# Edexcel New GCE A Level Maths workbook Trigonometry 02



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# **Trigonometry**

Sine, cosine and tangent functions. Their graphs, symmetries and periodicity.

Knowledge of graphs of curves with equations such as

y = 3 sin x, y = sin (x+30°), y = sin 2x is expected. Knowledge and use of tan  $\theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$ , and  $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$ .

Solution of simple trigonometric equations in a given interval.

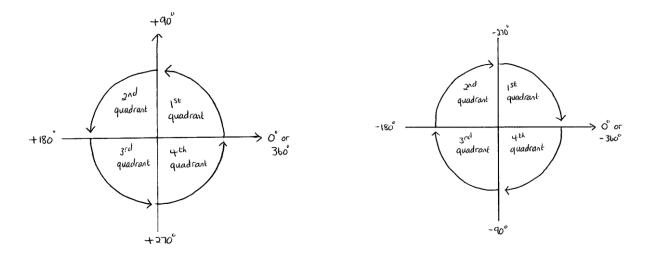
Candidates should be able to solve equations such as  $\sin (x+45^{\circ}) = \frac{3}{4}$  for 0 < x < 360,  $\cos (x + 30^{\circ}) = \frac{1}{2}$  for  $-180^{\circ} < x < 180^{\circ}$ ,  $\tan 2x = 1$  for  $90^{\circ} < x < 270^{\circ}$ ,  $6 \cos^{2} x^{\circ} + \sin x^{\circ} - 5 = 0$ ,  $0 \le x < 360$ ,  $\sin^{2} (x+30^{\circ}) = \frac{1}{2}$  for  $-180 \le x < 180$ .

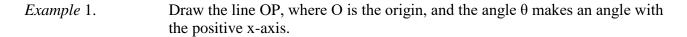
## **Using and Understanding Trig Functions for Positive and Negative Angles**

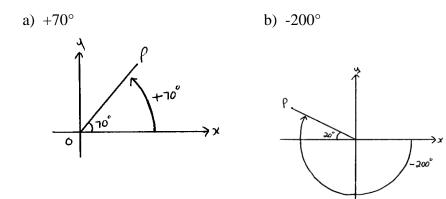
The Three Trigonometric ratios are

$$\sin \theta = \frac{opp}{hyp}$$
  $\cos \theta = \frac{adj}{hyp}$   $\tan \theta = \frac{opp}{adj}$ 

The x-y plane is divided into 4 quadrants

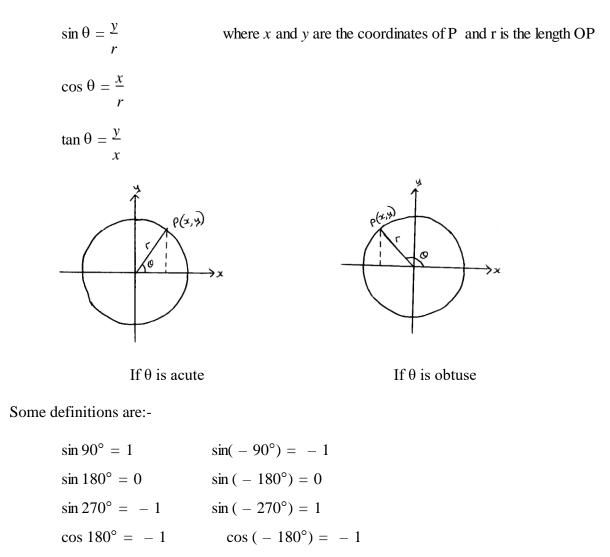






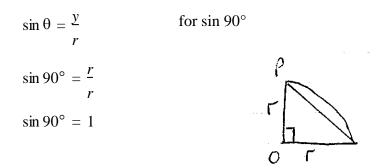
## **Equivalent Trigonometric Ratios**

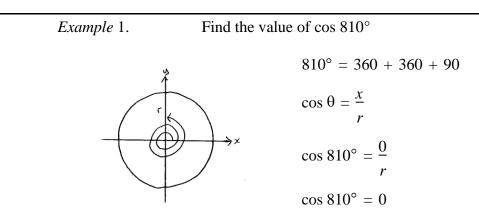
For all values of  $\theta$ , the definition of sin  $\theta$ , cos  $\theta$  and tan  $\theta$  are taken to be...



