3

Topics covered in this lecture session

1. Trigonometric functions.
2. More about Trigonometric functions.
3. Solving Trigonometric equations.
4. Formulae for addition, factor and multi-angle.



Trigonometric functions

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\text{Adjacent Side}}{\text{Hypotenuse}} = \frac{x}{r} = \frac{x}{1} = x$$

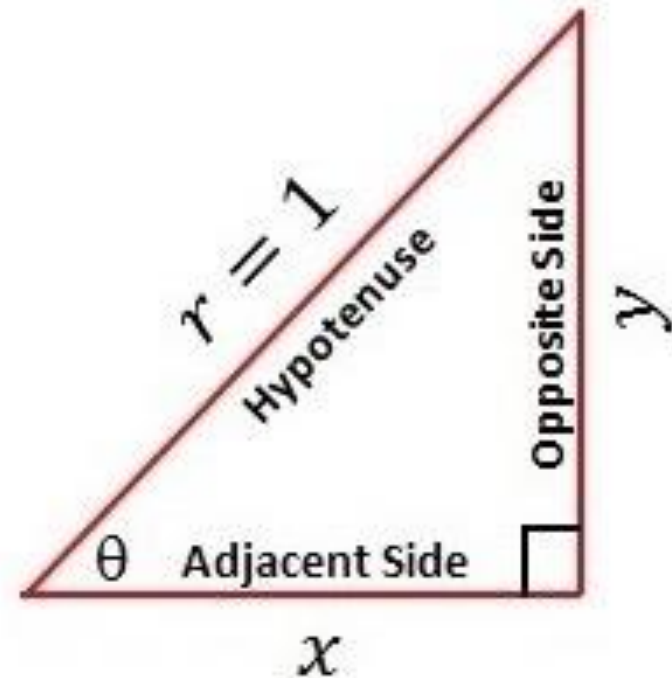
$$\sin \theta = \frac{\text{Opposite Side}}{\text{Hypotenuse}} = \frac{y}{r} = \frac{y}{1} = y$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \quad ; \quad \cos \theta \neq 0$$

$$\cot \theta = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \quad ; \quad \sin \theta \neq 0$$

$$\sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \quad ; \quad \cos \theta \neq 0$$

$$\operatorname{cosec} \theta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \quad ; \quad \sin \theta \neq 0$$





Trigonometric identities

The basic trigonometric identities are:

$$\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$1 + \tan^2 \theta = \sec^2 \theta \quad ; \quad \cos \theta \neq 0$$

obtained by dividing (1) by $\cos^2 \theta$

$$1 + \cot^2 \theta = \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta \quad ; \quad \sin \theta \neq 0$$

obtained by dividing (1) by $\sin^2 \theta$



Conversion (degree \longleftrightarrow radians)

By definition, the length of the enclosed arc (s) is equal to the radius (r) multiplied by the magnitude of the angle (θ) in radians.

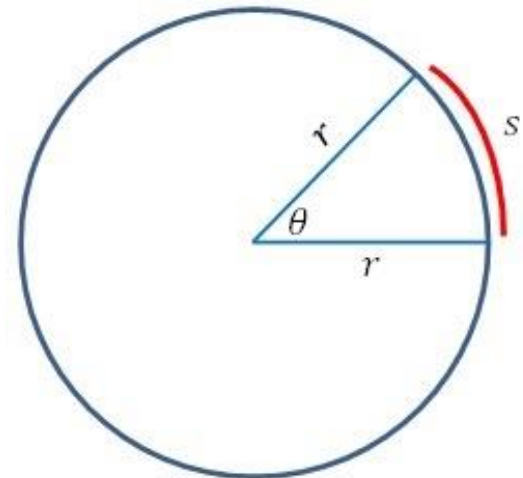
$$s = r\theta \quad \Rightarrow \quad \theta = \frac{s}{r}$$

\therefore For one complete revolution (360°),
the magnitude in radians is

$$360^\circ = \frac{s}{r} = \frac{2\pi r}{r} = 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\pi = 180^\circ}$$

An important relation to convert degrees to radians
and vice-versa.





Conversion (degree \longleftrightarrow radians)

$$\text{angle in radians} = \text{angle in degrees} \times \left(\frac{\pi}{180^\circ} \right)$$

$$\text{angle in degrees} = \text{angle in radians} \times \left(\frac{180^\circ}{\pi} \right)$$

$$45^\circ = 45^\circ \times \left(\frac{\pi}{180^\circ} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ radians}$$

$$270^\circ = 270^\circ \times \left(\frac{\pi}{180^\circ} \right) = \frac{3\pi}{2} \text{ radians}$$

$$\frac{\pi}{6} \text{ radians} = \left(\frac{180^\circ}{\pi} \right) \times \frac{\pi}{6} = 30^\circ$$

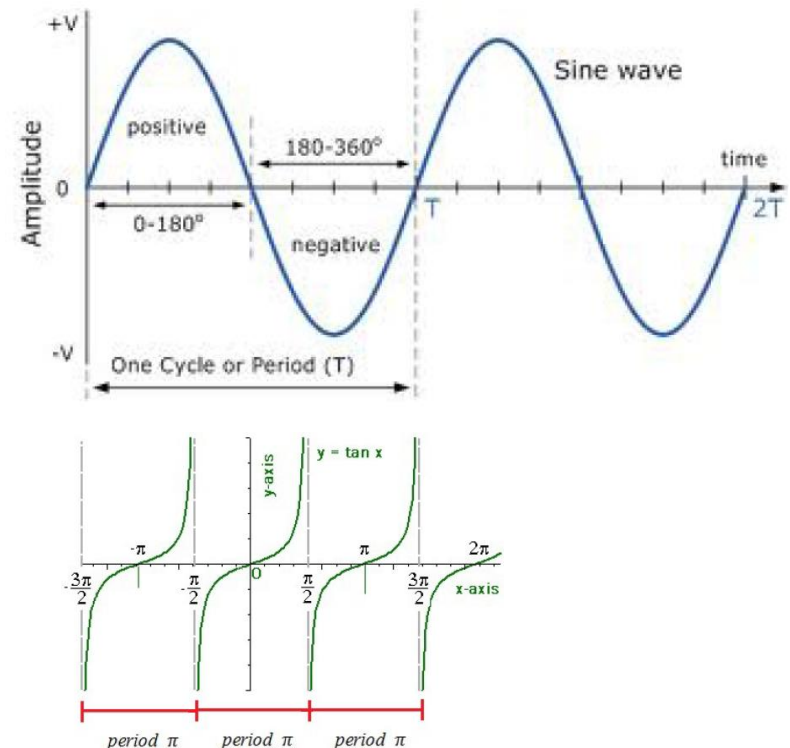
$$\frac{5\pi}{12} \text{ radians} = \left(\frac{180^\circ}{\pi} \right) \times \frac{5\pi}{12} = 75^\circ$$



