



KING EDWARD VI
HANDSWORTH GRAMMAR
SCHOOL FOR BOYS



KING EDWARD VI
ACADEMY TRUST
BIRMINGHAM

Year 13

Applied Mathematics

P2 7 Trigonometry and modelling Booklet

HGS Maths



Dr Frost Course



Name: _____

Class: _____

Contents

[7.1\) Addition formulae](#)

[7.2\) Using the angle addition formulae](#)

[7.3\) Double-angle formulae](#)

[7.4\) Solving trigonometric equations](#)

[7.5\) Simplifying \$a \cos x + b \sin x\$](#)

[7.6\) Proving trigonometric identities](#)

[7.7\) Modelling with trigonometric functions](#)

Extract from Formulae booklet

Past Paper Practice

Summary

Prior knowledge check

Prior knowledge check

1 Find the exact values of:

a $\sin 45^\circ$ **b** $\cos \frac{\pi}{6}$ **c** $\tan \frac{\pi}{3}$ ← Section 5.4

2 Solve the following equations in the interval $0 \leq x < 360^\circ$.

a $\sin(x + 50^\circ) = -0.9$ **b** $\cos(2x - 30^\circ) = \frac{1}{2}$
c $2 \sin^2 x - \sin x - 3 = 0$ ← Year 1, Chapter 10

3 Prove the following:

a $\cos x + \sin x \tan x \equiv \sec x$ **b** $\cot x \sec x \sin x \equiv 1$

c $\frac{\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x}{1 + \cot^2 x} \equiv \sin^2 x$ ← Section 6.4

7.1) Addition formulae

Addition Formulae allow us to deal with a sum or difference of angles.

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(A + B) &= \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B \\ \sin(A - B) &= \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(A + B) &= \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B \\ \cos(A - B) &= \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B\end{aligned}$$

$$\tan(A + B) = \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B}$$

$$\tan(A - B) = \frac{\tan A - \tan B}{1 + \tan A \tan B}$$

Do I need to memorise these?
They're all technically in the formula booklet, but you REALLY want to eventually memorise these (particularly the *sin* and *cos* ones).

How to memorise:

First notice that for all of these the first thing on the RHS is the same as the first thing on the LHS!

- For *sin*, the operator in the middle is the same as on the LHS.
- For *cos*, it's the opposite.
- For *tan*, it's the same in the numerator, opposite in the denominator.

- For *sin*, we mix *sin* and *cos*.
- For *cos*, we keep the *cos*'s and *sin*'s together.

Why is $\sin(A + B)$ not just $\sin(A) + \sin(B)$?

Because *sin* is a function, not a quantity that can be expanded out like this. It's a bit like how $(a + b)^2 \neq a^2 + b^2$.
We can easily disprove it with a counterexample.

Notes

Worked Example

590m: Use the compound angle formulae leading to $\tan x = a$

Given that

$$\sin(2x + 45^\circ) = 2 \cos(2x - 30^\circ)$$

show that

$$\tan 2x = a$$

where a is a constant to be found.

Worked Example

Express the following as a single sine, cosine or tangent, and evaluate:

a) $\sin 30^\circ \cos 60^\circ + \cos 30^\circ \sin 60^\circ$

b) $\cos 20^\circ \cos 25^\circ - \sin 20^\circ \sin 25^\circ$

c) $\frac{\tan \frac{\pi}{18} + \tan \frac{\pi}{9}}{1 - \tan \frac{\pi}{18} \tan \frac{\pi}{9}}$

Worked Example

Write in the form $\sin(x \pm \theta)$ or $\cos(x \pm \theta)$ where $0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$:

$$\frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{3} \sin x + \cos x)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{3} \cos x - \sin x)$$

Worked Example

Given that $\tan\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$ evaluate $\tan x$

Given that $\tan\left(x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$ evaluate $\tan x$

