

Trigonometric

Today we will be covering a very important topic from the Advance Maths part of the Quantitative Aptitude section that is – Important Notes & Short Tricks on Trigonometric Identities.

Important Short Tricks on Trigonometric Identities

Pythagorean Identities

- $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$
- $\tan^2 \theta + 1 = \sec^2 \theta$
- $\cot^2 \theta + 1 = \csc^2 \theta$

Negative of a Function

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

If $A + B = 90^\circ$, Then

- $\sin A = \cos B$
- $\sin^2 A + \sin^2 B = \cos^2 A + \cos^2 B = 1$
- $\tan A = \cot B$
- $\sec A = \csc B$

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For example:

If $\tan(x+y) \tan(x-y) = 1$, then find $\tan(2x/3)$?

Solution:

$$\tan A = \cot B, \tan A \cdot \tan B = 1$$

$$\text{So, } A + B = 90^\circ$$

$$(x+y) + (x-y) = 90^\circ, 2x = 90^\circ, x = 45^\circ$$

$$\tan(2x/3) = \tan 30^\circ = 1/\sqrt{3}$$

If $A - B = 90^\circ$, ($A > B$) Then

- $\sin A = \cos B$
- $\cos A = -\sin B$
- $\tan A = -\cot B$

If $A \pm B = 180^\circ$, then

- $\sin A = \sin B$
- $\cos A = -\cos B$

If $A + B = 180^\circ$

Then, $\tan A = -\tan B$

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If $A - B = 180^\circ$

Then, $\tan A = \tan B$

For example:

Find the Value of $\tan 80^\circ + \tan 100^\circ$?

Solution: Since $80 + 100 = 180$

Therefore, $\tan 80^\circ + \tan 100^\circ = 1$

If $A + B + C = 180^\circ$, then

$\tan A + \tan B + \tan C = \tan A * \tan B * \tan C$

$\sin \theta * \sin 2\theta * \sin 4\theta = \frac{1}{4} \sin 3\theta$

$\cos \theta * \cos 2\theta * \cos 4\theta = \frac{1}{4} \cos 3\theta$

For Example: What is the value of $\cos 20^\circ \cos 40^\circ \cos 60^\circ \cos 80^\circ$?

Solution: We know $\cos \theta * \cos 2\theta * \cos 4\theta = \frac{1}{4} \cos 3\theta$

Now, $(\cos 20^\circ \cos 40^\circ \cos 80^\circ) \cos 60^\circ$

$\frac{1}{4} (\cos 3 * 20) * \cos 60^\circ$

$\frac{1}{4} \cos^2 60^\circ = \frac{1}{4} * \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = 1/16$

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If $a \sin \theta + b \cos \theta = m$ & $a \cos \theta - b \sin \theta = n$

then $a^2 + b^2 = m^2 + n^2$

For Example:

If $4 \sin \theta + 3 \cos \theta = 2$, then find the value of $4 \cos \theta - 3 \sin \theta$:

Solution:

Let $4 \cos \theta - 3 \sin \theta = x$

By using formulae $a^2 + b^2 = m^2 + n^2$

$$4^2 + 3^2 = 2^2 + x^2$$

$$16 + 9 = 4 + x^2$$

$$x = \sqrt{21}$$

If $\sin \theta + \cos \theta = p$ & $\csc \theta - \sec \theta = q$

then $p - (1/p) = 2/q$

For Example:

If $\sin \theta + \cos \theta = 2$, then find the value of $\csc \theta - \sec \theta$:

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Solution:

By using formulae:

$$P - (1/p) = 2/q$$

$$2 - (1/2) = 3/2 = 2/q$$

$$Q = 4/3 \text{ or } \csc \theta - \sec \theta = 4/3$$

If

$$a \cot \theta + b \csc \theta = m \quad \& \quad a \csc \theta + b \cot \theta = n$$

$$\text{then } b^2 - a^2 = m^2 - n^2$$

If

$$\cot \theta + \cos \theta = x \quad \& \quad \cot \theta - \cos \theta = y$$

$$\text{then } x^2 - y^2 = 4 \sqrt{xy}$$

If

$$\tan \theta + \sin \theta = x \quad \& \quad \tan \theta - \sin \theta = y$$

$$\text{then } x^2 - y^2 = 4 \sqrt{xy}$$

If

$$y = a^2 \sin^2 x + b^2 \csc^2 x + c$$

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$$y = a^2 \cos^2 x + b^2 \sec^2 x + c$$

$$y = a^2 \tan^2 x + b^2 \cot^2 x + c$$

then,

$$y_{\min} = 2ab + c$$

$$y_{\max} = \text{not defined}$$

For Example:

