

HPC 3/7/17

- Answers for sum & difference problems
- Complete Notes for Solving Trig Equations

Sum & Difference Answers

1. $\frac{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{6}}{4}$ 2. $\frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{2}}{4}$ 3. $\frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{2}}{4}$ 4. $\frac{-\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{6}}{4}$ 5. $\frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{2}}{4}$ 6. $\frac{-\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{6}}{4}$

7. $\frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{1-\sqrt{3}}$ 8. $\frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{1+\sqrt{3}}$ 9. $\frac{1-\sqrt{3}}{1+\sqrt{3}}$ 10. $\sin 30 = \frac{1}{2}$ 11. $\cos 60 = \frac{1}{2}$

12. $\tan 45 = 1$ 13. $\sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$ 14. $\tan \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$

Solving "Basic" Trigonometric Equations

Students will be able to solve trigonometric equations.

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What steps are needed to solve Trig equations?

Use Algebra techniques to **isolate the Trig function**:

- Add/Subtract/Multiply/Divide both sides
 - By **NUMBERS**; **NOT** trig functions
- Factor
- Use the quadratic formula
 - $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$
- Square root both sides
- ETC.

Then: Use an inverse trig function (\sin^{-1} ; \cos^{-1} ; \tan^{-1}) to solve for the angle(s)

(Or recognize values of trig functions from the Unit Circle)

- Often times there are many angles that are solutions ☺

Example 1:

Solve $2\sin x = 1$ for all angle values of x on the interval $[0, 2\pi)$

$$\frac{2\sin x}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \sin x = \frac{1}{2} \quad x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

Example 2:

Solve $\cos 2x + \sqrt{3} = -\cos 2x$ for all angle values of x on the interval $[0, 2\pi)$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos 2x + \sqrt{3} &= -\cos 2x \\ +\cos 2x & \quad +\cos 2x \\ \hline 2\cos 2x + \sqrt{3} &= 0 \\ -\sqrt{3} & \quad -\sqrt{3} \\ \hline 2\cos 2x &= -\sqrt{3} \end{aligned} \quad \cos 2x = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2x &= \frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{7\pi}{6} \\ \frac{2}{2} & \quad \frac{2}{2} \\ x &= \frac{5\pi}{12}, \frac{7\pi}{12} \end{aligned}$$

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Example 3: Solve $3\cot^2 x - 1 = 0$ for **all values of x**

$$\begin{aligned}
 3\cot^2 x - 1 &= 0 \\
 \frac{3\cot^2 x}{3} &= \frac{1}{3} \\
 \sqrt{\cot^2 x} &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \\
 \cot x &= \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\tan x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{1}$ ← $\frac{y}{x}$
 $(\pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$
 $x = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{4\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}$
 $2\pi \cdot n$ ←
 $2n \cdot \pi$

$$\begin{aligned}
 2x^2 - x - 1 &= 0 \\
 (2x+1)(x-1) &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 4:

Solve $2\sin^2 x - \sin x - 1 = 0$ for **all values of x**

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2\sin x + 1)(\sin x - 1) &= 0 \\
 2\sin x + 1 = 0 & \quad \sin x - 1 = 0 \\
 \sin x = -\frac{1}{2} & \quad \sin x = 1 \\
 x = \frac{7\pi}{6}, \frac{11\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{2} & \} + 2n\pi
 \end{aligned}$$

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Example 5:Solve $\sqrt{2}\csc x + 2 = 4$ for all values of x

$$\frac{-2 \quad -2}{\sqrt{2}\csc x = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}}$$

$$\csc x = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}$$

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

$$x = \left\{ \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4} \right\} + 2\pi n$$

Example 6:Solve $\sqrt{\sec^2 x} = \frac{4}{3}$ for all values of x

$$\sec x = \pm \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\cos x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$x = \left\{ \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{7\pi}{6}, \frac{11\pi}{6} \right\} + 2\pi n$$

Solving "simple" trigonometric equations: Practice

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Solve the following equations for x over the interval $[0, 2\pi)$.

1. $2 \cos x + 4 = 5$

2. $2 \sin x - 1 = 0$

3. $\tan^2 x - 3 = 0$

4. $5 \cos x - \sqrt{3} = 3 \cos x$

5. $4 \csc^2 x - 2 = 0$

6. $4 \sin^2 x - 2 = 0$

Solve the following equations for all angle values of x .

7. $3 \tan x - 3 = 0$

8. $\sec\left(\frac{3x}{2}\right) + 2 = 0$

9. $\sin^2 x - 4 \sin x - 5 = 0$

10. $5 \cos 2x + 1 = 3 \cos 2x$

11. $16 \cos^2 x - 8 = 0$

12. $2 \cos^2 x - 3 \cos x + 1 = 0$

Solving Trigonometric Equations*Using Trig Identities*

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Solve for x over the interval $[0, 2\pi)$.

1. $2\cos^2 x + 3\sin x = 0$

2. $2\cos^2 x - \sin x - 1 = 0$

3. $\sin^2 x - 2\cos x - 2 = 0$

4. $4\sin^2 x + 4\cos x - 5 = 0$

5. $\csc^2 x - 2\cot x = 0$

6. $2\tan^2 x - 3\sec x + 3 = 0$

$$7. \sin^2 x - \tan x \cos^2 x = 0$$

$$8. 4\cos^2 x = 5 - 4 \sin x$$

$$9. \tan^4 x - 2 = \tan^2 x + \sec^2 x$$

$$10. \cos x - \cot x = 0$$

$$11. \cos^2 x - \tan x \cos^2 x = 0$$

$$12. \sqrt{3}\tan x \sec x + 2 \tan x = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1. \cos 105^\circ &= \cos(60^\circ + 45^\circ) \\ \mu &= 60^\circ \\ \nu &= 45^\circ \end{aligned} \quad = \cos 60^\circ \cos 45^\circ - \sin 60^\circ \sin 45^\circ$$
$$\left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) - \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 9. \tan 165^\circ &= \tan(120^\circ + 45^\circ) \\ &= \frac{\tan 120 + \tan 45}{1 - \tan 120 \cdot \tan 45} = \frac{-\sqrt{3} + 1}{1 - (-\sqrt{3} \cdot 1)} \\ &= \frac{-\sqrt{3} + 1}{1 + \sqrt{3}} = \frac{1 - \sqrt{3}}{1 + \sqrt{3}} \end{aligned}$$

$$14. \frac{\tan \frac{\pi}{5} - \tan \frac{\pi}{30}}{1 + \tan \frac{\pi}{5} \cdot \tan \frac{\pi}{30}} = \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{5} - \frac{\pi}{30} \right) = \tan \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\frac{\pi}{5} \cdot \frac{360}{\pi}$$

$$\frac{\pi}{5} \left(\frac{6}{6} \right) = \frac{6\pi}{30} - \frac{\pi}{30} = \frac{5\pi}{30} = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\frac{\pi}{30}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$10. \quad \sin 25^\circ \cos 5^\circ + \cos 25^\circ \sin 5^\circ = \sin(25^\circ + 5^\circ) \\ = \sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$13. \sin \frac{5\pi}{12} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} - \cos \frac{5\pi}{12} \sin \frac{\pi}{4} = \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin \left(\frac{5\pi}{12} - \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$$

$$\frac{5\pi}{12} - \frac{3\pi}{12} = \frac{2\pi}{12} = \frac{\pi}{6}$$