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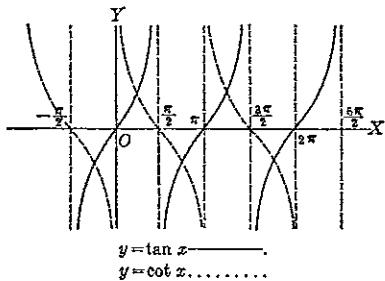
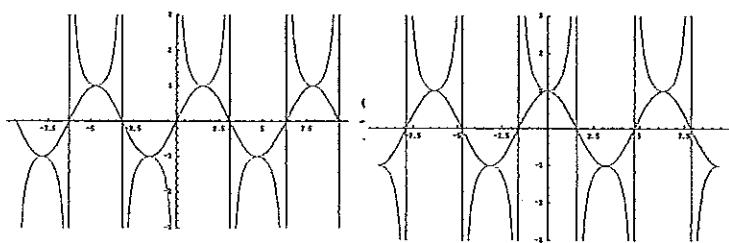
5.1 Fundamental Identities

Basic Trigonometric Identities

Reciprocal Identities

$$\csc \theta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \quad \sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \quad \cot \theta = \frac{1}{\tan \theta}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{1}{\csc \theta} \quad \cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sec \theta} \quad \tan \theta = \frac{1}{\cot \theta}$$



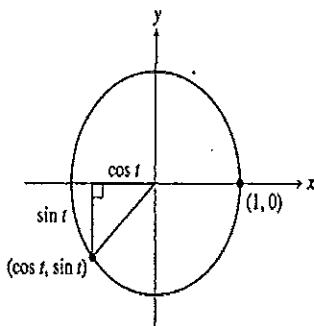
➤ Domain of Validity - ~~ts~~ for which both sides of eqn. are defined.

Pythagorean Identities

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

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

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



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

$$\boxed{1 + \tan^2 \theta = \sec^2 \theta}$$

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

$$\boxed{\cot^2 \theta + 1 = \csc^2 \theta}$$

Algebraic $(\tan \theta)^2$

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

$$1 + (3)^2 = \sec^2 \theta$$

$$10 = \sec^2 \theta$$

$$\pm \sqrt{10} = \sec \theta$$

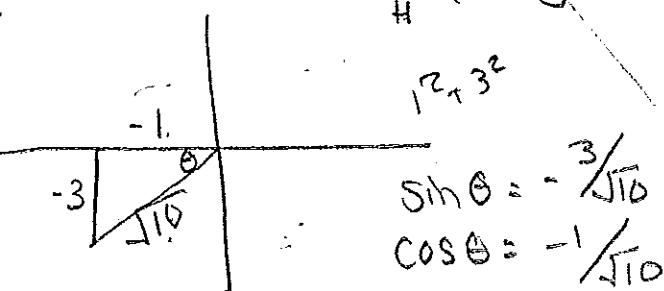
$$-\sqrt{10} \text{ b/c } \sec \theta < 0$$

$$\csc^{-1} \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} \quad \sin \theta = \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}$$

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Example

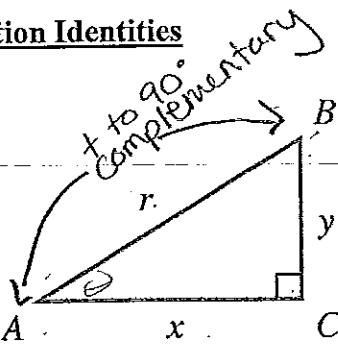
Find $\sin \theta$ and $\cos \theta$ if $\tan \theta = 3$ and $\cos \theta < 0$.



$$\sin \theta = -\frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}$$

$$\cos \theta = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}$$

Cofunction Identities



$$\begin{aligned}\sin 30^\circ &= \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \cos \theta \cdot \frac{x}{r} & \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) &= \sin \theta \\ \tan 30^\circ &= \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \cot \theta & \cot\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) &= \tan \theta \\ \sec 30^\circ &= \sec\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \csc \theta & \csc\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) &= \sec \theta\end{aligned}$$

Angle A: $\sin A = \frac{y}{r}$ $\tan A = \frac{y}{x}$ $\sec A = \frac{r}{x}$
 $\cos A = \frac{x}{r}$ $\cot A = \frac{x}{y}$ $\csc A = \frac{r}{y}$

