

Grade 11 Pre-AP Mathematics
Trigonometric Identities, Solving Trigonometric Equations

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Modified True/False (5 KU)

State whether each statement is true or false. If false, change the underlined part to make the statement true.

1. T/F F The equation $\cos 3x = 1$ has 6 solutions in $[0, 2\pi]$. Change: 4

2. T/F F $\sec 3x$ is equivalent to $\frac{1}{3\cos x}$. Change: $\frac{1}{\cos 3x}$

3. T/F F The equation $\csc 3x = \frac{1}{2}$ has 6 solutions in $[0, 2\pi]$. Change: 0

4. T/F F If $\tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$ then $\cos \theta = 4$. Change: $\cos \theta = \frac{4}{5}$ or $\cos \theta = -\frac{4}{5}$

5. T/F F For $f(x) = \cos x$, $f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y)$. Change: $f(x)f(y) - f(\frac{\pi}{2}-x)f(\frac{\pi}{2}-y)$
 $\cos x \cos y - \cos(\frac{\pi}{2}-x)\cos(\frac{\pi}{2}-y)$
 $\cos x \cos y - \sin x \sin y$

Problems

6. Use the three methods indicated below to demonstrate that the equation $\sin(\theta + \frac{3\pi}{2}) = -\cos \theta$ is an identity.

(a) Compound-angle identity (3 KU)

$$\sin(\theta + \frac{3\pi}{2})$$

$$= \sin \theta \cos \frac{3\pi}{2} + \cos \theta \sin \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

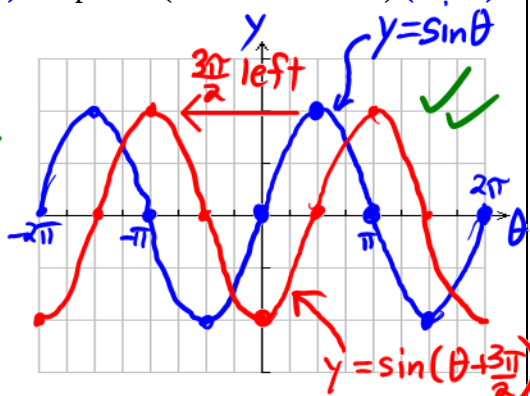
$$= \sin \theta (0) + \cos \theta (-1)$$

$$= -\cos \theta$$

$$\therefore \sin(\theta + \frac{3\pi}{2}) = -\cos \theta$$

is an identity

(b) Graphical (Transformations) (3 KU)

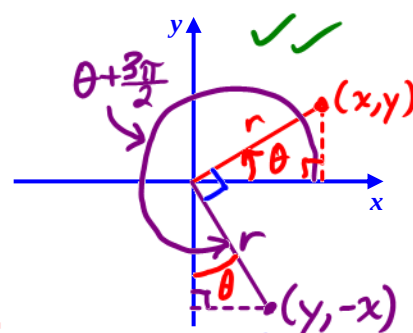


When the graph of $y = \sin \theta$ is translated $\frac{3\pi}{2}$ to the left, the graph of $y = -\cos \theta$ is obtained

$$\therefore \sin(\theta + \frac{3\pi}{2}) = -\cos \theta$$

is an identity

(c) Angles of Rotation (3 KU)



$$\sin(\theta + \frac{3\pi}{2})$$

$$= \frac{-x}{r}$$

$$= -\frac{x}{r}$$

$$= -\cos \theta$$

$$\therefore \sin(\theta + \frac{3\pi}{2}) = -\cos \theta$$

is an identity

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$$\tan(x+y) = \frac{\tan x + \tan y}{1 - \tan x \tan y}$$

$$\tan(x-y) = \frac{\tan x - \tan y}{1 + \tan x \tan y}$$

$$\cot(x+y) = \frac{\cot x \cot y - 1}{\cot x + \cot y}$$

$$\cot(x-y) = \frac{\cot x \cot y + 1}{\cot y - \cot x}$$

7. Use a counterexample to demonstrate that the equation $\tan(x+y) = \tan x + \tan y$ is **not** an identity. Choose your counterexample in such a way that a calculator is not required to evaluate any of the trig ratios.

