

Topic 3 – Trigonometric Functions

Exercise 1: Reciprocal Trigonometric Functions

1 Solve the following equations for $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$.

(i) $\operatorname{cosec} x = 1$

(ii) $\sec x = 2$

(iii) $\cot x = 4$

(iv) $\sec x = -3$

(v) $\cot x = -1$

(vi) $\operatorname{cosec} x = -2$

2 Find the following giving your answers as fractions or in surd form.

You should not need your calculator.

(i) $\cot 135^\circ$

(ii) $\sec 150^\circ$

(iii) $\operatorname{cosec} 240^\circ$

(iv) $\sec 210^\circ$

(v) $\cot 270^\circ$

(vi) $\operatorname{cosec} 225^\circ$

3 In triangle ABC, angle $A = 90^\circ$ and $\sec B = 2$.

(i) Find the angles B and C .

(ii) Find $\tan B$.

(iii) Show that $1 + \tan^2 B = \sec^2 B$.

4 In triangle LMN, angle $M = 90^\circ$ and $\cot N = 1$.

(i) Find the angles L and N .

(ii) Find $\sec L$, $\operatorname{cosec} L$, and $\tan L$.

(iii) Show that $1 + \tan^2 L = \sec^2 L$.

5 Malini is 1.5 m tall.

At 8 pm one evening her shadow is 6 m long.

Given that the angle of elevation of the sun at that moment is α

(i) show that $\cot \alpha = 4$

(ii) find α .

6 (i) For what values of α , where $0^\circ \leq \alpha \leq 360^\circ$, are $\sec \alpha$, $\operatorname{cosec} \alpha$ and $\cot \alpha$ all positive?

(ii) Are there any values of α for which $\sec \alpha$, $\operatorname{cosec} \alpha$ and $\cot \alpha$ are all negative?
Explain your answer.

(iii) Are there any values of α for which $\sec \alpha$, $\operatorname{cosec} \alpha$ and $\cot \alpha$ are all equal?
Explain your answer.

7 Solve the following equations for $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$.

(i) $\cos x = \sec x$

(ii) $\operatorname{cosec} x = \sec x$

(iii) $2 \sin x = 3 \cot x$

(iv) $\operatorname{cosec}^2 x + \cot^2 x = 2$

(v) $3 \sec^2 x - 10 \tan x = 0$

(vi) $1 + \cot^2 x = 2 \tan^2 x$

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Exercise 2: The Pythagorean Identities

Simplify the following expressions.

1 $\frac{1 - \sec^2 A}{1 - \operatorname{cosec}^2 A}$

2 $\frac{\sqrt{1 + \tan^2 \theta}}{\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta}}$

3 $\frac{1}{\cos \theta \sqrt{1 + \cot^2 \theta}}$

4 $\frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \cot^2 \theta}$

Eliminate θ from the following pairs of equations.

5 $x = 4 \sec \theta$
 $y = 4 \tan \theta$

6 $x = a \operatorname{cosec} \theta$
 $y = b \cot \theta$

7 $x = a \sec \theta$
 $y = b \sin \theta$

Prove the following identities.

8 $\cot \theta + \tan \theta \equiv \sec \theta \operatorname{cosec} \theta$

9 $\frac{\cos A}{1 - \tan A} + \frac{\sin A}{1 - \cot A} \equiv \sin A + \cos A$

10 $\tan^2 \theta + \cot^2 \theta \equiv \sec^2 \theta + \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta - 2$

Solve the equations for angles in the range $0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