Periodic functions

If $f(x + p) = f(x)$, the function f is called periodic and p is defined as its period. The smallest positive value of p is called the Principal period of f .

Trigonometric function	Principal Period
cos	2π
sin	
sec	
cosec	
tan	π
cot	





Periods of Trigonometric functions

Principal period of $a T_1(bx + c) + d$ is $\frac{2\pi}{|b|}$

where T_1 is the trig function
sin, cos, sec or cosec.

e.g. principal period of : $2 \cos (4x - 5) + 6 = \frac{2\pi}{4}$

Principal period of $a T_2(bx + c) + d$ is $\frac{\pi}{|b|}$

where T_2 is the trig function
tan or cot.

e.g. principal period of : $3 \tan (4 - 5x) + 2 = \frac{\pi}{|(-5)|} = \frac{\pi}{5}$



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Find the Principal Period of $\operatorname{cosec} \left(\frac{1}{3}x - \pi \right)$

A $\frac{3\pi}{2}$

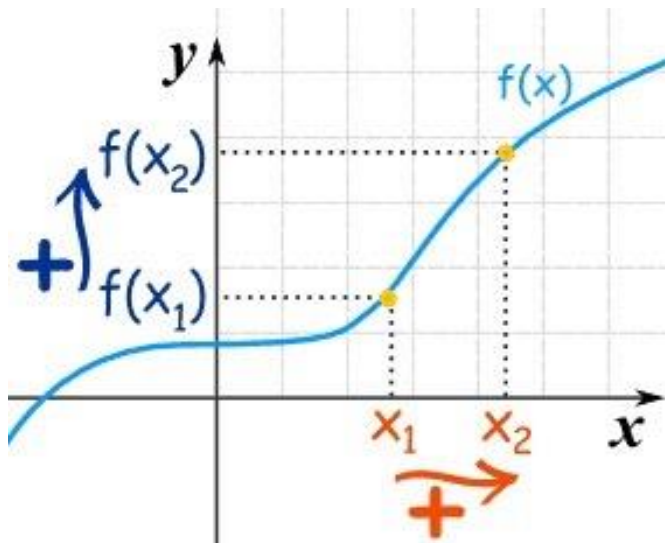
B 4π

C 6π

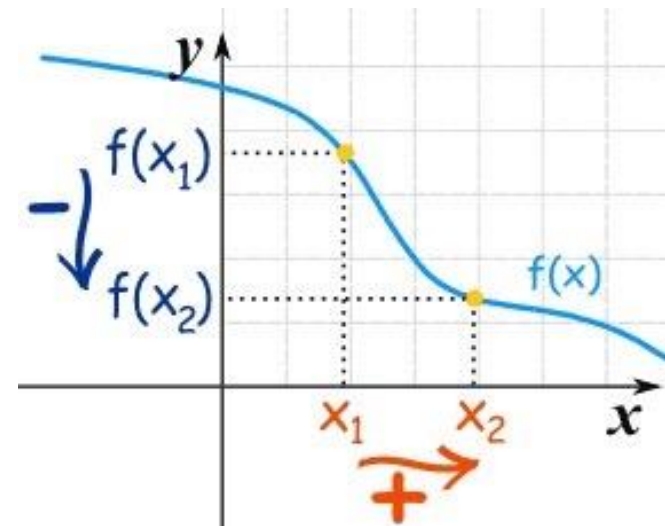


Increasing and Decreasing functions

If $x_2 > x_1 \Rightarrow f(x_2) > f(x_1)$,
then the function f is said to be
an increasing (\uparrow) function.



If $x_2 > x_1 \Rightarrow f(x_2) < f(x_1)$,
then the function f is said to be
a decreasing (\downarrow) function.

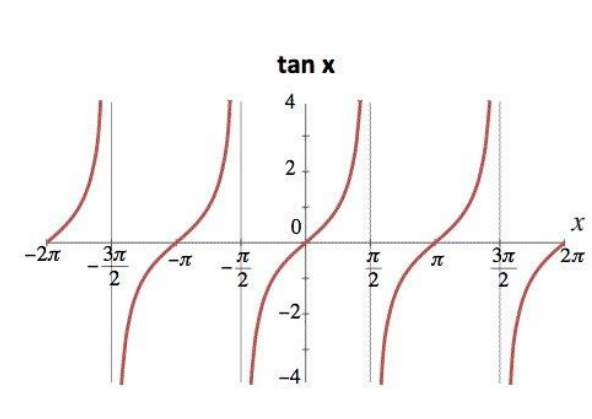
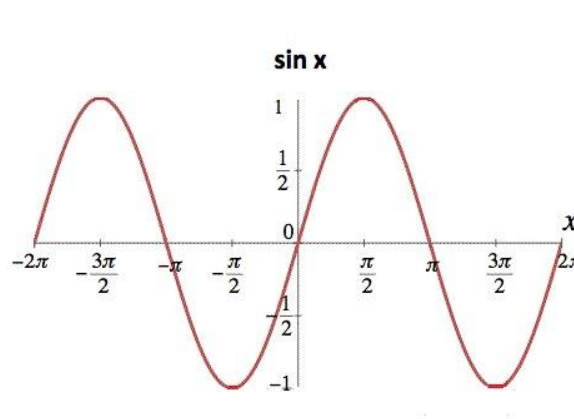
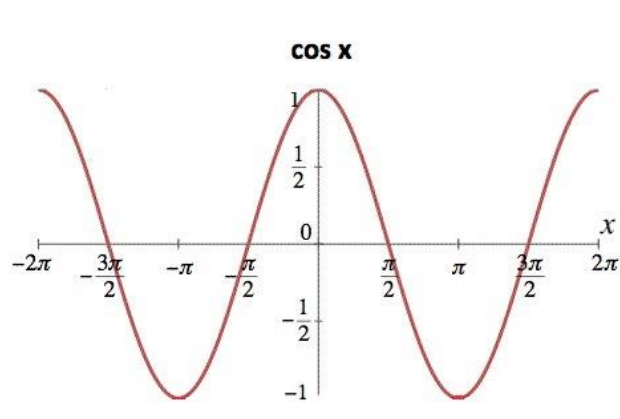




