

Trigonometric Functions

7.3 Computing the Values of Trigonometric Functions of Given Angles

1.

θ	$\sin \theta$	$\cos \theta$	$\tan \theta$	$\cot \theta$	$\sec \theta$	$\csc \theta$
$\frac{\pi}{4}$	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	1	1	$\sqrt{2}$	$\sqrt{2}$

2.

θ	$\sin \theta$	$\cos \theta$	$\tan \theta$	$\cot \theta$	$\sec \theta$	$\csc \theta$
30°	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$	$\sqrt{3}$	$\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$	2
60°	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\sqrt{3}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$	2	$\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$

$$3. \quad \sin(60^\circ) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$4. \quad \cos(60^\circ) = \frac{1}{2}$$

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

$$6. \quad \cos(30^\circ) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$7. \quad (\sin(60^\circ))^2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}^2 = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$8. \quad (\cos(60^\circ))^2 = \frac{1}{2}^2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$9. \quad 2\sin(60^\circ) = 2 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$10. \quad 2\cos(60^\circ) = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

$$11. \quad \frac{\sin(60^\circ)}{2} = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$$

$$12. \quad \frac{\cos(60^\circ)}{2} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$13. \quad 4\cos(45^\circ) - 2\sin(45^\circ) = 4 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - 2 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = 2\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{2} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$14. \quad 2\sin(45^\circ) + \cos(30^\circ) = 2 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \sqrt{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{2\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$15. \quad 6\tan(45^\circ) - 8\cos(60^\circ) = 6 \cdot 1 - 8 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 6 - 4 = 2$$

$$16. \quad \sin(30^\circ)\tan(60^\circ) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sqrt{3} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$17. \quad \sec\frac{\pi}{4} + 2\csc\frac{\pi}{3} = \sqrt{2} + 2 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} = \frac{3\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$18. \quad \tan\frac{\pi}{4} + \cot\frac{\pi}{4} = 1 + 1 = 2$$

$$19. \quad \sec^2\frac{\pi}{6} - 4 = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}^2 - 4 = \frac{12}{9} - 4 = \frac{4}{3} - 4 = \frac{4-12}{3} = -\frac{8}{3}$$

$$20. \quad 4 + \tan^2\frac{\pi}{3} = 4 + (\sqrt{3})^2 = 4 + 3 = 7$$

$$21. \quad \sin^2(30^\circ) + \cos^2(60^\circ) = \frac{1}{2}^2 + \frac{1}{2}^2 = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$22. \quad \sec^2(60^\circ) - \tan^2(45^\circ) = (2)^2 - (1)^2 = 4 - 1 = 3$$

$$23. \quad 1 - \cos^2(30^\circ) - \cos^2(60^\circ) = 1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}^2 - \frac{1}{2}^2 = 1 - \frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{4} = 1 - 1 = 0$$

$$24. \quad 1 + \tan^2(30^\circ) - \csc^2(45^\circ) = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}^2 - (\sqrt{2})^2 = 1 + \frac{3}{9} - 2 = -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$25. \quad \text{Set the calculator to degree mode: } \sin(28^\circ) \approx 0.47.$$

$$26. \quad \text{Set the calculator to degree mode: } \cos(14^\circ) \approx 0.97.$$

$$27. \quad \text{Set the calculator to degree mode: } \tan(21^\circ) \approx 0.38.$$

$$28. \quad \text{Set the calculator to degree mode: } \cot(70^\circ) = \frac{1}{\tan(70^\circ)} \approx 0.36.$$

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29. Set the calculator to degree mode: $\sec(41^\circ) = \frac{1}{\cos(41^\circ)} \quad 1.33.$