7.2) Using the angle addition formulae

Notes

Worked Example

Using the trigonometric angle addition formulae find:

$$\sin 75^\circ$$

$$\tan 75^\circ$$

Worked Example

Using the trigonometric angle addition formulae find:

$$\sin 15^\circ$$

$$\tan 15^\circ$$

Worked Example

Given that: $\sin A = \frac{8}{17}$ and $0^\circ < A < 90^\circ$, and $\cos B = -\frac{4}{5}$, B is obtuse, find the value of $\cos(A + B)$

Worked Example

Given that:

$\sin A = \frac{8}{17}$ and $0^\circ < A < 90^\circ$, and $\cos B = -\frac{4}{5}$, B is obtuse, find the value of $\tan(A - B)$

Worked Example

Given that: $\sin A = \frac{8}{17}$ and $0^\circ < A < 90^\circ$, and $\cos B = -\frac{4}{5}$, B is obtuse, find the value of $\sec(A - B)$

Worked Example

Given that $2 \cos(x - 40)^\circ = \sin(x - 50)^\circ$, show that $\tan x = 3 \tan 50^\circ$

7.3) Double-angle formulae

Double-angle formula allow you to halve the angle within a trig function. **NOT IN FORMULAE BOOKLET**

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(2A) &\equiv 2 \sin A \cos A \\ \cos(2A) &\equiv \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A \\ &\equiv 2 \cos^2 A - 1 \\ &\equiv 1 - 2 \sin^2 A\end{aligned}$$

This first form is relatively rare.

Fro Tip: The way I remember what way round these go is that the cos on the RHS is 'attracted' to the cos on the LHS, whereas the sin is pushed away.

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

These are all easily derivable by just setting $A = B$ in the compound angle formulae. e.g.

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(2A) &= \sin(A + A) \\ &= \sin A \cos A + \cos A \sin A \\ &= 2 \sin A \cos A\end{aligned}$$

Notes

Worked Example

Use the double-angle formulae to write as a single trigonometric ratio:

a) $\cos^2 50^\circ - \sin^2 50^\circ$ b) $2 \cos^2 \frac{2\pi}{9} - 1$ c) $1 - 2 \sin^2 30^\circ$

Worked Example

Use the double-angle formulae to write as a single trigonometric ratio:

a) $\cos^2 2x - \sin^2 2x$ b) $4 \cos^2 3x - 2$ c) $3 - 6 \sin^2 4x$

Worked Example

Use the double-angle formulae to write as a single trigonometric ratio:

a) $2 \sin 45^\circ \cos 45^\circ$ b) $4 \sin \frac{\pi}{12} \cos \frac{\pi}{12}$ c) $7 \sin 5x \cos 5x$

Worked Example

Use the double-angle formulae to write as a single trigonometric ratio:

$$\text{a) } \frac{2 \tan 30^\circ}{1 - \tan^2 30^\circ} \quad \text{b) } \frac{2 \tan \frac{\pi}{12}}{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\pi}{12}} \quad \text{c) } \frac{4 \tan 6}{1 - \tan^2 6x}$$

Worked Example

Use the double-angle formulae to write as a single trigonometric ratio:

a) $\frac{8 \sin 22.5^\circ}{\sec 22.5^\circ}$ b) $\frac{6 \cos \frac{\pi}{4}}{\operatorname{cosec} \frac{\pi}{4}}$

Worked Example

Given that $x = 2 \sin \theta$ and $y = 4 - 3 \cos 2\theta$, eliminate θ and express y in terms of x .

