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NOTES: Section 13.4 – Evaluate Trigonometric Functions of Any Angle

Goals: #1 - I can evaluate inverse trig functions.

#2 - I can solve for an angle when given its trig ratio and what quadrant it lies in.

#3 - I can find the measure of an angle when given two sides of a right triangle.



Homework: Lesson 13.4 Worksheet

Exploration #1: Work with a partner and answer the following questions.

1. Could you find an angle, θ whose $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}$?

30°

a. Is there another possible angle?

$150^\circ, 390^\circ, 510^\circ, \dots$

2. Could you find an angle, θ whose $\cos \theta = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$?

135°

a. Is there another possible angle?

$225^\circ, 495^\circ, 585^\circ, \dots$

3. Could you find an angle, θ whose $\tan \theta = 0$?

0°

a. Is there another possible angle?

$360^\circ, 180^\circ, 540^\circ, \dots$

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Notes:

Finding an angle that corresponds to a given value, is called evaluating inverse trigonometric functions.

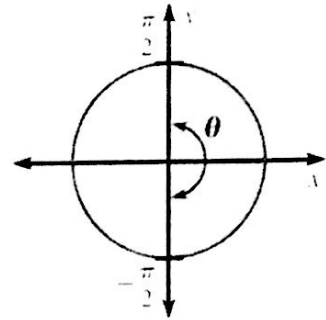
To obtain a unique angle θ , we must restrict the domain of the trig function.

• Inverse Sine _____:

If $-1 \leq a \leq 1$, then the **inverse sine** of a is an angle θ , written $\theta = \sin^{-1} a$, where:

(1) $\sin \theta = a$

(2) $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, -90^\circ \leq \theta \leq 90^\circ$

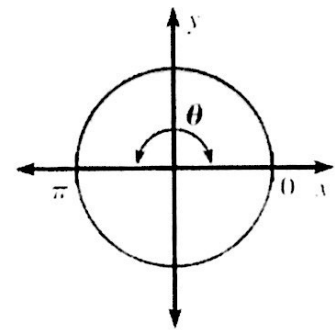


• Inverse Cosine _____:

If $-1 \leq a \leq 1$, then the **inverse cosine** of a is an angle θ , written $\theta = \cos^{-1} a$, where:

(1) $\cos \theta = a$

(2) $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi, 0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$

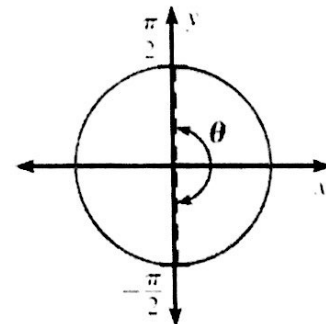


• Inverse Tangent _____:

If a is any real number, then the **inverse tangent** of a is an angle θ , written $\theta = \tan^{-1} a$, where:

(1) $\tan \theta = a$

(2) $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}, -90^\circ < \theta < 90^\circ$



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Example #1: Evaluate the expression in both radians and degrees.

$0 < \theta < 180^\circ$
1. $\cos^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

$\theta = 30^\circ, \frac{\pi}{6}$

$-90^\circ < \theta < 90^\circ$
2. $\sin^{-1} 2$

undefined

$\frac{y}{x} = \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{z}{1} = -\sqrt{3}$
 300°
3. $\tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{3})$

$\theta = -60^\circ, -\frac{\pi}{3}$

Example #2: Solve the equation $\sin \theta = -\frac{5}{8}$ where $180^\circ < \theta < 270^\circ$.

$\theta = \sin^{-1}(-\frac{5}{8})$

$\theta \approx -38.7^\circ$

$38.7^\circ + 180^\circ$

$\theta \approx 218.7^\circ$



$\sin \theta = -\frac{5}{8} \checkmark$

You practice:

1. Evaluate the expression in both radians and degrees.

$0 < \theta < 180^\circ$ a. $\cos^{-1} \frac{1}{2}$

$\theta = 60^\circ, \frac{\pi}{3}$

$-90^\circ < \theta < 90^\circ$ b. $\tan^{-1}(-1)$
 315°
 $\frac{y}{x} = \frac{-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}}$

$\theta = -45^\circ, -\frac{\pi}{4}$

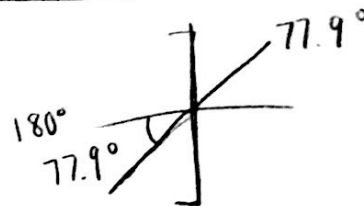
2. Solve the equation $\tan \theta = 4.7$ where $180^\circ < \theta < 270^\circ$.

$\theta = \tan^{-1}(4.7)$

$\theta \approx 77.9$

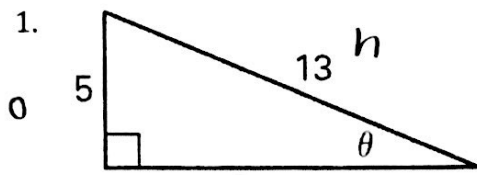
$180^\circ + 77.9$

$\theta \approx 258^\circ$



$\tan \theta = 4.7 \checkmark$

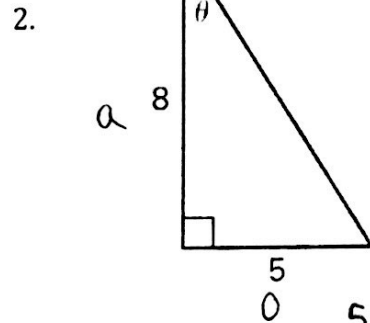
Example #3: Find the measure of the angle θ .



$$\sin \theta = \frac{5}{13}$$

$$\theta = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{13}\right)$$

$$\theta \approx 22.6^\circ$$

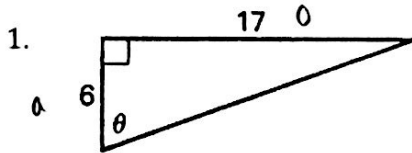


$$\tan \theta = \frac{5}{8}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{8}\right)$$

$$\theta \approx 32^\circ$$

You practice: Find the measure of the angle θ .

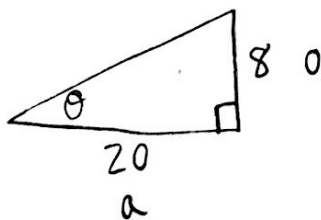


$$\tan \theta = \frac{17}{6}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{17}{6}\right)$$

$$\theta \approx 70.6^\circ$$

Example #4: A monster truck drives off a ramp in order to jump onto a row of cars. The ramp has a height of 8 feet and a horizontal length of 20 feet. What is the angle θ of the ramp?



$$\tan \theta = \frac{8}{20}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{8}{20}\right)$$

$$\theta \approx 22.6^\circ$$