

Now let's take a slightly different approach to verifying identities. Instead of using the definitions of the trig functions, we'll use identities that we've already established to verify new ones.

Here's a simple example: Verify the identity $\cos\theta \tan^2\theta + \cos\theta = \sec\theta$.

$\cos\theta \tan^2\theta + \cos\theta = \cos\theta(\tan^2\theta + 1)$	Factor out $\cos\theta$.
$= \cos\theta \sec^2\theta$	Use the identity $\tan^2\theta + 1 = \sec^2\theta$.
$= \frac{1}{\sec\theta} \sec^2\theta$	Use the identity $\cos\theta = \frac{1}{\sec\theta}$.
$= \sec\theta$	Cancel one factor of $\sec\theta$.

Note the form of the example. We start with the more complicated side of the identity, $\cos\theta \tan^2\theta + \cos\theta$, and end with the simpler one, $\sec\theta$. At each step, we use either an algebraic technique, such as factoring or canceling, or a substitution based upon a previously established identity.

Complete the steps to verify the identity $\sin\theta + \sin\theta \cot^2\theta = \csc\theta$.

1. $\sin\theta + \sin\theta \cot^2\theta = \sin\theta(\underline{\hspace{2cm}})$	Factor out $\sin\theta$.
$= \sin\theta \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$	Use the identity $1 + \cot^2\theta = \csc^2\theta$.
$= \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \csc^2\theta$	Use the identity $\sin\theta = \frac{1}{\csc\theta}$.
$= \csc\theta$	Cancel one factor of $\csc\theta$.

Remember,
"All things
through Christ."

Let's try another one! In this one, you will need to use a different form of an identity that you already know. The identity $\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta = 1$ can be rewritten as $\sin^2\theta = 1 - \cos^2\theta$ by subtracting $\cos^2\theta$ from each side.

Complete the steps to verify the identity $\cos\theta(\sec\theta - \cos\theta) = \sin^2\theta$.

2. $\cos\theta(\sec\theta - \cos\theta) = \cos\theta \underline{\hspace{2cm}} - \cos^2\theta$	Distribute the factor of $\cos\theta$.
$= \cos\theta \underline{\hspace{2cm}} - \cos^2\theta$	Use the identity $\sec\theta = \frac{1}{\cos\theta}$.
$= \underline{\hspace{2cm}} - \cos^2\theta$	Cancel one factor of $\cos\theta$.
$= \sin^2\theta$	Use the identity $\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta = 1$ in the form $\sin^2\theta = 1 - \cos^2\theta$.

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For each activity, one identity is verified. Follow the pattern of the given verification to verify the other identity or identities. The identities in the box below may be used in the verifications.

1. $\sin\theta \csc\theta = 1$	$\cos\theta \sec\theta = 1$	$\tan\theta \cot\theta = 1$
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$$\begin{aligned} \sin\theta \csc\theta &= \sin\theta \frac{1}{\sin\theta} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

2. $\frac{\sin\theta}{\sin(90^\circ - \theta)} = \tan\theta$	$\frac{\cos\theta}{\cos(90^\circ - \theta)} = \cot\theta$	$\frac{\sin\theta}{\cos(90^\circ - \theta)} = 1$
$\frac{\sin\theta}{\sin(90^\circ - \theta)} = \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}$		
$= \tan\theta$		

3. $\sin\theta \sec\theta = \tan\theta$	$\cos\theta \csc\theta = \cot\theta$
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$$\begin{aligned} \sin\theta \sec\theta &= \sin\theta \frac{1}{\cos\theta} \\ &= \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} \\ &= \tan\theta \end{aligned}$$

4. $\sin\theta \cot\theta = \cos\theta$	$\cos\theta \tan\theta = \sin\theta$
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$$\begin{aligned} \sin\theta \cot\theta &= \sin\theta \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta} \\ &= \cos\theta \end{aligned}$$

5. $\tan\theta \csc\theta = \sec\theta$	$\cot\theta \sec\theta = \csc\theta$
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$$\begin{aligned} \tan\theta \csc\theta &= \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\sin\theta} \\ &= \frac{1}{\cos\theta} \\ &= \sec\theta \end{aligned}$$

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Reciprocal Identities

$\sin\theta = \frac{1}{\csc\theta}$	$\csc\theta = \frac{1}{\sin\theta}$
$\cos\theta = \frac{1}{\sec\theta}$	$\sec\theta = \frac{1}{\cos\theta}$
$\tan\theta = \frac{1}{\cot\theta}$	$\cot\theta = \frac{1}{\tan\theta}$

Pythagorean Identities

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta &= 1 \\ \tan^2\theta + 1 &= \sec^2\theta \\ 1 + \cot^2\theta &= \csc^2\theta \end{aligned}$$

Quotient Identities

$\tan\theta = \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}$	$\cot\theta = \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta}$
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Cofunction Identities

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(90^\circ - \theta) &= \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \cos\theta \\ \cos(90^\circ - \theta) &= \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \sin\theta \end{aligned}$$

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Match each step of the verification with an explanation. Write the corresponding letter in the box.