Increasing and Decreasing functions

Quadrant	1	2	3	4
cos	↓	↓	↑	↑
sin	↑	↓	↓	↑
tan	↑	↑	↑	↑

Quadrant	1	2	3	4
sec	↑	↑	↓	↓
cosec	↓	↑	↑	↓
cot	↓	↓	↓	↓



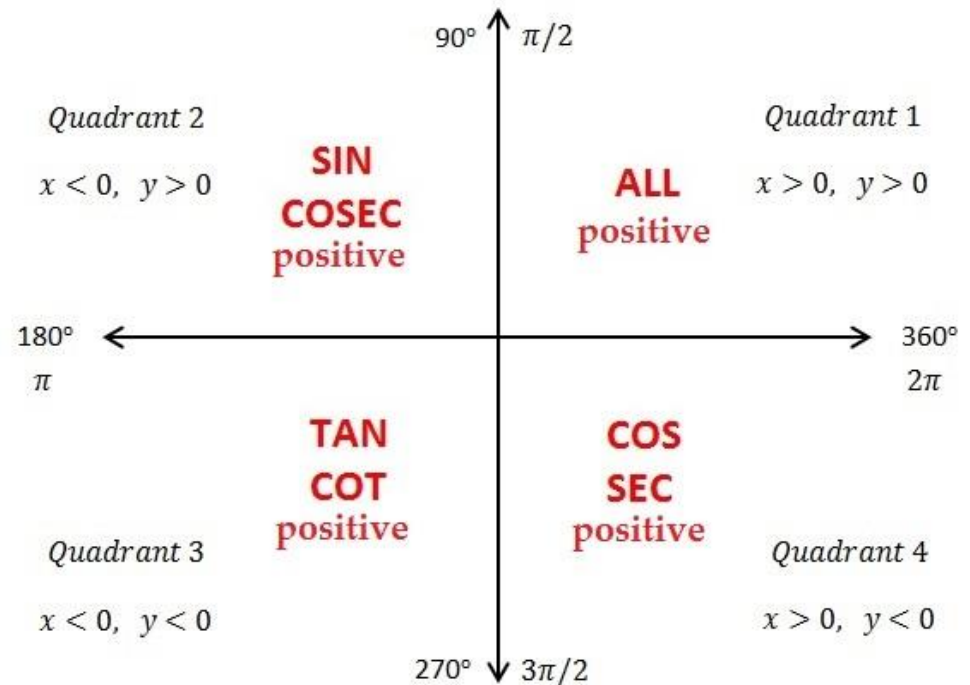


Signs of Trigonometric functions in the quadrants

$$\cos \theta = \frac{x}{r}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{y}{r}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{y}{x}$$

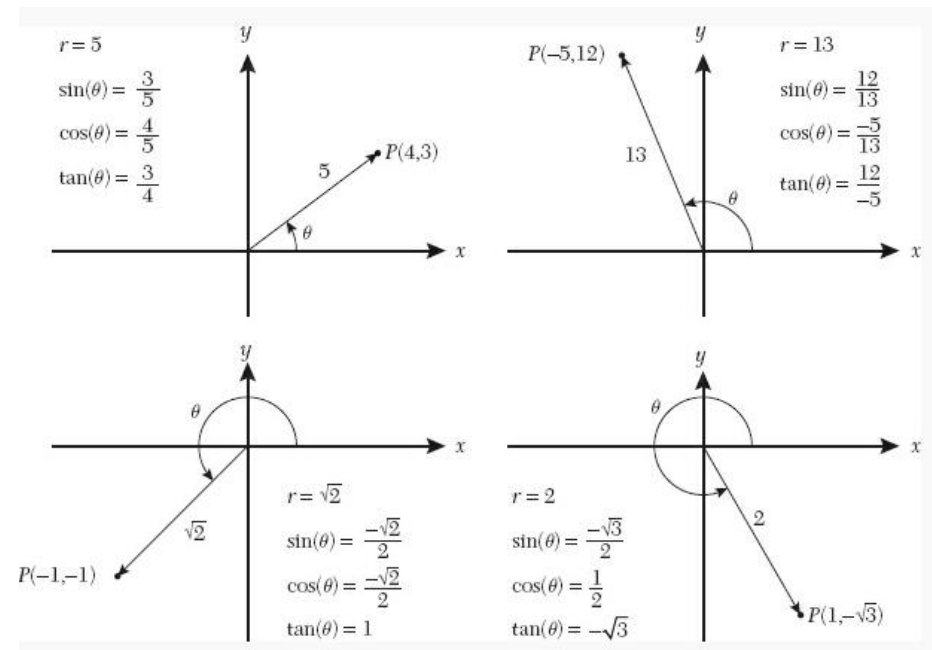
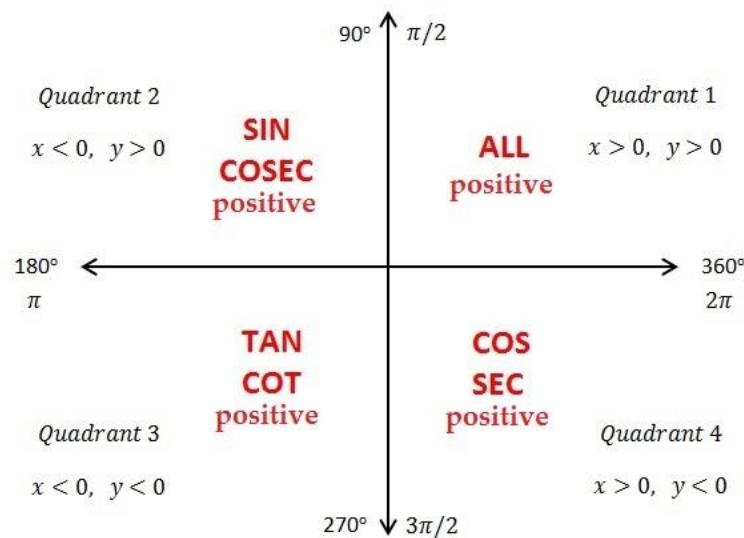


