

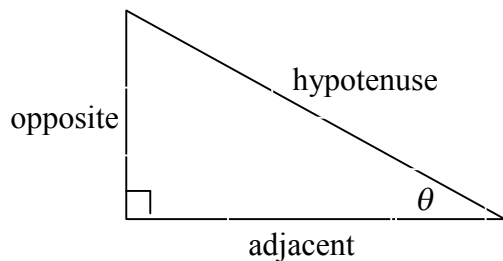
Trig Cheat Sheet

Definition of the Trig Functions

Right triangle definition

For this definition we assume that

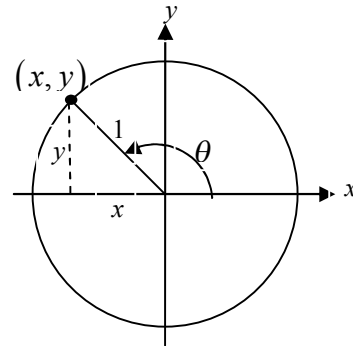
$$0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ or } 0^\circ < \theta < 90^\circ.$$



$$\begin{aligned} \sin \theta &= \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{hypotenuse}} & \csc \theta &= \frac{\text{hypotenuse}}{\text{opposite}} \\ \cos \theta &= \frac{\text{adjacent}}{\text{hypotenuse}} & \sec \theta &= \frac{\text{hypotenuse}}{\text{adjacent}} \\ \tan \theta &= \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{adjacent}} & \cot \theta &= \frac{\text{adjacent}}{\text{opposite}} \end{aligned}$$

Unit circle definition

For this definition θ is any angle.



$$\begin{aligned} \sin \theta &= \frac{y}{1} = y & \csc \theta &= \frac{1}{y} \\ \cos \theta &= \frac{x}{1} = x & \sec \theta &= \frac{1}{x} \\ \tan \theta &= \frac{y}{x} & \cot \theta &= \frac{x}{y} \end{aligned}$$

Facts and Properties

Domain

The domain is all the values of θ that can be plugged into the function.

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \theta, \quad \theta &\text{ can be any angle} \\ \cos \theta, \quad \theta &\text{ can be any angle} \\ \tan \theta, \quad \theta &\neq \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi, \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\csc \theta, \quad \theta \neq n\pi, \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

$$\sec \theta, \quad \theta \neq \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi, \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

$$\cot \theta, \quad \theta \neq n\pi, \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

Range

The range is all possible values to get out of the function

$$\begin{aligned} -1 \leq \sin \theta \leq 1 & \quad \csc \theta \geq 1 \text{ and } \csc \theta \leq -1 \\ -1 \leq \cos \theta \leq 1 & \quad \sec \theta \geq 1 \text{ and } \sec \theta \leq -1 \\ -\infty < \tan \theta < \infty & \quad -\infty < \cot \theta < \infty \end{aligned}$$

Period

The period of a function is the number, T , such that $f(\theta + T) = f(\theta)$. So, if ω is a fixed number and θ is any angle we have the following periods.

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(\omega \theta) &\rightarrow T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} \\ \cos(\omega \theta) &\rightarrow T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} \\ \tan(\omega \theta) &\rightarrow T = \frac{\pi}{\omega} \end{aligned}$$

$$\csc(\omega \theta) \rightarrow T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$$

$$\sec(\omega \theta) \rightarrow T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$$

$$\cot(\omega \theta) \rightarrow T = \frac{\pi}{\omega}$$

Formulas and Identities

Tangent and Cotangent Identities

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \quad \cot \theta = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

Reciprocal Identities

$$\csc \theta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \quad \sin \theta = \frac{1}{\csc \theta}$$

$$\sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \quad \cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sec \theta}$$

$$\cot \theta = \frac{1}{\tan \theta} \quad \tan \theta = \frac{1}{\cot \theta}$$

Pythagorean Identities

$$\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$$

$$\tan^2 \theta + 1 = \sec^2 \theta$$

$$1 + \cot^2 \theta = \csc^2 \theta$$

Even/Odd Formulas

$$\sin(-\theta) = -\sin \theta \quad \csc(-\theta) = -\csc \theta$$

$$\cos(-\theta) = \cos \theta \quad \sec(-\theta) = \sec \theta$$

$$\tan(-\theta) = -\tan \theta \quad \cot(-\theta) = -\cot \theta$$

Periodic Formulas

If n is an integer.

