

Trigonometry — Exam 2
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$\sin(u \pm v) = \sin u \cos v \pm \cos u \sin v$	$\sin(2u) = 2 \sin u \cos u$
$\cos(u \pm v) = \cos u \cos v \mp \sin u \sin v$	$\cos(2u) = \cos^2 u - \sin^2 u = 2 \cos^2 u - 1 = 1 - 2 \sin^2 u$
$\tan(u \pm v) = \frac{\tan u \pm \tan v}{1 \mp \tan u \tan v}$	$\tan(2u) = \frac{2 \tan u}{1 - \tan^2 u}$
$\cos^2 \frac{u}{2} = \frac{1 + \cos u}{2}$	$\sin^2 \frac{u}{2} = \frac{1 - \cos u}{2}$
$\tan^2 \frac{u}{2} = \frac{1 - \cos u}{1 + \cos u}$	

1. (16pts) Use an identity (sum, difference, half- or double-angle) to find the exact values of the trigonometric functions below (do not use the calculator).

$$\sin \frac{11\pi}{12} = \sin \frac{(8+3)\pi}{12} = \sin \left(\frac{8\pi}{12} + \frac{3\pi}{12} \right) = \sin \left(\frac{2\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = \sin \frac{2\pi}{3} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} + \cos \frac{2\pi}{3} \sin \frac{\pi}{4}$$



$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}{4}$$

$$\cos 67.5^\circ = \cos \frac{135^\circ}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 + \cos 135^\circ}{2}} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}{2}} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2 - \sqrt{2}}{4}} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}}}{2}$$



Since $0 < 67.5^\circ < 90^\circ$, $\cos 67.5^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}}}{2}$

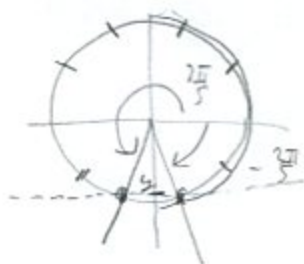
2. (8pts) Without using the calculator, find the exact values (in radians) of the following expressions. Draw the unit circle to help you.

$$\arccos(-3) = \text{not def.} \quad \arccos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{\pi}{6} \quad \arcsin \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{\pi}{6} \quad \arctan(-1) = -\frac{\pi}{4}$$



3. (6pts) Find the exact value of the expressions (do not use the calculator). For one of them, you will need a picture.

$$\tan(\arctan 3.7) = 3.7 \quad \arcsin \left(\sin \frac{7\pi}{5} \right) = \arcsin y = -\frac{2\pi}{5}$$



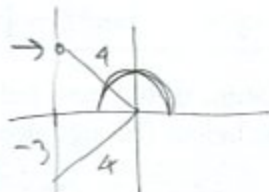
4. (6pts) Find the exact value of the expression (do not use the calculator). Draw the appropriate picture.

$$\tan\left(\arccos\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)\right) = \tan \theta = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{-3} = -\frac{\sqrt{7}}{3}$$

$$\theta = \arccos\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)$$

$$\cos \theta = -\frac{3}{4}, \theta \in [0, \pi]$$

$$= \frac{x}{r} = -\frac{3}{4}$$



$$(-3)^2 + y^2 = 4^2$$

$$9 + y^2 = 16$$

$$y^2 = 7 \quad y = \pm\sqrt{7}, \quad y = \sqrt{7}$$

5. (8pts) Use identities to simplify the following expression.

$$\left(\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) + \sin \theta\right) \left(\cos \theta - \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right)\right) = (\cos \theta + \sin \theta)(\cos \theta - \sin \theta)$$

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

Show the identities:

6. (8pts) $\sin \theta (\csc \theta - \sin \theta) = \cos^2 \theta$

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

$$= \cancel{\sin \theta} \frac{1}{\cancel{\sin \theta}} - \sin^2 \theta$$

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

7. (10pts) $\tan \theta + \cot \theta = \frac{2}{\sin(2\theta)}$

$$\tan \theta + \cot \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{\sin \theta \sin \theta + \cos \theta \cos \theta}{\cos \theta \sin \theta} = \frac{\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta}{\sin \theta \cos \theta}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sin \theta \cos \theta} \cdot \frac{2}{2} = \frac{2}{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta} = \frac{2}{\sin(2\theta)}$$

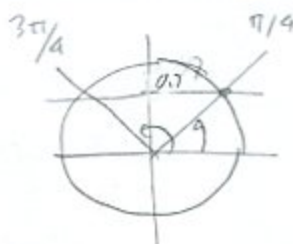
8. (5pts) Solve the equation in radians (state general solution).

$$4 \sin \theta - 2\sqrt{2} = 0$$

$$4 \sin \theta = 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{4}$$

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



$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{4} + k \cdot 2\pi$$

$$\theta = \frac{3\pi}{4} + k \cdot 2\pi$$

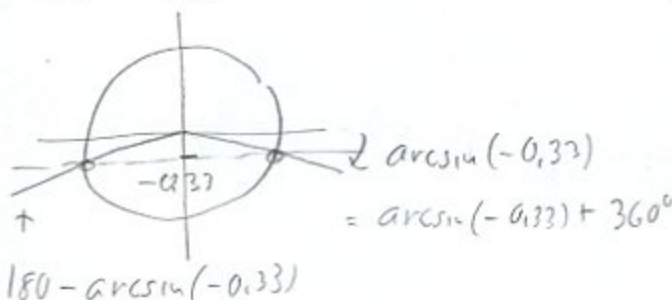
9. (7pts) Use your calculator to solve the equation on the interval $[0^\circ, 360^\circ)$ (answers in degrees). A picture will help.

