

Chapter 10

Trigonometric Identities

Exercise 10.1

1. Without using tables, find the value of:

i. $\sin(-780^\circ)$ ii. $\cot(-855^\circ)$ iii. $\csc(2040^\circ)$

iv. $\sec(-960^\circ)$ v. $\tan(1110^\circ)$ vi. $\sin(-300^\circ)$

Solutions:

i. $\sin(-780^\circ)$

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(-780^\circ) &= -\sin(780^\circ) \\ &= -\sin(2 \times 360 + 60^\circ) \\ &= -\sin 60^\circ \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\sin(-780^\circ) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

ii. $\cot(-855^\circ)$

$$\begin{aligned}\cot(-855^\circ) &= -\cot(855^\circ) \\ &= -\cot(2 \times 360^\circ + 135^\circ)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -\cot(135^\circ) \\
 &= -\cot(90 + 45^\circ) \\
 &= -\tan 45^\circ \\
 &= -1
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\cot(-855^\circ) = -1$

iii. $\csc(2040^\circ)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \csc(2040^\circ) &= \operatorname{cosec}(1800 + 780^\circ) \\
 &= \operatorname{cosec}(5 \times 360^\circ + 240^\circ) \\
 &= \operatorname{cosec}(240^\circ) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sin(240^\circ)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sin(180^\circ + 60^\circ)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{-\sin 60^\circ} \\
 &= \frac{1}{-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{cosec}(2040^\circ) = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Hence, $\operatorname{cosec}(2040^\circ) = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$

iv. $\sec(-960^\circ)$

$$\begin{aligned}\sec(-960^\circ) &= -\sec(960^\circ) \\ &= \sec(720^\circ + 240^\circ) \\ &= \sec(2 \times 360^\circ + 240^\circ) \\ &= \sec(240^\circ) \\ &= \sec(180^\circ + 60^\circ) \\ &= \sec 60^\circ \\ &= -\frac{1}{\cos 60^\circ} = \frac{1}{1/2} = -2\end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\sec(-960^\circ) = -2$

v. $\tan(1110^\circ)$

$$\tan(1110^\circ) = \tan(3(360^\circ) + 30^\circ)$$

$$\tan 30^\circ = \tan \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Hence, $\tan(1110^\circ) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

vi. $\sin(-300^\circ)$

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(-300^\circ) &= -\sin(300^\circ) \\ &= -\sin(360^\circ - 60^\circ) \\ &= -[-\sin 60^\circ] \\ &= \sin 60^\circ\end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Hence, $\sin(-300^\circ) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

2. Express each of the following as a trigonometric function of an angle of positive degree measure of less than 45° .

- i. $\sin 196^\circ$ ii. $\cos 147^\circ$ iii. $\sin 319^\circ$ iv. $\cos 254^\circ$
 v. $\tan 294^\circ$ vi. $\cos 728^\circ$ vii. $\sin(-625^\circ)$ viii. $\cos(-435^\circ)$
 xi. $\sin 150^\circ$

Solutions:

i. $\sin 196^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(196^\circ) &= \sin(180^\circ + 16^\circ) \\ &= -\sin 16^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\sin 196^\circ = -\sin 16^\circ$$

ii. $\cos 147^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}\cos 147^\circ &= \cos(180^\circ - 33^\circ) \\ &= \cos 33^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\cos(147^\circ) = -\cos 33^\circ$$

iii. $\sin 319^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}\sin 319^\circ &= \sin(360^\circ - 41^\circ) \\ &= -\sin(-41^\circ) \\ &= -\sin 41^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\sin 319^\circ = -\sin 41^\circ$$

iv. $\cos 254^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}\cos 254^\circ &= \cos(270^\circ - 16^\circ) \\ &= -\sin 16^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\cos 254^\circ = -\sin 16^\circ$$

v. $\tan 294^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}\tan 294^\circ &= \tan(270^\circ + 24^\circ) \\ &= -\cot 24^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\tan 294^\circ = -\cot 24^\circ$$

vi. $\cos 728^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}\cos 728^\circ &= \cos(720^\circ + 8^\circ) \\ &= \cos(2 \times 360^\circ + 8^\circ) \\ &= \cos 8^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\cos 728^\circ = \cos 8^\circ$$

vii. $\sin(-625^\circ)$

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(-625^\circ) &= -\sin(625^\circ) \\ &= -\sin(360^\circ + 265^\circ) \\ &= -\sin(265^\circ) \\ &= -\sin(270^\circ - 5^\circ) \\ &= \cos 5^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\sin(-625^\circ) = \cos 5^\circ$$

viii. $\cos(-435^\circ)$

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(-435^\circ) &= \cos(435^\circ) \\ &= \cos(360^\circ + 75^\circ) \\ &= \cos 75^\circ \\ &= \cos(90^\circ - 15^\circ) \\ &= \sin(15^\circ)\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\cos(-435^\circ) = \sin(15^\circ)$$

ix. $\sin 150^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}\sin 150^\circ &= \sin(180^\circ - 30^\circ) \\ &= \cos 30^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\sin 150^\circ = \sin 30^\circ$$