 $\cos (-90^{\circ}) = 0$   $\cos 90^{\circ} = 0$  $\cos 450^{\circ} = 0$   $\cos (-450^{\circ}) = 0$ 

#### Why?

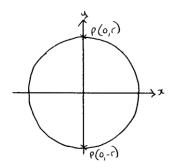




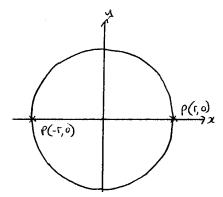
## <u>For Tan</u>

a) Tan is indeterminate when  $\theta$  is an odd multiple of 90°.

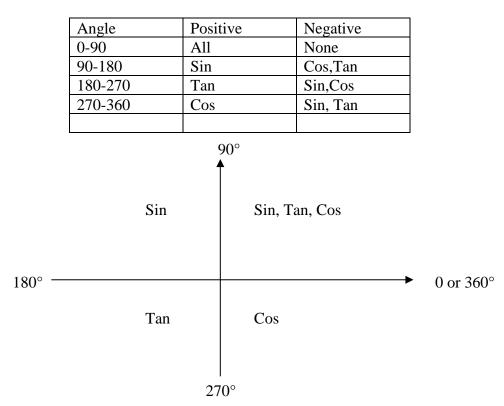
When y = 0 tan  $\theta = 0$ . This is because when P is at (r, 0) or (-r, 0)



b) Tan  $\theta = 0$  When  $\theta$  is  $0^{\circ}$  or an even multiple of  $90^{\circ}$ 



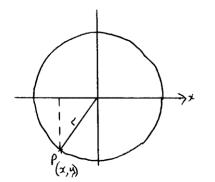




Learn the saying "All Sinners Tan Cos they can!!

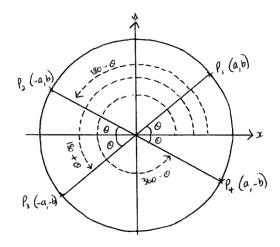
Why?

In 3rd Quadrant: -



$$\sin \theta = \frac{y}{r} \qquad = \frac{-ve}{+ve} = -ve$$
$$\cos \theta = \frac{x}{r} \qquad = \frac{-ve}{+ve} = -ve$$
$$\tan \theta = \frac{y}{x} \qquad = \frac{-ve}{-ve} = +ve$$

#### Similar Angles

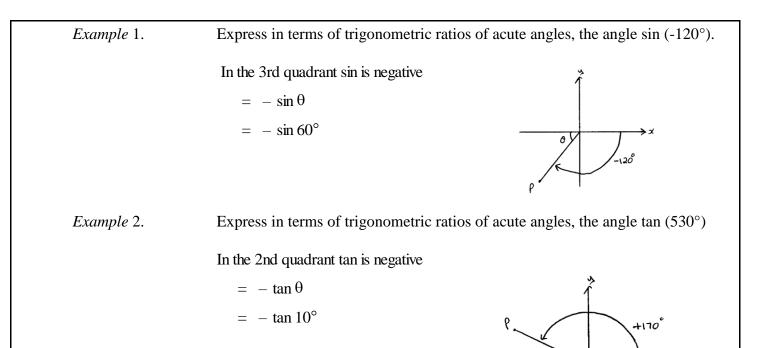


for  $\sin \theta = \frac{y}{r}$  so: -  $\sin \theta = \frac{b}{r}$   $\sin \theta = \sin 180 - \theta$   $\sin (180 - \theta) = \frac{b}{r}$   $\sin 180 + \theta = \sin 360 - \theta$   $\sin (180 + \theta) = -\frac{b}{r}$   $\sin 180 + \theta = -\sin \theta$  $\sin (360 - \theta) = -\frac{b}{r}$   $\sin 360 - \theta = -\sin \theta$  etc

