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SUM AND DIFFERENCE RIGHT TRIANGLE COORDINATE PLANE WARM-UP

Use the Sum/Difference Formulas to evaluate

Suppose that $\tan \alpha = -\frac{12}{5}$ and $\cos(\beta) = -\frac{24}{25}$, where

$\frac{\pi}{2} < \alpha < \pi$ and $\pi < \beta < \frac{3\pi}{2}$ (set up a "cheat sheet!")

Find $\cos(\alpha - \beta)$:

Find $\tan(\alpha + \beta)$:

Goal: ★ ★ ★

★ $\text{Secs} - \text{Sns Tan} \theta = \text{Cos } \theta$

★ Start by building our toolbox! ☺



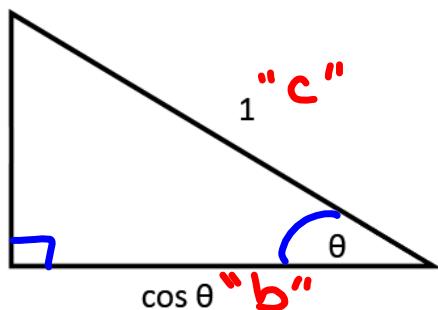
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$$\text{Pythagorean Theorem}$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

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

Trigonometric Identities



$$*\sin^2 \theta = \sin \cdot \sin \theta$$

$$\cos^2 \theta = \cos \cdot \cos \theta$$

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Using the triangle above, define each of the following:

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \quad \cot \theta = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \quad \csc \theta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \quad \sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

in terms of sine and cosine

*Substitution

Strategy 1: Rewriting expressions in terms of sine or cosine

"Hammer"

$$1) \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\sin \theta \cos \theta} = \frac{\cancel{\sin \theta} \cdot \sin \theta}{\cancel{\sin \theta} \cos \theta}$$

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

$$= \boxed{\tan \theta}$$

$$2) \frac{\cot \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\cancel{\cos \theta} \cdot 1}{\cancel{\cos \theta}}$$

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

$$3) \frac{\tan \theta}{\sec \theta} = \frac{\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}}{\frac{1}{\cos \theta}}$$

$$= \sin \theta$$

$$4) \csc \theta \cos \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{1}$$

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

$$= \boxed{\cot \theta}$$

$$5) \csc^2 \theta \tan^2 \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$$

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

$$6) \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos^2 \theta}$$

$$= \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

$$= \boxed{\tan \theta \cdot \sec \theta}$$

$$7) \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos \theta}$$

$$= \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{1}$$

$$= \boxed{\tan \theta \cdot \sin \theta}$$

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Strategy 2! Using the Pythagorean Identity

- (Scaredy Cat)*
- 1) Using the triangle, apply the Pythagorean Theorem to obtain the Pythagorean Identity:

$$\text{V1. } \sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta = 1$$

$$\text{V2. } 1 + \cot^2\theta = \csc^2\theta$$

$$\text{V3. } \tan^2\theta + 1 = \sec^2\theta$$

- 2) Divide the Pythagorean Identity by $\sin^2\theta$

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

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

$$\sin^2(\theta) + \cos^2(\theta) = 1 \checkmark$$

- 3) Divide the Pythagorean Identity by $\cos^2\theta$

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

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

Dill Strategy 3: Look for a GCF to help you factor, then use the Pythagorean Identities

$$\begin{aligned} 1. \sin^2\theta \tan^2\theta + \sin^2(\theta) \cdot 1 &= \sin^2\theta (\tan^2\theta + 1) \\ &= \sin^2\theta - \sec^2\theta \\ &= \frac{\sin^2\theta}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos^2\theta} = \frac{\sin^2\theta}{\cos^2\theta} = \boxed{\tan^2\theta} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2. \sin\theta - \sin^3\theta &= \sin\theta (1 - \sin^2\theta) \\ &= \boxed{\sin\theta \cdot \cos^2\theta} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3. \cot^3\theta + \cot\theta &= \cot\theta (\cot^2\theta + 1) \\ &= \boxed{\cot\theta \cdot \csc^2\theta} \end{aligned}$$

$$\cancel{\frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sin\theta} \cancel{\frac{1}{\sin\theta}}$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Strategy 4: Getting a Common Denominator

