

PreCalculus with TRIG – Unit 5 – Trig Identities and Proofs

Day 1 – Section 5.1 – Trig Identities – Strategies Part I

Objectives: SWBAT Use trig identities in order to simplify expressions and prove identities.

Review Questions of the day:

1) Find the phase shift of $y = 4\cos\left(2x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$. 2) What is the minimum value of $y = 7\sin(4x) - 9$?

3) What is $\tan(x)$ in terms of $\sin(x)$ and $\cos(x)$? 4) Factor completely: $2x^4 - 512$

Review of Trig Identities from Unit 3

Reciprocal		Pythagorean	Cofunctions		Ratio Identities	
$\sin(\theta) =$		Main Pythagorean	$\sin(\theta) =$		$\tan(\theta) =$	
$\cos(\theta) =$			$\cos(\theta) =$			
$\tan(\theta) =$		Tangent Corollary	$\tan(\theta) =$			
$\csc(\theta) =$			$\csc(\theta) =$		$\cot(\theta) =$	
$\sec(\theta) =$		Cotangent Corollary	$\sec(\theta) =$			
$\cot(\theta) =$			$\cot(\theta) =$			

Simplify each of the following expressions using trig identities.

1) $16\cot(x)\tan(x)$

2) $2\csc(x)\sin(x)\cos(x)$

a) $\frac{7\tan(x)}{\cot(x)}$

3) $13\sin^2(x) + 13\cos^2(x)$

5) $\csc(x)\sin(x)\cos(x)\sec(x) + 9$

b) $\frac{\sin^4(x)}{\sin^2(x)}$

Trig Identities/ Proofs

An Identity is any equation that can be “proven” true. A trig identity involves at least one of the six trig functions. We can prove an identity by using several strategies.

STRATEGY 1: Change everything to $\cos(x)$ and $\sin(x)$.

6) $7\tan(x)\sec(x)\cot(x)\cos(x)\sin(x)\csc(x) = 7$ c) $3\tan(x)\cos(x)\cot(x)\sec(x)\sin^2(x)\csc^2(x) = 3$

STRATEGY 2: Factor and simplify.

7) $\sin^4(x) - \cos^4(x) = \sin^2(x) - \cos^2(x)$

8) $\sec(x)\cos^2(x) - \sec(x) = -\tan(x)\sin(x)$

STRATEGY 3: Split up one fraction.

9) $\frac{1+\cos(x)}{\sin(x)} = \csc(x) + \cot(x)$

d) $2 \sec(x) + \tan(x) = \frac{2+\sin(x)}{\cos(x)}$

STARETEGY 4: Combining Fractions.

10) $\frac{\cos(x)}{\sin(x)} + \frac{\sin(x)}{\cos(x)} = \csc(x) \sec(x)$

e) $\cot(x) + \tan(x) = \frac{1}{\sin(x)\cos(x)}$

Day 2 – Section 5.1A – Trig Identities – Strategies Part II

Objectives: SWBAT Use trig identities in order to simply expressions and prove identities.

Review Questions of the day:

1) Simplify $114\cos(x) + 114\sin^2(x)$

2) State the domain of $y = \tan(x)$.

3) Simplify $\frac{4}{3+\sqrt{2}}$

STRATEGY 5: Get the same denominator and combine terms as one fraction.

1) $\frac{\cos(x)}{1-\sin(x)} + \frac{1-\sin(x)}{\cos(x)} = 2\sec(x)$

a) $\cot(x) + \frac{\sin(x)}{1+\cos(x)} = \csc(x)$

Strategy 6: Use a conjugate. Multiply one side of the equation by conjugate/conjugate.

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

b) $\frac{1-\cos(x)}{\sin(x)} = \frac{\sin(x)}{1+\cos(x)}$

STRATEGY 7: Look for the other Pythagorean identities and make a substitution.

$$\tan^2(x) + 1 = \sec^2(x) \quad \text{or} \quad \cot^2(x) + 1 = \csc^2(x)$$

3) $(\tan^2(x) + 1)(\cos^2(x) + 1) = \tan^2(x) + 2$

Prove each identity by the method of your choice.

