

# Trigonometry Facts for HL

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| $\theta$         | $\sin \theta$        | Memory Trick<br>for $\sin \theta$<br>count <b>0, 1, 2, 3, 4</b> | $\cos \theta$<br>(same as $\sin \theta$ ,<br>but in reverse<br>order) | $\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$ |
|------------------|----------------------|---|---|---|
| $0, 2\pi$        | 0                    | $\frac{\sqrt{0}}{2} = 0$  | 1   | 0   |
| $\frac{\pi}{6}$  | $\frac{1}{2}$        | $\frac{\sqrt{1}}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$                              | $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$  | $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$                            |
| $\frac{\pi}{4}$  | $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ | $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$                       | $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$  | 1   |
| $\frac{\pi}{3}$  | $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ | $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$  | $\frac{1}{2}$   | $\sqrt{3}$                                      |
| $\frac{\pi}{2}$  | 1                    | $\frac{\sqrt{4}}{2} = 1$  | 0   | undefined                                       |
| $\pi$            | 0                    |   | -1  | 0   |
| $\frac{3\pi}{2}$ | -1                   |   | 0   | undefined                                       |

Arc length =  $s = r\theta$  (**in radians only**)

Area of a sector =  $\frac{1}{2}r^2\theta = \frac{1}{2}sr$  (**in radians only**)

Area of a triangle =  $\frac{1}{2}ab\sin C$

(plus 2 more interchanging the letters)

### Trig functions definitions

| Function      | Using the sides of a right triangle | Using a point $(x, y)$ on the terminal side | Using the point $(x, y)$ on the unit circle |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| $\sin \theta$ | $\frac{\text{opp}}{\text{hyp}}$     | $\frac{y}{r}$                               | $y$   |
| $\cos \theta$ | $\frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}}$     | $\frac{x}{r}$                               | $x$   |
| $\tan \theta$ | $\frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}}$     | $\frac{y}{x}$                               | $\frac{y}{x}$                               |

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

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

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

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

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

The quadrants in which the function is positive:

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|             |            |
|-------------|------------|
| S (sine)    | A (all)    |
| T (tangent) | C (cosine) |

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

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

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

$$\sin(A \pm B) = \sin A \cos B \pm \cos A \sin B$$

$$\cos(A \pm B) = \cos A \cos B \mp \sin A \sin B$$

$$\tan(A \pm B) = \frac{\tan A \pm \tan B}{1 \mp \tan A \times \tan B}$$

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

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

$$\tan(2A) = \frac{2 \tan A}{1 - \tan^2 A}$$

$$\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$$

$$\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$$

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A \text{ (plus 2 more interchanging the letters)}$$

$$\cos A = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc} \text{ (plus 2 more interchanging the letters)}$$

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

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

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

**The co-functions of complementary angles are equal:**

$$\sin \theta = \cos(90 - \theta) \quad \cos \theta = \sin(90 - \theta)$$

$$\tan \theta = \cot(90 - \theta) \quad \cot \theta = \tan(90 - \theta)$$

$$\sec \theta = \csc(90 - \theta) \quad \csc \theta = \sec(90 - \theta)$$

$$\sin(180^\circ - \theta) = \sin \theta$$

$$\cos(180^\circ - \theta) = -\cos \theta$$

$$\tan(180^\circ - \theta) = -\tan \theta$$

$$\sin(\theta + 90^\circ) = +\cos \theta$$

$$\cos(\theta + 90^\circ) = -\sin \theta$$

$$\tan(\theta + 90^\circ) = -\cot \theta$$

$$\sin(\theta + 180^\circ) = -\sin \theta$$

$$\cos(\theta + 180^\circ) = -\cos \theta$$

$$\tan(\theta + 180^\circ) = +\tan \theta$$

Angle between two lines with slopes

$$m_1 \text{ and } m_2 : \tan \theta = \frac{m_2 - m_1}{1 + m_1 m_2}$$