1. $\tan\theta + \cot\theta = \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} + \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta}$ **A** Multiply each fraction by 1.
- $= \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} \cdot \frac{\sin\theta}{\sin\theta} + \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta} \cdot \frac{\cos\theta}{\cos\theta}$ **B** Use reciprocal identities.
- $= \frac{\sin^2\theta}{\sin\theta\cos\theta} + \frac{\cos^2\theta}{\sin\theta\cos\theta}$ **C** Add the fractions.
- $= \frac{\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta}{\sin\theta\cos\theta}$ **D** Use quotient identities.
- $= \frac{1}{\sin\theta\cos\theta}$ **E** Multiply each pair of fractions.
- $= \frac{1}{\sin\theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos\theta}$ **F** Rewrite the fraction as a product of two fractions.
- $= \csc\theta \sec\theta$ **G** Use a Pythagorean identity.

Study the verification on the left and then verify the identity on the right.

2. $\sec\theta - \cos\theta = \sin\theta \tan\theta$	$\csc\theta - \sin\theta = \cos\theta \cot\theta$
$\begin{aligned} \sec\theta - \cos\theta &= \frac{1}{\cos\theta} - \cos\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{\cos\theta} - \cos\theta \cdot \frac{\cos\theta}{\cos\theta} \\ &= \frac{1}{\cos\theta} - \frac{\cos^2\theta}{\cos\theta} \\ &= \frac{1 - \cos^2\theta}{\cos\theta} \\ &= \frac{\sin^2\theta}{\cos\theta} \\ &= \frac{\sin\theta}{1} \cdot \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} \\ &= \sin\theta \tan\theta \end{aligned}$	

Verify each identity on separate paper.

3. $\sin\theta(\csc\theta - \sin\theta) = \cos^2\theta$ 4. $\frac{\sin(90^\circ - \theta)}{\cos(90^\circ - \theta)} = \cot\theta$ 5. $\sec\theta - \sin^2\theta \sec\theta = \cos\theta$

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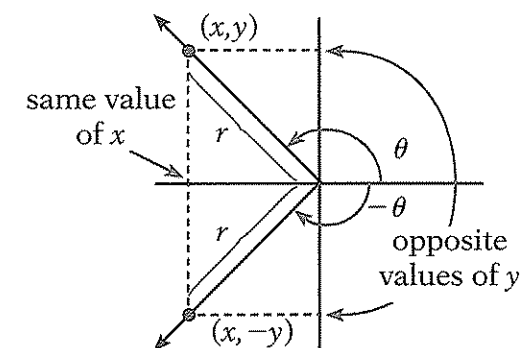
Now let's look at another set of basic identities that follow easily from the definitions of the trig functions. These identities express relationships between the value of the trig function of an angle and the value of the same trig function for the negative of the angle.

Even/Odd Identities

$\sin(-\theta) = -\sin\theta$	$\cos(-\theta) = \cos\theta$	$\tan(-\theta) = -\tan\theta$
$\csc(-\theta) = -\csc\theta$	$\sec(-\theta) = \sec\theta$	$\cot(-\theta) = -\cot\theta$

To see how these follow from the definitions, let's consider the relationship between an angle θ and its negative. The difference between the angles θ and $-\theta$ is the direction of their rotations.

The graph at the right shows the important details about the angles. The terminal side of $-\theta$ is the reflection of the terminal side of θ across the x -axis. So, for a point (x, y) on the terminal side of θ , there is a corresponding point $(x, -y)$ on the terminal side of $-\theta$ with the same x -coordinate but opposite y -coordinate. Three of the identities are established below.

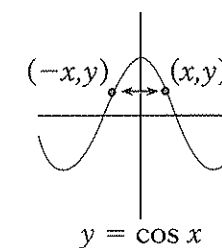
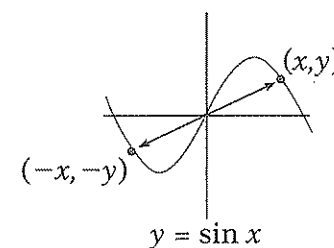


$\sin(-\theta) = \frac{-y}{r} = -\frac{y}{r} = -\sin\theta$	$\cos(-\theta) = \frac{x}{r} = \cos\theta$	$\tan(-\theta) = \frac{-y}{x} = -\frac{y}{x} = -\tan\theta$
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A function f satisfying $f(-x) = f(x)$ is called an **even** function. The identities above show us that cosine and secant are even functions. A function f satisfying $f(-x) = -f(x)$ is called an **odd** function. The remaining four trig functions are odd functions.