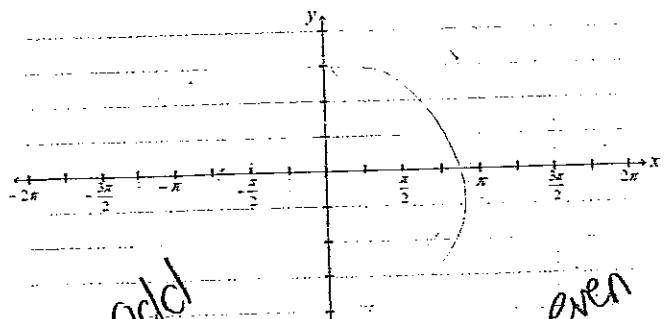
Angle B: $\sin B = \frac{x}{r}$ $\tan B = \frac{x}{y}$ $\sec B = \frac{r}{y}$
 $\cos B = \frac{y}{r}$ $\cot B = \frac{y}{x}$ $\csc B = \frac{r}{x}$

$\sin A$ & $\cos B$?

$\tan A$ & $\cot B$? Same ratios

So $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - 60^\circ\right) = \cos 60^\circ \sec A$ & $\csc B$.
 $\sec\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - 10^\circ\right) = \csc 80^\circ$

Odd-Even Identities



$\sin(-x) = -\sin x$	$\cos(-x) = \cos x$	$\tan(-x) = -\tan x$
$\csc(-x) = -\csc x$	$\sec(-x) = \sec x$	$\cot(-x) = -\cot x$

Example

If $\cos \theta = .34$, find $\sin\left(\theta - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right)$

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

$$= -0.34$$

Ex If $\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = -5.32$ find $\cot \theta$

$$(-5.32)$$

#9-10

Example

Solve algebraically

$$x^3 + xy^2 \quad x - (x^2 + y^2)$$

$$\cos^3 x + \cos x \sin^2 x = \cos x (\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x)$$

#12 $\cot u \sin u$

$$\frac{\cos u}{\sin u} \cdot \sin u$$

$$\boxed{\cos u}$$

Stop

Example

Simplify the expression $(\sec^2 x + \csc^2 x) - (\tan^2 x + \cot^2 x)$.

$$(1 + \tan^2 x + \cot^2 x + 1) - (\tan^2 x + \cot^2 x)$$

$$2 + \tan^2 x + \cot^2 x - \tan^2 x - \cot^2 x$$

$$\cos x \cdot 1$$

$$\boxed{1 \cdot \cos x}$$

Recall

$$① x^2 + 6x + 5 = 0$$

$$② x^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$③ x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$$

Example

$$\frac{\cos x}{\sin x} - \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

②

$$\frac{\cos x \sec x}{\cos x \sin x} - \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos x \sin x} =$$

$$\frac{\cos x \sec x - \sin^2 x}{\cos x \sin x} =$$

$$1 - \sin^2 x$$

$$= \frac{1 - \sin^2 x}{\cos x \sin x}$$

$$= \frac{\cos^2 x}{\cos x \sin x} = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$$

$$\boxed{=\cot x}$$

#51-52

Example

Find all values of x in the interval $[0, 2\pi]$ that solve $\sin^3 x / \cos x = \tan x$.

$$\frac{\sin^3 x}{\cos x} \rightarrow \frac{\tan x}{\sin x}$$

want zero or one side

$$\sin x = 0 \text{ or } -\cos x = 0$$

$$\sin x = 0$$

$$0 \text{ or } \pi$$

$$\sin^3 x = \sin x$$

$$\sin^3 x - \sin x = 0$$

$$\sin x (\sin^2 x - 1) = 0$$

$$x^2 + 2x + 3 = 0$$

$$x(x^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$x^4 - 1 = 0$$

Example

$$2x^2 + x - 1$$

Find all solutions to the trigonometric equation $2\sin^2 x + \sin x = 1$

$$2\sin^2 x + \sin x - 1 = 0$$

$$(2\sin x - 1)(\sin x + 1) = 0$$

$$2\sin x - 1 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \sin x + 1 = 0$$

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin x = -1$$

$$\frac{\pi}{6} + 2\pi n$$

$$\frac{3\pi}{2} + 2\pi n$$

$$\frac{5\pi}{6} + 2\pi n$$

Example

Solve $\cos x = .37$ using a calculator.

$$1.1918 + 2\pi n$$

5.2 Proving Trigonometric Identities

We are now going to use proofs with Trigonometric Identities!