The results for sine, cosine and tangent are:-

Quadrant 2

 $\sin(180 - \theta) = \sin \theta$ Notice the connection with the quadrants.  $\cos(180 - \theta) = -\cos\theta$  $\tan(180 - \theta) = -\tan\theta$ It is telling us where the answers will be positive Quadrant 3 or negative.  $\sin\left(180 + \theta\right) = -\sin\theta$  $\cos(180 + \theta) = -\cos\theta$  $\tan(180 + \theta) = \tan\theta$ Quadrant 4  $\sin\left((360 - \theta) = -\sin\theta\right)$  $\cos(360 - \theta) = \cos\theta$  $\tan\left(360-\theta\right) = - \tan\theta$ 

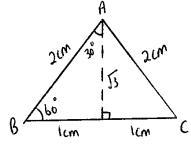


## **Finding Exact Values of Trigonometric Ratios**

#### How to find 30° and 60° angles

Take an equilateral triangle with sides 2cm (you could do this with any equilateral triangle)

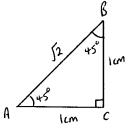
 $AD = \sqrt{2^2 - 1^2}$  $AD = \sqrt{3} cm$  $\therefore \quad \sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2} \qquad \qquad \cos 30^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$  $\sin 60^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$   $\cos 60^\circ = \frac{1}{2}$   $\tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$ 



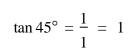
$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

#### How to find a 45° angle

Take an isosceles right angled triangle with sides 1cm (again you can use any isosceles triangle)



AB = 
$$\sqrt{1^2 - 1^2}$$
  
AB =  $\sqrt{2} \ cm$   
∴  $\sin 45^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$   $\cos 45^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ 

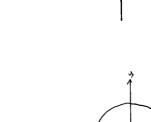


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*Example* 1. Find the exact value of  $\sin 135^{\circ}$ 

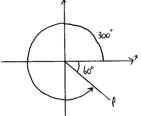
$$\sin 135^\circ = \sin 45^\circ$$
 sin is positive in 2nd quadrant  
 $=\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ 