11 $\cot^2 \theta = \operatorname{cosec} \theta$

12 $\sec^2 \theta + \tan^2 \theta = 6$

13 $\tan \theta + \cot \theta = 2 \sec \theta$

14 $\tan \theta + 3 \cot \theta = 5 \sec \theta$

15 $4 \sec^2 \theta - 3 \tan \theta = 5$

16 $4 \cot^2 \theta + 12 \operatorname{cosec} \theta + 1 = 0$

Exercise 3: Compound Angle Formulae

1 Use the compound-angle formulae to write the following as surds.

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

(ii) $\cos 135^\circ = \cos(90^\circ + 45^\circ)$

(iii) $\tan 15^\circ = \tan(45^\circ - 30^\circ)$

(iv) $\tan 75^\circ = \tan(45^\circ + 30^\circ)$

2 Expand each of the following expressions.

(i) $\sin(\theta + 45^\circ)$

(ii) $\cos(\theta - 30^\circ)$

(iii) $\sin(60^\circ - \theta)$

(iv) $\cos(2\theta + 45^\circ)$

(v) $\tan(\theta + 45^\circ)$

(vi) $\tan(\theta - 45^\circ)$

3 Simplify each of the following expressions.

(i) $\sin 2\theta \cos \phi - \cos 2\theta \sin \theta$

(ii) $\cos \phi \cos 7\phi - \sin \phi \sin 7\phi$

(iii) $\sin 120^\circ \cos 60^\circ + \cos 120^\circ \sin 60^\circ$

(iv) $\cos \theta \cos \theta - \sin \theta \sin \theta$

4 Solve the following equations for values of θ in the range $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$.

(i) $\cos(60^\circ + \theta) = \sin \theta$

(ii) $\sin(45^\circ - \theta) = \cos \theta$

(iii) $\tan(45^\circ + \theta) = \tan(45^\circ - \theta)$

(iv) $2 \sin \theta = 3 \cos(\theta - 60^\circ)$

(v) $\sin \theta = \cos(\theta + 120^\circ)$

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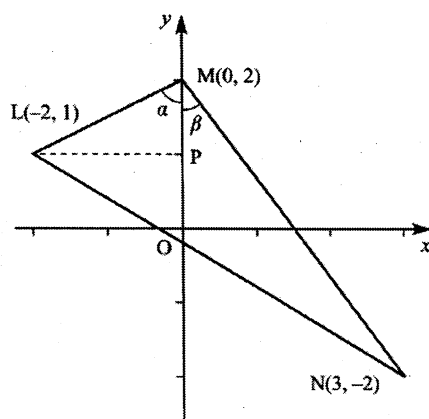
- 5** Solve the following equations for values of θ in the range $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$.
(When the range is given in radians, the solutions should be in radians, using multiples of π where appropriate.)

(i) $\sin\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \cos \theta$

(iii) $2 \cos\left(\theta - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \cos\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

- 6** Calculators are not to be used in this question.

The diagram shows three points $L(-2, 1)$, $M(0, 2)$ and $N(3, -2)$ joined to form a triangle. The angles α and β and the point P are shown in the diagram.



- (i) Show that $\sin \alpha = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$ and write down the value of $\cos \alpha$.
(ii) Find the values of $\sin \beta$ and $\cos \beta$.
(iii) Show that $\sin \angle LMN = \frac{11}{5\sqrt{5}}$.
(iv) Show that $\tan \angle LNM = \frac{11}{27}$.

Exercise 4: Double Angle Formulae

- 1** Solve the following equations for $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$.

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

(ii) $\tan 2\theta = 4 \tan \theta$

(iii) $\cos 2\theta + \sin \theta = 0$

(iv) $\tan \theta \tan 2\theta = 1$

(v) $2 \cos 2\theta = 1 + \cos \theta$

- 2** Solve the following equations for $-\pi \leq \theta \leq \pi$.

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

(ii) $\tan 2\theta = 2 \tan \theta$

(iii) $\cos 2\theta - \cos \theta = 0$

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

(v) $\sin 4\theta = \cos 2\theta$

Hint: Write the expression in part (v) as an equation in 2θ .

- 3** By first writing $\sin 3\theta$ as $\sin(2\theta + \theta)$, express $\sin 3\theta$ in terms of $\sin \theta$.
Hence solve the equation $\sin 3\theta = \sin \theta$ for $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$.

- 4 Solve $\cos 3\theta = 1 - 3 \cos \theta$ for $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$.
- 5 Simplify $\frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{\sin 2\theta}$.
- 6 Express $\tan 3\theta$ in terms of $\tan \theta$.
- 7 Show that $\frac{1 - \tan^2 \theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta} = \cos 2\theta$.
- 8 (i) Show that $\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \theta\right)\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \theta\right) = 1$.
 (ii) Given that $\tan 26.6^\circ = 0.5$, solve $\tan \theta = 2$ without using your calculator.
 Give θ to 1 decimal place, where $0^\circ < \theta < 90^\circ$.
- 9 (i) Sketch on the same axes the graphs of
 $y = \cos 2x$ and $y = 3 \sin x - 1$ for $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$.
 (ii) Show that these curves meet at points whose x co-ordinates are solutions of the equation $2 \sin^2 x + 3 \sin x - 2 = 0$.
 (iii) Solve this equation to find the values of x in terms of π for $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$.

Exercise 5: The Form $r \cos(\theta \pm \alpha)$, $r \sin(\theta \pm \alpha)$

- 1 Express each of the following in the form $r \cos(\theta - \alpha)$, where $r > 0$ and $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$.

(i) $\cos \theta + \sin \theta$	(ii) $20 \cos \theta + 21 \sin \theta$
(iii) $\cos \theta + \sqrt{3} \sin \theta$	(iv) $\sqrt{5} \cos \theta + 2 \sin \theta$
- 2 Express each of the following in the form $r \cos(\theta + \alpha)$, where $r > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$.

