

Trigonometry Formulas

You are responsible to know the following trigonometry formulas throughout the course.

Definitions of the Six Functions

In a right triangle with acute angle θ :

$$\sin \theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{hyp}} \quad \csc \theta = \frac{\text{hyp}}{\text{opp}}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}} \quad \sec \theta = \frac{\text{hyp}}{\text{adj}}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}} \quad \cot \theta = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{opp}}$$

On a circle on a coordinate system with radius r and central angle θ :

$$\sin \theta = \frac{y}{r} \quad \csc \theta = \frac{r}{y}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{x}{r} \quad \sec \theta = \frac{r}{x}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{y}{x} \quad \cot \theta = \frac{x}{y}$$

Reciprocal Identities

$$\sin \theta = \frac{1}{\csc \theta} \quad \csc \theta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sec \theta} \quad \sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

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

Tangent and Cotangent Identities

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

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

Period of the Function

$$y = \sin \theta : 2\pi \quad y = \cos \theta : 2\pi$$

$$y = \tan \theta : \pi$$

Pythagorean Identities

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

$$\tan^2 \theta + 1 = \sec^2 \theta$$

$$\cot^2 \theta + 1 = \csc^2 \theta$$

Double Angle Formulas

$$\sin(2\theta) = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

$$\cos(2\theta) = \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta$$

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

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

Negative Angle Formulas

$$\sin(-\theta) = -\sin \theta$$

$$\cos(-\theta) = \cos \theta$$

$$\tan(-\theta) = -\tan \theta$$

Common Values

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \quad \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 1$$

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1$$

$$\sin(0) = 0$$

$$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$\cos(0) = 1$$

$$\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \text{undefined}$$

$$\tan(0) = 0$$