

# Trigonometric identities

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You will need to use the following identities in this worksheet:

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$$

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

$$\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

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

- Find, in degrees, the values of  $\theta$  in the interval  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  for which  $4 \sin^2 \theta - 2 \sin \theta = 4 \cos^2 \theta - 1$ .
- Show that the equation  $15 \cos^2 \theta = 13 + \sin \theta$ , may be written as a quadratic equation in  $\sin \theta$ .
  - Hence solve the equation, giving all values of  $\theta$  such that  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ .
- $3 \sin x + 2 \cos x = 0$
  - $\sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2}$
- Solve the equation  $2 \sin^2 x = 3 \cos x$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$ , giving exact answers.
- Given that  $\sin \theta = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$  and  $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$ ,
  - find the value of  $\theta$  in radians,
  - write down the exact value of  $\tan \theta$ .
- Given that  $\sin \theta = \frac{7}{25}$  and that  $\theta$  is obtuse find the exact value of  $\sin 2\theta$ .

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7. Find, in degrees, the values of  $\theta$  in the interval  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  for which
- a)  $\sin 2\theta = \cos \theta$
  - b)  $\sin 2\theta - \tan \theta = 0$
  - c)  $3 \cos 2\theta + 2 \sin^2 \theta + 1 = 2 \sin \theta$
8. a) Sketch the curve  $y = 3 \sin 2x$  for  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ .
- b) Use your graph to show the values of  $3 \sin x = 0$  for the domain above.
- c) Find the solutions to  $3 \sin x = 0$  algebraically.

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## Answers

1.  $\theta = 49^\circ, 131^\circ, 210^\circ, 330^\circ$

2. b)  $\theta = 19^\circ, 161^\circ, 204^\circ, 336^\circ$

3. a)  $x = 146^\circ, 326^\circ$

b)  $x = 14^\circ, 166^\circ$

4.  $x = \frac{\pi}{3}, x = \frac{5\pi}{3}$

5. a)  $\frac{5\pi}{3}$

b)  $\tan \theta = -\sqrt{3}$

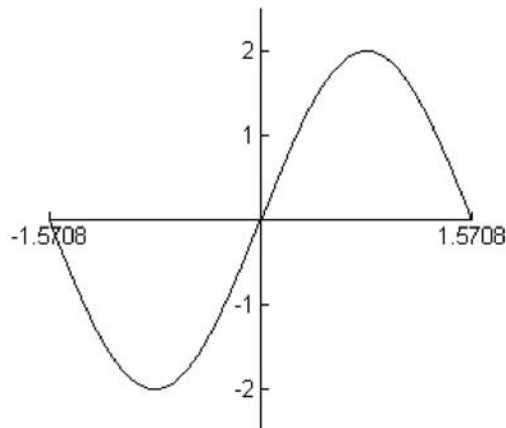
6.  $\theta = \frac{336}{625}$

7. a)  $\theta = 30^\circ, 150^\circ$

b)  $\theta = 45^\circ, 315^\circ$

c)  $\theta = 51^\circ, 129^\circ$

8. a)



b) + c)  $-\frac{\pi}{2}, 0, \frac{\pi}{2}$