Hint: x and y can represent the same value. (5 KU)

Let $x=y=\frac{\pi}{3}$. Then,

$$L.S. = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi}{3}\right)$$

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

$$= -\tan \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$= -\sqrt{3}$$

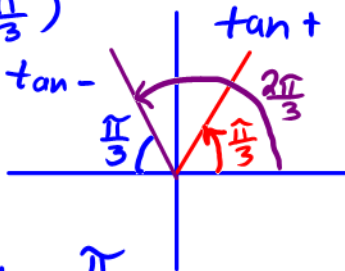
$$R.S. = \tan \frac{\pi}{3} + \tan \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$= \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore L.S. \neq R.S.$$

$\therefore$ the equation is not an identity



8. Evaluate $\tan 195^\circ$ without using a calculator. Exact values are required!

Hint: Use the identity for $\tan(x-y)$. (5 KU)

$$\tan 195^\circ = \tan(225^\circ - 30^\circ)$$

$$= \frac{\tan 225^\circ - \tan 30^\circ}{1 + \tan 225^\circ \tan 30^\circ}$$

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

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

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

9. Write $\tan 3\theta$ entirely in terms of $\tan \theta$. (10 APP)

$$\tan 3\theta = \tan(2\theta + \theta)$$

$$= \frac{\tan 2\theta + \tan \theta}{1 - \tan 2\theta \tan \theta}$$

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

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

$$= \left(\frac{2\tan \theta + \tan \theta - \tan^3 \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}\right) \left(\frac{1 - \tan^2 \theta}{1 - 3\tan^2 \theta}\right)$$

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

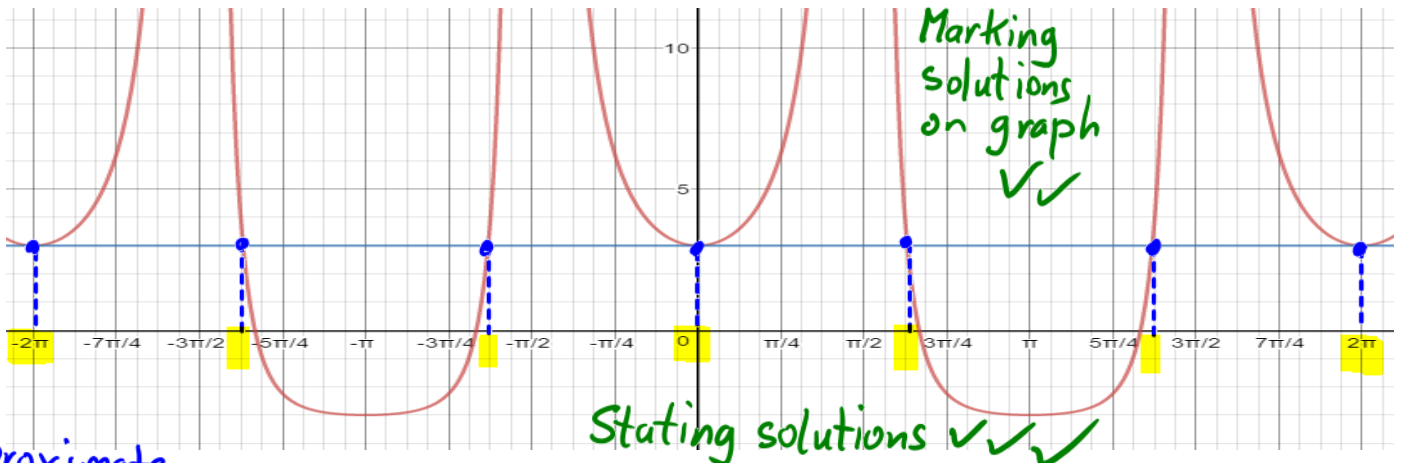
$$= \frac{\tan \theta + \tan \theta}{1 - \tan \theta \tan \theta}$$

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

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10. The following question deals with solving trigonometric equations both graphically and algebraically.

