

## Warm Up 2/21



Simplify the trigonometric expression.

$$1. \frac{\sec x - \cos x}{\tan x}$$

$\sin x$

$$2. \frac{\sin x}{\csc x} + \frac{\cos x}{\sec x}$$

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

$$= \frac{\sin x}{\frac{1}{\sin x}} \left( \frac{\sin x}{\frac{1}{\sin x}} \right) + \frac{\cos x}{\frac{1}{\cos x}} \left( \frac{\cos x}{\frac{1}{\cos x}} \right)$$
$$= \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x$$

$$= \boxed{1}$$

Lesson 7-1

$\Delta < 0$

## Trigonometric Identities II

## Objective

Students will...

- Be able to prove or verify trigonometric identities.
- Be able to simplify expressions using trigonometric substitution.

## Trigonometric Identities

Before we get any deep into trig analysis, we must first recall some of the basic trigonometric identities and definitions. Primarily,

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

Pythagorean Identity:  $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$

From this, we also get:

$$\sin^2 x = 1 - \cos^2 x \quad \text{and} \quad \cos^2 x = 1 - \sin^2 x$$

$$\tan^2 x + 1 = \sec^2 x \quad \text{and} \quad 1 + \cot^2 x = \csc^2 x$$

$$\tan^2 x = \sec^2 x - 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \cot^2 x = \csc^2 x - 1$$

## Methods for Proving Identities

One of the main components of trig analysis is to prove identities. There are two different methods for proving identities: "LHS" = "RHS".

I. Rewrite one of the sides to match the other side.

Ex.

LHS  $x + 3 = 6\left(\frac{1}{6}x + \frac{11}{6} - \frac{13}{6} + \frac{5}{6}\right)$  RHS.

~~$LHS = x + 3$~~   $\overset{x+11-13+5}{\checkmark}$

II. Modify both sides until they are the same.

Ex.

$3(2x - 1) = 2x + 2\left(2x - \frac{3}{2}\right)$

$6x - 3 = 2x + 4x - 3$

$6x - 3 = 6x - 3 \quad \checkmark$

## Guidelines for Proving Identities

Furthermore, we have some guidelines/tips for proving identities.

1. **Focus on the fractions:** More often than not, identity proofs are more easily done when you work with the side that involves a fraction.
2. **Pick the more “complicated” side:** It’s easier to modify the sides that has less sines or cosines. Generally, rewriting everything as sine or cosine can help you when you are “stuck.”
3. **Use the Known Identities!**: Use algebra and the identities are already known to you. Look to combine multiple fractions into one with a common denominator.

## Example

Prove/Verify the identity:  $\cos \theta (\sec \theta - \cos \theta) = \sin^2 \theta$  LHS RHS.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{LHS: } & \cos \theta (\sec \theta - \cos \theta) \\ &= \cos \theta \left( \frac{1}{\cos \theta} - \cos \theta \right) \\ &= 1 - \cos^2 \theta \\ &= \sin^2 \theta = \text{RHS}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\cos \theta (\sec \theta - \cos \theta) &= \sin^2 \theta \\ \sin^2 \theta &\equiv \sin^2 \theta\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\cos \theta (\sec \theta - \cos \theta) &= \sin^2 \theta \\ 1 - \cos^2 \theta &= 1 - \cos^2 \theta\end{aligned}$$

## Example

Prove/Verify the identity:  $\cos x \tan x = \sin x$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS: } & \cos x \tan x \\ &= \cancel{\cos x} \left( \frac{\sin x}{\cancel{\cos x}} \right) \\ &= \sin x = \text{RHS.} \end{aligned}$$



## Homework Problems

Verify the identity:

$$31. \sin B + \cos B \cot B = \csc B$$

$$\text{LHS: } \sin B + \cos B \cot B$$

$$= \sin B + \cos B \left( \frac{\cos B}{\sin B} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\sin B}{\sin B} + \frac{\cos^2 B}{\sin B}$$

$$= \frac{\sin^2 B}{\sin B} + \frac{\cos^2 B}{\sin B} = \frac{\sin^2 B + \cos^2 B}{\sin B} = \frac{1}{\sin B}$$

$$= \csc B = \text{RHS}$$

$$\frac{x^2 - 9}{(x+3)(x-3)}$$

Example  $\frac{(x-1)(x+1)}{x^2-1} = \frac{1}{(x-1)} - \frac{1}{(x+1)}$ ,

Prove/Verify the identity:  $2 \tan x \sec x = \frac{1}{1-\sin x} - \frac{1}{1+\sin x}$

