## Math 5 – Trigonometry – Chapter 3 – Fair Game Problems

- 1. If the arclength  $t = \frac{29\pi}{6}$  is traced counterclockwise along the unit circle from (1,0) then
  - a. What is the reference number for *t* ?
  - b. What are the coordinates of the terminal point P(x,y)?
- 2. For arclength  $t = \frac{31\pi}{6}$  extending counterclockwise along the unit circle from (1,0)
  - a. Find the reference number for *t*.
  - b. Find the coordinates of the terminal point P(x,y).
  - c. Illustrate this point's position on a plot of the unit circle.
- 3. Consider the point  $\left(\frac{5}{13}, \frac{12}{13}\right)$ 
  - a. Verify that the point lies on the unit circle.
  - b. Use the diagram at right to approximate to the nearest tenth a value of t so that  $\cos(t) = \frac{5}{13} \approx 0.38$
  - c. Approximate to the nearest tenth the interval in the first quadrant where  $\frac{5}{12} \le \tan(t) \le \frac{12}{5}$
- 4. Recall that a function is even if f(-x) = f(x) and odd if
  - f(-x) = -f(x). Of the six trigonometric functions: sin(x), cos(x), tan(x), sec(x), csc(x) and cot(x)
  - a. Which functions are even?
  - b. Which functions are odd?
- 5. Consider the point  $\left(\frac{8}{17}, \frac{15}{17}\right)$ 
  - a. Verify that the point lies on the unit circle.
  - b. Use the diagram at right to approximate to the nearest tenth a value of t so that  $\cos(t) = \frac{8}{17} \approx 0.47$
  - c. Approximate to the nearest tenth a value of t so that  $\tan(t) = \frac{8}{15}$

6. Suppose that  $\cos(t) = \frac{\sqrt{91}}{100}$  and point and  $\sin(t) < 0$ . Find  $\sin(t), \tan(t), \sec(t), \csc(t)$  and  $\cot(t)$ .



- 7. Write sec(t) in terms of tan(t), assuming the terminal point for t is in quadrant III.
- 8. Find the amplitude, period and phase shift of  $y = 5 + 5\sin\left(20\pi\left(x \frac{1}{50}\right)\right)$ , construct a table of values and graph one period of the function, clearly showing the position of key points.
- 9. Find an equation for the sinusoid whose graph is shown:
  - a.



- a. Find the equations for two adjacent vertical asymptotes and sketch them in with dashed lines.
- b. Find the *x*-coordinates where y = 0 and where  $y = \pm 1$ .
- c. Carefully construct a graph of the function showing how it passes through the points where y = -1, y = 0, y = 1 and how it approaches the vertical asymptotes.

11. Consider the function  $f(x) = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)\right)$ .

- a. Find the equations for two adjacent vertical asymptotes and sketch them in with dashed lines.
- b. Find the *x*-coordinates where y = 0 and where  $y = \pm 1$ .
- c. Carefully construct a graph of the function showing how it passes through the points where y = -1, y = 0, y = 1 and how it approaches the vertical asymptotes.
- 12. Suppose  $\cos t = 9/28$  and *t* is in the first quadrant. Find the following:

a. 
$$\cos(t+\pi)$$
 b.  $\cos\left(t+\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$  c.  $\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}-t\right)$ 

13. Suppose *sin t* = 16/65 and *t* is in the first quadrant. Find the following:

a. 
$$\sin(t+\pi)$$
 b.  $\sin\left(t+\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$  c.  $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}-t\right)$ 

14. Complete the table of values for  $f(t) = \cos(\pi t) + 2\sin(\pi t)$ , plot the points and sketch a graph.

t	0	1/6	1/4	1/3	1/2	2/3	3/4	5/6	1
$\cos(\pi t)$									
$2\sin(\pi t)$									
f(t)									

15. The Millennium Wheel rotates once every 30 minutes. Its highest point is about 135 meters above the ground and the lowest point is about 5 meters above the ground. Write a function that gives the height of a rider *t* minutes after boarding the Millennium Wheel.