Worked Example

Given that $\cos x = \frac{5}{8}$ and x is acute, find the exact value of

(a) $\sin 2x$ (b) $\tan 2x$

Worked Example

Using the double-angle formulae, evaluate:

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

Worked Example

Given that $0 < \theta < \pi$, find the value of $\tan \frac{\theta}{2}$ when $\tan \theta = -\frac{3}{4}$

7.4) Solving trigonometric equations

Notes

Worked Example

Solve in the interval $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$: $8 \sin(\theta + 60^\circ) = 4\sqrt{2} \cos \theta$

Worked Example

Solve in the interval $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$: $8 \cos(\theta - 60^\circ) = 4\sqrt{2} \sin \theta$

Worked Example

Solve in the interval $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$: $3 \cos 2x + \cos x + 2 = 0$

Worked Example

Solve in the interval $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$: $3 \cos 2x - \sin x - 2 = 0$

Worked Example

Solve in the interval $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$: $4 \sin 2x - 5 \cos x = 0$

Worked Example

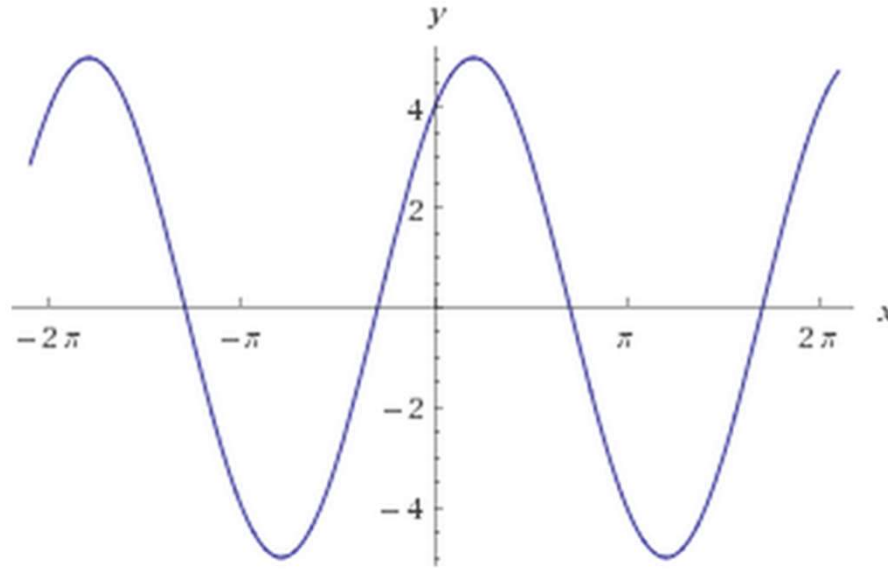
Solve in the interval $0 \leq y \leq 2\pi$: $3 \tan 2y \tan y = 2$

Worked Example

- a) Show that $\cos(3A) = 4 \cos^3 A - 3 \cos A$.
- b) Hence or otherwise, solve, for $0 < \theta < 2\pi$, the equation $12 \cos \theta - 16 \cos^3 \theta - 2\sqrt{3} = 0$

7.5) Simplifying $a \cos x \pm b \sin x$

Here's a sketch of $y = 3 \sin x + 4 \cos x$.



It's a sin graph that seems to be translated on the x -axis and stretched on the y axis. This suggests we can represent it as $y = R \sin(x + \alpha)$, where α is the horizontal translation and R the stretch on the y -axis.

Notes

Put $3 \sin x + 4 \cos x$ in the form $R \sin(x + \alpha)$ giving α in degrees to 1dp.

STEP 1: Expanding:

$$R \sin(x + \alpha) = R \sin x \cos \alpha + R \cos x \sin \alpha$$

STEP 2: Comparing coefficients:

$$R \cos \alpha = 3 \quad R \sin \alpha = 4$$

STEP 3: Using the fact that $R^2 \sin^2 \alpha + R^2 \cos^2 \alpha = R^2$:

$$R = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = 5$$

STEP 4: Using the fact that $\frac{R \sin \alpha}{R \cos \alpha} = \tan \alpha$:

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{4}{3}$$
$$\alpha = 53.1^\circ$$

STEP 5: Put values back into original expression.