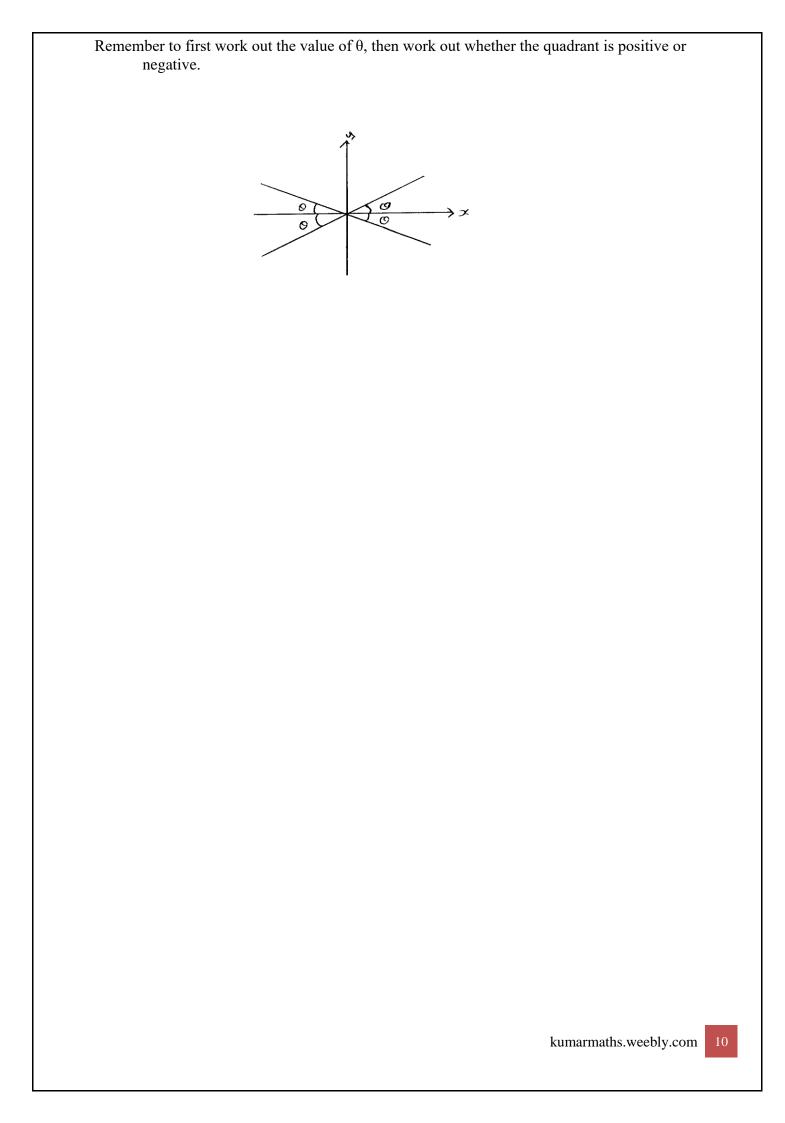


*Example 2.* 

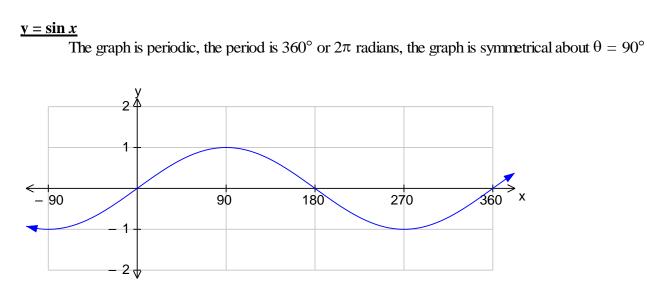
Find the exact value of tan  $300^{\circ}$ 

 $\tan 300^\circ = -\tan \theta$ tan is negative in 4th quadrant  $= - \tan 60^{\circ}$ 



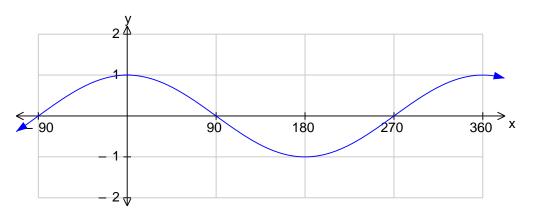


## **Recognising Trigonometric Graphs**



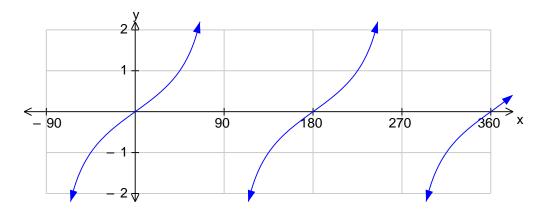
#### $\underline{\mathbf{y}} = \cos x$

The graph is periodic, the period is  $360^{\circ}$  or  $2\pi$  radians, the graph is the same as the cos graph which has been translated  $90^{\circ}$  to the left, the graph is symmetrical about  $\theta = 0^{\circ}$ 



#### $y = \tan x$

The graph is periodic, the period is  $180^{\circ}$  or  $2\pi$  radians, asymptotes occur at  $90^{\circ}$  and at odd multiples of  $90^{\circ}$  there after.



## **Transformation of Trigonometric Graphs**

These follow the same rules as we had for normal graphs.

a) y = sin x + 1 Move the graph up 1 = add 1 to the y coordinate
b) y = cos (x + 90°) Move the graph left 90° = subtract 90° to the x coordinate
c) y = 3 cos x Stretch the graph vertically by 3 = multiply the y coordinate by 3
d) y = sin 2x Stretch the graph horizontally by ½ = multiply the x coordinate by 2
e) y = - tan x

Reflect the graph in the x-axis = change the sign of the y coordinate

 $f) \ y = \cos\left(-x\right)$ 

Reflect the graph in the y-axis = change the sign of the x coordinate

## **Solving Trigonometric Equations in Degrees**

## Using the relationship between Sin, Cos and Tan

1. For all values of  $\theta$  (except for when tan  $\theta$  is not defined and where  $\cos \theta = 0$ )

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

## Why?

$$\tan \theta = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\frac{y}{x} = \frac{y}{r} \times \frac{r}{x} \qquad \text{as } \frac{x}{r} = \cos \theta \quad \text{and } \frac{y}{x} = \sin \theta$$

$$\therefore \frac{y}{x} = \sin \theta \times \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\therefore \frac{y}{x} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$$
hence  $\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$ 