$$\sin(\theta + 2\pi n) = \sin \theta \quad \csc(\theta + 2\pi n) = \csc \theta$$

$$\cos(\theta + 2\pi n) = \cos \theta \quad \sec(\theta + 2\pi n) = \sec \theta$$

$$\tan(\theta + \pi n) = \tan \theta \quad \cot(\theta + \pi n) = \cot \theta$$

Double Angle Formulas

$$\sin(2\theta) = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

$$\cos(2\theta) = \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta$$

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

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

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

Degrees to Radians Formulas

If x is an angle in degrees and t is an angle in radians then

$$\frac{\pi}{180} = \frac{t}{x} \quad \Rightarrow \quad t = \frac{\pi x}{180} \quad \text{and} \quad x = \frac{180t}{\pi}$$

Half Angle Formulas

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

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

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

Sum and Difference Formulas

$$\sin(\alpha \pm \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta \pm \cos \alpha \sin \beta$$

$$\cos(\alpha \pm \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta \mp \sin \alpha \sin \beta$$

$$\tan(\alpha \pm \beta) = \frac{\tan \alpha \pm \tan \beta}{1 \mp \tan \alpha \tan \beta}$$

Product to Sum Formulas

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

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

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

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

Sum to Product Formulas

$$\sin \alpha + \sin \beta = 2 \sin\left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{2}\right)$$

$$\sin \alpha - \sin \beta = 2 \cos\left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{2}\right)$$

$$\cos \alpha + \cos \beta = 2 \cos\left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{2}\right)$$

$$\cos \alpha - \cos \beta = -2 \sin\left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{2}\right)$$

Cofunction Formulas

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \cos \theta \quad \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \sin \theta$$

$$\csc\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \sec \theta \quad \sec\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \csc \theta$$

$$\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \cot \theta \quad \cot\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \tan \theta$$

This is possibly the most used identity in all of calc!

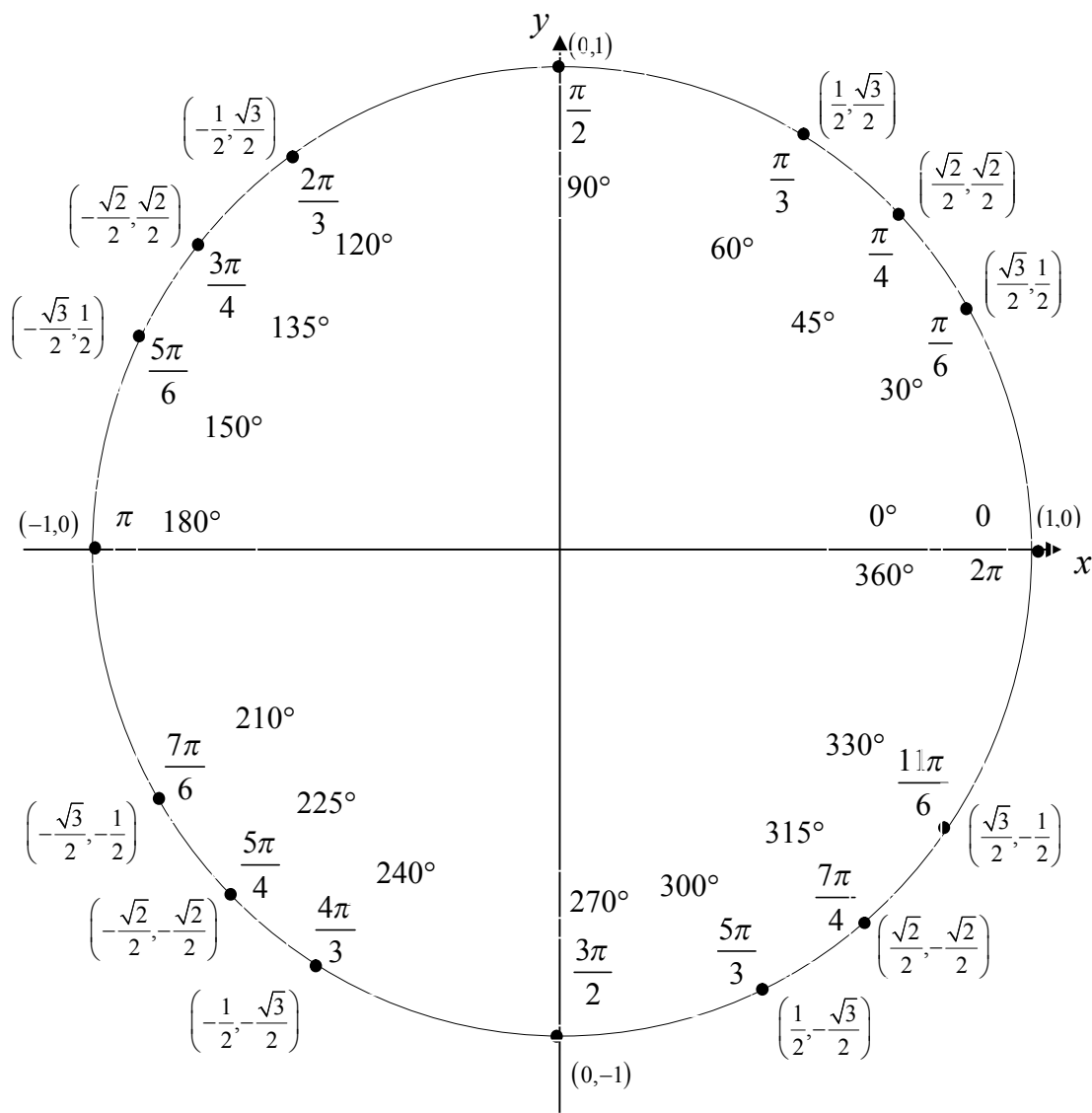
Knowing these will come in handy when we start integrating trig functions.