- (a) Shown below are the graphs of $y = (\sec x + 2)(2\sec x - 1)$ and $y = 3$. State **approximate** solutions to the equation $(\sec x + 2)(2\sec x - 1) = 3$ for $x \in [-2\pi, 2\pi]$. **Mark** the solutions on the graph. (5 APP)



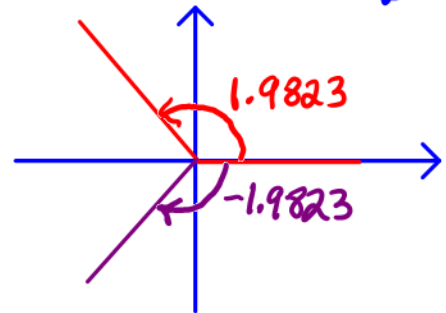
Approximate

Solutions: $-2\pi, -\frac{11\pi}{8} \approx -4.3197, -\frac{5\pi}{8} \approx -1.9635, 0, \frac{5\pi}{8} \approx 1.9635, \frac{11\pi}{8} \approx 4.3197, 2\pi$

- (b) Use an algebraic method to solve the equation $(\sec x + 2)(2\sec x - 1) = 3$, where $x \in [-\pi, \pi]$. Verify that your solutions agree with those that you obtained in (a). (5 APP)

$$\begin{aligned} 2\sec^2 x + 3\sec x - 2 &= 3 \\ \therefore 2\sec^2 x + 3\sec x - 5 &= 0 \\ \therefore (2\sec x + 5)(\sec x - 1) &= 0 \\ \therefore 2\sec x + 5 = 0 \text{ or } \sec x - 1 &= 0 \\ \therefore \sec x = -\frac{5}{2} \text{ or } \sec x &= 1 \\ \therefore \cos x = -\frac{2}{5} \text{ or } \cos x &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore x \approx 1.9823$ or $x \approx -1.9823$
or $x = 0$ (3 solutions in $[-\pi, \pi]$)



11. Prove that the equation $\frac{\cos x}{1 - \tan x} + \frac{\sin x}{1 - \cot x} = \sin x + \cos x$ is an identity. (7 TIPS)

Proof:

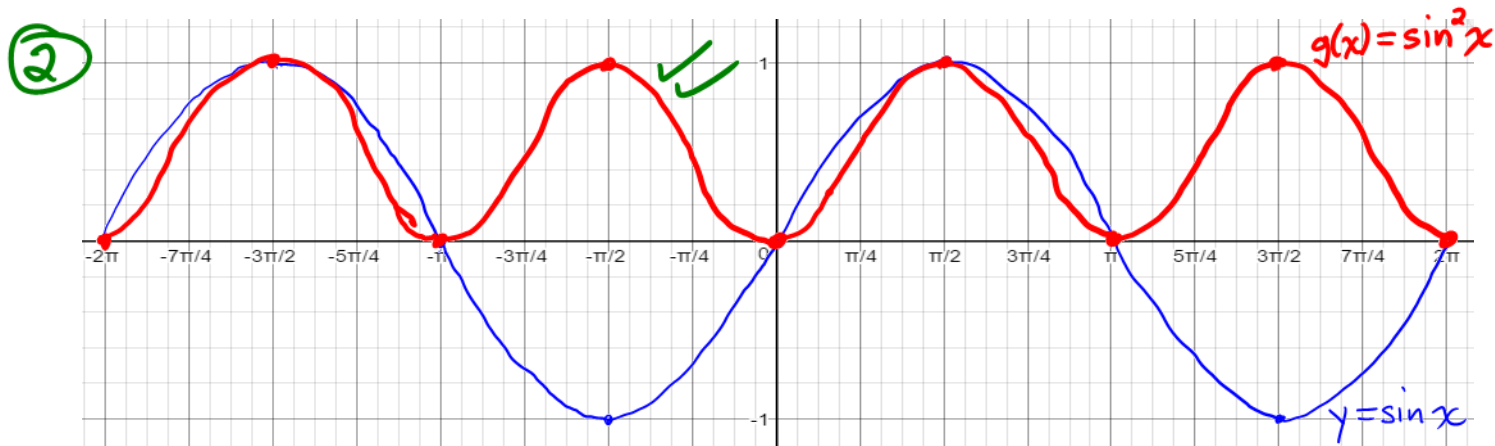
$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.S.} &= \frac{\cos x}{1 - \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}} + \frac{\sin x}{1 - \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}} \\ &= \frac{\cos x}{\frac{\cos x - \sin x}{\cos x}} + \frac{\sin x}{\frac{\sin x - \cos x}{\sin x}} \\ &= \left(\frac{\cos x}{1}\right)\left(\frac{\cos x}{\cos x - \sin x}\right) + \left(\frac{\sin x}{1}\right)\left(\frac{\sin x}{\sin x - \cos x}\right) \\ &= \frac{\cos^2 x}{\cos x - \sin x} + \frac{\sin^2 x}{\sin x - \cos x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\cos^2 x}{\cos x - \sin x} + \frac{(-1)\sin^2 x}{\cos x - \sin x} \\ &= \frac{\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x}{\cos x - \sin x} \\ &= \frac{(\cos x - \sin x)(\cos x + \sin x)}{\cos x - \sin x} \\ &= \cos x + \sin x = \text{R.S.} \\ \therefore \text{the given equation is an identity} \end{aligned}$$

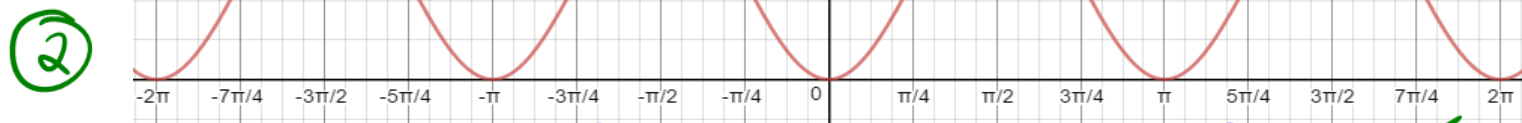
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12. Consider the functions $f(x) = \frac{\tan^2 x}{\sec^2 x + \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x - 1}$ and $g(x) = \sin^2 x$. (13 TIPS)

(a) Use the grid to sketch the graph of g . Hint: First sketch the graph of $y = \sin x$. Then “square” it.



(b) Shown below is the graph of f . What identity is suggested by this graph? Explain.



The given graph of f looks just like the graph of g in (a). This suggests that $\frac{\tan^2 x}{\sec^2 x + \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x - 1} = \sin^2 x$ is an identity. ✓

(c) Prove that the equation that you wrote in (b) is an identity.

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$$\text{L.S.} = \frac{\tan^2 x}{\sec^2 x + 1 - 1} \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{\tan^2 x}{\sec^2 x}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\tan^2 x}{1} \right) \left(\frac{\cos^2 x}{1} \right) \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \left(\frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} \right) \left(\frac{\cos^2 x}{1} \right) \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \sin^2 x$$

$$= \text{R.S.}$$

∴ the equation in (b) is an identity.

(d) Finally, solve the equation $\frac{\tan^2 x}{\sec^2 x + \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x - 1} = \cos^2 x$ for $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$.

③ Since the equation in (b) is an identity, this equation can be rewritten as $\sin^2 x = \cos^2 x$. ✓

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

$$\therefore \tan^2 x = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\therefore \tan x = \pm 1$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4} \quad \checkmark$$

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