2. For all values of  $\theta$ ,  $\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$ 

#### Why?

$$\sin \theta = \frac{y}{r}$$
 so  $y = r \sin \theta$   
 $\cos \theta = \frac{x}{r}$  so  $y = r \cos \theta$ 

Using Pythagoras

$$x^{2} + y^{2} = r^{2}$$

$$(r \cos \theta)^{2} + (r \sin \theta)^{2} = r^{2}$$

$$r^{2} \cos^{2} \theta + r^{2} \sin^{2} \theta = r^{2}$$

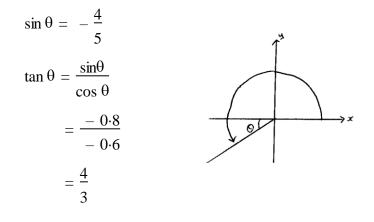
$$\cos^{2} \theta + \sin \theta^{2} = 1$$

Example 1:  
Simplify 
$$\sin^2 2\theta + \cos^2 2\theta$$
  
as  $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$   
 $\sin^2 2\theta + \cos^2 2\theta = 1$ 

Example 2: Show that 
$$\frac{\cos^4 \theta - \sin^4 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} = 1 - \tan^2 \theta$$
  
 $\frac{\cos^4 \theta - \sin^4 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} = \frac{(\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta)(\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta)}{\cos^2 \theta} \longleftarrow \bigcup_{\substack{\text{difference} \\ \text{of } 2 \text{ squares}}} difference} difference}$ 

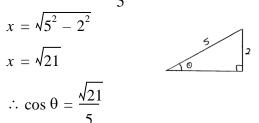
$$\sin^2 \theta = \frac{16}{25}$$
$$\sin \theta = \frac{4}{5}$$

As cos was negative in the question and reflex, it must be in quadrant 3



*Example* 4:

Given that  $\sin \theta = \frac{2}{5}$  and it is obtuse. Find the exact value of  $\cos \theta$ 

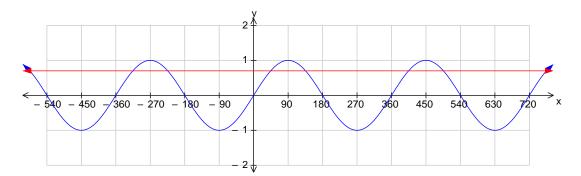


As sin  $\theta$  is positive and obtuse it must be in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quadrant.

$$\therefore \cos \theta = -\frac{\sqrt{21}}{5}$$
 because cos is negative in the 2nd quadrant

#### **Solving Simple Trigonometric Equations**

If you have an equation like  $\sin x = 0.7$  we can show this on a graph



Where the 2 lines intersect are the answers.

Or we can use algebra and our knowledge of trigonometric functions and quadrants.

Angle	positive	negative	How to calculate answer
0 - 90°	All	None	Keep angle
90° - 180°	Sin	Tan, cos	$180^{\circ}$ - angle
180° - 270°	Tan	Sin, cos	$180^{\circ} + angle$
270° - 360°	Cos	Sin, tan	360° - °angle

*Example* 1: Find the solution to  $\sin \theta = 0.6$  for  $0 \le \theta \le 360^{\circ}$ 

 $\sin\theta=0{\cdot}6$ 

 $\theta = 36.9^{\circ} (1 dp)$ 

 $\sin \theta$  is positive in quadrants 1 and 2

 $Q1 = 36.9^{\circ}$ 

$$Q2 = 180 - 36.9$$
  
= 143.1°

 $\therefore$  The solutions are 36.9° & 143.1°

Example 2: Find the solution to  $\tan \theta = -\sqrt{3}$  for  $0 \le \theta \le 360^{\circ}$   $\tan \theta = \sqrt{3}$  ignore the signs to find the initial angle  $\theta$   $\theta = 60^{\circ}$   $\tan$  is negative in quadrants 2 and 4 Q2 = 180 - 60  $= 120^{\circ}$  Q4 = 360 - 60  $= 300^{\circ}$ The solutions are  $120^{\circ}$  &  $300^{\circ}$ 

If you need to find more solutions because one of your initial answers lie outside your region, then you can plus or minus the period of the graph.

