

More trig. identities: Product & Sum:
(Chapter 6.5)

Recall: $\left. \begin{aligned} \sin(\alpha + \beta) &= \sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta \\ \sin(\alpha - \beta) &= \sin \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \sin \beta \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ add these:}$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(\alpha + \beta) + \sin(\alpha - \beta) &= \sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta + \sin \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \sin \beta \\ &= 2 \sin \alpha \cos \beta \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\sin \alpha \cos \beta = \frac{1}{2} (\sin(\alpha + \beta) + \sin(\alpha - \beta))}$$

similarly: $\left. \begin{aligned} \cos(\alpha + \beta) &= \cos \alpha \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \sin \beta \\ \cos(\alpha - \beta) &= \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ add these}$

$$\boxed{\cos \alpha \cos \beta = \frac{1}{2} (\cos(\alpha + \beta) + \cos(\alpha - \beta))}$$

and two more obtained in a similar fashion:

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \sin \alpha \sin \beta &= \frac{1}{2} (\sin(\alpha + \beta) - \sin(\alpha - \beta)) \\ \cos \alpha \sin \beta &= \frac{1}{2} (\sin(\alpha + \beta) - \sin(\alpha - \beta)) \end{aligned}}$$

Ex: Find the exact value of the product:

$$\underbrace{\cos(67.5^\circ)}_{\alpha} \cdot \underbrace{\sin(112.5^\circ)}_{\beta}$$

$$\cos \alpha \sin \beta = \frac{1}{2} (\sin(\alpha + \beta) + \sin(\alpha - \beta)) =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{2} (\sin(67.5^\circ + 112.5^\circ) - \sin(67.5^\circ - 112.5^\circ)) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} (\sin 180^\circ - \sin(-45^\circ)) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} (0 + \sin(45^\circ)) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}
\end{aligned}$$

Conditional trig. equations

Chapter 6.2

Def: Conditional equation: these are not identities but have at least one solution.

Ex: $\sin x = 0$ for $x = 0, \pm\pi, \pm 2\pi, \pm 3\pi, \dots$

Examples:

- ① $\cos x = 2$
 - ② $\sin x = 2$
- } no solution! recall for $\forall x$: $-1 \leq \cos x \leq 1$
 $-1 \leq \sin x \leq 1$.

③ $\cos x = 1$ $x = 2k\pi$

④ $\cos x = 0$ $x = \frac{\pi}{2} + k\pi$

⑤ $\sin x = 1$ $x = \pi/2 + 2k\pi$

⑥ $\sin x = 0$ $x = k\pi$

⑦ $\sin x = 1/2$ $x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6} + 2k\pi$

⑧ $\sin x = 1/2$ for $x \in [\pi/2, 3\pi/2]$. $x = \frac{5\pi}{6}$ (only)!

Solving more complicated equations:

General strategy:

- simplify complicated expressions using identities
- try to ^{rewrite} get those with only one trig. function.
- check if equation is of quadratic type - then use quadratic formula
- for equations involving multiple angles solve for the multiple angle first. eg:

$$\sin 2u = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \Rightarrow 2u = \alpha.$$

solve

$$\sin x = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \Rightarrow x = 45^\circ, 135^\circ, \dots$$

$$\text{but } x = 2u \Rightarrow u = \frac{45^\circ}{2}, \frac{135^\circ}{2}, \dots$$

Examples:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad 6 \cos^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - 7 \cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + 2 = 0.$$

$$\text{Let } \cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = u$$

$$6u^2 - 7u + 2 = 0$$

$$(2u - 1)(3u - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2u - 1 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 3u - 2 = 0$$

$$u = 1/2 \quad \text{or} \quad u = 2/3.$$

$$\left(\alpha = \frac{\pi}{3} + 2k\pi, \frac{5\pi}{3} + 2k\pi\right).$$

$$u = \cos \frac{x}{2} \Rightarrow \cos \frac{x}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \cos \alpha = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}, \dots$$

$$\alpha = \frac{x}{2} \Rightarrow x = 2\alpha = \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{10\pi}{3}, \dots$$

Similarly for $\cos \frac{x}{2} = \frac{2}{3}$

Ex: $\tan 3x + 1 = \sqrt{2} \sec 3x$, for $x \in [0, 2\pi)$ #

we make our way towards the identity $\sec^2 \alpha = \tan^2 \alpha + 1$.
 \Rightarrow square both sides:

$$(\tan(3x) + 1)^2 = (\sqrt{2} \sec(3x))^2$$

also let $3x = u$ substitute:

$$(\tan u + 1)^2 = 2 \sec^2 u.$$

$$\underbrace{\tan^2 u + 1}_{\sec^2 u} + 2 \tan u = 2 \sec^2 u.$$

$$2 \tan u = \sec^2 u \quad \text{or} \quad -\tan^2 u - 1 + 2 \tan u = 0.$$

$$\tan^2 u - 2 \tan u + 1 = 0.$$

$$(\tan u - 1)^2 = 0$$

$$\tan u = 1.$$

$$u = \frac{\pi}{4} + 2k\pi.$$

$$u = 3x \Rightarrow x = \frac{u}{3} = \frac{\pi}{12} + \frac{2k\pi}{3}$$

recall $x \in [0, 2\pi)$

$\Rightarrow \dots$

because we took square on each side, check if the roots we obtained are correct!