Recall:

Prove the algebraic identity:

$$\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2-x}{2x}$$
$$\frac{z}{2} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{z} \right) \frac{x}{x}$$
$$\frac{z}{2x} - \frac{x}{zx}$$
$$= \frac{z-x}{zx}$$

Example

Prove the identity: $\sin x - \csc x = -\cos x \cot x$.

$$\begin{aligned} & \sin x - \csc x \\ &= \sin x - \frac{1}{\sin x} \\ &= \frac{\sin^2 x - 1}{\sin x} \\ &= \frac{-\cos^2 x}{\sin x} \quad \text{Pyth. Ident.} \\ &= \left(\frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \right) - \cos x \\ &= -\cos x \cot x \end{aligned}$$

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

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

Example

Prove the identity: $\frac{\sin t}{1 + \cos t} = \frac{1 - \cos t}{\sin t}$

$$\begin{aligned}& \frac{\sin t}{1 + \cos t} \cdot \frac{1 - \cos t}{1 - \cos t} \\&= \frac{\sin t (1 - \cos t)}{1 - \cos^2 t} \\&= \frac{\sin t (1 - \cos t)}{\sin^2 t} \\&= \frac{1 - \cos t}{\sin t}\end{aligned}$$

Example

Prove the identity: $\frac{\tan^2 x}{1 + \sec x} = \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos x + \cos^2 x}$

$$\begin{aligned}& \frac{\tan^2 x}{1 + \sec x} \\&= \frac{\cancel{\sec x} \tan^2 x}{\cancel{\sec x}} = \frac{\sec^2 x - 1}{1 + \sec x} \\&= \frac{(\sec x + 1)(\sec x - 1)}{1 + \sec x} \\&= \sec x - 1\end{aligned}$$

Identities in Calculus

$$1. \cos^3 x = (1 - \sin^2 x)(\cos x)$$

$$2. \sec^4 x = (1 + \tan^2 x)(\sec^2 x)$$

$$3. \sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x$$

$$4. \cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x$$

$$5. \sin^5 x = (1 - 2\cos^2 x + \cos^4 x)(\sin x)$$

$$6. \sin^2 x \cos^5 x = (\sin^2 - 2\sin^4 x + \sin^6 x)(\cos x)$$

Now Start RHS

$$\begin{aligned}& \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos x + \cos^2 x} \\&= \frac{1 - \cos^2 x}{\cos x(1 + \cos x)} \\&= \frac{(1 - \cos x)(1 + \cos x)}{\cos x(1 + \cos x)} \\&= \frac{1 - \cos x}{\cos x} \\&= \frac{1 - \cos x}{\cos x} \\&= \frac{1 - \cos x}{\cos x} \quad \text{Sec x - 1}\end{aligned}$$

5.3 Sum and Difference Identities

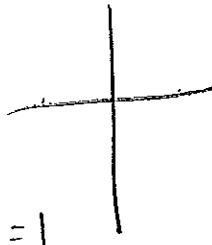
1. Let $u = \pi$ and $v = \pi/2$. Find $\sin(u + v)$. Find $\sin(u) + \sin(v)$.

Are they equal? No

2. Let $u = 0$ and $v = 2\pi$. Find $\cos(u + v)$. Find $\cos(u) + \cos(v)$.

Are they equal? No

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



Cosine of a Sum or Difference

$$\cos(u \pm v) = \cos u \cos v \mp \sin u \sin v$$



(Note the sign switch in either case.)

Example

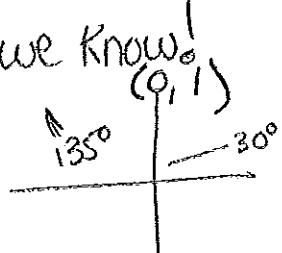
#1-10 Find the exact value of $\cos 105^\circ$ without using a calculator.

$$\cos(135^\circ - 30^\circ)$$

$$= \cos 135^\circ \cos 30^\circ + \sin 135^\circ \sin 30^\circ$$

$$= \left(-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{-\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2}}{4}$$



Example

#40 Prove the identities a) $\cos\left(\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) - x\right) = \sin x$ and

a)

$$\cos\frac{\pi}{2} \cos x + \sin\frac{\pi}{2} \sin x$$

$$0 \cdot \cos x + 1 \cdot \sin x$$

$$= \sin x$$

b) $\sin\left(\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) - x\right) = \cos x$

$$b) \sin\frac{\pi}{2} \cos x - \cos\frac{\pi}{2} \sin x$$

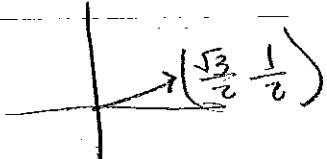
$$1 \cdot \cos x - 0 \cdot \sin x$$

$$= \cos x$$

Sine of a Sum or Difference

$$\sin(u \pm v) = \sin u \cos v \pm \sin v \cos u$$

(Note that the sign does *not* switch in either case.)