For unit circle ($r = 1$)

$$\cos \theta = x \text{ \& \; } \sin \theta = y$$



Signs of Trigonometric functions in the quadrants

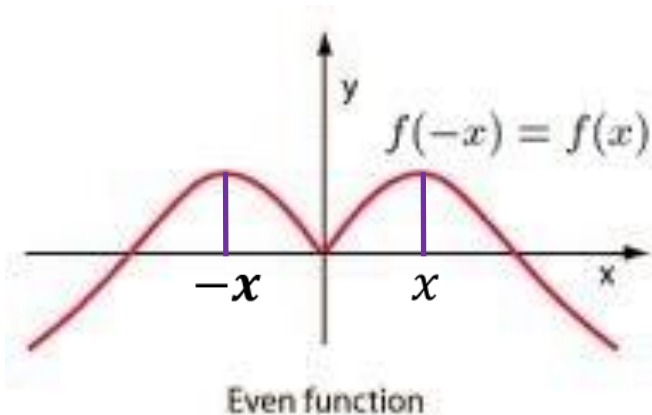


Example If $\tan \theta = -\frac{3}{4}$; $\frac{3\pi}{2} \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$, find $\cos \theta$ and $\sin \theta$.



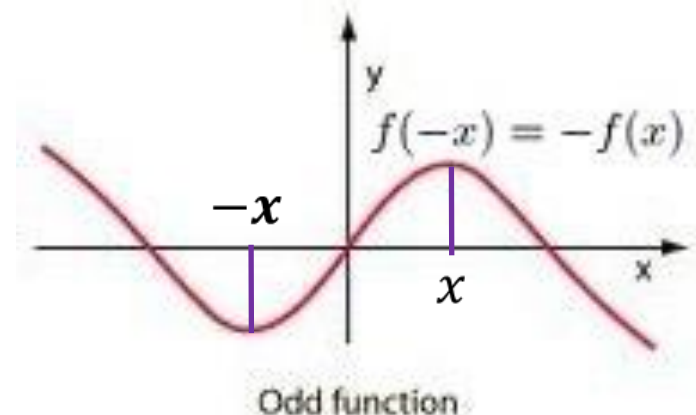
Even and Odd Trigonometric functions

The function f is said to be an even function if $f(-x) = f(x)$



e.g. $\cos(-\theta) = \cos \theta$
 \Rightarrow \cos is an even function.

The function f is said to be an odd function if $f(-x) = -f(x)$



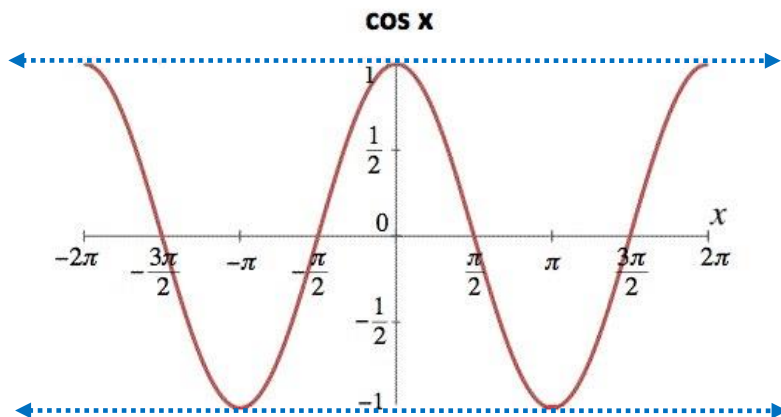
e.g. $\sin(-\theta) = -\sin \theta$
 \Rightarrow \sin is an odd function.



Range of Trigonometric functions

From the graph of cosine function, it is clear that

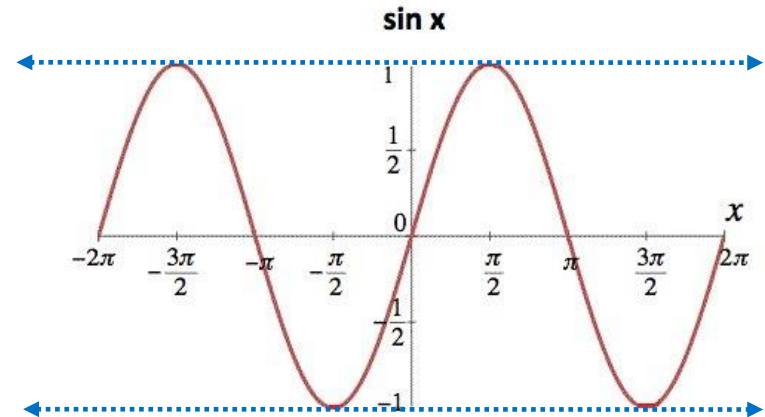
$$-1 \leq \cos \theta \leq 1$$



\therefore Range of cos function is $[-1, 1]$

Similarly,

$$-1 \leq \sin \theta \leq 1$$



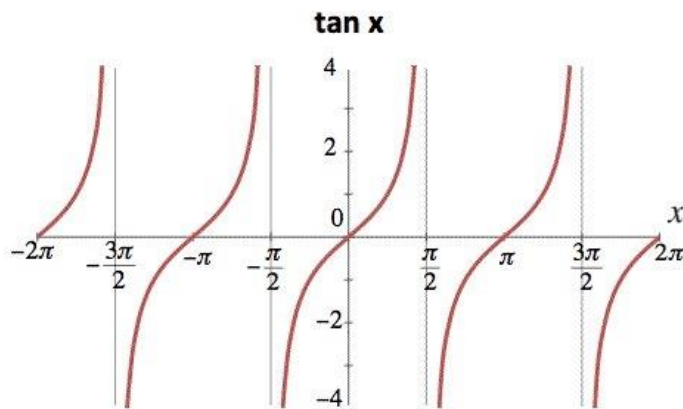
\therefore Range of sin function is $[-1, 1]$



