

5.2 Trigonometric Functions of Real Numbers

(You might find it helpful to review your general knowledge of functions 2.1-2.6_

Definition of the Trigonometric Functions

Let t be any real number and let $P(x, y)$ be the terminal point on the unit circle determined by t . We define

$$\begin{array}{lll} \sin t = y & \cos t = x & \tan t = \frac{y}{x} \quad (x \neq 0) \\ \csc t = \frac{1}{y} \quad (y \neq 0) & \sec t = \frac{1}{x} \quad (x \neq 0) & \cot t = \frac{x}{y} \quad (y \neq 0) \end{array}$$

Notation: can be written $\sin t$ or $\sin(t)$

Examples Quadrant 1

	$\sin(\pi / 6) =$ _____	$\csc(\pi / 6) =$ _____
$t = \pi / 6$	$\cos(\pi / 6) =$ _____	$\sec(\pi / 6) =$ _____
	$\tan(\pi / 6) =$ _____	$\cot(\pi / 6) =$ _____

	$\sin(\pi / 4) =$ _____	$\csc(\pi / 4) =$ _____
$t = \pi / 4$	$\cos(\pi / 4) =$ _____	$\sec(\pi / 4) =$ _____
	$\tan(\pi / 4) =$ _____	$\cot(\pi / 4) =$ _____

	$\sin(\pi / 3) =$ _____	$\csc(\pi / 3) =$ _____
$t = \pi / 3$	$\cos(\pi / 3) =$ _____	$\sec(\pi / 3) =$ _____
	$\tan(\pi / 3) =$ _____	$\cot(\pi / 3) =$ _____

Reciprocal Identities

$$\sec(\pi/3) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \csc(\pi/4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \cot(\pi/6) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Examples Quadrantal Numbers (Angles)

$$\sin(0) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \csc(0) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\cos(0) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \sec(0) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\tan(0) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \cot(0) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\sin(\pi/2) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \csc(\pi/2) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\cos(\pi/2) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \sec(\pi/2) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\tan(\pi/2) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \cot(\pi/2) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\sin(\pi) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \csc(\pi) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\cos(\pi) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \sec(\pi) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\tan(\pi) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \cot(\pi) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\sin(3\pi/2) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \csc(3\pi/2) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\cos(3\pi/2) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \sec(3\pi/2) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\tan(3\pi/2) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \cot(3\pi/2) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Domain of Trigonometric Functions

Examples: Evaluating Trig Functions in Other Quadrants

$\sin(\pi / 3) =$ _____ $\sin(2\pi / 3) =$ _____

$\sin(4\pi / 3) =$ _____ $\sin(5\pi / 3) =$ _____

Notice:

$\cos(\pi / 6) =$ _____ $\cos(5\pi / 6) =$ _____

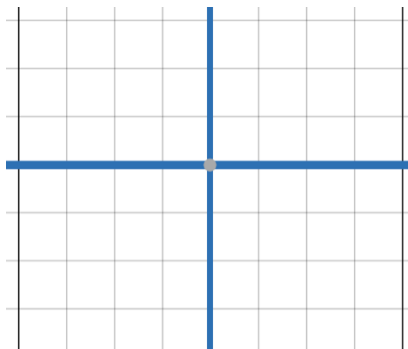
$\cos(7\pi / 6) =$ _____ $\cos(11\pi / 6) =$ _____

$\tan(\pi / 4) =$ _____ $\tan(3\pi / 4) =$ _____

$\tan(5\pi / 4) =$ _____ $\tan(7\pi / 4) =$ _____

So Trig Functions having the same reference number (angle) have the same absolute value, but may differ in sign depending on the quadrant.

Signs:



Example: Quadrant of a Terminal Point

In what quadrant is $\sin t < 0$ and $\sec t > 0$ _____

Examples: Evaluating Trig Functions Using only Reference Numbers and Quadrant Signs

$$\cos(11\pi/6) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \sin(4\pi/3) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\tan(5\pi/6) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \sec(5\pi/4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\csc(5\pi/3) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \cot(7\pi/4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Examples: Relationship Between Trig Functions at t and at $-t$

$$\cos(\pi/4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \cos(-\pi/4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

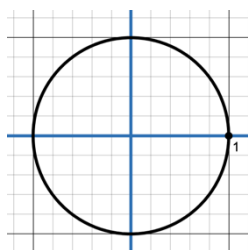
$$\sin(\pi/6) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \sin(-\pi/6) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\tan(\pi/3) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \tan(-\pi/3) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Even Odd Properties of Trigonometric Functions

Recall: Even Function

Odd Function



$$\sin(-t) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \cos(-t) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \tan(-t) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Example: Using Even/Odd Properties

$$\cos(-2\pi/3) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \sin(-7\pi/4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \tan(-\pi/6) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Estimating Trig Values With a Calculator –

$\cos(\pi / 8) =$ _____ $\sin(-5\pi / 12) =$ _____ $\tan(3) =$ _____

$\sec(4) =$ _____ $\cot(100) =$ _____ $\csc(1.3) =$ _____

Very IMPORTANT: _____

Pythagorean Identities

Example: We use the notation $\cos^2(t)$ to mean _____

Compute

$$\cos^2(\pi / 3) + \sin^2(\pi / 3)$$

Pythagorean Identities		
$\cos^2(t) + \sin^2(t) =$ __	$\cos^2(\pi / 3) + \sin^2(\pi / 3)$	$\cos^2(\pi / 3) + \sin^2(\pi / 3)$

Example: Finding All Trig Values Given the Value of One of Them

Given that $\cos(t) = -\frac{3}{5}$ and t is in Quadrant III, find the values of the other 5 trig functions as t

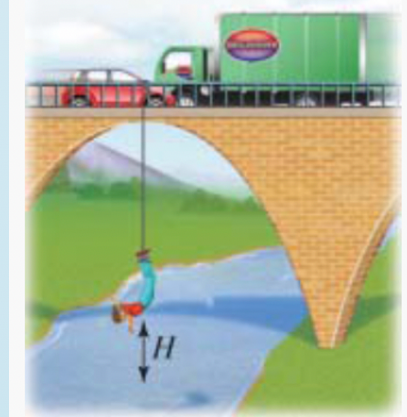
Example: Writing One Trig Function in Terms of Another

Write $\tan(t)$ in terms of $\sin(t)$ for t in Quadrant III

Applications

82. **Bungee Jumping** A bungee jumper plummets from a high bridge to the river below and then bounces back over and over again. At time t seconds after her jump, her height H (in meters) above the river is given by $H(t) = 100 + 75e^{-t/20} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}t\right)$. Find her height at the times indicated in the table.

t	$H(t)$
0	
1	
2	
4	
6	
8	
12	



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