LHS:  $2 \tan x \sec x$

$$= 2 \left( \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \right) \left( \frac{1}{\cos x} \right)$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS: } & \frac{1}{1-\sin x} - \frac{1}{1+\sin x} = \frac{1+\sin x}{(1-\sin x)(1+\sin x)} - \frac{1-\sin x}{(1+\sin x)(1-\sin x)} \\ & = \frac{1+\sin x - (1-\sin x)}{(1+\sin x)(1-\sin x)} = \frac{2\sin x}{(1+\sin x)(1-\sin x)} \\ & = \frac{2\sin x}{(1+\sin x)(1-\sin x)} = \frac{2\sin x}{1-\sin^2 x} \\ & = \frac{2\sin x}{1-\sin^2 x} = \boxed{\frac{2\sin x}{\cos^2 x}} \end{aligned}$$

## Homework Problems

Verify the identity :

$$29. \frac{\tan y}{\csc y} = \sec y - \cos y$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS: } \frac{\tan y}{\csc y} &= \frac{\frac{\sin y}{\cos y}}{\frac{1}{\sin y}} \\ &= \frac{\sin y}{\cos y} \cdot \frac{\sin y}{1} = \frac{\sin^2 y}{\cos y} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{RHS: } \sec y - \cos y.$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{\cos y} - \frac{\cos y \cdot \cos y}{1 \cdot \cos y} \\ &= \frac{1}{\cos y} - \frac{\cos^2 y}{\cos y} = \frac{1 - \cos^2 y}{\cos y}. \end{aligned}$$

$$-\frac{\sin^2 y}{\cos y}$$

## Example

Prove/Verify the identity:  $\tan \theta + \cot \theta = \sec \theta \csc \theta$

$$\text{LHS} = \tan \theta + \cot \theta$$

$$= \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

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

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

$$\text{RHS} = \sec \theta \csc \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\sin \theta}$$

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



## Homework Problems

Verify the identity :

$$35. \tan \theta + \cot \theta = \sec \theta \csc \theta$$

$$\times \quad x^2 - 9 = \cancel{(x+3)(x-3)}$$

Example

$$\frac{2}{1-i} \cdot \left( \frac{1+i}{1+i} \right)$$

Prove/Verify the identity:  $\frac{\cos u}{1-\sin u} = \sec u + \tan u$

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{\cos u}{1-\sin u} \cdot \frac{1+\sin u}{1+\sin u}$$

$$= \frac{\cos u(1+\sin u)}{(1-\sin u)(1+\sin u)} - \frac{\cos u(1+\sin u)}{1+\sin u - \sin u}$$

$$= \frac{\cos u(1+\sin u)}{1-\sin^2 u} - \frac{\cos u(1+\sin u)}{\cos^2 u}$$

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

$$\text{RHS} = \sec u + \tan u \\ = \frac{1}{\cos u} + \frac{\sin u}{\cos u} = \frac{1+\sin u}{\cos u}$$

## Homework Problems

Verify the identity :

$$51. \frac{1-\cos\alpha}{\sin\alpha} = \frac{\sin\alpha}{1+\cos\alpha}$$

$$\begin{aligned} LHS &= \frac{(1-\cos\alpha)}{\sin\alpha} \cdot \frac{(1+\cos\alpha)}{1+\cos\alpha} \\ &= \frac{1-\cos^2\alpha}{\sin\alpha(1+\cos\alpha)} \\ &= \frac{\sin^2\alpha}{\sin\alpha(1+\cos\alpha)} \\ &= \frac{\sin\alpha}{1+\cos\alpha} = RHS \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

## Homework Problems

$$xy + xy = 2xy.$$

Verify the identity :

$$85. \frac{1+\sin x}{1-\sin x} = (\tan x + \sec x)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} LHS &= \frac{(1+\sin x)}{1-\sin x} \cdot \frac{(1+\sin x)}{1+\sin x} \\ &= \frac{1+\sin x + \sin x + \sin^2 x}{1-\sin^2 x} \\ &= \frac{1+2\sin x + \sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} RHS &= (\tan x + \sec x)^2 = (\tan x + \sec x)(\tan x) \\ &= \tan^2 x + \tan x \sec x + \sec x \tan x + \sec^2 x \\ &= \tan^2 x + 2\tan x \sec x + \sec^2 x \\ &= \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} + 2 \left( \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos x} \right) + \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} \\ &= \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} + \frac{2\sin x}{\cos^2 x} + \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} \\ &= \frac{\sin^2 x + 2\sin x + 1}{\cos^2 x} \end{aligned}$$

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