Range of Trigonometric functions

Also, $\tan \theta \in \mathbb{R}$

$\cot \theta \in \mathbb{R}$

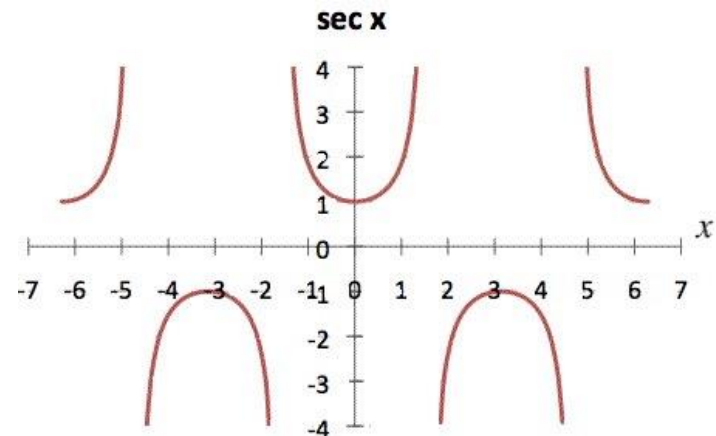


\therefore Range of \tan function is \mathbb{R} .

Range of \cot function is \mathbb{R} .

And, $\sec \theta \leq -1$ or $\sec \theta \geq 1$

$\operatorname{cosec} \theta \leq -1$ or $\operatorname{cosec} \theta \geq 1$



\therefore Range of \sec function is $\mathbb{R} - (-1, 1)$.

Range of cosec function is $\mathbb{R} - (-1, 1)$.



Range of Trigonometric functions

Trigonometric function	Range
sin and cos	$[-1, 1]$
sec and cosec	$\mathbb{R} - (-1, 1)$
tan and cot	\mathbb{R}



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Find the Range of $y = 3\cos x + 2$

A $[-1, 1]$

B $[-1, 5]$

C $[-3, 2]$

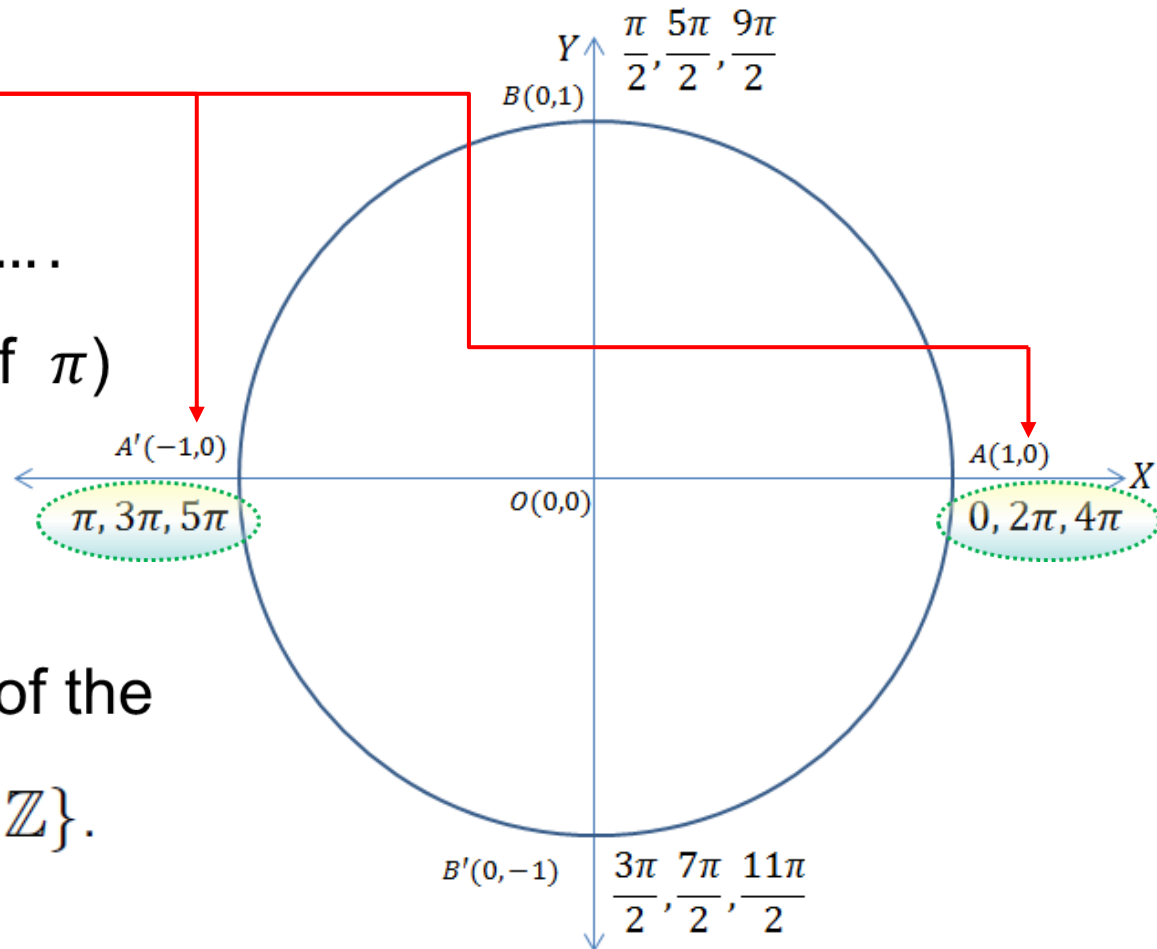


Sets of Zeros of Trigonometric functions

Consider $\sin \theta = 0$

Then, $\theta = 0, \pi, 2\pi, 3\pi, \dots$

(i.e. multiples of π)



Thus, the set of zeros of the
sin function $\{k\pi / k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$.