4) $1 - \cos(x) = \frac{\csc(x) - \cot(x)}{\csc(x)}$

5) $(\sec(x) - \tan(x))^2 = \frac{1 - \sin(x)}{1 + \sin(x)}$

Day 3 – Section 5.1B – Trig Identities – Apply All 7 Strategies

Objectives: SWBAT Use trig identities to simplify expressions and prove identities.

Write down all 7 strategies to try for Trig Proofs

1. **Change everything to $\cos(x)$ and $\sin(x)$.**
2. **Factor and simplify.**
3. **Split up one fraction.**
4. **Combining Fractions.**
5. **Get the same denominator and combine terms as one fraction.**
6. **Use a conjugate. Multiply one side of the equation by conjugate/conjugate.**
7. **Look for the other Pythagorean identities and make a substitution.**

Verify Each Identity.

1) $1 - \csc x = \frac{\tan x - \sec x}{\tan x}$

2) $\tan^2 x + 2 = \sec^2 x + 1$

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

4) $\frac{\csc x}{1 - \csc x} = \frac{1}{\sin x - 1}$

$$5) \tan x - \cos x = \tan x \sin x + \tan x - \sec x$$

$$6) \frac{\sin x}{1 - \cot x} - \frac{\cos x}{\tan x - 1} = \sin x + \cos x$$

U Substitution

$$7) \cot x + \frac{\sin x}{1 + \cos x} = \csc x$$

$$8) \frac{\tan(2\beta) + \cot(2\beta)}{\sec(2\beta)} = \csc(2\beta)$$

$$9) \frac{\tan(x)\cos(y)}{\sin(x)\cot(y)} = \frac{\sin(y)}{\cos(x)}$$

Day 4 – Section 5.2 – Sum and Difference Formulas – Part I

Objectives: SWBAT Use sum and difference formulas for find exact values of Trig Functions

Review Questions of the day:

- 1) What is the period for $y = \tan(x)$? 2) What is $\cot(2x)$ for $x = 0$? 3) What is $\cos 2(\beta) + \sin 2(\beta)$?

Sum and Difference Formulas		
Cosine	Sum	
	Difference	
Sine	Sum	
	Difference	
Tangent	Sum	
	Difference	

Write the following in terms of 30° , 45° , 60° , or 90°

- 1) 15° 2) 105° а) -15°

Write the following in terms of $\frac{\pi}{6}$, $\frac{\pi}{4}$, $\frac{\pi}{3}$, or $\frac{\pi}{2}$

- 3) $\frac{\pi}{12}$ 4) $\frac{7\pi}{12}$ б) $-\frac{\pi}{12}$

Find the exact value for each.

5) $\cos(15^\circ) = \cos(60^\circ - 45^\circ)$

$$\mathbf{6)} \quad \sin(-15^\circ) = \sin(\quad)$$

$$\mathbf{c)} \quad \cos\left(\frac{7\pi}{12}\right) = \cos(\quad)$$

$$\mathbf{8)} \quad \tan\left(-\frac{\pi}{12}\right) = \tan(\quad)$$

$$\mathbf{10)} \quad \cos(40^\circ)\cos(20^\circ) - \sin(40^\circ)\sin(20^\circ)$$

$$\mathbf{11)} \quad \frac{\tan(20^\circ) + \tan(25^\circ)}{1 - \tan(20^\circ)\tan(25^\circ)}$$

$$\mathbf{12)} \quad \tan\left(\frac{11\pi}{12}\right) = \tan\left(\frac{2\pi}{3} + \quad\right)$$

Prove the following:

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

14) $\tan(\pi - x) = -\tan(x)$

d) $\sin(\alpha + \beta) + \sin(\alpha - \beta) = 2\sin(\alpha)\cos(\beta)$

15) $\frac{\sin(\alpha + \beta)}{\cos(\alpha)\cos(\beta)} = \tan(\alpha) + \tan(\beta)$

Day 5 – Section – Section 5.2A – Sum and Difference Formulas – Adding Separate Trig Functions Together

Objectives: SWBAT Use sum and difference to evaluate expressions when given trig ratios, instead of angles.