What's that?  $\cos \theta$   $\theta = 1\theta$  so  $\frac{360}{1} = 360^{\circ}$ 

The period is 360° so you can either add or subtract 360° to find the other solutions

$$\sin 3\theta \qquad \qquad \text{so } \frac{360}{3} = 120^{\circ}$$

The 3 means it has been squashed horizontally

The period here is  $120^{\circ}$  so you can either add or subtract  $120^{\circ}$  to find other solutions

## **Solving Harder Trigonometric Equations in Degrees**

The key to solving these equations is to try and rearrange the original equation into the form  $\sin \theta = C$ , this will then give you the value of  $\theta$ . If you have  $\sin (\theta + C) = k$  then you leave the brackets till the end

Example 1: Find the solution to  $3\cos(x - 30^{\circ}) = 1$  for  $0 \le \theta \le 360^{\circ}$   $3\cos(x - 30) = 1$   $\cos(x - 30) = \frac{1}{3}$   $(x - 30) = 70.53^{\circ}$   $\therefore \theta = 70.53$   $\cos$  is positive in quadrants 1 and 4  $Q1 \quad x - 30 = 70.53$   $x = 100.53^{\circ}$   $Q2 \quad x - 30 = 360 - 70.53$  x - 30 = 289.47  $x = 319.47^{\circ}$  $\therefore$  The solutions are  $100.53^{\circ} \& 319.47^{\circ}$ 

Remember 'inside the bracket leave till the end'

## **Solving Harder Trigonometric Equations**

You need to solve them the same as any other quadratic equation

Example 1:  

$$2\cos^{2}\theta - \cos\theta = 1 \quad \text{solve for } 0 \le x \le 360^{\circ}$$

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

$$(2\cos\theta + 1)(\cos\theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\cos\theta = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{or } \cos\theta = 1$$

$$\text{using } \cos\theta = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{using } \cos\theta = 1$$

$$\theta = 60^{\circ} \quad \theta = 0$$

 $\cos \theta$  is negative in quadrants 2 & 3  $\cos \theta$  is positive in quadrants 1 & 4

$$Q2 \quad \theta = 180 - 60 \qquad Q1 \quad \theta = 0^{\circ}$$
  

$$\theta = 120^{\circ}$$
  

$$Q3 \quad \theta = 180 + 60 \qquad Q4 \quad \theta = 360 - 0$$
  

$$\theta = 240^{\circ} \qquad \theta = 360^{\circ}$$

The solutions are  $0^\circ,\,120^\circ$  ,  $240^\circ$  ,  $360^\circ$ 

Be aware you may need to use  $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$  to simplify before you can factorise.

# **Homework Questions 1 – Solving Trig Equations in Degrees**

Solve the following equations for  $0 \le x \le 360^{\circ}$ 

a)  $\sin x = 0.3$ 

b)  $\cos x = 0.7$ 

c)  $\sin x = 0.54$ 

d)  $\tan x = -0.6$ 

e)  $\sin x = -0.92$ 

g)  $\cos x = -0.37$ 

h)  $\tan x = 0.56$ 

i)  $\sin x = 0.87$ 

j)  $\tan x = -0.03$ 

# **Homework Questions 2 – Solving Trig Equations in Degrees**

Solve the following equations for -180 < x < 180

a)  $\sin x = 0.54$ 

b)  $\cos x = 0.93$ 

c)  $\tan x = -0.11$ 

d)  $\cos x = 0.69$ 

e)  $\sin x = 0.41$ 

f)  $\tan x = -0.43$ g)  $\cos x = 0.86$ h)  $\tan x = 0.47$ i)  $\sin x = -0.3$ j)  $\cos x = -0.66$ 