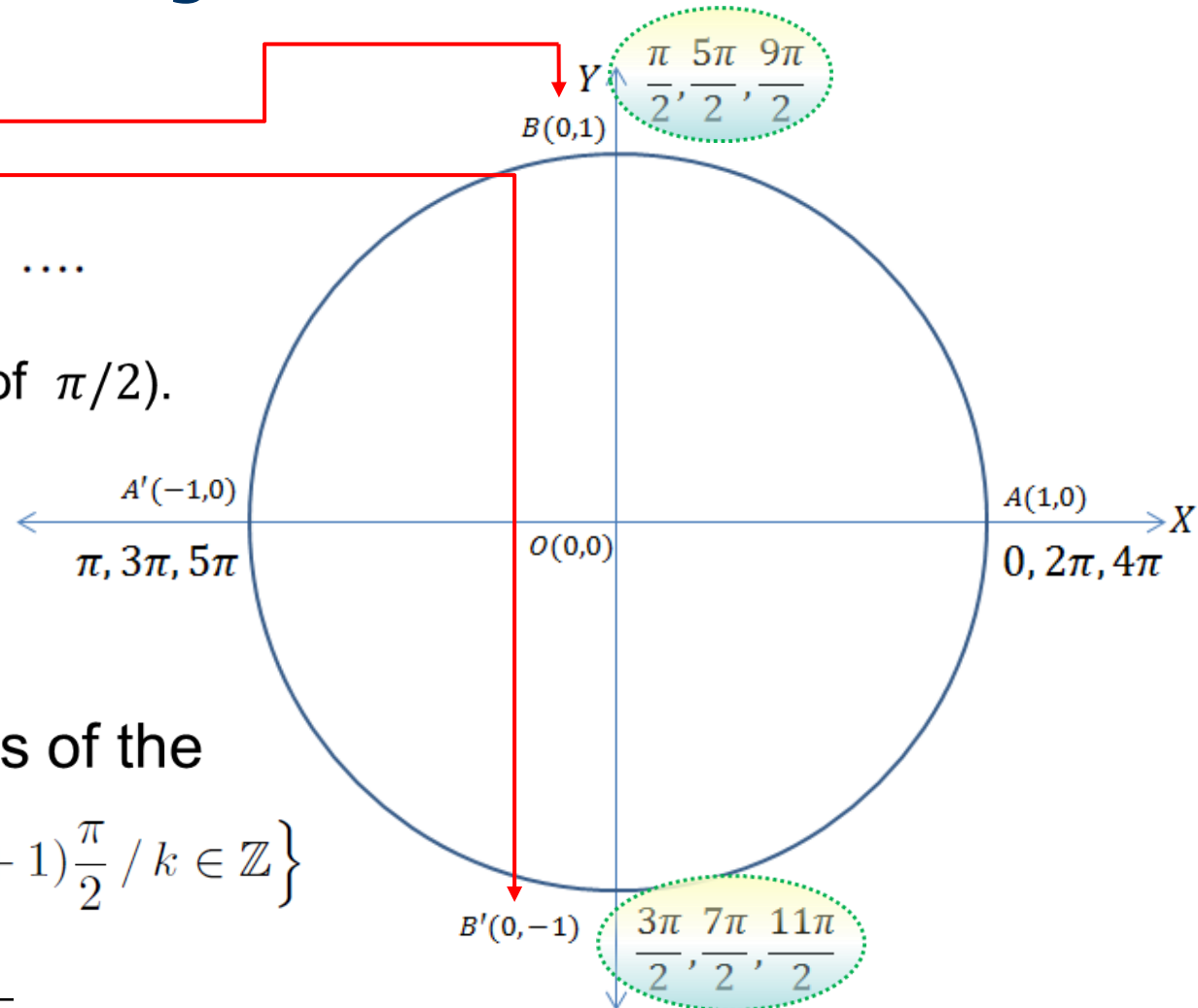


Sets of Zeros of Trigonometric functions

Similarly, $\cos \theta = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{2}, \dots$$

(i.e. odd multiples of $\pi/2$).



Thus, the set of zeros of the

\cos function is $\left\{ (2k+1)\frac{\pi}{2} / k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$



Note...

Function	Domain	Range	Set of zeros	Period
cos	\mathbb{R}	$[-1, 1]$	$\left\{ (2k + 1) \frac{\pi}{2} / k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$	2π
sin	\mathbb{R}	$[-1, 1]$	$\{k\pi / k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$	2π
tan	$\mathbb{R} - \left\{ (2k + 1) \frac{\pi}{2} / k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$	\mathbb{R}	$\{k\pi / k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$	π
sec	$\mathbb{R} - \left\{ (2k + 1) \frac{\pi}{2} / k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$	$\mathbb{R} - (-1, 1)$	ϕ	2π
cosec	$\mathbb{R} - \{k\pi / k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$	$\mathbb{R} - (-1, 1)$	ϕ	2π
cot	$\mathbb{R} - \{k\pi / k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$	\mathbb{R}	$\left\{ (2k + 1) \frac{\pi}{2} / k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$	π



Solving Trigonometric equations

A trigonometric equation is an equation containing one or more trigonometric functions of the variable, say θ .