30. Set the calculator to degree mode: $\csc(55^\circ) = \frac{1}{\sin(55^\circ)} \quad 1.22.$

31. Set the calculator to radian mode: $\sin \frac{\pi}{10} \quad 0.31.$

32. Set the calculator to radian mode: $\cos \frac{\pi}{8} \quad 0.92.$

33. Set the calculator to radian mode: $\tan \frac{5}{12} \quad 3.73.$

34. Set the calculator to radian mode: $\cot \frac{\pi}{18} = \frac{1}{\tan \frac{\pi}{18}} \quad 5.67.$

35. Set the calculator to radian mode: $\sec \frac{\pi}{12} = \frac{1}{\cos \frac{\pi}{12}} \quad 1.04.$

36. Set the calculator to radian mode: $\csc \frac{5}{13} = \frac{1}{\sin \frac{5}{13}} \quad 1.07.$

37. Set the calculator to radian mode: $\sin(1) \quad 0.84.$

38. Set the calculator to radian mode: $\tan(1) \quad 1.56.$

39. Set the calculator to degree mode: $\sin(1^\circ) \quad 0.02.$

40. Set the calculator to degree mode: $\tan(1^\circ) \quad 0.02.$

41. Set the calculator to radian mode: $\tan(0.3) \quad 0.31.$

42. Set the calculator to radian mode: $\tan(0.1) \quad 0.1.$

43. Use the formula $R = \frac{v_0^2 \sin(2\theta)}{g}$ with $g = 32.2 \text{ ft / sec}^2$; $\theta = 45^\circ$; $v_0 = 100 \text{ ft / sec}$:

$$R = \frac{100^2 \sin(2(45^\circ))}{32.2} = \frac{10000 \sin(90^\circ)}{32.2} = \frac{10000}{32.2} \quad 310.56 \text{ feet}$$

Use the formula $H = \frac{v_0^2 \sin^2 \theta}{2g}$ with $g = 32.2 \text{ ft / sec}^2$; $\theta = 45^\circ$; $v_0 = 100 \text{ ft / sec}$:

$$H = \frac{100^2 \sin^2(45^\circ)}{2(32.2)} = \frac{10000(0.7071)^2}{64.4} \quad 77.64 \text{ feet}$$

44. Use the formula $R = \frac{v_0^2 \sin(2\theta)}{g}$ with $g = 9.8 \text{ m / sec}^2$; $\theta = 30^\circ$; $v_0 = 150 \text{ m / sec}$:

$$R = \frac{150^2 \sin(2(30^\circ))}{9.8} = \frac{22500 \sin(60^\circ)}{9.8} \quad 1988.32 \text{ meters}$$

Use the formula $H = \frac{v_0^2 \sin^2 \theta}{2g}$ with $g = 9.8 \text{ m / sec}^2$; $\theta = 30^\circ$; $v_0 = 150 \text{ m / sec}$:

$$H = \frac{150^2 \sin^2(30^\circ)}{2(9.8)} = \frac{22500(0.5)^2}{19.6} \quad 286.99 \text{ meters}$$

45. Use the formula $R = \frac{v_0^2 \sin(2\theta)}{g}$ with $g = 9.8 \text{ m / sec}^2$; $\theta = 25^\circ$; $v_0 = 500 \text{ m / sec}$:

$$R = \frac{500^2 \sin(2(25^\circ))}{9.8} = \frac{250,000 \sin(50^\circ)}{9.8} \quad 19,542 \text{ meters}$$

Use the formula $H = \frac{v_0^2 \sin^2 \theta}{2g}$ with $g = 9.8 \text{ m / sec}^2$; $\theta = 25^\circ$; $v_0 = 500 \text{ m / sec}$:

$$H = \frac{500^2 \sin^2(25^\circ)}{2(9.8)} = \frac{250,000(0.4226)^2}{19.6} \quad 2278 \text{ meters}$$

46. Use the formula $R = \frac{v_0^2 \sin(2\theta)}{g}$ with $g = 32.2 \text{ ft / sec}^2$; $\theta = 50^\circ$; $v_0 = 200 \text{ ft / sec}$:

$$R = \frac{200^2 \sin(2(50^\circ))}{32.2} = \frac{40000 \sin(100^\circ)}{32.2} \quad 1223.36 \text{ feet}$$

Use the formula $H = \frac{v_0^2 \sin^2 \theta}{2g}$ with $g = 32.2 \text{ ft / sec}^2$; $\theta = 50^\circ$; $v_0 = 200 \text{ ft / sec}$:

$$H = \frac{200^2 \sin^2 50^\circ}{2(32.2)} = \frac{40000(0.7660)^2}{64.4} \quad 364.49 \text{ feet}$$

