

## Lesson 4.6B - Trig Identities (Day 2)

### Reciprocal Identities

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

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

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

$$\csc^2 \theta = \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta}$$

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

$$\cot^2 \theta = \frac{1}{\tan^2 \theta}$$

### Quotient Identities

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

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

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

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

### Pythagorean Identities

$$\star \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1 \quad \leftarrow \text{have to know}$$

*These can be rearranged.*


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

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

*you could prove  
using  $\sin \theta / \cos \theta$*

Strategies

**STEPS TO PROVING IDENTITIES**



1. Separate LS from RS.
2. Write both sides in terms of  $\sin x$  and  $\cos x$ .
3. To make LS = RS, try:
  - Factoring.
  - Simplifying.
  - Substitute any of the identities we just learned.
  - In some situations, multiply by the conjugate.

**Factoring**

$$\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{1 - \cos^2 \theta} \rightarrow \frac{1 - x^2}{(1-x)(1+x)}$$

changes  $\sin^2 \theta$  to  $\cos \theta$

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$$\frac{1-x^2}{(1-x)(1+x)}$$

$$\frac{\sin x - \sin^2 x}{1 - x^2} = \frac{\sin x(1 - \sin x)}{(1-x)(1+x)}$$

$$\frac{x-x^2}{1-x^2} = \frac{x(1-x)}{(1-x)(1+x)}$$

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

$$x^2 - 2x + 1 = (x-1)(x-1) = (x-1)^2$$

M: 1  
A: -2  
N: -1, 1

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

dos

perfect square

$$\sin^2 \theta + 2\sin \theta \cos \theta + \cos^2 \theta = (\sin \theta + \cos \theta)(\sin \theta + \cos \theta) = (\sin \theta + \cos \theta)^2$$

$$x^2 + 2xy + y^2 = (x+y)^2$$

$$\cos^2 \theta - 7\cos \theta + 10 = (\cos \theta - 5)(\cos \theta - 2)$$

$$x^2 - 7x + 10 = (x-5)(x-2)$$

$$6\sin^2 \theta - \sin \theta - 1 = (3\sin \theta + 1)(2\sin \theta - 1)$$

$$6x^2 - x - 1 = (3x+1)(2x-1)$$

M: -6  
A: -1  
N:  $-\frac{3}{6x}, \frac{2}{6x}$   
 $= -\frac{1}{2x}, \frac{1}{3x}$

Multiplying by the conjugate

$$\frac{1}{1 - \cos x} \times \frac{1 + \cos x}{1 + \cos x} = \frac{1 + \cos x}{(1 - \cos x)(1 + \cos x)} = \frac{1 + \cos x}{1 - \cos^2 x} = \frac{1 + \cos x}{\sin^2 x}$$

Examples - Prove the following identities.

a)  $\frac{1}{\cot x} = \sin x \sec x$

LS	RS	
$\frac{1}{\cot x}$ $= \frac{1}{\frac{\cos x}{\sin x}}$ $= \boxed{\tan x}$ $= \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$	$\sin x \sec x$ $= \sin x \cdot \frac{1}{\cos x}$ $= \tan x$ $= \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$	<p>∴ LS = RS</p> <p>∴ QED</p>

b)  $\frac{1 + \cot x}{\csc x} = \sin x + \cos x$

LS =  $\frac{1 + \cot x}{\csc x}$

RS =  $\sin x + \cos x$

=  $\frac{1 + \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}}{\frac{1}{\sin x}}$

=  $\left( 1 + \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \right) \times \frac{\sin x}{1} \rightarrow = \sin x + \frac{\cos x (\cancel{\sin x})}{\cancel{\sin x}}$

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

=  $\sin x + \cos x$

$$c) \frac{\cos\theta - 1}{1 - \sec\theta} = \frac{\cos\theta + 1}{1 + \sec\theta}$$

$$LS = \frac{(\cos\theta - 1) \times (1 + \sec\theta)}{1 - \sec\theta \times 1 + \sec\theta}$$

$$= \frac{\cos\theta + \boxed{\cos\theta \sec\theta} - 1 - \sec\theta}{1 - \sec^2\theta}$$