Odd functions have graphs that are symmetric with respect to the origin as shown in the graph of $y = \sin x$.

Even functions have graphs that are symmetric with respect to the y -axis as shown in the graph of $y = \cos x$.



Try graphing $y = \sin(-x)$ and $y = -\sin x$ to verify that you get identical graphs. Remember that this is a way to help you see that the equation $\sin(-\theta) = -\sin\theta$ is an identity.

The even/odd identities allow us to rewrite any trig expression with a negative angle measure as a trig expression with a positive angle measure.

$\sin(-40^\circ) = -\sin 40^\circ$ $\cos(-40^\circ) = \cos 40^\circ$ $\tan(-40^\circ) = -\tan 40^\circ$

Use an even/odd identity to rewrite each trig expression using a positive angle measure.

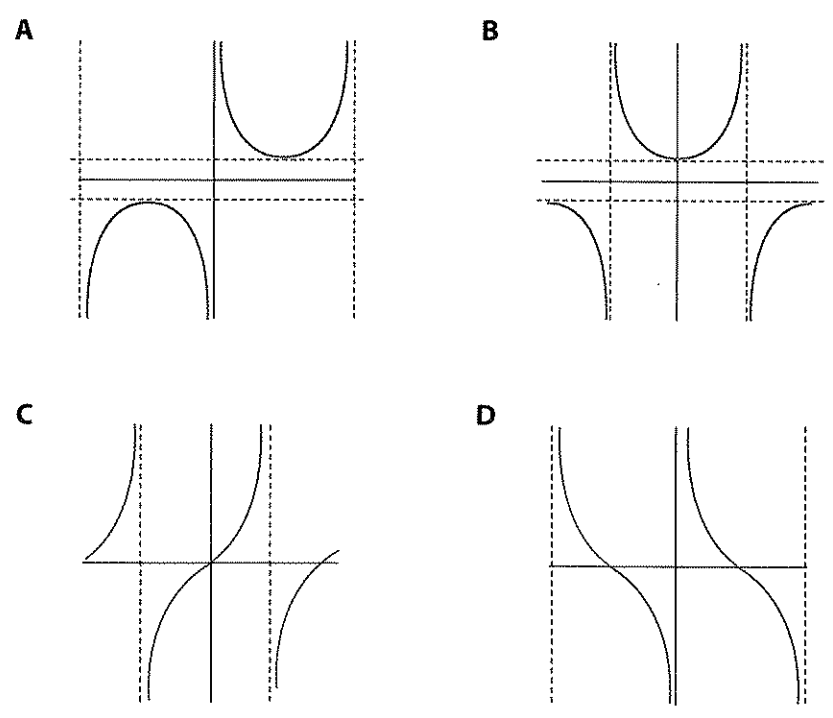
1. $\sin(-100^\circ) =$ _____
2. $\cos(-100^\circ) =$ _____
3. $\tan(-100^\circ) =$ _____
4. $\csc(-100^\circ) =$ _____
5. $\sec(-100^\circ) =$ _____
6. $\cot(-100^\circ) =$ _____
7. $\sin(-\frac{\pi}{12}) =$ _____
8. $\cos(-\frac{\pi}{12}) =$ _____
9. $\tan(-\frac{\pi}{12}) =$ _____
10. $\csc(-\frac{\pi}{12}) =$ _____
11. $\sec(-\frac{\pi}{12}) =$ _____
12. $\cot(-\frac{\pi}{12}) =$ _____

Identify each trig function as either *even* or *odd*.

13. sine _____
14. cosine _____
15. tangent _____
16. cosecant _____
17. secant _____
18. cotangent _____

Match each trig function with its graph and state whether the function is symmetric with respect to the *y*-axis or with respect to the *origin*. Use your Trig Study Notebook to help you identify the graphs if you need to.

19. $y = \tan x$
Graph: _____
Symmetric with respect to the _____
20. $y = \csc x$
Graph: _____
Symmetric with respect to the _____
21. $y = \sec x$
Graph: _____
Symmetric with respect to the _____
22. $y = \cot x$
Graph: _____
Symmetric with respect to the _____



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The next two identities that we will study are different than the ones we've seen so far in that they involve two distinct angles. These identities will allow us to express the sine or cosine of the sum of two angles in terms of the sines and cosines of the individual angles.

Sum Formulas

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

These identities are more difficult to verify because they involve two angles. Therefore, in this course, we will accept the sum formulas without proof.