47. Use the formula $t = \sqrt{\frac{2a}{g \sin \theta \cos \theta}}$ with $g = 32 \text{ ft / sec}^2$ and $a = 10 \text{ feet}$:

$$(a) \quad t = \sqrt{\frac{2(10)}{32 \sin(30^\circ) \cos(30^\circ)}} = \sqrt{\frac{20}{32 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}} = \sqrt{\frac{20}{8\sqrt{3}}} = \sqrt{\frac{5}{2\sqrt{3}}} \quad 1.20 \text{ seconds}$$

$$(b) \quad t = \sqrt{\frac{2(10)}{32 \sin(45^\circ) \cos(45^\circ)}} = \sqrt{\frac{20}{32 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}} = \sqrt{\frac{20}{16}} = \sqrt{\frac{5}{4}} \quad 1.12 \text{ seconds}$$

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$$(c) \quad t = \sqrt{\frac{2(10)}{32\sin(60^\circ)\cos(60^\circ)}} = \sqrt{\frac{20}{32 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2}}} = \sqrt{\frac{20}{8\sqrt{3}}} = \sqrt{\frac{5}{2\sqrt{3}}} \quad 1.20 \text{ seconds}$$

48. Use the formula $x = \cos \theta + \sqrt{16 + 0.5 \cos(2\theta)}$.

When $\theta = 30^\circ$:

$$x = \cos(30^\circ) + \sqrt{16 + 0.5 \cos(2 \cdot 30^\circ)} = \cos(30^\circ) + \sqrt{16 + 0.5 \cos(60^\circ)} \quad 4.897 \text{ cm}$$

When $\theta = 45^\circ$:

$$x = \cos(45^\circ) + \sqrt{16 + 0.5 \cos(2 \cdot 45^\circ)} = \cos(45^\circ) + \sqrt{16 + 0.5 \cos(90^\circ)} \quad 4.707 \text{ cm}$$

49. (a) $T(30^\circ) = 1 + \frac{2}{3\sin(30^\circ)} - \frac{1}{4\tan(30^\circ)} = 1 + \frac{2}{3 \cdot \frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{4 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}} = 1 + \frac{4}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \quad 1.9 \text{ hrs}$

$$\frac{1}{x} = \tan \theta \quad x = \frac{1}{\tan \theta}$$

Distance traveled on road is: $8x = 8 - \frac{2}{\tan \theta}$

$$\text{Time on road} = \frac{\text{distance on road}}{\text{rate on road}} = \frac{8 - \frac{2}{\tan \theta}}{8}$$

$$\text{Time on road} = \frac{8 - \frac{2}{\tan(30^\circ)}}{8} \quad 0.57 \text{ hours}$$

(b) $T(45^\circ) = 1 + \frac{2}{3\sin(45^\circ)} - \frac{1}{4\tan(45^\circ)} = 1 + \frac{2}{3 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} - \frac{1}{4 \cdot 1} = 1 + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \quad 1.69 \text{ hrs}$

$$\text{Time on road} = \frac{8 - \frac{2}{\tan(45^\circ)}}{8} \quad 0.75 \text{ hours}$$

(c) $T(60^\circ) = 1 + \frac{2}{3\sin(60^\circ)} - \frac{1}{4\tan(60^\circ)} = 1 + \frac{2}{3 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} - \frac{1}{4 \cdot \sqrt{3}}$

$$= 1 + \frac{4}{3\sqrt{3}} - \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3}} \quad 1.63 \text{ hrs} \quad \text{Time on road} = \frac{8 - \frac{2}{\tan(60^\circ)}}{8} \quad 0.86 \text{ hours}$$

(d) $T(90^\circ) = 1 + \frac{2}{3\sin(90^\circ)} - \frac{1}{4\tan(90^\circ)}$ ($\tan 90^\circ$ is undefined)

The distance would be 2 miles in the sand and 8 miles on the road. The total time

would be: $\frac{2}{3} + 1 = \frac{5}{3} \quad 1.67 \text{ hours.}$

50. Use the formula: $V(\theta) = \frac{1}{3} R^3 \frac{(1 + \sec \theta)^3}{\tan^2 \theta}$

When $\theta = 30^\circ$:

$$V(30^\circ) = \frac{1}{3} (2^3) \frac{(1 + \sec(30^\circ))^3}{\tan^2(30^\circ)} = \frac{8}{3} \left(\frac{(1 + 1.1547)^3}{(0.5774)^2} \right) = 251.4 \text{ cm}^3$$

