

Practice for Unit Circle Part 1

1. [6 marks]

Given that $\sin x = \frac{1}{3}$, where $0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$, find the value of $\cos 4x$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \cos(4x) &= \cos^2(2x) - \sin^2(2x) \\
 &= (\cos(2x))^2 - (\sin(2x))^2 \\
 &= (1 - 2\sin^2(x))^2 - (2\sin x \cos x)^2 \\
 &= 1 - 4\sin^2(x) + 4\sin^4 x - 4\sin^2 x \cos^2 x \\
 &= 1 - 4\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + 4\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4 - 4\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2\left(\frac{\sqrt{8}}{3}\right)^2 \\
 &= 1 - \frac{4}{9} + \frac{4}{81} - \left(\frac{4}{9}\right)\left(\frac{8}{9}\right) \\
 &= 1 - \frac{36}{81} + \frac{4}{81} - \frac{32}{81} = \frac{17}{81}
 \end{aligned}$$

2a. [3 marks]

Let $\sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3}$, where θ is acute.

Find $\cos \theta$.

$$\cos \theta = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^2 + 1 &= 9 \\
 x^2 &= 8 \\
 x &= 2\sqrt{2} \\
 \cos(2x) &= 2\cos^2 x - 1 \\
 &= 2\left(\frac{16}{9}\right) - 1 = \frac{2}{9} \\
 \cos(4x) &= 2\left(\frac{2}{9}\right)^2 - 1 \\
 &= \frac{17}{81}
 \end{aligned}$$

2b. [2 marks]

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Find } \cos 2\theta. &= \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta \\
 &= \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{\sqrt{5}}{3}\right)^2 \\
 &= \frac{16}{9} - \frac{5}{9} = \frac{11}{9}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^2 + (\sqrt{5})^2 &= 3^2 \\
 x^2 + 5 &= 9 \\
 x^2 &= 4 \\
 x &= 2
 \end{aligned}$$

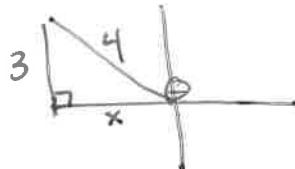
3a. [4 marks]

Given that $\sin x = \frac{3}{4}$, where x is an obtuse angle,

find the value of $\cos x$;

$$\cos x = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + 3^2 &= 4^2 \\ x^2 &= 7 \\ x &= \sqrt{7} \end{aligned}$$



3b. [3 marks]

find the value of $\cos 2x$.

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(2x) &= \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x \\ &= \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{4}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{7}{16} - \frac{9}{16} = -\frac{2}{16} = -\frac{1}{8} \end{aligned}$$

4. [7 marks]

Solve $\cos 2x - 3 \cos x - 3 - \cos^2 x = \sin^2 x$, for $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$.

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

$$2\cos^2 x - 1 - 3 \cos x - 3 - (\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x) = 0$$

$$2\cos^2 x - 1 - 3 \cos x - 3 - 1 = 0$$

$$2\cos^2 x - 3 \cos x - 5 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} -3 &\pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 4(2)(-5)} \\ &\quad 2(2) \\ -3 &\pm \frac{\sqrt{9 - 40}}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x - 3 \cos x - 3 - \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x &= 0 \\ -2 \sin^2 x - 3 \cos x - 3 &= 0 \\ -2(1 - \cos^2 x) - 3 \cos x - 3 &= 0 \\ -2 + 2\cos^2 x - 3 \cos x - 3 &= 0 \\ 2\cos^2 x - 3 \cos x - 5 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

QUIZ: Verifying Trigonometric Identities

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Directions: Verify each identity using trigonometric identities.

$$1. \frac{\csc x}{\sec x} = \cot x$$

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{\frac{1}{\sin x}}{\frac{1}{\cos x}} = \frac{1}{\sin x} \cdot \frac{\cos x}{1} = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} = \cot x \\ = \text{RHS} \checkmark$$

$$2. \sec x \cot x = \csc x$$

$$\text{LHS} = \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) \left(\frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \right) \\ = \frac{1}{\sin x} = \csc x = \text{RHS} \checkmark$$

$$3. (1 - \cos^2 x) \csc^2 x = 1$$

$$\text{LHS} = (\sin^2 x) \left(\frac{1}{\sin^2 x} \right) \\ = 1 = \text{RHS} \checkmark$$

$$4. (1 + \tan^2 x) \sin^2 x = \tan^2 x$$

$$\text{LHS} = \sec^2 x \sin^2 x \\ = \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} \cdot \sin^2 x \\ = \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} \\ = \tan^2 x = \text{RHS} \checkmark$$

$$5. \frac{\sin x \cos x}{(1 + \cos x)(1 - \cos x)} = \cot x$$

$$6. \cot x - \cos x = \cot x(1 - \sin x)$$

$$7. \frac{\sec x}{\sin x} - \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \cot x$$

$$8. \tan^2 x - \tan^2 x \sin^2 x = \sin^2 x$$