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left(\frac{\sin\theta}{\sin\theta} \right) \cdot \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} + \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta} \left(\frac{\cos\theta}{\cos\theta} \right) \\
 & = \frac{\sin^2\theta}{\cos\theta \cdot \sin\theta} + \frac{\cos^2\theta}{\cos\theta \cdot \sin\theta} \\
 & = \frac{\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta}{\cos\theta \cdot \sin\theta} \\
 & = \frac{1}{\cos\theta \cdot \sin\theta} = \frac{1}{\cos\theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\sin\theta} \\
 & = \boxed{\sec\theta \csc\theta}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left(\frac{\sin\theta}{\sin\theta} \right) \cdot \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} - \frac{1}{\cos\theta \sin\theta} \\
 & = \frac{\sin^2\theta}{\cos\theta \cdot \sin\theta} - \frac{1}{\cos\theta \cdot \sin\theta} \\
 & = \frac{\sin^2\theta - 1}{\cos\theta \cdot \sin\theta} \quad \star \\
 & = - \frac{\cos^2\theta}{\cos\theta \cdot \sin\theta} \\
 & = - \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta} \\
 & = \boxed{-\cot\theta}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3. \quad & \frac{\sin(x)}{1} + \frac{\cos(x)\cot(x)}{1} \\
 & \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{\sin(x)} \right) \frac{\sin(x)}{1} + \frac{\cos(x) \cdot \frac{\cos(x)}{\sin(x)}}{\sin(x)} \\
 & = \frac{\sin^2(x)}{\sin(x)} + \frac{\cos^2(x)}{\sin(x)} \\
 & = \frac{\sin^2(x) + \cos^2(x)}{\sin(x)} \\
 & = \frac{1}{\sin(x)} \\
 & = \boxed{\csc(x)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 4. \quad & \frac{\frac{1+\cos\theta}{1-\cos\theta} \sin\theta}{1-\cos\theta} + \frac{\sin\theta}{1+\cos\theta} \left(\frac{1-\cos\theta}{1-\cos\theta} \right) \\
 & \text{conjugates} \\
 & \frac{(1+\cos\theta)\sin\theta}{1-\cos^2\theta} + \frac{\sin\theta(1-\cos\theta)}{1-\cos^2\theta} \\
 & = \frac{2\sin\theta}{\sin^2\theta} \\
 & = \frac{2}{\sin\theta} = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{\sin\theta} \\
 & = \boxed{2\csc\theta}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Strategy 5: Splitting one fraction into two fractions

$$11. \frac{1+\cos\theta}{\cos\theta} = \frac{1}{\cos\theta} + \frac{\cos\theta}{\cos\theta}$$

$$= \boxed{\sec\theta + 1}$$

* NOT Pythagorean Identity

$$12. \frac{1-\sin\theta}{\sin\theta} = \frac{1}{\sin\theta} - \frac{\sin\theta}{\sin\theta}$$

$$= \boxed{\csc\theta - 1}$$

$$13. \frac{\cos\theta-\sin\theta}{\sin\theta} = \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta} - \frac{\sin\theta}{\sin\theta}$$

$$= \boxed{\cot\theta - 1}$$

Perfect square *perf. square* *D.O.T.S*

Strategy 6: Simplify using Factoring (Difference of Squares)

$$8. \frac{\sin^2\theta-1}{\sin\theta+1} = \frac{(\sin\theta+1)(\sin\theta-1)}{\sin\theta+1}$$

$$= \boxed{\sin\theta - 1}$$

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

$$= \boxed{\cos\theta+1}$$

Put it all together – Simplify using the appropriate strategy

$$\frac{\cos\theta-\cos^3\theta}{\cot\theta} = \frac{\cos\theta(1-\cos^2\theta)}{\cot\theta}$$

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

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

$$= \frac{\cancel{\cos\theta} \cdot \cancel{\sin\theta}}{1} \cdot \frac{\sin\theta}{\cancel{\cos\theta}}$$

$$= \boxed{\sin^3\theta}$$

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$\cos(\theta)\tan(\theta)$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^2 t \cot^2 t (1 + \tan^2 t) &= \frac{\sin^2 t \cdot \frac{\cos^2 t}{\sin^2 t} \cdot \sec^2 t}{\sin^2 t} \\ &= \cancel{\cos^2 t} \cdot \frac{1}{\cancel{\cos^2 t}} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$\sin(\theta)\cot(\theta)$

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

$\csc^2(x)\tan^2(x)$

$\cos(\theta)[\sec(\theta) - \cos(\theta)]$

$\sin(x)\sec(x)\cot^2(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(\theta)[\csc(\theta) - \sin(\theta)] &\quad \frac{1}{\sin x} \\ \sin x \cdot \csc x - \sin^2 x &= \frac{\sin x}{\sin x} - \sin^2 x \\ \frac{\sin x}{\sin x} - \sin^2 x &= 1 - \sin^2 x \\ &= \cos^2 x \\ \sin(x)[\cot(x) + \tan(x)] & \end{aligned}$$

$\cos x(\csc x + \tan x) =$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos x \cdot \csc x + \cos x \tan x &= \frac{\cos x \cdot 1}{\sin x} + \cos x \cdot \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \\ \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} + \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} &= \cot x \sec^2 x - \cot x \\ \boxed{\cot x + \tan x} & \end{aligned}$$

$\cos(x)[\tan(x) + \cot(x)]$

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$$[\sec(x) - \tan(x)][\sec(x) + \tan(x)]$$

$$\frac{\cot(x) + \tan(x)}{\csc^2(x)}$$

$$[\csc(x) - \cot(x)][\csc(x) + \cot(x)]$$

$$\frac{\sec^2(x)}{\tan(x) + \cot(x)}$$

$$[1 - \cos(x)][\csc(x) + \cot(x)]$$

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

$$[\csc(x) - 1][\sec(x) + \tan(x)]$$

$$\frac{\cot(\theta)}{\csc(\theta) + 1} + \frac{\cot(\theta)}{\csc(\theta) - 1}$$