Review Questions of the day:

1) $\frac{1}{\frac{2}{\frac{3}{4}}}$

$$2) \quad \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{3}{4}}$$

a)
$$\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ - 3 \\ \hline 7 \\ - 9 \end{array}$$

For 1 – 3, evaluate each of the following:

Given $\sin(x) = \frac{12}{13}$ and $\cos(y) = \frac{3}{5}$ with both x and y in Quadrant I.				
$\sin(x)$	$\cos(x)$	$\tan(x)$		
$\sin(y)$	$\cos(y)$	$\tan(y)$		
$\sin(x + y)$			$\cos(x + y)$	

Given $\sin(x) = -4/5$ and $\sec(y) = 13/5$ with x in Quad III and y in Quad IV.			<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> \overline{x} </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> \overline{y} </div> </div>	
$\sin(x)$	$\cos(x)$	$\tan(x)$		
$\sin(y)$	$\cos(y)$	$\tan(y)$		
$\sin(x + y)$		$\cos(x + y)$	$\tan(x + y)$	

You try....

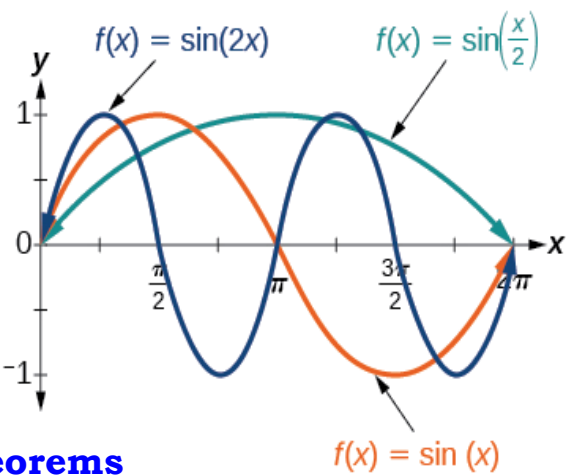
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$\sin(x)$	$\cos(x)$	$\tan(x)$		
$\sin(y)$	$\cos(y)$	$\tan(y)$		
$\sin(x + y)$		$\cos(x + y)$	$\tan(x + y)$	

Day 6 – Section – Section 5.3 – Double Angle Formulas

Objectives: SWBAT Use Double Angle Formulas

Double Angle

x vs $2x$



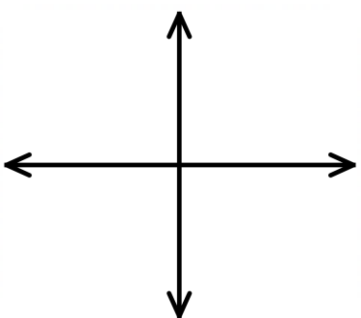
Deriving Formulas from Trig Sum Theorems

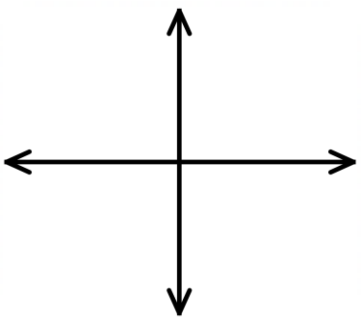
$\sin(2x) =$

$\tan(2x) =$

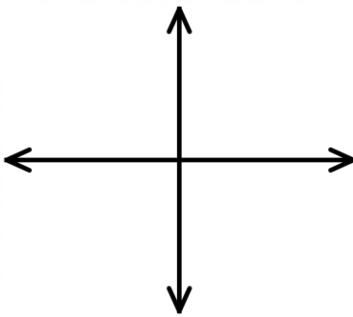
$\cos(2x) =$

Sine	Tangent	Cosine	
		1	
	Tangent Ratio Identity Rule	2	
		3	

If $\sin(A) = 4/5$ and A is in Quadrant II, find			
$\sin(A)$	$\cos(A)$	$\tan(A)$	
$\sin(2A)$		$\cos(2A)$	$\tan(2A)$ Using Tangent Rule

