

# FUNDAMENTAL IDENTITIES

**Identity** - true for any value you put in the variable.

$$2(x+5) = 2x+10$$

**Trig Identities** - True for any angle measure.

↳ change complicated expressions to a simpler form.

## Reciprocal

$$1) \csc \theta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta}$$

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

$$2) \sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

$$3) \cot \theta = \frac{1}{\tan \theta}$$

## Ratio

$$4) \tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$$

$$5) \cot \theta = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$



## Pythagorean

$$6) \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$$

$$\sin^2 30^\circ + \cos^2 30^\circ = 1$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4} = 1$$

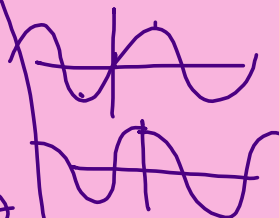
$$7) 1 + \tan^2 \theta = \sec^2 \theta$$

$$8) 1 + \cot^2 \theta = \csc^2 \theta$$

$$\sin(-\theta) = -\sin \theta$$

$$\cos(-\theta) = \cos \theta$$

$$\tan(-\theta) = -\tan \theta$$



Even

$$f(-x) = f(x)$$

Odd

$$f(-x) = -f(x)$$

Simplify.

$$\frac{(1+\cos x)\cos x}{(1+\cos x)\sin x} + \frac{\sin x (\cancel{\sin x})}{1+\cos x (\cancel{\sin x})}$$

$$= \frac{\cos x + (\cancel{\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x})}{\sin x (1+\cos x)} \quad \#6$$

$$= \frac{\cancel{\cos x} + 1}{\sin x (\cancel{1+\cos x})}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sin x} = \boxed{\csc x}$$

$$(1+\tan x)^2 - 2\tan x$$

$$(1+\tan x)(1+\tan x) - 2\tan x$$

$$1 + \cancel{2\tan x} + \tan^2 x - \cancel{2\tan x}$$

$$= 1 + \tan^2 x$$

$$= \boxed{\sec^2 x}$$

$$\frac{\sec^3 x - 8}{\sec^2 x - 4}$$

$$\frac{x^3 - 8}{x^2 - 4} = \frac{(x-2)(x^2+2x+4)}{(x+2)(x-2)}$$

$$\frac{(\cancel{\sec x - 2})(\sec^2 x + 2\sec x + 4)}{(\cancel{\sec x - 2})(\sec x + 2)}$$

$$\frac{\sec^2 x + 2\sec x + 4}{\sec x + 2}$$

Verify.

$$\tan^2 \theta \left( \frac{1}{\sec^2 \theta} \right) - \cot \theta \tan \theta = -\cos^2 \theta$$

$$\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} \cdot \cos^2 \theta - \left( \frac{1}{\tan \theta} \right) \tan \theta = -\cos^2 \theta$$

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

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

$$\frac{\sec \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{\sec \theta}{\csc(\theta)} = \frac{1}{\tan \theta}$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{\cos \theta}}{\frac{1}{\sin \theta}} = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{1} = \cot \theta \quad \#3$$

$$\frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{1} = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \quad \#5$$

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

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

$$\frac{x^2}{x}$$

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

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

$$\cot^4 B - \csc^4 B = 1 - 2\csc^2 B$$

$$(\cot^2 B - \csc^2 B)(\cot^2 B + \csc^2 B) =$$

$$(-1)(\cot^2 B + \csc^2 B) =$$

$$(-1)(\csc^2 B - 1 + \csc^2 B) = 1 - 2\csc^2 B$$

$$(-1)(2\csc^2 B - 1)$$

$$-2\csc^2 B + 1 = 1 - 2\csc^2 B$$

Big Powers ( $\rightarrow 2$ )  
- Factor

$$x^4 - y^4$$

$$(x^2 + y^2)(x^2 - y^2)$$

$$1 + \cot^2 \theta = \csc^2 \theta$$

$$\cot^2 \theta - \csc^2 \theta = -1$$

$$1 + \cot^2 B = \csc^2 B$$

$$\cot^2 B = \csc^2 B - 1$$