

SOLVING TRIGONOMETRIC EQUATIONS USING ANGLE FORMULAE AND THE t-FORMULAE

1 Solve for $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$:

(a) $\sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \cos x$ (b) $\sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6} - x\right)$ (c) $2\sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \sin x$

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2 Solve for $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$:

(a) $2 \cos x = \operatorname{cosec} x$

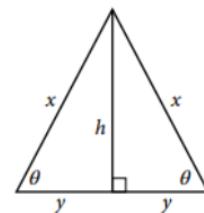
(b) $4 \sin x = \sec x$

(c) $4 \cos x = \sqrt{3} \operatorname{cosec} x$

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- 8 Show that if $a^2 + b^2 < c^2$, the equation $a \cos \theta + b \sin \theta = c$ has no real roots.

- 9 The equal sides of an isosceles triangle are x cm and the third side is $2y$ cm. The equal angles are each θ and the height of the triangle is h cm, as shown.
If the perimeter of the triangle is four times the height, find the size of the angles of the triangle to the nearest minute.



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10 Solve each equation:

$$(a) \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) \quad (b) \tan^{-1}(2x) + \tan^{-1}(3x) = \tan^{-1}(1)$$

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13 Solve each equation using the t formulae, for $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$.

(a) $2 \sin \theta + \cos \theta = 1$ (b) $5 \cos \theta + 3 \sin \theta = 4$ (c) $2 \operatorname{cosec} \theta - 4 \cot \theta = 3$

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16 Solve for $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$.

(a) $\cos 3\theta = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \theta\right)$ (b) $\sin 2\theta = \cos\left(\theta - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ (c) $\cos 2\theta = \sin\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$

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17 Solve for $0 \leq x \leq \pi$.

(a) $\sin 3x + \sin x = 0$ (b) $\sin 2x + \cos 3x = 0$ (c) $\tan 2x + \cot 3x = 0$