Solving for θ means finding the values of θ (in given interval) which makes the trigonometric equation true.

e.g. The solution of $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$ in $(0, \frac{\pi}{2})$ is $\frac{\pi}{3}$ radian

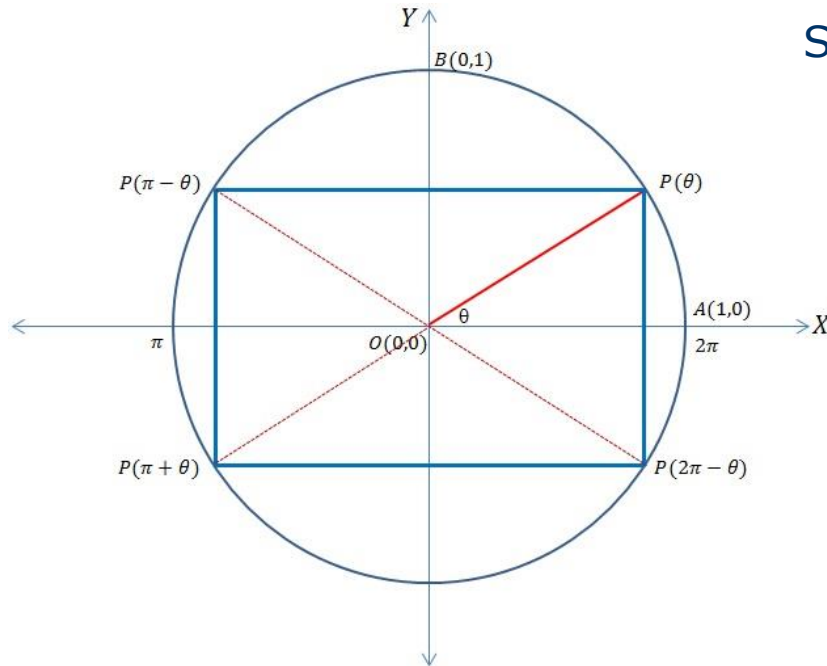
whereas its solution in $(0, 2\pi)$ is

$$\frac{\pi}{3} \quad \text{or} \quad \left(2\pi - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{5\pi}{3} \text{ radians.}$$

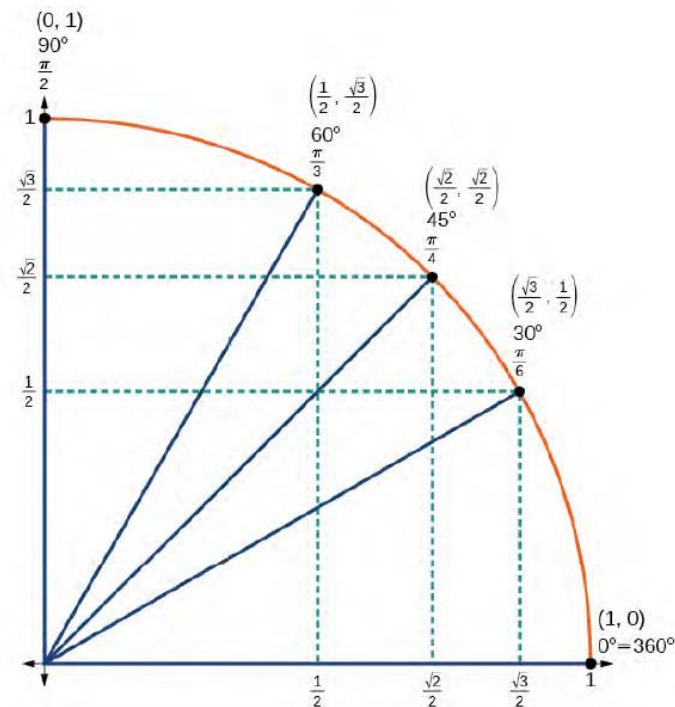


Solving Trigonometric equations (Review of angular measure)

Sine and Cosine of Special Angles of $\theta \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$



Reference Angle $\theta \in (0, 2\pi)$

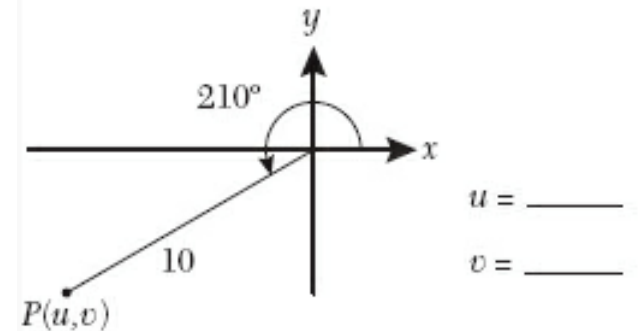
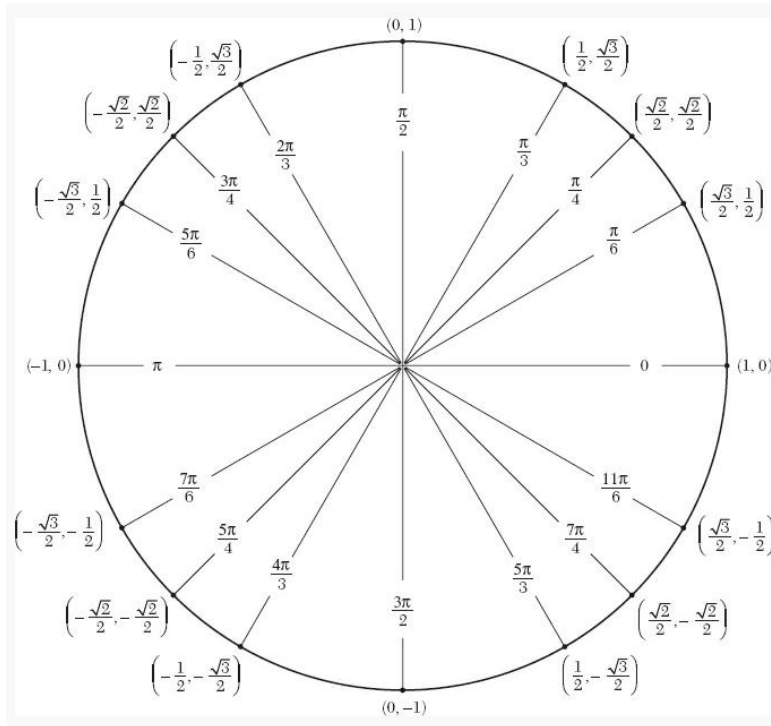