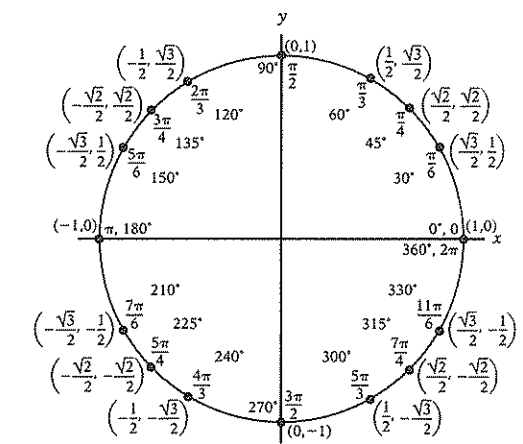
The sum formulas allow us to find the exact values of sine and cosine for any angle that can be expressed as a sum of our special angles. Remember that our special angles are multiples of 30° , 45° , and 60° and their equivalents in radians. The angle measures 75° , 195° , and $\frac{7\pi}{12}$ are shown below expressed as sums of special angles.

$75^\circ = 45^\circ + 30^\circ$ $195^\circ = 150^\circ + 45^\circ$ $\frac{7\pi}{12} = \frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi}{4}$

Now we will find $\sin 75^\circ$ using the sum formula for sine.

$$\sin 75^\circ = \sin(45^\circ + 30^\circ) = \sin 45^\circ \cos 30^\circ + \cos 45^\circ \sin 30^\circ$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2}}{4}$$



Fill in the blanks to find $\sin 195^\circ$ and $\cos \frac{7\pi}{12}$. The unit circle is shown at the right for your convenience.

1. $\sin 195^\circ = \sin(150^\circ + \text{_____}) = \sin 150^\circ \cos \text{_____} + \cos \text{_____} \sin \text{_____}$
 $= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \text{_____} + \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \cdot \text{_____} = \text{_____} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} = \text{_____}$

2. $\cos \frac{7\pi}{12} = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + \text{_____}\right) = \cos \frac{\pi}{3} \cos \text{_____} - \sin \text{_____} \sin \text{_____}$
 $= \text{_____} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - \text{_____} = \text{_____} - \text{_____} = \text{_____}$

Use a sum formula to find the exact value of each expression.

3. $\cos 75^\circ =$ _____
4. $\sin 165^\circ =$ _____
5. $\sin \frac{13\pi}{12} =$ _____

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The sum formulas together with the even/odd identities can be used to establish our next two identities.

Difference Formulas

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

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

The key to verifying each of these identities is to write $\alpha - \beta$ as $\alpha + (-\beta)$.

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

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

Use the sum formula for sine.

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

Use the even/odd identities.

$$= \sin\alpha \cos\beta - \cos\alpha \sin\beta$$

▶ Fill in the blanks in the verification of $\cos(\alpha - \beta) = \cos\alpha \cos\beta + \sin\alpha \sin\beta$.

1. $\cos(\alpha - \beta) = \cos(\alpha + (-\beta))$

$$= \cos\alpha \underline{\hspace{2cm}} - \sin\alpha \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Use the sum formula for cosine.

$$= \cos\alpha \underline{\hspace{2cm}} - \sin\alpha (\underline{\hspace{2cm}})$$

Use the even/odd identities.

$$= \cos\alpha \cos\beta + \sin\alpha \sin\beta$$

The difference formulas allow us to find the exact values of the sines and cosines of angles that can be expressed as the difference of two of our special angles. For example, $15^\circ = 45^\circ - 30^\circ$, so we can use the difference formulas to find the exact values of $\sin 15^\circ$ and $\cos 15^\circ$.

$$\begin{aligned} \sin 15^\circ &= \sin(45^\circ - 30^\circ) = \sin 45^\circ \cos 30^\circ - \cos 45^\circ \sin 30^\circ \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}{4} \end{aligned}$$

You understand it now. Keep going!

▶ Fill in the blanks to find the exact value of $\cos 15^\circ$.

2. $\cos 15^\circ = \cos(45^\circ - \underline{\hspace{2cm}}) = \cos 45^\circ \cos \underline{\hspace{2cm}} + \sin \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \sin \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \underline{\hspace{2cm}} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

▶ Use a sum or a difference formula to find the exact value of each expression.

3. $\cos 105^\circ =$ _____

4. $\sin 105^\circ =$ _____

5. $\sin 285^\circ =$ _____

6. $\cos 285^\circ =$ _____

7. $\cos \frac{17\pi}{12} =$ _____

8. $\sin \frac{17\pi}{12} =$ _____

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