If $\cot(\beta) = 5$ and β is in Quadrant III, find			
$\sin(\beta)$	$\cos(\beta)$	$\tan(\beta)$	
$\sin(2\beta)$		$\cos(2\beta)$	$\tan(2\beta)$ Using Ratio Identity

c) You Try....

If $\tan(\theta) = -4/7$ and θ is in Quadrant II, Find the following and check with your calculator.			
$\sin(\theta)$	$\cos(\theta)$	$\tan(\theta)$	
$\sin(2\theta)$		$\cos(2\theta)$	$\tan(2\theta)$ – Your choice in method
Calculator Check			

Rewrite each expression as the Double Angle of sine, cosine, or tangent (respectively) and then find the EXACT value.

2) $2\sin(75)\cos(75)$

3) $2\sin(-15)\cos(-15)$

4) $2\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right) - 1$

$$\mathbf{b)} \cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right)\sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right)$$

$$\mathbf{5)} \frac{2\tan\left(-\frac{\pi}{12}\right)}{1-\tan\left(-\frac{\pi}{12}\right)}$$

$$\mathbf{6)} 1 - 2\sin^2(4x)$$

Verify each Double Angle Identity.

$$\mathbf{7)} \sin(2x) - \tan(x) = \tan(x)\cos(2x)$$

$$\mathbf{8)} (\sin(x) + \cos(x))^2 = 1 + \sin(2x)$$

$$\mathbf{9)} \cot(x) = \frac{\sin(2x)}{1-\cos(2x)}$$

Day 7 – Section – Section 5.3A – Half Angle Theorems Introduction

Objectives: SWBAT Use Half Angle Theorems to evaluate expressions

Review Questions of the day:

Using Half-Angle Formulas:

Sine		Cosine		Tangent	
			1		
			2		
			3		
\pm Meaning					
$\frac{\alpha}{2}$ Meaning					

Find the exact value of each by using a half angle formula.

1) $\cos(15^\circ) = \cos\left(\frac{30^\circ}{2}\right)$

Formula Used	Quadrant I will end in	Sign of the trig function in that Quadrant	Work
Calculator Check			

2) $\sin(75) = \sin(\text{————})$

Formula	Quadrant I will end in	Sign of the trig function in that Quadrant	Work
Calculator Check			

a) $\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right)$

Formula	Quadrant I will end in	Sign of the trig function in that Quadrant	Work
Calculator Check			

4) $\cos\left(\frac{-3\pi}{8}\right)$

Formula	Quadrant I will end in	Sign of the trig function in that Quadrant	Work
Calculator Check			

Day 8 – Section – Section 5.3B – Half Angle Theorems – Part II

Objectives: SWBAT Use Half Angle Theorems to evaluate expressions when given trig ratios, instead of angles.

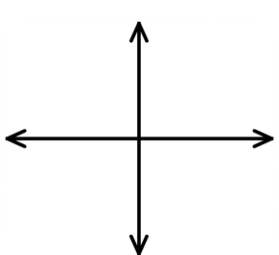
“No Angle Given” Problems

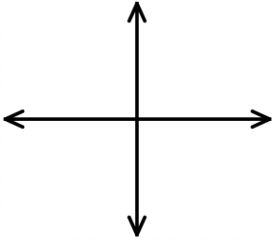
	x interval on Unit Circle	$\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$ will be in interval	Then $\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$ will exist in Quadrant....
Quad I			
Quad II			
Quad III			
Quad IV			

Therefore, if x is in Quadrant I or II then $\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$ will be in _____.