Coordinate of Point P on the unit circle is $(\sin \theta, \cos \theta)$

Solving Trigonometric equations (Review of angular measure)

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Find u and v from the figure below
(note circle has a radius of 10)



A 5 and $\frac{3}{2}$

$$\text{B} \quad -10\sqrt{2} \text{ and } \frac{10\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

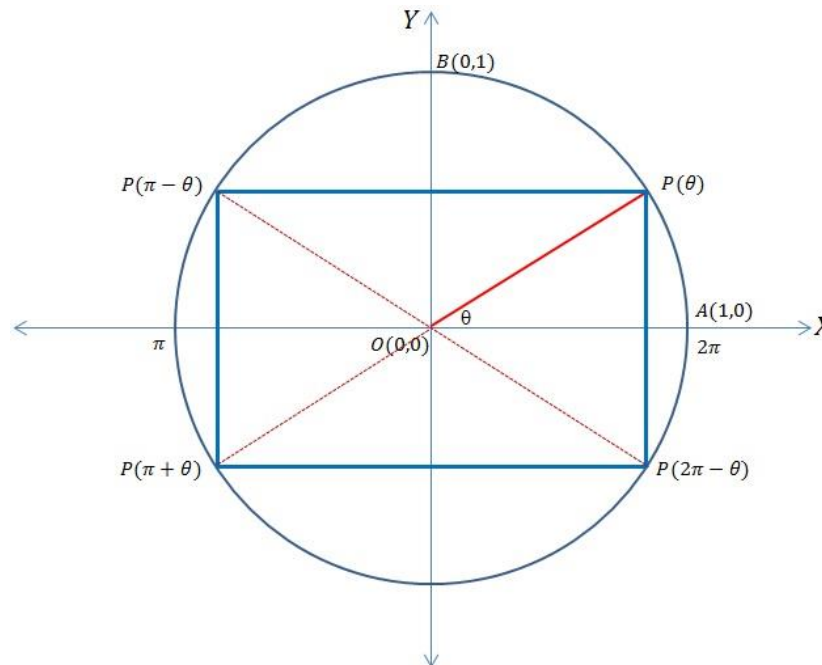
C $-5, -5\sqrt{3}$

Special angles shown for the unit circle



Worked Examples

1. Solve: $\tan^2 \theta - 2 \sec \theta + 1 = 0$; $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$.
2. Solve: $2 \cot^2 \theta = 7 \operatorname{cosec} \theta - 8$; $0 < \theta < 180^\circ$.





Addition and factor formulae

Note: $x(A + B) = xA + xB$, but $\sin(A + B) \neq \sin A + \sin B$.

$$\sin(A + B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$$

$$\sin(A - B) = \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B$$

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$$\cos(A - B) = \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B$$

$$\tan(A + B) = \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B}$$

$$\tan(A - B) = \frac{\tan A - \tan B}{1 + \tan A \tan B}$$



Addition and factor formulae

Example $\sin 75^\circ = \sin (45^\circ + 30^\circ)$

$$\sin(A + B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$$

$$= \sin 45^\circ \cos 30^\circ + \cos 45^\circ \sin 30^\circ$$

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

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2}}{4}$$



Addition and Factor formulae

$$\sin(A + B) = \sin A \cos B + \cancel{\cos A \sin B}$$

$$\sin(A - B) = \sin A \cos B - \cancel{\cos A \sin B}$$

Adding

$$\sin(A + B) + \sin(A - B) = 2 \sin A \cos B$$

$$\sin(A + B) = \sin A \cancel{\cos B} + \cos A \sin B$$

$$\sin(A - B) = \sin A \cancel{\cos B} - \cos A \sin B$$

Subtracting

$$\sin(A + B) - \sin(A - B) = 2 \cos A \sin B$$

Similarly, it can be proved that

$$\cos(A + B) + \cos(A - B) = 2 \cos A \cos B$$

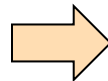
$$\cos(A + B) - \cos(A - B) = -2 \sin A \sin B$$



Addition and Factor formulae

Writing $A + B = C$ and $A - B = D \Rightarrow A = \frac{C + D}{2}$ and $B = \frac{C - D}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(A + B) + \sin(A - B) &= 2 \sin A \cos B \\ \sin(A + B) - \sin(A - B) &= 2 \cos A \sin B \\ \cos(A + B) + \cos(A - B) &= 2 \cos A \cos B \\ \cos(A + B) - \cos(A - B) &= -2 \sin A \sin B\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}\sin C + \sin D &= 2 \sin \left(\frac{C + D}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{C - D}{2} \right) \\ \sin C - \sin D &= 2 \cos \left(\frac{C + D}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{C - D}{2} \right) \\ \cos C + \cos D &= 2 \cos \left(\frac{C + D}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{C - D}{2} \right) \\ \cos C - \cos D &= -2 \sin \left(\frac{C + D}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{C - D}{2} \right)\end{aligned}$$

Example Prove that $\sin 50^\circ + \sin 10^\circ = \sin 70^\circ$



Multi-angle formulae

$$\sin 2A = 2 \sin A \cos A$$

$$\cos 2A = \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A$$

$$= 2 \cos^2 A - 1$$

$$= 1 - 2 \sin^2 A$$

$$\tan 2A = \frac{2 \tan A}{1 - \tan^2 A}$$

$$\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos 2\theta)$$

$$\cos^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos 2\theta)$$

$$\sin 3\theta = 3 \sin \theta - 4 \sin^3 \theta$$

$$\cos 3\theta = 4 \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta$$

$$\tan 3\theta = \frac{3 \tan \theta - \tan^3 \theta}{1 - 3 \tan^2 \theta}$$



Worked Example

Prove that $\frac{\sin 3\theta}{1 + 2 \cos 2\theta} = \sin \theta$. Hence deduce the value of $\sin 15^\circ$.

With $t = \tan \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right)$,

useful formulae in Calculus

$$\sin \theta = \frac{2t}{1 + t^2}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1 - t^2}{1 + t^2}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{2t}{1 - t^2}$$



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