You need to know the unit circle!

PRO TIPS

1. If you know your 30,60,90 and 45,45,90 triangles, you know the 1st quadrant.
2. If you know the 1st quadrant, you know the other three by symmetry.

Unit Circle



For any ordered pair on the unit circle (x, y) : $\cos \theta = x$ and $\sin \theta = y$

Example

$$\cos\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \quad \sin\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Inverse Trig Functions

Definition

$y = \sin^{-1} x$ is equivalent to $x = \sin y$

$y = \cos^{-1} x$ is equivalent to $x = \cos y$

$y = \tan^{-1} x$ is equivalent to $x = \tan y$

Inverse Properties

$$\cos(\cos^{-1}(x)) = x \quad \cos^{-1}(\cos(\theta)) = \theta$$

$$\sin(\sin^{-1}(x)) = x \quad \sin^{-1}(\sin(\theta)) = \theta$$

$$\tan(\tan^{-1}(x)) = x \quad \tan^{-1}(\tan(\theta)) = \theta$$

Domain and Range

| Function | Domain | Range |
|-------------------|------------------------|--|
| $y = \sin^{-1} x$ | $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ | $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ |
| $y = \cos^{-1} x$ | $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ | $0 \leq y \leq \pi$ |
| $y = \tan^{-1} x$ | $-\infty < x < \infty$ | $-\frac{\pi}{2} < y < \frac{\pi}{2}$ |

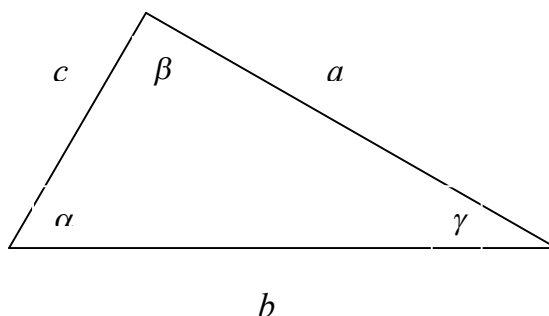
Alternate Notation

$$\sin^{-1} x = \arcsin x$$

$$\cos^{-1} x = \arccos x$$

$$\tan^{-1} x = \arctan x$$

Law of Sines, Cosines and Tangents



Law of Sines

$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{a} = \frac{\sin \beta}{b} = \frac{\sin \gamma}{c}$$

Law of Cosines

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos \alpha$$

$$b^2 = a^2 + c^2 - 2ac \cos \beta$$

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

Mollweide's Formula

$$\frac{a+b}{c} = \frac{\cos \frac{1}{2}(\alpha - \beta)}{\sin \frac{1}{2}\gamma}$$

Law of Tangents

$$\frac{a-b}{a+b} = \frac{\tan \frac{1}{2}(\alpha - \beta)}{\tan \frac{1}{2}(\alpha + \beta)}$$

$$\frac{b-c}{b+c} = \frac{\tan \frac{1}{2}(\beta - \gamma)}{\tan \frac{1}{2}(\beta + \gamma)}$$

$$\frac{a-c}{a+c} = \frac{\tan \frac{1}{2}(\alpha - \gamma)}{\tan \frac{1}{2}(\alpha + \gamma)}$$

The laws of sines, cosines, and tangents rarely if ever appear in AP Calculus. You should know the law of sines just in case you run into a more geometry oriented problem.