Example

Write each of the following expressions as the sine or cosine of an angle.

(a) $\sin 25^\circ \cos 5^\circ + \cos 25^\circ \sin 5^\circ \rightarrow \sin(25^\circ + 5^\circ) = \sin 30^\circ$

Diff ratios so
sum of Sine or
Diff

(b) $\cos \frac{\pi}{4} \cos \frac{\pi}{5} + \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \sin \frac{\pi}{5} \rightarrow \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{5}\right)$

Same so Cos

(c) $\sin 3x \sin 5x - \cos 3x \cos 5x$

$$\cos \frac{5\pi}{20} - \frac{4\pi}{20}$$

$$\cos \frac{9\pi}{20}$$

c) Same so cos

$$\cos(3x + 5x)$$

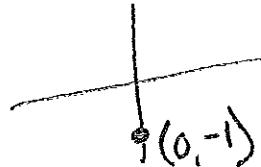
$$\cos 8x$$

Example

#40 Prove the reduction formulas.



(a) $\sin(\pi - x) = \sin x$



(b) $\cos\left(x - \frac{3\pi}{2}\right) = -\sin x$

a) $\sin(4\pi - x)$

$$\sin 4\pi \cos x - \cos 4\pi \sin x$$

$$0 \cdot \cos x - -1 \sin x$$

$$= \sin x$$

b) $\cos x \cos \frac{3\pi}{2} + \sin x \sin \frac{3\pi}{2}$

$$\cos x \cdot 0 + \sin x \cdot -1$$

$$= -\sin x$$

Tangent of a Difference or Sum

$$\tan(u \pm v) = \frac{\sin(u \pm v)}{\cos(u \pm v)} = \frac{\sin u \cos v \pm \sin v \cos u}{\cos u \cos v \mp \sin u \sin v}$$

or

$$\tan(u \pm v) = \frac{\tan u \pm \tan v}{1 \mp \tan u \tan v}$$

$\frac{+}{-}$

Example

Express $f(x) = 2 \sin x + 5 \cos x$ as a sinusoid in the form $f(x) = a \sin(bx + c)$

Sum of Sin Formula $a \sin(bx+c)$

$$= a(\sin bx \cos c + \cos bx \sin c)$$

$$2 \sin x + 5 \cos x = (a \cos c) \sin bx + (a \sin c) \cos bx$$

$$b=1 \quad a \cos c = 2 \quad a \sin c = 5$$

Turn into
Trig Ident. $(a \cos c)^2 + (a \sin c)^2 = 2^2 + 5^2$

so easier $a^2 \cos^2 c + a^2 \sin^2 c$

$$a^2 (\cos^2 c + \sin^2 c) = 29$$

$$a^2 \cdot 1 = 29$$

$$a^2 = 29$$

$$a = \sqrt{29}$$

$$\cos c = \frac{2}{\sqrt{29}}$$

$$\sin c = \frac{5}{\sqrt{29}}$$

$$5\sqrt{29} \sin(x + 1.2)$$

So $a \sin(bx+c)$

$$\sqrt{29} \sin\left(x + \cos^{-1}\frac{2}{\sqrt{29}}\right)$$

or

must be pos
 $\arcsin + \arccos$
 \neq

5.4 Multiple-Angle Identities

$$\sin 2u = 2 \sin u \cos u$$

$$\cos 2u = \begin{cases} \cos^2 u - \sin^2 u \\ 2 \cos^2 u - 1 \\ 1 - 2 \sin^2 u \end{cases}$$

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

$$\sin^2 u = \frac{1 - \cos 2u}{2}$$

$$\cos^2 u = \frac{1 + \cos 2u}{2}$$

$$\tan^2 u = \frac{1 - \cos 2u}{1 + \cos 2u}$$

$$\sin \frac{u}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos u}{2}}$$

$$\cos \frac{u}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 + \cos u}{2}}$$

$$\tan \frac{u}{2} = \begin{cases} \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos u}{1 + \cos u}} \\ \frac{1 - \cos u}{\sin u} \\ \frac{\sin u}{1 + \cos u} \end{cases}$$

