

MATH 12 PROBLEM SET

TRIGONOMETRIC IDENTITIES & EQUATIONS

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FINAL SCORE:

20/20

BE SURE TO SHOW ALL YOUR WORK

UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED, FINAL ANSWERS MUST
BE EXACT (NO DECIMALS) AND IN LOWEST TERMS

1. Which one of the following is the exact ratio of $\sin 285^\circ$?

a) $\frac{-\sqrt{3}-1}{2\sqrt{2}}$

b) $\frac{-\sqrt{3}+1}{2\sqrt{2}}$

c) $\frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2\sqrt{2}}$

d) $\frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{2\sqrt{2}}$

1. A

$$\begin{aligned} \sin 285^\circ &= \cos(-30^\circ) + \cos(-45^\circ)\sin(-30^\circ) \\ &= \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \end{aligned}$$

2. If $\sin \theta > 0$ and $\sec \theta = -\frac{\sqrt{7}}{2}$, then which one of the following is the exact ratio of $\sin 2\theta$?

a) $\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{7}}$

b) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{7}}$

c) $-\frac{4\sqrt{3}}{7}$

d) $\frac{4\sqrt{3}}{7}$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \theta &= \sqrt{3} \\ \cos \theta &= -\frac{2}{\sqrt{7}} \quad \text{from } \sec \theta = -\frac{\sqrt{7}}{2} \\ \sin 2\theta &= 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

2. C

Numerical Response

3. Rounded to the nearest hundredth, what is the largest possible solution for the equation $\sec^2 x = x - \sin 3x$ if $0 \leq x < 2\pi$?

from graphing calculator

3. 5.18

Numerical Response

4. To verify the identity $\sin x \tan x + \sec x = \frac{\sin^2 x + 1}{\cos x}$, Allie substituted 1.4 rad for x on each side. Rounded to the nearest tenth, what numerical value will each side of this identity be equal to?

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5. Use the statement $\frac{\tan\theta + \sin\theta}{1 + \sec\theta} = \sin\theta$ to answer the following questions. (4 marks)

a) Verify that this statement is true if $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$.

$$\frac{\tan \frac{\pi}{4} + \sin \frac{\pi}{4}}{1 + \sec \frac{\pi}{4}} = \sin \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\frac{1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}{1 + \sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}+1}{\sqrt{2}} \boxed{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \checkmark$$

c) For what radian value(s) of x is this statement undefined?

wherever $\sec\theta = -1 \Leftrightarrow \cos\theta = -1$

$$\theta \neq \pi$$

$\tan\theta$ cannot be undefined \Leftrightarrow

$$\boxed{\frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}}$$

6. Algebraically prove each of the following trigonometric identities. (4 marks)

a) $\tan^2\theta + 1 = \frac{2}{1 + \cos 2\theta}$

$$\sec^2\theta = \frac{2}{1 + \cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta}$$

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

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

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

b) $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + \theta\right) + \cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{6} - \theta\right) = \sqrt{3}\cos\theta$

$$\sin \frac{\pi}{3} \cos\theta + \cos \frac{\pi}{3} \sin\theta + \cos -\frac{\pi}{6} \cos\theta + \sin -\frac{\pi}{6} \sin\theta = \sqrt{3}\cos\theta$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cos\theta + \cancel{\frac{1}{2} \sin\theta} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cos\theta + \cancel{-\frac{1}{2} \sin\theta} = \sqrt{3}\cos\theta$$

$$\frac{2\sqrt{3}\cos\theta}{2}$$

$$\sqrt{3}\cos\theta = \sqrt{3}\cos\theta$$

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7. Algebraically solve the equation $3\tan^2 \theta + \tan \theta - 2 = 0$ for θ , where $0^\circ \leq \theta < 360^\circ$. Round your final answers to the nearest degree. (3 marks)

$$\text{let } n = \tan \theta$$

$$3n^2 + n - 2 = 0$$

$$\checkmark (3n-2)(n+1) = 0$$

$$n = \frac{2}{3} \quad n = -1$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{2}{3} \quad \tan \theta = -1$$

$$\theta = -45^\circ + 360^\circ = \boxed{315^\circ}$$

$$\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = \boxed{34^\circ}$$

$$\theta_2 = 180 + (-45) = \boxed{135^\circ}$$

$$\theta_1 = 180 + 34^\circ = \boxed{214^\circ}$$

$34^\circ, 135^\circ, 214^\circ, 315^\circ$

8. Algebraically determine the general radian solution of the equation $2\sin \frac{1}{3}\theta = \sqrt{3}$. (2 marks)

$$\sin \frac{1}{3}\theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\text{period} = \frac{2\pi}{\frac{1}{3}} = 6\pi$$

$$\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{3}\theta$$

$$= \underline{\underline{6\pi}}$$

$$\frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{1}{3}\theta$$

$$\boxed{\pi} = \theta$$

$$\theta_2 = \pi - \pi = \boxed{0}$$

$$\text{general solution} = 0 + 6\pi n$$

$$= \pi + 6\pi n$$

9. Algebraically solve the equation $\sin 2\theta = \sin \theta$, where $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$. (3 marks)

$$2\sin \theta \cos \theta = \sin \theta$$

$$2\sin \theta \cos \theta - \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\checkmark \sin \theta (2\cos \theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\sin \theta = 0 \quad \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\theta = \boxed{0, \pi, 2\pi}$$

$$\theta = \boxed{\frac{\pi}{3}}$$

$$2\pi - \frac{\pi}{3} = \boxed{\frac{5\pi}{3}}$$

include 2π but *
not necessarily

$0, \frac{\pi}{3}, \pi, \frac{5\pi}{3}, 2\pi$

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