If $y = 9 \sin^2 x + 16 \csc^2 x + 4$ then y_{\min} is:

Solution:

$$\text{For, } y_{\min} = 2 \cdot \sqrt{9} \cdot \sqrt{16} + 4$$

$$= 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 + 20 = 24 + 4 = 28$$

If

$$y = a \sin x + b \cos x + c$$

$$y = a \tan x + b \cot x + c$$

$$y = a \sec x + b \csc x + c$$

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then, $y_{\min} = + [\sqrt{a^2+b^2}] + c$

$y_{\max} = - [\sqrt{a^2+b^2}] + c$

For Example:

If $y = 1/(12\sin x + 5 \cos x + 20)$ then y_{\max} is:

Solution:

For, $y_{\max} = 1/x_{\min}$

$$= 1/(-\sqrt{12^2 + 5^2} + 20) = 1/(-13+20) = 1/7$$

$\sin^2 \theta$, maxima value = 1, minima value = 0

$\cos^2 \theta$, maxima value = 1, minima value = 0

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About Trigonometric Identities Part-1

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(ii) $\sec^2 \theta = \tan^2 \theta + 1$

$(\sec \theta - \tan \theta)(\sec \theta + \tan \theta) = 1$

If $\sec \theta \pm \tan \theta = x$ then, $\sec \theta \pm \tan \theta = \frac{1}{x}$

(iii) $\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta = \cot^2 \theta + 1$

$(\operatorname{cosec} \theta - \cot \theta)(\operatorname{cosec} \theta + \cot \theta) = 1$

If $\operatorname{cosec} \theta \pm \cot \theta = x$ then $\operatorname{cosec} \theta \pm \cot \theta = \frac{1}{x}$

(iv) $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$, $\sin^2 \theta = 1 - \cos^2 \theta$

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

(v) $\sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta = 1$, $\sec^2 \theta = 1 + \tan^2 \theta$

$\tan^2 \theta = \sec^2 \theta - 1$

(vi) $\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta - \cot^2 \theta = 1$, $\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta = 1 + \cot^2 \theta$

$\cot^2 \theta = \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta - 1$

(v) If $\sin \theta + \cos \theta = 0$ then, $\sin \theta = -\cos \theta = -\sqrt{2 - \sin^2 \theta}$

Some questions based on above formulae →

[1] The value of $(\tan 23^\circ + \tan 67^\circ)$ is equal to:

- (a) 1 (b) 0 (c) 2 (d) None of these

[2] If $4 \tan \theta = 3$, the value of $\left(\frac{4 \sin \theta - 2 \cos \theta}{4 \sin \theta + 2 \cos \theta}\right)$ is:

- (a) $\frac{1}{5}$ (b) $\frac{2}{5}$ (c) $\frac{5}{3}$ (d) None of these

[3] The value of $\left(\sin \frac{\pi}{6} + \cos \frac{\pi}{3} + \tan^3 \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ is:

- (a) 1 (b) 0 (c) -1 (d) None of these

[4] If $x + \tan 45^\circ \cdot \cos 60^\circ = \sin 60^\circ \cdot \cot 60^\circ$, then x is equal to:

- (a) 1 (b) $\sqrt{3}$ (c) $\frac{1}{2}$ (d) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

[5] The value of $\sin 30^\circ \cos 60^\circ$ is:

- (a) $1 - \cos 30^\circ \sin 60^\circ$
 (b) $1 - \cos 30^\circ \cos 60^\circ$
 (c) $1 - \sin 30^\circ \sin 60^\circ$
 (d) $1 - \sin 30^\circ \cos 60^\circ$

Answers and Solution:

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$$\begin{aligned} (1)(a) \tan 23^\circ \times \tan 67^\circ &= 23^\circ \times \tan(90^\circ - 23^\circ) \\ &= \tan 23^\circ \times \cot 23^\circ \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (2)(a) \quad 4 + \tan \theta &= 3 \Rightarrow \tan \theta = -3/4 \\ \therefore \frac{4 \sin \theta - 2 \cos \theta}{4 \sin \theta + 2 \cos \theta} &= \frac{4 \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} - 2}{4 \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + 2} = \frac{4 \tan \theta - 2}{4 \tan \theta + 2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{(4 \times \frac{3}{4} - 2)}{(4 \times \frac{3}{4} + 2)} &= \frac{1}{5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (3)(d) \quad \sin \frac{\pi}{6} + \cos \frac{\pi}{3} + \tan \frac{3\pi}{4} &= \sin 30^\circ + \cos 60^\circ + \tan 135^\circ \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + 1\right) = 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (4)(a) \quad x &= \frac{\sin 60^\circ \cdot \cot 60^\circ}{\tan 45^\circ \cdot \cos 60^\circ} = \frac{(\sqrt{3}/2) (1/\sqrt{3})}{(1) (1/2)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times 2 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (5)(d) \quad \sin 30^\circ \cdot \cos 60^\circ &= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = 1/4 \\ &\text{Go through options} \\ \cos 30^\circ \cdot \sin 60^\circ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = 3/4 \\ \therefore \sin 30^\circ \cos 60^\circ &= 1 - \cos 30^\circ \sin 60^\circ \end{aligned}$$