# **Homework Questions 3 – Solving Harder Trig Equations in Degrees**

Solve the following equations for  $0 \le x \le 360^{\circ}$ a)  $\sin(x + 20^{\circ}) = 0.43$ 

b)  $\cos(x - 50^\circ) = 0.76$ 

c)  $3\sin x = 2.6$ 

d)  $5 \sin x = 4.42$ 

e)  $2\tan(x + 10^{\circ}) = -1.3$ 

f)  $3\cos(x - 30^\circ) = 2.6$ 

g) 4  $\cos(x - 18^\circ) + 2 = 5$ 

h) 
$$2 \tan(x + 60^\circ) - 3 = -1.2$$

i) 
$$2\cos(x+55^\circ)-0.5 = -0.5$$

j)  $5\sin(x + 17^\circ) + 3 = 4.6$ 

## <u>Homework Questions 5 – Solving Trig Equations with more than 2</u> <u>Solutions</u>

Solve the following equations for  $0 \le x \le 180^{\circ}$ 

a)  $\sin 3x = 0.96$ 

b)  $\cos 2x = 0.48$ 

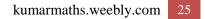
- c)  $\tan 2x = -0.55$
- d)  $\sin 4x = 0.8$

Solve the following equations for  $0 \le x \le \pi$ e) sin 2x = 0.77

f)  $\cos 3x = -0.84$ 

g)  $\tan 3x = 0.94$ 

h)  $\cos 2x = -0.86$ 



Solve the following equations for  $-180^{\circ} \le x \le 180^{\circ}$ i)  $3\sin 2x = 1.6$ j)  $2\cos 2x = 1.6$ k)  $4 \sin 3x = -3.66$ l)  $2 \tan 2x = 1.18$ Solve the following equations for  $-180^{\circ} \le x \le 180^{\circ}$ m)  $3\sin 2x - 1 = -2$ n)  $4\cos 3x + 2 = 3$ 

## <u>Homework Questions 6– Solving Trig Equations after Simplifying</u> <u>First</u>

Solve the following equations for  $0 \le x \le 360^{\circ}$ 

a)  $\sin \theta = 6 \cos \theta$ 

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

c)  $2 - \sin \theta = 1 + 2 \cos^2 \theta$ 

d) 
$$13 - 15\cos^2\theta + 7\sin\theta = 0$$

**1.** Solve, for  $0 \le x \le 180^\circ$ , the equation

(a) 
$$\sin(x+10^\circ) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

(b)  $\cos 2x = -0.9$ , giving your answers to 1 decimal place.

2. (a) Find all the values of  $\theta$ , to 1 decimal place, in the interval  $0^{\circ} \le \theta < 360^{\circ}$  for which

 $5\sin\left(\theta + 30^\circ\right) = 3.$ 

(b) Find all the values of  $\theta$ , to 1 decimal place, in the interval  $0^{\circ} \le \theta < 360^{\circ}$  for which

 $\tan^2 \theta = 4.$ 

3. Solve, for  $0 \le x < 360^{\circ}$ ,

(a) 
$$\sin(x - 20^\circ) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$
,  
(b)  $\cos 3x = -\frac{1}{2}$ .

4. (a) Given that  $\sin \theta = 5 \cos \theta$ , find the value of  $\tan \theta$ .

(b) Hence, or otherwise, find the values of  $\theta$  in the interval  $0 \le \theta < 360^{\circ}$  for which

 $\sin \theta = 5 \cos \theta,$ 

giving your answers to 1 decimal place.

5. (a) Show that the equation  $5 \cos^2 x = 3(1 + \sin x)$ can be written as  $5 \sin^2 x + 3 \sin x - 2 = 0.$ (b) Hence solve, for  $0 \le x < 360^\circ$ , the equation  $5 \cos^2 x = 3(1 + \sin x),$ giving your answers to 1 decimal place where appropriate.

**6.** (*a*) Show that the equation

$$3\sin^2\theta - 2\cos^2\theta = 1$$

can be written as

$$5\sin^2\theta=3.$$

(b) Hence solve, for  $0^{\circ} \le \theta < 360^{\circ}$ , the equation

$$3\sin^2\theta - 2\cos^2\theta = 1,$$

giving your answer to 1 decimal place.

7. (*a*) Show that the equation

 $4\sin^2 x + 9\cos x - 6 = 0$ 

can be written as

 $4\cos^2 x - 9\cos x + 2 = 0.$ 

(*b*) Hence solve, for  $0 \le x < 720^\circ$ ,

 $4\sin^2 x + 9\cos x - 6 = 0,$ 

giving your answers to 1 decimal place.