Example

Prove the identity: $\cos 2u = \cos^2 u - \sin^2 u$.

$$\cos(u+u) = \cos u \cos u - \sin u \sin u$$

$$\cos^2 u - \sin^2 u$$

- find exact value
cos 120°

Example

Prove the identity $\cos 6x = 2\cos^2 3x - 1$.

$$\cos 2(3x) = 2\cos^2 3x - 1 \quad \text{Substitution}$$

Example

Rewrite $\cos^4 x$ in terms of trigonometric functions with no power greater than 1.

$$(\cos^2 x)^2 = \left(\frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2} \right)^2 \quad \text{By Power Red Ident.}$$

$$1 + 2\cos 2x + \cos^2 2x \quad \text{FOIL}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2}\cos 2x + \frac{1}{4}\cos^2 2x$$

$$\frac{1}{4}(1 + \cos 4x) = \frac{1}{8}(3 + 4\cos 2x + \cos 4x)$$

Example

Use half-angle identities to find an exact value without a calculator. $\sin(5\pi/12)$

$$\pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \sqrt{3}/2}{2}} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos(5\pi/6)}{2}}$$

$$= \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos(5\pi/6)}{2}}$$

$$= \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - (-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})}{2}}$$

$$\sin \frac{5\pi}{12} \approx 75^\circ$$

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

$$= \pm \sqrt{\frac{2 + \sqrt{3}}{2}}$$

$$2\cos x = 0 \quad 2\sin x + 1 = 0$$

Recall factoring $(x-1)(x+1) = 0$

$$\sin x - 1 = 0 \quad \sin x + 1 = 0$$

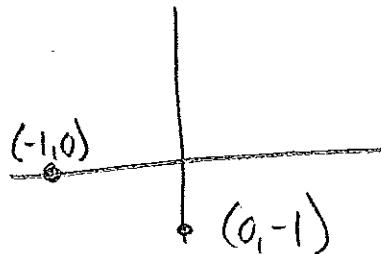
Example

Solve algebraically in the interval $[0, 2\pi]$: $\cos 2x = \sin x$.

$\times S/10$

Ident. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \cos 2x = \sin x \\ \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x = \sin x \\ 1 - \sin^2 x - \sin^2 x = \sin x \\ 1 - 2\sin^2 x - \sin x = 0 \\ (-2\sin^2 x - \sin x + 1) \\ 2\sin^2 x + \sin x - 1 \\ (2\sin x - 1)(\sin x + 1) = 0 \end{array} \right.$

so easier to factor $-1x$



Example

Solve $\cos^2 x = (\sin(x/2))^2$.

$$\cos^2 x - (\sin(x/2))^2$$

(3 intersections)

~~$$\cos^2 x = \frac{1 - \cos x}{2}$$~~

~~$$2\cos^2 x = 1 - \cos x$$~~

~~$$2\cos^2 x + \cos x - 1 = 0$$~~

~~$$(2\cos x - 1)(\cos x + 1)$$~~

~~$$\cos x = \frac{1}{2} \quad \cos x = -1$$~~

~~$$\frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}$$~~

~~$$\frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}$$~~

solve Alg. # 6

$$\sin 2x = \sin x$$

$$\sin 2x - \sin x = 0$$

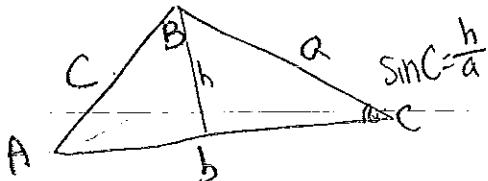
$$2\sin x \cos x - \sin x = 0$$

$$\sin x(2\cos x - 1) = 0$$

$$\sin x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \cos x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$0, \pi, \frac{4\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}$$

5.5 The Law of Sines



$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} ba \sin C = \frac{1}{2} bc \sin A = \frac{1}{2} ac \sin B$$

$$ba \sin C = bc \sin A = ac \sin B$$

$$\frac{\sin C}{c} = \frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b}$$

abc
Law of Sines

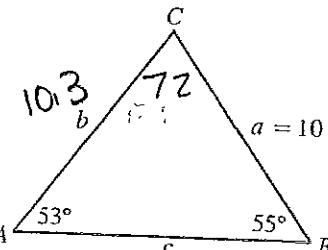
Example

Solve $\triangle ABC$ given that $\angle A = 53^\circ$, $\angle B = 55^\circ$, and $a = 10$.