## **Chapter 3 – Fair Game Problem Solutions**

- 1. For arclength  $t = \frac{29\pi}{6}$  traced counterclockwise along the unit circle from (1,0)
  - a. Find the reference number for *t*.

SOLN: 
$$t = \frac{29\pi}{6} = \frac{(12+12+5)\pi}{6} = 2\pi + 2\pi + \frac{5\pi}{6}$$
 so the reference number is  $\frac{\pi}{6}$ .  
b. What are the coordinates of the terminal point  $P(x,y)$ ?  
SOLN: Since this point is in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quadrant,  $x$   
is negative, but  $y > 0$ .  $x = -\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$  and  
 $y = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$ .  
c. Illustrate this point's position on a plot of the unit circle.  
ANS: The point  $\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$  is shown

- 2. For arclength  $t = \frac{31\pi}{6}$  extending counterclockwise
  - along the unit circle from (1,0)d. Find the reference number for *t*.
    - ANS:  $t = \frac{31\pi}{6} = \frac{(12+12+6+1)\pi}{6} = 2\pi + 2\pi + \pi + \frac{\pi}{6}$

so the reference number is  $\frac{\pi}{6}$ .

e. Find the coordinates of the terminal point P(x,y).

ANS: Since this point is in the third quadrant, both *x* and *y* are negative and so

$$x = -\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \text{ and}$$
$$y = -\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = -\frac{1}{2}.$$

f. Illustrate this point's position on a plot of the unit circle.

ANS: The point 
$$\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

- 3. Consider the point  $\left(\frac{5}{13}, \frac{12}{13}\right)$
- a. Verify that the point lies on the unit circle.

ANS: 
$$\left(\frac{5}{13}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{12}{13}\right)^2 = \frac{25}{169} + \frac{144}{169} = \frac{169}{169} = 1$$

b. Use the diagram at right to approximate to the nearest tenth a value of t so that

$$\cos(t) = \frac{5}{13} \approx 0.38$$

ANS: A vertical segment is drawn from 0.38 on the *x*-axis intersects the circle at *t* between 1.1 and 1.2: closer to t = 1.2. Indeed,  $\arccos(5/13)$  is approximately 1.176

c. Approximate to the nearest tenth the interval in the first quadrant where  $\frac{5}{12} \le \tan(t) \le \frac{12}{5}$ 

ANS: If  $\cos(t) = 5/13$  and  $\sin(t) = 12/13$ , then  $\tan(t) = 12/5$ . Since  $\cot(t) = \cos(t)/\sin(t) = 5/12$  and  $\tan(\pi/2 - t) = \cot(t)$ . So choose t = 1.6 - 1.2 = 0.4 so that the approximate *t* interval we seek is *t* between 0.4 and 1.2.

4. Recall that a function is even if f(-x) = f(x) and a function is odd if f(-x) = -f(x). Of the six trigonometric functions, which are even and which are odd? SOLN: Only  $\cos(t)$  and  $\sec(t)$  are even. The other four are odd.





- 5. Consider the point  $\left(\frac{8}{17}, \frac{15}{17}\right)$ 
  - d. Verify that the point lies on the unit circle.

ANS: 
$$\left(\frac{8}{17}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{15}{17}\right)^2 = \frac{64}{289} + \frac{225}{289} = \frac{289}{289} = 1$$

e. Use the diagram at right to approximate to the nearest tenth a value of t so that  $\cos(t) = \frac{8}{17} \approx 0.47$ 

ANS: A vertical segment is drawn from 0.47 on the x-axis intersects the circle at t near 1.1

f. Approximate to the nearest tenth a value of t so that  $tan(t) = \frac{8}{15}$ 

ANS: Since  $\cot(t) = \cos(t)/\sin(t) = 8/15$  and  $\tan(\pi/2 - t) = \cot(t)$ . So choose t = 1.6 - 1.1 = 0.5

- 6.
- 7. Suppose that  $\cos(t) = \frac{\sqrt{91}}{100}$  and point and  $\sin(t) < 0$ . Find  $\sin(t)$ ,  $\tan(t)$ ,  $\sec(t)$ ,  $\csc(t)$  and  $\cot(t)$ .

