

Homework Sheet: PRECALCULUS – SOLVING TRIGONOMETRIC EQUATIONS –

1. FIND ALL SOLUTIONS, IN RADIANS, OF EACH OF THE GIVEN EQUATIONS.

a. $12\sin\theta - 7 = 0$

b. $5\cos\theta + 2 = 0$

c. $3\tan\theta = 8$

2. FIND ALL VALUES OF θ , SUCH THAT $0^\circ \leq \theta < 360^\circ$, THAT SATISFY EACH OF THE GIVEN EQUATIONS. (Note interval – find reference angle and then determine which quadrants the answer will be in.)

a. $\tan\theta = -1.2985$

b. $\cos\theta = 0.5568$

c. $\sin\theta = -0.3537$

3. FIND ALL VALUES OF x , SUCH THAT $0 \leq x < 2\pi$, THAT SATISFY EACH OF THE GIVEN EQUATIONS. WHEN POSSIBLE, GIVE THE EXACT VALUE OF x . (Note interval – find reference angle and then determine which quadrants the answer will be in.)

a. $\sin^2 x - 2\sin x = 3$

b. $\cos^2 x + 2 = 3\cos x$

c. $6\sin^2 x - \sin x - 1 = 0$

d. $2\cos^2 x - \cos x - 1 = 0$

e. $2\cos^2 x - 1 = 0$

f. $2\sin^2 x = 2 - 3\sin x$

A. Find the general solutions for the following: $0 \leq x < 360$

1. $2\sin x - 1 = 0$

2. $\sin x + \sqrt{2} = -\sin x$

3. $\sqrt{3}\cos x + 1 = 0$

4. $4\cos^2 x - 3 = 0$

5. $3\tan^2 x - 9 = 0$

6. $2\cos^2 x - \cos x - 3 = 0$

B. Solve the trigonometric equation for the interval $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$.

7. $5 + 2\sin x = 7$

8. $3 \tan x + \sqrt{3} = 0$

9. $3 \cos x = \cos x - 1$

10. $4 \cos^2 x - 1 = 0$

11. $5 \tan^2 x - 15 = 0$

12. $2 \sin^2 x - 1 = 0$

5.3 Solving Trig Equations Practice Worksheet #1
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Solve for the unknown variable on the interval $0 \leq x < 2\pi$.

1. $4 \cos^2 x - 3 = 0$

2. $\sqrt{2} \sin 2x = 1$

3. $3 \cot^2 x - 1 = 0$

4. $\cos^3 x = \cos x$

5. $\sin x - 2 \sin x \cos x = 0$

6. $2 \sin^2 x - \sin x - 3 = 0$

7. $\csc^2 x - \csc x - 2 = 0$

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

Solve for the unknown variable on the given interval.

9. $\sqrt{3} + \tan(2x) = 0$ on $[0, 2\pi)$.

10. $\cos(\pi x) = 0.5$ on $[0, 2)$.

11. $\sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - 1 = 0$ on $[0, 8\pi)$.

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5.3 Solving Trig Equations – Worksheet #2
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Part 1: Solve for the unknown variable. Give all of the exact general solutions.

1. $\sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

2. $\cos \theta = \sin \theta$

3. $\tan \theta = 1$

4. $1 + \sin \theta = 2 \cos^2 \theta$

5. $2 \cos^2 \theta + \cos \theta = 0$

6. $\sin 3\theta = -1$

7. $\sin^2 \theta - 1 = 0$

8. $\cos 2\theta = \frac{1}{2}$

9. $2 \sin^2 \theta - \sin \theta - 1 = 0$

10. $\tan 4\theta = -1$

11. $\tan^2 3x = 3$

12. $\cos \frac{x}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

Part 2: Solve by approximating the solutions on the interval $[0, 2\pi)$.

13. $2\sin^2 x + 3\sin x + 1 = 0$

14. $4\sin^2 x = 2\cos x + 1$

15. $\csc x + \cot x = 1$

16. $\frac{\cos x \cot x}{1 - \sin x} = 3$

17. $\sec^2 x + 0.5 \tan x = 1$

Part 3: Use the calculator's inverse trig functions to approximate the solutions. Remember that you must also find the other solution by either adding π , subtracting the value from π , or subtracting the value from 2π .