$$\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b}$$

$$\frac{\sin 53}{10} = \frac{\sin 55}{b}$$

$$b \sin 53 = 10 \sin 55 \quad (b = 10.3)$$



$$\frac{\sin 72}{c} = \frac{\sin 53}{10}$$

$$(c = 11.9)$$

Example

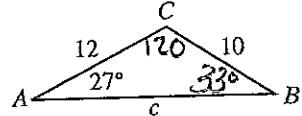
Solve $\triangle ABC$ given that $a = 10$, $b = 12$, and $\angle A = 27^\circ$.

$$\frac{\sin 27}{10} = \frac{\sin B}{12}$$

$$12 \sin 27 = 10 \sin B$$

$$\frac{12 \sin 27}{10} = \sin B$$

$$(33^\circ)$$



$$\frac{\sin 27}{10} = \frac{\sin 120}{c}$$

$$10 \sin 120 = c \sin 27$$

$$(c = 19.1)$$

of Triangles

AAS, ASA = 1 \triangle

SSA = 1, 0, 2 blc calc only knows acute angles

Example

Solve $\triangle ABC$ given that $a = 10$, $b = 12$, and $\angle A = 35^\circ$.

$$\frac{\sin 35^\circ}{10} = \frac{\sin B}{12}$$

$$\frac{12 \sin 35^\circ}{10} = 10 \sin B$$

$$B = 43.5^\circ \approx 44^\circ$$

$$C = 101^\circ$$

$$A = 35^\circ$$

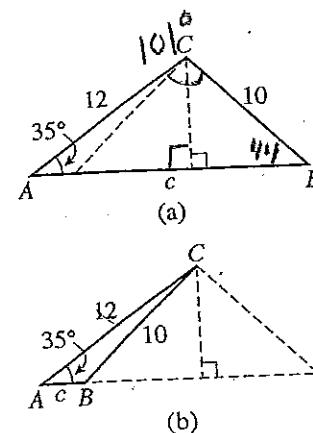
$$\frac{\sin 101^\circ}{c} = \frac{\sin 35^\circ}{10}$$

$$10 \sin 101^\circ = \sin 35^\circ \cdot c$$

$$c = 17.61$$

$$a = 10$$

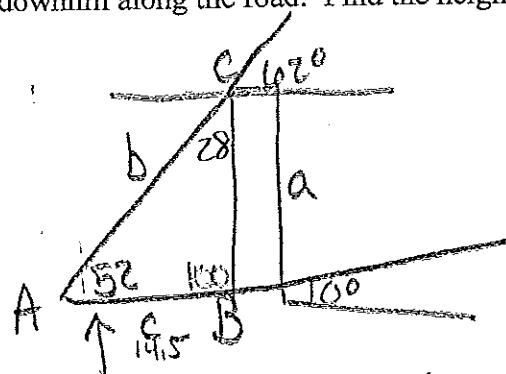
$$b = 12$$



Both Possibilities

Example

A road slopes 10 degrees above the horizontal, and a vertical telephone pole stands beside the road. The angle of elevation of the Sun is 62 degrees, and the pole casts a 14.5 foot shadow downhill along the road. Find the height of the telephone pole.



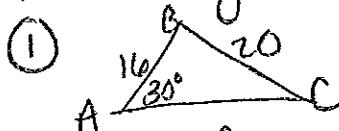
Elevation-Slope of Rd

$$\frac{\sin 52^\circ}{a} = \frac{\sin 28^\circ}{14.5}$$

$$14.5 \sin 52^\circ = a \sin 28^\circ$$

$$24.3 \text{ ft}$$

Ex How many \triangle s



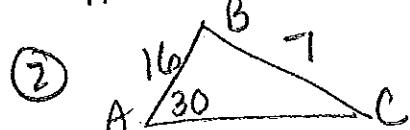
$$\frac{\sin 30^\circ}{20} = \frac{\sin C}{16} \quad \sin C = .4$$

