

# ALGEBRA AND THE TRIG FUNCTIONS (PART 1)

**OBJECTIVES:** 1) Simplify and factor trig expressions.  
2) Use trig identities to calculate trig functions.

## NOTATION:

- 1)  $\sin(\theta)$  is written as  $\sin\theta$ , except  $\sin(A+B)$
- 2)  $2(\sin\theta)(\cos\theta)$  written as  $2\sin\theta\cos\theta$
- 3)  $(\sin\theta)^2$  written as  $\sin^2\theta$  except  $(\sin\theta)^{-1}$

## IDENTITIES:

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

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

1) Simplify:  $2\cos^3\theta\sin^2\theta - 7\sin^2\theta\cos^3\theta$

$$2c^3s^2 - 7s^2c^3$$

$$\boxed{-5\cos^3\theta\sin^2\theta}$$

2) Factor:  $3\cot^2\beta + \cot\beta - 2$

$$3c^2 + c - 2$$

$$(3c-2)(c+1)$$

$$\boxed{(3\cot\beta-2)(\cot\beta+1)}$$

3) Simplify:  $\frac{\csc A + 1}{\cos A + \cot A}$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{\sin A} + 1}{\cos A + \frac{\cos A}{\sin A}} = \frac{\frac{\sin A + 1}{\sin A}}{\frac{\cos A \sin A + \cos A}{\sin A}}$$

$$\frac{\sin A + 1}{\sin A} \cdot \frac{\sin A}{\cos A \sin A + \cos A} = \frac{(\sin A + 1)}{\cos A (\sin A + 1)}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{1}{\cos A}} = \sec A$$

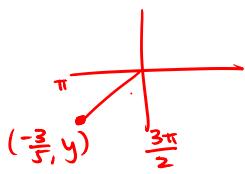
4) Simplify:  $\frac{\sec A + 1}{\sin A + \tan A}$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{\cos A} + 1}{\sin A + \frac{\sin A}{\cos A}} = \frac{\frac{1 + \cos A}{\cos A}}{\frac{\sin A \cos A + \sin A}{\cos A}}$$

$$\frac{1 + \cos A}{\cos A} \cdot \frac{\cos A}{\sin A \cos A + \sin A} = \frac{1 + \cos A}{\sin A (\cos A + 1)}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{1}{\sin A}} = \csc A$$

5) If  $\cos \theta = -\frac{3}{5}$  and  $\pi < \theta < \frac{3\pi}{2}$ , find all 6 trig functions.



$$x^2 + y^2 = 1$$

$$\left(-\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 + y^2 = 1$$

$$y^2 = \frac{16}{25}$$

$$y = \pm \frac{4}{5}, \text{ since } \pi < \theta < \frac{3\pi}{2}, y = -\frac{4}{5}$$

$$P\left(-\frac{3}{5}, -\frac{4}{5}\right)$$

$$\cos \theta = -\frac{3}{5}$$

$$\sec \theta = -\frac{5}{3}$$

$$\sin \theta = -\frac{4}{5}$$

$$\csc \theta = -\frac{5}{4}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{-4/5}{-3/5} = \frac{-4}{5} \cdot \frac{5}{3} = \frac{4}{3} \quad \cot \theta = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$6) \frac{1}{1-\sin \theta} + \frac{1}{1+\sin \theta}$$

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

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

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

$$7) \frac{1}{\sin t \cos t} - \frac{1}{\tan t}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sin t \cos t} - \frac{\cos t}{\sin t}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sin t \cos t} - \frac{\cos^2 t}{\sin t \cos t}$$

$$= \frac{1-\cos^2 t}{\sin t \cos t} \quad \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \cos^2 t + \sin^2 t = 1 \\ \sin^2 t = 1 - \cos^2 t \end{matrix}$$

$$= \frac{\sin^2 t}{\sin t \cos t}$$

$$= \frac{\sin t}{\cos t}$$

$$= \boxed{\tan t}$$