18. $\tan \theta = 4$

19. $\cos \theta = 0.84$

20. $\sin \theta = 0.63$

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Solving Trigonometric Equations and Inequalities HOMEWORK

1. Determine all solutions to the following equations (exact)

a. $\sin x = -1$

b. $\sec x = 2$

c. $\cot x = 0$

d. $\tan x = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$

2. Determine all solutions to the following equations (approximate)

a. $\cos x = 0.9224$

b. $\cot x = -7.770$

3. Determine all solutions to the following over the interval $0 \leq x < 2\pi$ (without calculator)

a. $1 - 3 \tan^2 x = 0$

b. $\csc^2 x + \csc x - 2 = 0$

c. $2 \sin x + \csc x = 0$

d. $4 \sec x \cos x = 1$

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e. $\sin 2x \sin x - \cos x = 0$

f. $\sec^2 x + 2 = 3 \sec x$

4. Determine all solutions over the interval $0 \leq x < 2\pi$ (with calculator)

a. $\sin^2 x = 20 - \sin x$

b. $2 \tan^2 x + 7 \tan x = 15$

c. $3 \sin^2 x - \cos^2 x = 1$

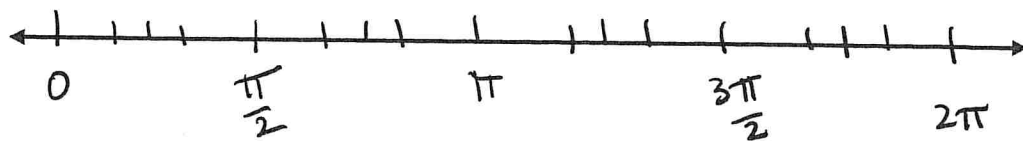
d. $\cos 2x = 2 \sin^2 x - 2$

e. $\sec^2 x = 6 \sec x + 2$

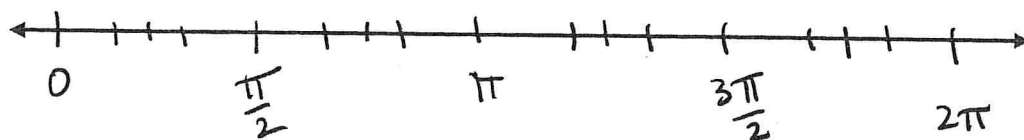
f. $4 \cot^2 x - 4 \cot x = 3$

5. On the interval $0 \leq x < 2\pi$, determine where:

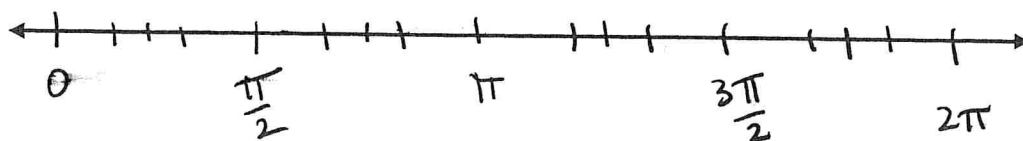
a. $\cos^2 x - 2 \cos x < 0$



b. $\cos 2x + 7 \sin x - 4 > 0$



c. $4 \sin^2 x - 3 \geq 0$



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Solving Trig Inequalities

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In problems 1 – 4, use the sign chart method to find the solutions of each inequality if $0 \leq x < 2\pi$.

1. $2 \sin^2 x + \sin x - 1 < 0$

2. $2 \cos^2 x + 3 \cos x - 2 \geq 0$

3. $2 \sin^2 x + 3 \sin x \geq 2$

4. $\sin 2x < \sin x$

In problems 5 – 8 use a graphical method to find the solutions of each inequality if $0 \leq x < 2\pi$. Label the graph(s) and each important point.

5. $2 \sin x + \sqrt{3} \leq 0$

6. $\tan^2 x < 1$

7. $\cos x \leq \sin x$

8. $\cot^2 x + \csc x + 1 \geq 0$