3. Prove the following.

i. $\sin(180^\circ + \alpha)\sin(90 - \alpha) = -\sin \alpha \cos \alpha$

ii. $\sin 780^\circ \sin 480^\circ + \cos 120^\circ \sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2}$

iii. $\cos 306^\circ + \cos 234^\circ + \cos 162^\circ + \cos 18^\circ = 0$

iv. $\cos 330^\circ \sin 600^\circ + \cos 120^\circ \sin 150^\circ = -1$

i. $\sin(180^\circ + \alpha)\sin(90 - \alpha) = -\sin \alpha \cos \alpha$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{L.H.S} &= \sin(180^\circ + \alpha)\sin(90 - \alpha) \\ &= \cos \alpha [-\sin \alpha] \\ &= -\sin \alpha \cdot \cos \alpha\end{aligned}$$

Hence proved L.H.S = R.H.S

$$\sin(180^\circ + \alpha)\sin(90 - \alpha) = -\sin \alpha \cos \alpha$$

ii. $\sin 780^\circ \sin 480^\circ + \cos 120^\circ \sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\text{L.H.S} = \sin 780^\circ \sin 480^\circ + \cos 120^\circ \sin 30^\circ$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sin(720^\circ + 60^\circ) \cdot \sin(360^\circ + 120^\circ) + \cos 120^\circ \cdot \sin 30^\circ \\
&= \sin 60^\circ \cdot \sin 120^\circ + \cos 120^\circ \cdot \sin 30^\circ \\
&= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{1}{2} \\
&= \frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3-1}{4} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2} = R.H.S
\end{aligned}$$

Hence proved L.H.S = R.H.S

$$\sin 780^\circ \sin 480^\circ + \cos 120^\circ \sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2}$$

iii. $\cos 306^\circ + \cos 234^\circ + \cos 162^\circ + \cos 18^\circ = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
L.H.S &= \cos 306^\circ + \cos 234^\circ + \cos 162^\circ + \cos 18^\circ \\
&= \cos(270^\circ + 36^\circ) + \cos(270^\circ - 36^\circ) + \cos(180^\circ - 18^\circ) + \cos 18^\circ \\
&= \sin 36^\circ - \sin 36^\circ - \cos 18^\circ + \cos 18^\circ \\
&= 0 + 0 = 0 = R.H.S
\end{aligned}$$

Hence proved L.H.S = R.H.S

$$\cos 306^\circ + \cos 234^\circ + \cos 162^\circ + \cos 18^\circ = 0$$

vi. $\cos 330^\circ \sin 600^\circ + \cos 120^\circ \sin 150^\circ = -1$

$$\begin{aligned}
L.H.S &= \cos 330^\circ \sin 600^\circ + \cos 120^\circ \sin 150^\circ \\
&= \cos(360^\circ + 30^\circ) \cdot \sin(540^\circ + 60^\circ) + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \\
&= \cos(30^\circ) \cdot \sin(360^\circ + 180^\circ + 60^\circ) - \frac{1}{4}
\end{aligned}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= -\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{-3-1}{4} = \frac{-4}{4} = -1 = R.H.S$$

Hence proved, L.H.S = R.H.S

$$\cos 330^\circ \sin 600^\circ + \cos 120^\circ \sin 150^\circ = -1$$

4. Prove that

i.
$$\frac{\sin^2(\pi + \theta) \tan\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} + \theta\right)}{\cot^2\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - \theta\right) \cos^2(\pi - \theta) \operatorname{cosec}(2\pi - \theta)} = \cos \theta$$

ii.
$$\frac{\cos(90^\circ + \theta) \sec(-\theta) \tan(180^\circ - \theta)}{\sec(360^\circ - \theta) \sin(180^\circ + \theta) \cot(90^\circ - \theta)} = -1$$