8. (i) Solve, for  $-180^{\circ} \le \theta < 180^{\circ}$ ,

 $(1 + \tan \theta)(5 \sin \theta - 2) = 0.$ 

(ii) Solve, for  $0 \le x < 360^\circ$ ,

 $4 \sin x = 3 \tan x$ .

(*a*) Show that the equation 9.  $5\sin x = 1 + 2\cos^2 x$ can be written in the form  $2\sin^2 x + 5\sin x - 3 = 0.$ (*b*) Solve, for  $0 \le x < 360^\circ$ ,  $2\sin^2 x + 5\sin x - 3 = 0.$ (a) Given that  $5 \sin \theta = 2 \cos \theta$ , find the value of  $\tan \theta$ . 10. (*b*) Solve, for  $0 \le x < 360^\circ$ ,  $5\sin 2x = 2\cos 2x$ , giving your answers to 1 decimal place.

**11.** (*a*) Show that the equation

$$3\sin^2 x + 7\sin x = \cos^2 x - 4$$

can be written in the form

$$4\sin^2 x + 7\sin x + 3 = 0.$$

(*b*) Hence solve, for  $0 \le x < 360^\circ$ ,

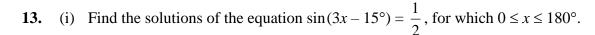
 $3 \sin^2 x + 7 \sin x = \cos^2 x - 4$  giving your answers to 1 decimal place where appropriate.

12. (a) Solve for  $0 \le x < 360^\circ$ , giving your answers in degrees to 1 decimal place,

$$3\sin\left(x+45^\circ\right)=2$$

(b) Find, for  $0 \le x < 2\pi$ , all the solutions of  $2 \sin^2 x + 2 = 7\cos x$ ,

giving your answers in radians. You must show clearly how you obtained your answers.



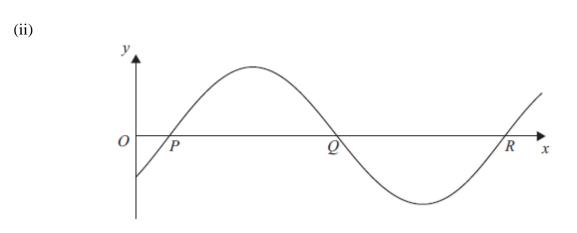




Figure 4 shows part of the curve with equation

 $y = \sin(ax - b)$ , where a > 0, 0 < b < 180.

The curve cuts the x-axis at the points P, Q and R as shown.

Given that the coordinates of *P*, *Q* and *R* are (18,0), (108,0) and (198,0) respectively, find the values of *a* and *b*.

(6)

14. (*a*) Show that the equation

$$\tan 2x = 5 \sin 2x$$

can be written in the form

 $(1-5\cos 2x)\sin 2x = 0.$ 

(*b*) Hence solve, for  $0 \le x \le 180^\circ$ ,

 $\tan 2x = 5 \sin 2x,$ 

giving your answers to 1 decimal place where appropriate.

You must show clearly how you obtained your answers.

15.

(*a*) Show that the equation

$$\frac{5+\sin\theta}{3\cos\theta} = 2\cos\theta, \qquad \theta \neq (2n+1)90^{\circ}, \quad n \in \phi$$

may be rewritten as

(b) Hence solve, for  $-90^{\circ} < \theta < 90^{\circ}$ , the equation  $\frac{5 + \sin \theta}{3\cos \theta} = 2\cos \theta$ 

Give your answers to one decimal place, where appropriate.

16.	(a) Given that $7\sin x = 3\cos x$ , find the exact value of $\tan x$ .
	(b) Hence solve for $0 \le \theta < 360^{\circ}$
	$7\sin(2\theta+30^\circ)=3\cos(2\theta+30^\circ)$
	giving your answers to one decimal place.
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1/.	(i) Showing each step in your reasoning, prove that
	$(\sin x + \cos x)(1 - \sin x \cos x) \equiv \sin^3 x + \cos^3 x$
	(ii) Solve, for $0 \le \theta < 360^{\circ}$ ,
	$3\sin\theta = \tan\theta$
	giving your answers in degrees to 1 decimal place, as appropriate.