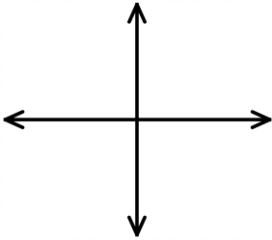
If x is in Quadrant III or IV then $\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$ will be in _____.

This is true for all angles between 0 and 2π .

Given $\cos(A) = 12/13$ and A is in Quadrant I, find the following..					
$\sin(A)$	$\cos(A)$	$\tan(A)$			
$\sin\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)$	Is Half Angle Pos / Neg ?	$\cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)$	Is Half Angle Pos / Neg ?	$\tan\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)$	Is Half Angle Pos / Neg ?
				Half Angle Rule	
				Ratio Identity	

Given $\sin(\theta) = -7/25$ and θ is in Quadrant III, find the following.					
$\sin(\theta)$	$\cos(\theta)$	$\tan(\theta)$			
$\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$	Is Half Angle Pos / Neg ?	$\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$	Is Half Angle Pos / Neg ?	$\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$	Is Half Angle Pos / Neg ?
				Half Angle Rule	
				Ratio Identity	

You Try...

Given that $\cot(a) = -3$ and a is in Quadrant IV, find the following					
$\sin(\theta)$	$\cos(\theta)$	$\tan(\theta)$			
$\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$	Is Half Angle Pos / Neg ?	$\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$	Is Half Angle Pos / Neg ?	$\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$	Is Half Angle Pos / Neg ?
				Half Angle Rule	
				Ratio Identity	

Day 9 – Section – Section 5.3C – Power Reducing

Objectives: SWBAT Use Half Angle Theorems to evaluate expressions when given trig ratios, instead of angles.

In order to derive these formulas, use $\cos(2x)$ formulas and solve for $\sin^2(x)$ and $\cos^2(x)$...

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

$$\cos(2x) = 2\cos^2(x) - 1$$

$$\tan^2(x) = \frac{\sin^2(x)}{\cos^2(x)}$$

Power Reducing Formulas		
Sine	Cosine	Tangent

Power Reducing Formulas are used in calculus to explore the rate of change over time. It is a way of rewriting a trig expression so that the power is smaller – therefore – reducing the power.

1) Write an equivalent expression for $\sin^2 x$ that does not contain a power of a trig function greater than one.

Rewrite with Formula	Distribute	Rewrite as individual Fraction Terms	Simplify
Do you have any powers greater than one? Keep Going....			

2) $\sin^4 x$

Rewrite with Formula	Distribute	Rewrite as individual Fraction Terms	Simplify
Do you have any powers greater than one? Keep Going....			

3) $8\cos^4(x)$ **HINT:** Pretend this is a $\cos^4(x)$ and distribute the 8 at the end

Rewrite with Formula	Distribute	Rewrite as individual Fraction Terms	Simplify
Do you have any powers greater than one? Keep Going....			

3) $4\sin^2(x)\cos^2(x)$

a) $\frac{2}{3}\sin^4(\theta)$

Trig Identities Wrap-Up Sheet

Reciprocal		Cofunctions		Even – Odd		Quotient		Pythagorean
$\sin(\theta)$		$\sin(\theta)$		$\sin(-\theta)$		$\tan(\theta)$		
$\cos(\theta)$		$\cos(\theta)$		$\cos(-\theta)$				
$\tan(\theta)$		$\tan(\theta)$		$\tan(-\theta)$				
$\csc(\theta)$		$\csc(\theta)$		$\csc(-\theta)$		$\cot(\theta)$		
$\sec(\theta)$		$\sec(\theta)$		$\sec(-\theta)$				
$\cot(\theta)$		$\cot(\theta)$		$\cot(-\theta)$				

Sine				
Sum	Difference	Double Angle	Half Angle	Power Reduce

Cosine					
Sum	Difference	Double Angle		Half Angle	Power Reduce
		1			
		2			
		3			

Tangent					
Sum	Difference	Double Angle	Half Angle		Power Reduce
			1		
			2		
			3		
In terms of sin/cos					