When $\theta = 45^\circ$:

$$V(45^\circ) = \frac{1}{3} (2^3) \frac{(1 + \sec(45^\circ))^3}{\tan^2(45^\circ)} = \frac{8}{3} \left(\frac{(1 + 1.4142)^3}{1^2} \right) = 117.9 \text{ cm}^3$$

When $\theta = 60^\circ$:

$$V(60^\circ) = \frac{1}{3} (2^3) \frac{(1 + \sec(60^\circ))^3}{\tan^2(60^\circ)} = \frac{8}{3} \left(\frac{(1 + 2)^3}{(1.7321)^2} \right) = 75.4 \text{ cm}^3$$

51. Complete the table:

θ	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.01	0.001	0.0001	0.00001
$\sin \theta$	0.4794	0.3894	0.1987	0.0998	0.0100	0.0010	0.0001	0.00001
$\frac{\sin \theta}{\theta}$	0.9589	0.9735	0.9933	0.9983	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000

The ratio $\frac{\sin \theta}{\theta}$ as θ approaches 0 is 1.

52. Complete the table:

θ	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.01	0.001	0.0001	0.00001
$\cos \theta - 1$	-0.1224	-0.0789	-0.0199	-0.0050	-0.0000	-0.0000	-0.0000	-0.0000
$\frac{\cos \theta - 1}{\theta}$	-0.2448	-0.1973	-0.0997	-0.0500	-0.0050	-0.0005	-0.0000	-0.0000

The ratio $\frac{\cos \theta - 1}{\theta}$ as θ approaches 0 is 0.

53. $\tan 1^\circ \tan 2^\circ \tan 3^\circ \dots \tan 89^\circ = 1$

We can rearrange the order of the terms in this product as follows:

$$(\tan 1^\circ \tan 89^\circ) (\tan 2^\circ \tan 88^\circ) (\tan 3^\circ \tan 87^\circ) \dots (\tan 44^\circ \tan 46^\circ) \tan 45^\circ$$

Now each set of parentheses contains a pair of complementary angles.

For example, $(\tan 1^\circ \tan 89^\circ)$. Using cofunction properties we have:

$$(\tan 1^\circ \tan 89^\circ) = (\tan 1^\circ \tan(90^\circ - 1^\circ)) = (\tan 1^\circ \cot 1^\circ) = 1$$

This result holds for each pair in our product. And since we know that $\tan 45^\circ = 1$,

our product can be rewritten as $1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \dots 1 = 1$. Therefore, $\tan 1^\circ \tan 2^\circ \tan 3^\circ \dots \tan 89^\circ = 1$.

54. $\cot 1^\circ \cot 2^\circ \cot 3^\circ \dots \cot 89^\circ = 1$

We can rearrange the order of the terms in this product as follows:

$$(\cot 1^\circ \cot 89^\circ) (\cot 2^\circ \cot 88^\circ) (\cot 3^\circ \cot 87^\circ) \dots (\cot 44^\circ \cot 46^\circ) \cot 45^\circ$$

Now follow the strategy used in Problem 53.

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55. $\cos(1^\circ) \cot(2^\circ) \dots \cos(45^\circ) \csc(46^\circ) \dots \csc(89^\circ)$

56. $\sin(1^\circ) \sin(2^\circ) \dots \sin(45^\circ) \sec(46^\circ) \dots \sec(89^\circ) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

We can rearrange the order of the terms in this product as follows:

$$(\sin(1^\circ) \sec(89^\circ)) (\sin(2^\circ) \sec(88^\circ)) (\sin(3^\circ) \sec(87^\circ)) \dots (\sin(44^\circ) \sec(46^\circ)) \sin(45^\circ)$$

Now each set of parentheses contains a pair of complementary angles.

For example, $(\sin(1^\circ) \sec(89^\circ))$. Using cofunction properties we have:

$$(\sin(1^\circ) \sec(89^\circ)) = (\sin(1^\circ) \sec(90^\circ - 1^\circ)) = (\sin(1^\circ) \csc(1^\circ)) = 1$$

This result holds for each pair in our product. And since we know that $\sin(45^\circ) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$,

Our product can be rewritten as $1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \dots 1 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$.