Ex: solve:

$$\sin 2x \cos x - \cos 2x \sin x = 1/2$$

$$\text{Let } 2x = \alpha$$

$$x = \beta$$

$$\text{we get: } \underbrace{\sin \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \sin \beta}_{\sin(\alpha - \beta)} = +1/2.$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(\alpha - \beta) = +1/2 \quad \text{but } \alpha = 2x, \beta = x.$$

$$\sin(\alpha - \beta) = \sin(2x - x) = \sin x$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x = +1/2.$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{6} + 2k\pi \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{5\pi}{6} + 2k\pi.$$

alternatively. (much longer)...

$$\sin 2x = 2 \sin x \cos x$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sin x (\cos x)^2 - (1 - 2 \sin^2 x) \cos x = 1/2.$$

$$2 \sin x \underbrace{\cos^2 x}_{1 - \sin^2 x} - 1 + 2 \sin^2 x \cos x = 1/2.$$

$$2 \sin x - 2 \sin^3 x + 2 \sin^2 x \cos x = 3/2. \quad \cdot 1/2.$$

$$\sin x - \sin^3 x + \sin^2 x \cos x = 3/4.$$

$$\sin x (1) + \cos x \sin x - (\sin^2 x) = \sin x (\cos^2 x + \cos x \sin x) = \sin x \cos x (\dots)$$

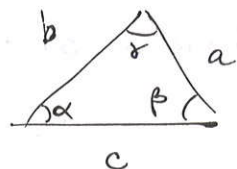
use the identities here.

Law of sines

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Thm: The law of sines: the ratio of the sine of an angle and the length of the side opposite to it (the angle) is the same for each angle of the Δ : i.e.

If we have the triangle:



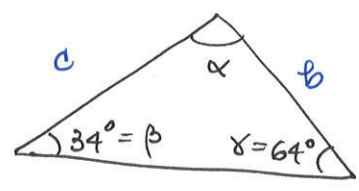
then: $\frac{\sin \alpha}{a} = \frac{\sin \beta}{b} = \frac{\sin \gamma}{c}$

equivalently: $\frac{a}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{b}{\sin \beta} = \frac{c}{\sin \gamma}$

Solving the triangle means finding $a, b, c, \alpha, \beta, \gamma$ when we are given 3 sides, 2 sides & an angle, 2 angles & a side.

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Example ① (two angles and an included side). - ASA



$a = 5.3$

$\alpha = ?$
 $b = ?$
 $c = ?$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= 180^\circ - \beta - \gamma \\ &= 180^\circ - 34^\circ - 64^\circ \\ &= \underline{82^\circ} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{a} = \frac{\sin 82^\circ}{5.3} = \frac{\sin 34^\circ}{b} \Rightarrow b = \frac{\sin 34^\circ \cdot (5.3)}{\sin 82^\circ} \sim \underline{3}$$

similarly $c \sim \underline{4.8}$

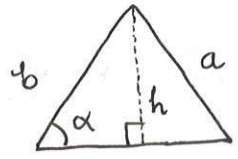
② Two sides and an angle (non-included).
ie. angle is not between them. (SSA)

We know
 α, a, b

The possible cases:

there exist 0, 1 or 2 triangles with the above α, a, b .

consider:



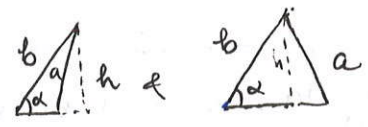
$\frac{h}{b} = \sin \alpha$, because $\frac{\sin \alpha}{h} = \frac{\sin 90^\circ}{b} = \frac{1}{b}$

case 1 if $a < h \Rightarrow$ no such Δ ($a \geq h$ being hypotenuse!)

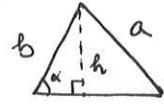
case 2 if $a = h \Rightarrow$ one right Δ



case 3 if $h < a < b \Rightarrow$ two triangles:



case 4 if $a \geq b \Rightarrow$ one Δ ;



Ex: $\beta = 56.3^\circ, a = 8.3, b = 7.6$.

Solve the Δ :

(same as $\alpha = 56.3^\circ, a = 7.6$ & $b = 8.3$ in the notat. of the above discussion).

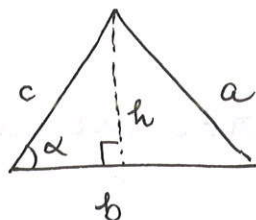
$a \leq b$.