$$\sin \theta = -0.33$$

$$\arcsin(-0.33) = -19.269725^\circ$$

$$360 + \arcsin(-0.33) = 340.731225^\circ$$

$$180 - \arcsin(-0.33) = 199.269776^\circ$$



10. (14pts) Solve the equation in radians.

a) State the general solution.

b) List all the solutions that fall in the interval $[0, 2\pi)$.

$$6 \cos^2 \theta - \cos \theta - 1 = 0$$

$$u = \cos \theta$$

$$6u^2 - u - 1 = 0 \quad 1+24$$

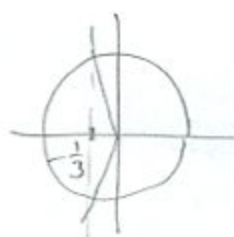
$$u = \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4 \cdot 6 \cdot (-1)}}{2 \cdot 6}$$

$$= \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{25}}{12} = \frac{1 \pm 5}{12} = \frac{6}{12}, -\frac{4}{12} = \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$



$$\cos \theta = -\frac{1}{3}$$



general

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{3} + k \cdot 2\pi$$

$$\theta = -\frac{\pi}{3} + k \cdot 2\pi$$

$$\theta = \arccos(-\frac{1}{3}) + k \cdot 2\pi$$

$$\theta = -\arccos(-\frac{1}{3}) + k \cdot 2\pi$$

in $[0, 2\pi)$

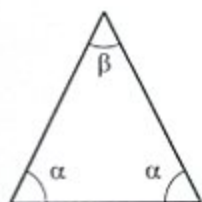
$$\frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}$$

$$\arccos(-\frac{1}{3}) = 1.1071487$$

$$2\pi - \arccos(-\frac{1}{3}) = 4.372552$$

radians

11. (12pts) An isosceles triangle has two sides of equal length and two angles of same measure. If an isosceles triangle has angles α , α and β , and $\cos \alpha = \frac{1}{3}$, find the exact value of $\cos \beta$ (do not use the calculator).



$$\alpha + \alpha + \beta = \pi$$

$$2\alpha + \beta = \pi$$

$$\beta = \pi - 2\alpha$$

$$\cos \beta = \cos(\pi - 2\alpha)$$

$$= \cos \pi \cos(2\alpha) + \sin \pi \sin(2\alpha)$$

$$= -1 \cdot \cos(2\alpha) + 0 \cdot \sin(2\alpha)$$

$$= -\cos(2\alpha) = -(2\cos^2 \alpha - 1)$$

$$= -\left(2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 - 1\right) = -\left(\frac{2}{9} - 1\right) = -\left(-\frac{7}{9}\right) = \frac{7}{9}$$

OR:



$$a^2 + 1^2 = 3^2$$

$$a^2 = 8$$

$$a = \pm \sqrt{8} = \sqrt{8}$$

$$\cos \frac{\beta}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{8}}{3}$$

$$\cos \beta = \cos(2 \cdot \frac{\beta}{2}) = 2\cos^2 \frac{\beta}{2} - 1 = 2\left(\frac{\sqrt{8}}{3}\right)^2 - 1 = 2 \cdot \frac{8}{9} - 1 = \frac{16-9}{9} = \frac{7}{9}$$

Bonus. (10pts) Suppose that $\pi < \alpha < \frac{3\pi}{2}$ and $\frac{3\pi}{2} < \beta < 2\pi$ are angles so that $\cos \alpha = -\frac{2}{5}$ and $\cos \beta = \frac{2}{7}$. Find the exact value of $\sin(2\alpha + 2\beta)$.

$$\sin(2\alpha + 2\beta) = \sin(2(\alpha + \beta)) = 2\sin(\alpha + \beta)\cos(\alpha + \beta)$$

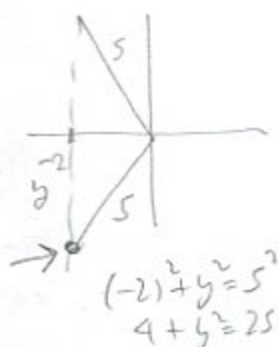
$$= 2(\sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta)(\cos \alpha \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \sin \beta)$$

$$= 2\left(-\frac{\sqrt{21}}{5} \cdot \frac{2}{7} + \left(-\frac{2}{5}\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{3\sqrt{5}}{7}\right)\right)\left(-\frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{2}{7} - \left(-\frac{\sqrt{21}}{5}\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{3\sqrt{5}}{7}\right)\right) = 2 \cdot \frac{2\sqrt{21} + 6\sqrt{5}}{35} \cdot \frac{-4 - 3\sqrt{105}}{35}$$

$$= -\frac{2(2\sqrt{21} + 6\sqrt{5})(4 + 3\sqrt{105})}{35^2}$$

$$\cos \alpha = -\frac{2}{5} = \frac{-2}{5}$$

$$\sin \alpha = \frac{-\sqrt{21}}{5}$$



$$(-2)^2 + y^2 = 5^2$$

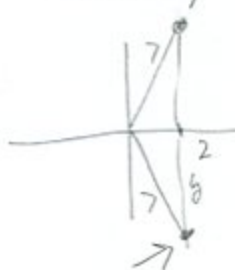
$$4 + y^2 = 25$$

$$y^2 = 21$$

$$y = \pm \sqrt{21}$$

$$= -\sqrt{21}$$

$$\cos \beta = \frac{2}{7}$$



$$2^2 + y^2 = 7^2$$

$$y^2 = 45$$

$$y = \pm \sqrt{45} = -3\sqrt{5}$$

$$\sin \beta = -\frac{3\sqrt{5}}{7}$$