About Trigonometric Identities Part-II

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Important Trigonometric Identities:

1. $\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta = 1$
2. $\sin\theta = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2\theta}$
3. $\cos\theta = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2\theta}$
4. $\sec^2\theta + \tan^2\theta = 1$
5. $\sec^2\theta = 1 + \tan^2\theta$
6. $\tan^2\theta = \sec^2\theta - 1$
7. $\operatorname{cosec}^2\theta - \cot^2\theta = 1$
8. $\operatorname{cosec}^2\theta = 1 + \cot^2\theta$
9. $\cot^2\theta = \operatorname{cosec}^2\theta - 1$
10. $\sin\theta \cdot \operatorname{cosec}\theta = 1$
11. $\sin\theta = \frac{1}{\operatorname{cosec}\theta}$
12. $\operatorname{Cosec}\theta = \frac{1}{\sin\theta}$
13. $\cos \cdot \sec\theta = 1$
14. $\cos\theta = \frac{1}{\sec\theta}$
15. $\sec\theta = \frac{1}{\cos\theta}$
16. $\tan\theta \cdot \cot\theta = 1$
17. $\tan\theta = \frac{1}{\cot\theta}$
18. $\cot\theta = \frac{1}{\tan\theta}$
19. $\tan\theta = \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}$
20. $\cot\theta = \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta}$

Some useful Results:

1. If $ax + by = m$ and $ay - bx = n$ then $(a^2 + b^2)(x^2 + y^2) = m^2 + n^2$
 Where, x and y can be any trigonometric ratio i.e. $\sin\theta$, $\cos\theta$, $\tan\theta$ etc.
2. If $a \sin\theta + b \cos\theta = c$, and $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$ then
 Base = b, perpendicular = a and hypotenuse = c

Sum and Difference Formula: -

1. $\sin(A+B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$
2. $\sin(A-B) = \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B$
3. $\cos(A+B) = \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B$
4. $\cos(A-B) = \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B$
5. $2 \sin A \cos B = \sin(A+B) + \sin(A-B)$
6. $2 \cos A \sin B = \sin(A+B) - \sin(A-B)$
7. $2 \sin A \sin B = \cos(A-B) - \cos(A+B)$
8. $2 \cos A \cos B = \cos(A+B) + \cos(A-B)$
9. $\sin^2 A - \sin^2 B = \sin(A+B) \cos(A-B)$
10. $\cos^2 A - \cos^2 B = \cos(A+B) \sin(A-B)$

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Some more Formula

$$1. \sin C + \sin D = 2 \sin \left(\frac{C+D}{2} \right) \cdot \cos \left(\frac{C-D}{2} \right)$$

$$2. \sin C - \sin D = 2 \cos \left(\frac{C+D}{2} \right) \cdot \sin \left(\frac{C-D}{2} \right)$$

$$3. \cos C + \cos D = 2 \cos \left(\frac{C+D}{2} \right) \cdot \cos \left(\frac{C-D}{2} \right)$$

$$4. \cos C - \cos D = 2 \sin \left(\frac{C+D}{2} \right) \cdot \sin \left(\frac{C-D}{2} \right)$$

T - radius of Multiple Angles :-

$$1. \sin 2A = 2 \sin A \cdot \cos A = \frac{2 \tan A}{1 + \tan^2 A}$$

$$2. \cos^2 A = \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A = 2 \cos^2 A - 1$$

$$1 - 2 \sin^2 A = \frac{1 - \tan^2 A}{1 + \tan^2 A}$$

$$3. \tan 2A = \frac{2 \tan A}{1 - \tan^2 A}$$

$$4. \sin 3A = 3 \sin A - 4 \sin^3 A$$

$$5. \cos 3A = 4 \cos^3 A - 3 \cos A$$

$$6. \tan 3A = \frac{3 \tan A - \tan^3 A}{1 - 3 \tan^2 A}$$

Some Questions based on Above mention Formula.