(i) $\cos \theta - \sin \theta$	(ii) $\sqrt{3} \cos \theta - \sin \theta$
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- 3 Express each of the following in the form $r \sin(\theta + \alpha)$, where $r > 0$ and $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$.

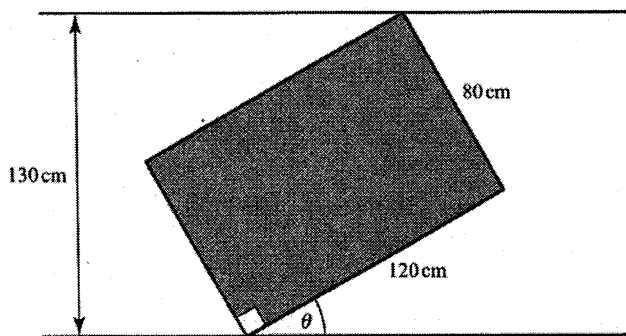
(i) $\sin \theta + 2 \cos \theta$	(ii) $2 \sin \theta + \sqrt{5} \cos \theta$
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- 4 Express each of the following in the form $r \sin(\theta - \alpha)$, where $r > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$.

(i) $\sin \theta - \cos \theta$	(ii) $\sqrt{7} \sin \theta - \sqrt{2} \cos \theta$
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- 5 Express each of the following in the form $r \cos(\theta - \alpha)$, where $r > 0$ and $-180^\circ < \alpha < 180^\circ$.

(i) $\cos \theta - \sqrt{3} \sin \theta$	(ii) $2\sqrt{2} \cos \theta - 2\sqrt{2} \sin \theta$
(iii) $\sin \theta + \sqrt{3} \cos \theta$	(iv) $5 \sin \theta + 12 \cos \theta$
(v) $\sin \theta - \sqrt{3} \cos \theta$	(vi) $\sqrt{2} \sin \theta - \sqrt{2} \cos \theta$

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- 6** (i) Express $5 \cos \theta - 12 \sin \theta$ in the form $r \cos(\theta + \alpha)$, where $r > 0$ and $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$.
- (ii) State the maximum and minimum values of $5 \cos \theta - 12 \sin \theta$.
- (iii) Sketch the graph of $y = 5 \cos \theta - 12 \sin \theta$ for $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$.
- (iv) Solve the equation $5 \cos \theta - 12 \sin \theta = 4$ for $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$.
- 7** (i) Express $3 \sin \theta - \sqrt{3} \cos \theta$ in the form $r \sin(\theta - \alpha)$, where $r > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$.
- (ii) State the maximum and minimum values of $3 \sin \theta - \sqrt{3} \cos \theta$ and the smallest positive values of θ for which they occur.
- (iii) Sketch the graph of $y = 3 \sin \theta - \sqrt{3} \cos \theta$ for $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$.
- (iv) Solve the equation $3 \sin \theta - \sqrt{3} \cos \theta = \sqrt{3}$ for $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$.
- 8** (i) Express $2 \sin 2\theta + 3 \cos 2\theta$ in the form $r \sin(2\theta + \alpha)$, where $r > 0$ and $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$.
- (ii) State the maximum and minimum values of $2 \sin 2\theta + 3 \cos 2\theta$ and the smallest positive values of θ for which they occur.
- (iii) Sketch the graph of $y = 2 \sin 2\theta + 3 \cos 2\theta$ for $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$.
- (iv) Solve the equation $2 \sin 2\theta + 3 \cos 2\theta = 1$ for $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$.
- 9** (i) Express $\cos \theta + \sqrt{2} \sin \theta$ in the form $r \cos(\theta - \alpha)$, where $r > 0$ and $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$.
- (ii) State the maximum and minimum values of $\cos \theta + \sqrt{2} \sin \theta$ and the smallest positive values of θ for which they occur.
- (iii) Sketch the graph of $y = \cos \theta + \sqrt{2} \sin \theta$ for $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$.
- (iv) State the maximum and minimum values of
- $$\frac{1}{3 + \cos \theta + \sqrt{2} \sin \theta}$$
- and the smallest positive values of θ for which they occur.
- 10** The diagram shows a table jammed in a corridor. The table is 120 cm long and 80 cm wide, and the width of the corridor is 130 cm.
- (i) Show that $12 \sin \theta + 8 \cos \theta = 13$.
- (ii) Hence find the angle θ . (There are two answers.)