pos in 1 or 4
but

$$C = 24^\circ$$

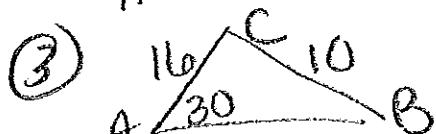
$$156 + 30 > 180$$

so 1 \triangle



$$\frac{\sin 30^\circ}{7} = \frac{\sin C}{16} \quad \sin C = 1.1$$

Not pos



$$\frac{\sin 30^\circ}{10} = \frac{\sin B}{16} \quad \sin B = .8$$

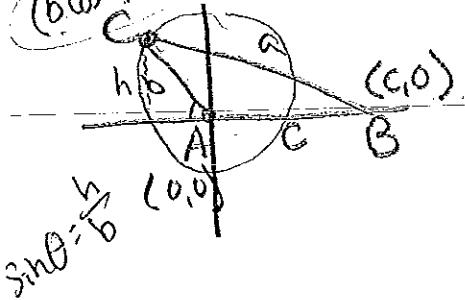
$$B = 53.13$$

$$2 \text{ ds}$$

$$\text{or } B = 127^\circ \text{ b/c } 127^\circ < 180^\circ$$

Factors
 Sine Law
 $b \cos A$, $b \sin A$

5.6 The Law of Cosines



Dist Formula

$$a^2 = (b \cos A - c)^2 + (b \sin A - 0)^2$$

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

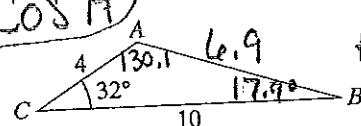
$$a^2 = b^2 (\cos^2 A + \sin^2 A) - 2bc \cos A + c^2$$

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

$$(a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A)$$

Example

Solve $\triangle ABC$ given that $a = 10$, $b = 4$, and $C = 32^\circ$.



$$c^2 = 4^2 + 10^2 - 2 \cdot 4 \cdot 10 \cos 32^\circ$$

$$c^2 = 48.15$$

$$c = 6.9$$

Now can use LoS or LoC

$$\frac{\sin 32^\circ}{6.9} = \frac{\sin B}{4}$$

$$B = 17.9^\circ$$

$$\cos A = \frac{x}{c}$$

$$x^2 + h^2 = c^2$$

$$h^2 + (b-x)^2 = a^2$$

$$\text{So } h^2 = c^2 - x^2$$

$$c^2 - x^2 + (b-x)^2 = a^2$$

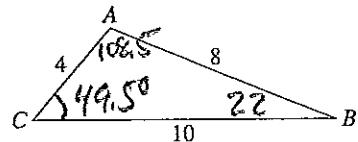
$$c^2 - x^2 + b^2 - 2bx + x^2 = a^2$$

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

$$(c^2 + b^2 - bx) \cos A = a^2$$

Example

Solve $\triangle ABC$ given that $a = 10$, $b = 4$, and $c = 8$.



$$8^2 = 4^2 + 10^2 - 2 \cdot 4 \cdot 10 \cos C$$

$$64 = 116 - 80 \cos C$$

$$-52 = -80 \cos C$$

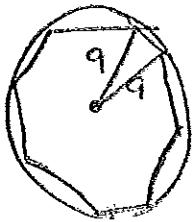
$$0.65 = \cos C$$

$$C = 49.5^\circ$$

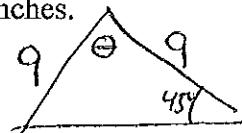
$$\frac{\sin 49.5^\circ}{8} = \frac{\sin B}{4}$$

Recall:

Find the area of a regular octagon inscribed inside a circle of radius 9 inches.



$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2}bc\sin A \\ & \frac{1}{2} \cdot 9 \cdot 9 \sin 45^\circ \\ & = 40.5 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{array}{c} \times 8 \text{ Triangles} \\ \hline \approx 229 \text{ in}^2 \end{array}$$

Heron's Formula

Let a , b , and c be the sides of $\triangle ABC$, and let s denote the **semiperimeter** $(a+b+c)/2$. Then the area of $\triangle ABC$ is given by

$$\text{Area} = \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

Example

Find the area of a triangle with sides 13, 17, and 20.

$$s = (13+17+20)/2 = 25$$

$$\text{Area} = \sqrt{25(25-13)(25-17)(25-20)}$$

$$= \sqrt{25 \cdot 12 \cdot 8 \cdot 5}$$

$$\sqrt{50} \approx \cancel{\sqrt{50}}$$

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