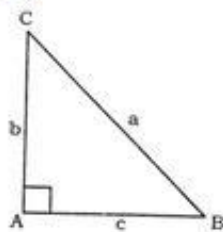
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- The value of $\sin^2 5^\circ + \sin^2 25^\circ + \sin^2 45^\circ + \sin^2 65^\circ + \sin^2 85^\circ$ is equal to :
 (a) 1.5 (b) 2 (c) 2.5 (d) 3
- If in $\triangle ABC$, $\angle A = 90^\circ$, $BC = a$, $AC = b$ and $AB = c$, then the value of $\tan B + \tan C$ is :
 (a) $\frac{c^2}{ab}$ (b) $\frac{a^2 + c^2}{bc}$ (c) $\frac{b^2}{ac}$ (d) $\frac{a^2}{bc}$
- If A, B and C be the angles of a triangle, then which of the following is the incorrect relation is:
 (a) $\sin \frac{A+B}{2} = \cos \frac{C}{2}$
 (b) $\cos \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) = \sin \frac{C}{2}$
 (c) $\tan \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) = \tan \frac{C}{2}$
 (d) $\cot \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) = \tan \frac{C}{2}$
- The numerical value of $\cot 18^\circ \left(\cot 72^\circ \cot^2 22^\circ + \frac{1}{\tan 72^\circ \sec^2 68^\circ} \right)$ is :
 (a) 1 (b) $\sqrt{2}$ (c) 3 (d) $1/\sqrt{3}$
- If $\operatorname{cosec} 39^\circ = x$, the value of $\frac{1}{\operatorname{cosec}^2 51^\circ} + \sin^2 39^\circ + \tan^2 51^\circ - \frac{1}{\sin^2 51^\circ \sec^2 39^\circ}$ is :
 (a) $\sqrt{x^2 - 1}$ (b) $\sqrt{1 - x^2}$
 (c) $x^2 - 1$ (d) $1 - x^2$

Answers and solution

- (C) $\sin^2 5^\circ + \sin^2 85^\circ + \sin^2 25^\circ + \sin^2 65^\circ + \sin^2 45^\circ$
 $= \sin^2 5^\circ + \sin^2 (90^\circ - 5^\circ) + \sin^2 25^\circ + \sin^2 (90^\circ - 25^\circ) + \sin^2 45^\circ$
 $= (\sin^2 5^\circ + \cos^2 5^\circ) + (\sin^2 25^\circ + \cos^2 25^\circ) + \sin^2 45^\circ$
 $= 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} = 2 \frac{1}{2} = 2.5$

- (d)



$$\begin{aligned} \tan B &= AC/AB = b/c \\ \tan C &= AB/AC = c/b \\ \tan B + \tan C &= b/c + c/b \\ &= (b^2 + c^2)/bc = a^2/bc \end{aligned}$$

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3. (c) $A + B + C = \pi$

$$= A + B/2 = \pi/2 - c/2$$

$$= \sin(A+B)/2 = \sin(\pi/2 - c/2) = \cos C/2$$

Similarly,

$$\cos(A+B)/2 = \sin C/2$$

$$\cot(A+B)/2 = \cot c/2$$

4. (a) $\cot 18^\circ \left(\cot 72^\circ \cdot \cos^2 22^\circ + \frac{1}{\tan 72^\circ \cdot \sec^2 68^\circ} \right)$

$$= \cot 18^\circ (\cot 72^\circ \cdot \cos^2 22^\circ + \cot 72^\circ \cdot \cos^2 68^\circ)$$

$$= \cot 18^\circ \cdot \cot 72^\circ (\cos^2 22^\circ + \cos^2 68^\circ)$$

$$= 1 * 1 = 1$$

5. (c) $\frac{1}{\operatorname{cosec}^2 51^\circ} + \sin^2 39^\circ + \tan^2 51^\circ - \frac{1}{\sin^2 51^\circ \sec^2 39^\circ}$

$$= \sin^2 51^\circ + \sin^2 39^\circ + \tan^2 (90^\circ - 39^\circ) - \frac{1}{\sin^2 (90^\circ - 39^\circ) \cdot \sec^2 39^\circ}$$

$$= \cos^2 39^\circ + \sin^2 39^\circ + \cot^2 39^\circ - \frac{1}{\cos^2 39^\circ \cdot \sec^2 39^\circ}$$

$$[\because \sin(90^\circ - \theta) = \cos \theta, \tan(90^\circ - \theta) = \cot \theta]$$

$$= 1 + \cot^2 39^\circ - 1 = \cot^2 39^\circ$$

$$= \operatorname{cosec}^2 39^\circ - 1 = x^2 - 1$$