Find h : $h = b \sin \alpha \Rightarrow h = 7.6 \sin 56.3 \approx 6.9$

$h < a < b$ we are in case 3:

$\frac{\sin \beta}{8.3} = \frac{\sin \alpha}{7.6} \Rightarrow \sin \beta \approx 0.9 \Rightarrow \beta \approx 65.3^\circ$ or 114.7°

$\Rightarrow \delta \approx 9^\circ$ & $c = 1.4$
or $\delta \approx 58.4^\circ$ & $c = 7.8$

Area of triangle:Consider the Δ :

$$\text{area} = \frac{1}{2}bh, \text{ but } h = c \sin \alpha, \text{ because } \frac{\sin 90^\circ}{c} = \frac{\sin \alpha}{h} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{c} = \frac{\sin \alpha}{h} \Rightarrow h = c \sin \alpha.$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\text{area} = \frac{1}{2}bc \cdot \sin \alpha.}$$

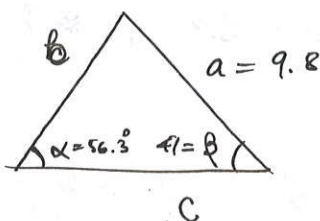
$$\text{analogously } \boxed{\text{area} = \frac{1}{2}bc \sin \alpha = \frac{1}{2}ac \sin \beta = \frac{1}{2}ab \sin \gamma.}$$

Ex: Find the area of the triangle with.

$$\alpha = 56.3^\circ$$

$$\beta = 41.2^\circ$$

$$a = 9.8.$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin \alpha}{a} = \frac{\sin \beta}{b} = \frac{\sin \gamma}{c}$$

$$\text{note: } \gamma = 180^\circ - 56.3^\circ - 41.2^\circ = 82.5^\circ$$

$$\text{find } c: \Rightarrow c = \frac{a \sin \gamma}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{(9.8) \sin(82.5^\circ)}{\sin(56.3^\circ)} = \frac{(9.8)(0.991)}{(0.832)} = 11.67$$

$$\text{area} = \frac{1}{2}ac \sin \beta = \frac{1}{2} (9.8)(11.67)(\underbrace{\sin 41.2^\circ}_{0.659}) = \underline{37.68}.$$

Law of cosines

§ 7.2

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Theorem: for a triangle with sides a, b, c & angles α, β, γ

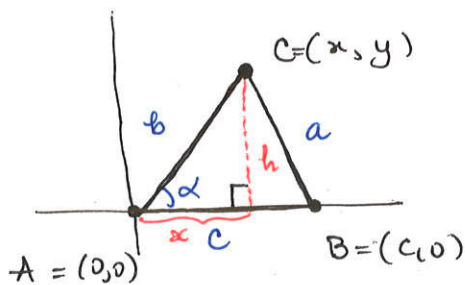
$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos \alpha$$

$$b^2 = a^2 + c^2 - 2ac \cos \beta$$

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos \gamma$$

this is referred to as the law of cosines

Proof: Consider the triangle ABC:



$$x = b \cos \alpha \quad b/c \cos \alpha = x/b$$

$$y = h = b \sin \alpha \quad b/c \sin \alpha = h/b$$

} by definition of $\sin \alpha$ & $\cos \alpha$.

$$a = \sqrt{(x-c)^2 + (y-0)^2} \quad \text{from the distance formula}$$

$$= \text{dist. b/w } B \text{ \& } C.$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = ((b \cos \alpha) - c)^2 + (b \sin \alpha)^2$$

$$= \underbrace{b^2 \cos^2 \alpha} + c^2 - 2bc \cos \alpha + \underbrace{b^2 \sin^2 \alpha}$$

$$= b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos \alpha. \quad \blacksquare$$

Ex: Solve the triangle:

③ (three sides)

$$a = 8.2$$

find $\alpha = ?$

$$b = 3.7$$

$\beta = ?$

$$c = 10.8$$

$\gamma = ?$

by law of cosines: $c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos \gamma$

$$\Rightarrow c^2 - a^2 - b^2 = -2ab \cos \gamma$$

$$\cos \gamma = \frac{c^2 - a^2 - b^2}{-2ab}$$

$$\cos \gamma \approx -0.5885$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma \approx 126.1^\circ$$



by law of sines: $\frac{\sin \beta}{b} = \frac{\sin \gamma}{c} \Rightarrow \sin \beta = 0.2768$

$$\Rightarrow \beta \approx 16.1^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 180^\circ - \beta - \gamma = 37.8^\circ$$

④ Solve the triangle (two sides & included angle)

Ex: $a = 19.2$

$$b = 37.6$$

$\gamma = 68^\circ$ (angle b/w them).

by cosines law: $c^2 = (19.2)^2 + (37.6)^2 - 2(19.2)(37.6) \cos 68$

$$= 1241.5$$

$$\Rightarrow c \approx 35.2$$