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} \cos\theta \cdot \sec\theta &= \cos\theta \cdot \frac{1}{\cos\theta} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$RS = \frac{\cos\theta + 1}{1 + \sec\theta} \times \frac{1 - \sec\theta}{1 - \sec\theta}$$

$$= \frac{\cos\theta - \boxed{\cos\theta \sec\theta} + 1 - \sec\theta}{1 - \sec^2\theta}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \cos\theta(\sec\theta) &= \cos\theta \cdot \frac{1}{\cos\theta} \end{aligned}$$

$$d) \tan \alpha \sin \alpha + \cos \alpha = \sec \alpha$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LS} &= \tan \alpha \sin \alpha + \cos \alpha \\ &= \frac{\sin \alpha}{\cos \alpha} \cdot \sin \alpha + \cos \alpha \\ &= \frac{\sin^2 \alpha}{\cos \alpha} + \frac{\cos^2 \alpha}{\cos \alpha} \\ &= \frac{1}{\cos \alpha} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RS} &= \sec \alpha \\ &= \frac{1}{\cos \alpha} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{LS} = \text{RS}$$

$\therefore \text{QED}$

$$\begin{aligned} x^4 - y^4 \\ &= (x^2 - y^2)(x^2 + y^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$e) \sin^4 x - \cos^4 x = \sin^2 x - \cos^2 x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LS} &= \sin^4 x - \cos^4 x \quad \boxed{\text{diff}} \\ &= (\sin^2 x - \cos^2 x)(\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x) \\ &= \sin^2 x - \cos^2 x \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{RS} = \sin^2 x - \cos^2 x$$

$$\therefore \text{LS} = \text{RS}$$

$\therefore \text{QED}$

$$f) \sin x - \sin x \cos^2 x = \sin^3 x$$

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$$\sin x - \sin x \cos^2 x = \sin^3 x$$

$$\begin{aligned} LS &= \sin x (1 - \cos^2 x) \\ &= \sin x (\sin^2 x) \\ &= \sin^3 x \end{aligned}$$

$$RS = \sin^3 x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore LS &= RS \\ \therefore QED \end{aligned}$$

(j)

$$(\sin x - \cos x)(\sin x - \cos x)$$

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

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

$$= 1 + 1$$

$$= 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} RS &= 2 \\ \therefore LS &= RS \\ \therefore QED \end{aligned}$$

$$h) \frac{\sin^2 x + 4\sin x + 3}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{3 + \sin x}{1 - \sin x}$$

Strategy ①

$$LS = \frac{\sin^2 x + 4\sin x + 3}{\cos^2 x}$$

$$RS = \frac{3 + \sin x}{1 - \sin x} \times \frac{1 + \sin x}{1 + \sin x}$$

$$= \frac{3 + 3\sin x + \sin x + \sin^2 x}{1 - \sin^2 x}$$

$$= \frac{3 + 4\sin x + \sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x}$$

strategy ②

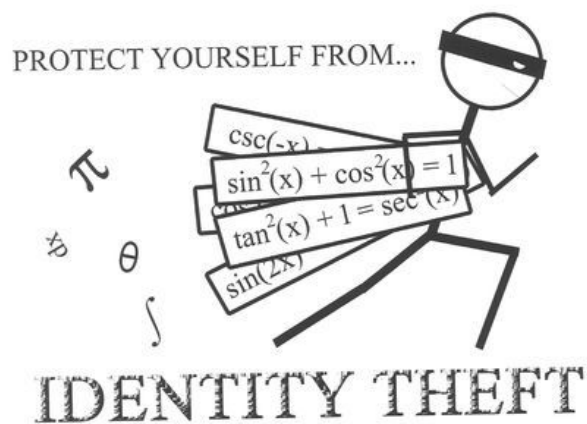
$$= \frac{(\sin x + 3)(\sin x + 1)}{1 - \sin^2 x}$$

$$= \frac{(\sin x + 3)(\sin x + 1)}{(1 - \sin x)(1 + \sin x)}$$

$$= \frac{\sin x + 3}{1 - \sin x}$$

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