ANS: 
$$\sin(t) = -\sqrt{1 - \cos^2 t} = -\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{\sqrt{91}}{100}\right)^2} = -\sqrt{1 - \frac{91}{10000}} = -\sqrt{\frac{10000 - 91}{10000}} = -\sqrt{\frac{9909}{10000}} = -\frac{3\sqrt{1101}}{100}$$
  
 $\tan(t) = -\frac{3\sqrt{1101}}{\sqrt{91}} = -\frac{3\sqrt{100191}}{91}; \ \sec(t) = \frac{100\sqrt{91}}{91}; \ \csc(t) = -\frac{100\sqrt{1101}}{3303}; \ \cot(t) = -\frac{\sqrt{100191}}{3303}$ 

- 8. Write  $\sec(t)$  in terms of  $\tan(t)$ , assuming the terminal point for *t* is in quadrant III. ANS: Starting with  $\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t = 1$ , divide through by  $\cos^2 t$  to obtain  $1 + \tan^2 t = \sec^2 t$ . Since  $\sec(t)$  is negative in quadrant III,  $\sec t = -\sqrt{1 + \tan^2 t}$
- a. Find the amplitude, period and phase shift of  $y = 5 + 5\sin\left(20\pi\left(x \frac{1}{50}\right)\right)$ , construct a table of values and graph one period of the function, clearly showing the position of key points.

ANS: The amplitude is 5, the period is 1/10 and the phase angle is 1/50. Graph is shown below. The starting point and endpoint are  $\left(\frac{1}{50}, 5\right)$  and  $\left(\frac{3}{25}, 5\right)$ . The halfway point is  $\left(\frac{7}{100}, 5\right)$  while the peak and trough are, respectively,  $\left(\frac{9}{200}, 10\right)$  and  $\left(\frac{19}{200}, 0\right)$ .





is evident in the graph. Also note that x = 2k + 1 are vertical asymptotes for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ 

- 11. Consider the function  $f(x) = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\left(x \frac{1}{2}\right)\right)$ .
  - c. Find the equations for two adjacent vertical asymptotes and sketch them in with dashed lines.

ANS: We want the input to the tangent to be  $\pm \frac{\pi}{2}$ , that is  $\frac{\pi}{2}\left(x-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \pm \frac{\pi}{2} \Leftrightarrow x-\frac{1}{2} = \pm 1 \Leftrightarrow \boxed{x=\frac{1}{2}\pm 1=-\frac{1}{2} \text{ or } \frac{3}{2}}$ d. Find *x*-coords where y = 0 and  $y = \pm 1$ . ANS: We want to find where the input to the

tangent function is equal to  $\pm \frac{\pi}{4}$ , that is  $\frac{\pi}{2}\left(x-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \pm \frac{\pi}{4} \Leftrightarrow x-\frac{1}{2} = \pm \frac{1}{2}$ 

$$\Leftrightarrow x = 0 \text{ or } x = 1$$

e. Graph of the function showing how it passes through the points where y = -1, y = 0, y = 1 and how it approaches the vertical asymptotes.



- 12. Suppose sin t = 9/28 and t is in the first quadrant. Find the following:
  - a.  $\cos(t+\pi) = -\frac{9}{28}$ b.  $\cos\left(t+\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \sin(t) = \sqrt{1-\left(\frac{9}{28}\right)^2} = \sqrt{1-\frac{81}{784}} = \sqrt{\frac{703}{784}} = \frac{\sqrt{703}}{28}$

Note that 703 = 19\*37 is not prime but is square free.



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15. The Millennium Wheel rotates once every 30 minutes. Its highest point is about 135 meters above the ground and the lowest point is about 5 meters above the ground. Write a function that gives

the height of a rider t minutes after boarding the Millennium Wheel. ANS:  $h(t) = 70 - 65 \cos(\pi t / 15)$