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- 11** (i) Use a trigonometrical formula to expand $\cos(x + \alpha)$.
 (ii) Express $y = 2 \cos x - 5 \sin x$ in the form $r \cos(x + \alpha)$, giving the positive value of r and the smallest positive value of α .
 (iii) State the maximum and minimum values of y and the corresponding values of x for $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$.
 (iv) Solve the equation

$$2 \cos x - 5 \sin x = 3, \text{ for } 0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ.$$

[MEI]

- 12** (i) Find the value of the acute angle α for which

$$5 \cos x - 3 \sin x = \sqrt{34} \cos(x + \alpha)$$

for all x .

Giving your answers correct to 1 decimal place,

- (ii) solve the equation $5 \cos x - 3 \sin x = 4$ for $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$
 (iii) solve the equation $5 \cos 2x - 3 \sin 2x = 4$ for $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$.

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- 13** (i) Find the positive value of R and the acute angle α for which

$$6 \cos x + 8 \sin x = R \cos(x - \alpha).$$

- (ii) Sketch the curve with equation

$$y = 6 \cos x + 8 \sin x, \text{ for } 0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ.$$

Mark your axes carefully and indicate the angle α on the x axis.

- (iii) Solve the equation

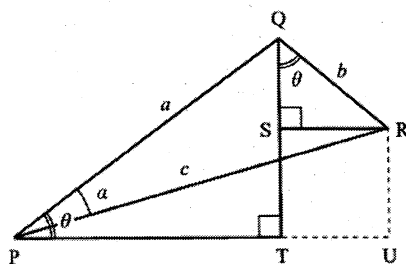
$$6 \cos x + 8 \sin x = 4, \text{ for } 0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ.$$

- (iv) Solve the equation

$$8 \cos \theta + 6 \sin \theta = 4, \text{ for } 0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ.$$

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- 14** In the diagram below, angle $QPT = \text{angle } SQR = \theta$, angle $QPR = \alpha$, $PQ = a$, $QR = b$, $PR = c$, angle $QSR = \text{angle } QTP = 90^\circ$, $SR = TU$.



- (i) Show that angle $PQR = 90^\circ$, and write down the length of c in terms of a and b .
 (ii) Show that PU may be written as $a \cos \theta + b \sin \theta$ and as $c \cos(\theta - \alpha)$.
 Write down the value of $\tan \alpha$ in terms of a and b .

- (iii) In the case when $a = 4$, $b = 3$, find the acute angle α .

- (iv) Solve the equation

$$4 \cos \theta + 3 \sin \theta = 2 \text{ for } 0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ.$$

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Exercise 6: Miscellaneous

- 1 Eliminate θ from the equations
 $x = \sin \theta$ and $y = \cos 2\theta$
- 2 Prove the identity $\frac{\sin 2\theta}{1 + \cos 2\theta} \equiv \tan \theta$
- 3 Prove that $\tan\left(\theta + \frac{1}{4}\pi\right) \tan\left(\frac{1}{4}\pi - \theta\right) \equiv 1$
- 4 If $\cos A = \frac{4}{5}$ and $\cos B = \frac{5}{13}$ find the possible values of $\cos(A + B)$
- 5 Eliminate θ from the equations
 $x = \cos 2\theta$ and $y = \cos^2 \theta$
- 6 Prove the identity
 $\frac{\cos \theta}{1 + \sin \theta} + \frac{1 + \sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \equiv 2 \sec \theta$
- 7 Express $4 \sin \theta - 3 \cos \theta$ in the form
 $r \sin(\theta - \alpha)$. Hence find the maximum and minimum values of $4 \sin \theta - 3 \cos \theta + 2$
- 8 Express $\sin 2\theta - \cos 2\theta$ in the form
 $r \sin(2\theta - \alpha)$. Hence find the smallest positive value of θ for which $\sin 2\theta - \cos 2\theta$ has a maximum value.
- 9 Solve the equation $\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta = 1$
for values of θ in the range $-\pi \leq \theta \leq \pi$
- P310 Prove the identity $\cos^4 \theta - \sin^4 \theta \equiv \cos 2\theta$
- P311 Simplify the expression $\frac{1 + \cos 2x}{1 - \cos 2x}$
- P312 Find the values of A between 0 and 360° for which $\sin(60^\circ - A) + \sin(120^\circ - A) = 0$
- P313 (a) Express $2 \sin^2 \theta + 1$ in terms of $\cos 2\theta$.
(b) Express $4 \cos^2 2A$ in terms of $\cos 4A$
(Hint: use $2A = x$)
- P314 Find all the values of x between 0 and 180° for which $\cos x - 2 \sin x = 1$
- P315 Solve the equation $3 \cos x - 2 \sin x = 1$ for values of x in the range $0 \leq x \leq 180^\circ$