

The Weekly Rigor

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“A mathematician is a machine for turning coffee into theorems.”

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10 Problems Concerning the Unit Circle (Part 2 of 2)

(Part 1)

PROBLEMS

Find the values of the six trigonometric functions of the following angles given in radians. Show (write out) the use of reference angles and the reference triangles to determine the values.

1. $\frac{4\pi}{3}$

2. $\frac{7\pi}{4}$

3. $\frac{11\pi}{6}$

4. $\frac{3\pi}{4}$

5. $\frac{5\pi}{3}$

6. $\frac{5\pi}{6}$

7. $\frac{5\pi}{4}$

8. $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

9. $\frac{7\pi}{6}$

10. $\frac{\pi}{3}$

ANSWERS

1. $\sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\cos\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{1}{2}$	$\tan\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) = \sqrt{3}$
$\csc\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} = -\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$	$\sec\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{2}{1} = -2$	$\cot\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$
2. $\sin\left(\frac{7\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	$\cos\left(\frac{7\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	$\tan\left(\frac{7\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{1}{1} = -1$
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3. $\sin\left(\frac{11\pi}{6}\right) = -\frac{1}{2}$	$\cos\left(\frac{11\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\tan\left(\frac{11\pi}{6}\right) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$
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5. $\sin\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\cos\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$	$\tan\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{1} = -\sqrt{3}$
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8. $\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{1}{2}$	$\tan\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{1} = -\sqrt{3}$
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10. $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$	$\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{1} = \sqrt{3}$
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“Only he who never plays, never loses.”