i.
$$\frac{\sin^2(\pi + \theta) \tan\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} + \theta\right)}{\cot^2\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - \theta\right) \cos^2(\pi - \theta) \operatorname{cosec}(2\pi - \theta)} = \cos \theta$$

$$\text{L.H.S} = \frac{\sin^2(\pi + \theta) \tan\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} + \theta\right)}{\cot^2\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - \theta\right) \cos^2(\pi - \theta) \operatorname{cosec}(2\pi - \theta)}$$

$$= \frac{\sin^2 \theta \cdot (-\cot \theta)}{(-\tan \theta)^2 \cdot \cos^2 \theta \cdot (-\operatorname{cosec} \theta)}$$

$$= \frac{-\cot \theta \cdot \sin^2 \theta \cdot (-\sin \theta)}{\tan^2 \theta \cdot \cos^2 \theta}$$

$$= \frac{\cot \theta (\tan^2 \theta) (\sin \theta)}{(\tan^2 \theta)}$$

$$= \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot \sin \theta = \cos \theta = R.H.S$$

Hence proved;

$$\frac{\sin^2(\pi + \theta) \tan\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} + \theta\right)}{\cot^2\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - \theta\right) \cos^2(\pi - \theta) \operatorname{cosec}(2\pi - \theta)} = \cos \theta$$

$$\text{ii. } \frac{\cos(90^\circ + \theta) \sec(-\theta) \tan(180^\circ - \theta)}{\sec(360^\circ - \theta) \sin(180^\circ + \theta) \cot(90^\circ - \theta)} = -1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S} &= \frac{\cos(90^\circ + \theta) \sec(-\theta) \tan(180^\circ - \theta)}{\sec(360^\circ - \theta) \sin(180^\circ + \theta) \cot(90^\circ - \theta)} \\ &= \frac{[-\sin \theta] \cdot \sec \theta \cdot [-\tan \theta]}{\sec \theta \cdot [-\sin \theta] \cdot \tan \theta} \\ &= -1 = R.H.S \end{aligned}$$

Hence proved

$$\frac{\cos(90^\circ + \theta) \sec(-\theta) \tan(180^\circ - \theta)}{\sec(360^\circ - \theta) \sin(180^\circ + \theta) \cot(90^\circ - \theta)} = -1$$

5. If α, β, γ are the angles of a triangle ABC, then prove that

$$\text{i. } \sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin \gamma \quad \text{ii. } \cos\left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}\right) = \sin \frac{\gamma}{2}$$

$$\text{iii. } \cos(\alpha + \beta) = -\sin \gamma \quad \text{iv. } \tan(\alpha + \beta) + \tan \gamma = 0$$

i. $\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin \gamma$

$$\text{L.H.S} = \sin(\alpha + \gamma)$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 180^\circ \quad \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = 180^\circ - \gamma$$

$$= \sin(180^\circ - \gamma)$$

$$= \sin \gamma = \text{R.H.S}$$

Hence proved

$$\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin \gamma$$

ii. $\cos\left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}\right) = \sin \frac{\gamma}{2}$

$$\text{L.H.S} = \cos\left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}\right)$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 180^\circ \quad \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = 180^\circ - \gamma$$

$$\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} = \frac{180 - \gamma}{2} = \left(90 - \frac{\gamma}{2}\right)$$

$$\cos\left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}\right) = \cos\left(90 - \frac{\gamma}{2}\right)$$

$$= \sin\left(\frac{\gamma}{2}\right) = \text{R.H.S}$$

Hence proved

$$\cos\left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}\right) = \sin \frac{\gamma}{2}$$

iii. $\cos(\alpha + \beta) = -\sin \gamma$

$$\text{L.H.S} = \cos(\alpha + \beta)$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = 180^\circ - \gamma$$

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(\alpha + \beta) &= \cos(180^\circ - \gamma) \\ &= -\sin \gamma = \text{R.H.S}\end{aligned}$$

Hence proved

$$\cos(\alpha + \beta) = -\sin \gamma$$

vi. $\tan(\alpha + \beta) + \tan \gamma = 0$

$$\text{L.H.S} = \tan(\alpha + \beta) + \tan \gamma$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 180^\circ \quad \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = 180^\circ - \gamma$$

$$\begin{aligned}\tan(\alpha + \beta) &= \tan(180^\circ - \gamma) \\ &= -\tan \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan(\alpha + \beta) + \tan(\gamma) = -\tan \gamma + \tan \gamma$$

$$= 0 = \text{R.H.S}$$

Hence proved

$$\tan(\alpha + \beta) + \tan \gamma = 0$$