$$3 \sin x + 4 \cos x \equiv 5 \sin(x + 53.1^\circ)$$

If $R \cos \alpha = 3$ and $R \sin \alpha = 4$
then $R^2 \cos^2 \alpha = 3^2$ and
 $R^2 \sin^2 \alpha = 4^2$.
 $R^2 \sin^2 \alpha + R^2 \cos^2 \alpha = 3^2 + 4^2$
 $R^2 (\sin^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha) = 3^2 + 4^2$
 $R^2 = 3^2 + 4^2$
 $R = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2}$
(You can write just the last line in exams)

Notes

Worked Example

591a: Write $a \cos x + b \sin x$ in the form $R \cos(x + \alpha)$

Write $9 \sin \theta + 3 \cos \theta$ in the form $R \sin(\theta + \alpha)$ leaving R as an exact value and α in degrees correct to 1 decimal place.

You may use these formulae:

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

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

Worked Example

Express $5 \sin x + 12 \cos x$ in the form: $R \cos(x - \alpha)$, $R > 0$, $0 < \alpha < 90^\circ$

Worked Example

Express $5 \sin x + 12 \cos x$ in the form: $R \sin(x - \alpha)$, $R > 0$, $0 < \alpha < 180^\circ$

Worked Example

Express $5 \sin x + 12 \cos x$ in the form: $R \cos(x + \alpha)$, $R > 0$, $0 < \alpha < 180^\circ$

Worked Example

Solve in the interval $0 < \theta < 360^\circ$:

$$5 \cos \theta + 2 \sin \theta = 3$$

Worked Example

Solve in the interval $0 \leq \theta < 180^\circ$:

$$5 \sin 3\theta - 12 \cos 3\theta = 1$$

Worked Example

Solve in the interval $0 \leq \theta < 360^\circ$:

$$\cot \theta + 4 = \operatorname{cosec} \theta$$

Worked Example

Find the maximum value and the smallest positive value of θ at which the maximum occurs for:

$$4 \cos \theta + 3 \sin \theta$$

Worked Example

Find the maximum value and the smallest positive value of θ at which the maximum occurs for:

$$\frac{5}{7 + 4 \cos \theta - 3 \sin \theta}$$

Worked Example

Find the minimum value and the smallest positive value of θ at which the minimum occurs for:

$$\frac{5}{7 + 4 \cos \theta - 3 \sin \theta}$$

7.6) Proving trigonometric identities

Notes

Worked Example

Prove that:

$$\cot 2\theta \equiv \frac{\cot \theta - \tan \theta}{2}$$

Worked Example

Prove that:

$$\frac{-\sin 2\theta}{\cos 2\theta - 1} \equiv \cot \theta$$

Worked Example

Prove that:

$$\cot 2x - \operatorname{cosec} 2x \equiv -\tan x$$

Worked Example

Prove, starting with the left-hand side:

$$\tan 2x + \sec 2x \equiv \frac{\cos x + \sin x}{\cos x - \sin x}$$

Worked Example

Show that:

$$\sin^4 \theta = \frac{3}{8} - \frac{1}{2} \cos 2\theta + \frac{1}{8} \cos 4\theta$$

Worked Example

By writing $\cos x = \cos\left(2 \times \frac{x}{2}\right)$, prove the identity

$$\frac{1 + \cos x}{1 - \cos x} \equiv \cot^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$$

7.7) Modelling with trigonometric functions

Notes

Worked Example

The cabin pressure, P (psi) on an aeroplane at cruising altitude can be modelled by the equation

$$P = 14.5 - 0.2 \sin(t - 3)$$

where t is the time in hours since cruising altitude was first reached, and angles are in radians. Find:

- a) The maximum and minimum cabin pressure
- b) The time after reaching cruising altitude that the cabin first reaches a maximum pressure
- c) The cabin pressure after 3 hours at cruising altitude
- d) All the times within the first 10 hours of cruising that the cabin pressure would be exactly 14.42 psi

Worked Example

- a) Express $7 \cos \theta - 5 \sin \theta$ in the form $R \cos(\theta + \alpha)$, where $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$. State the exact value of R and give α to four decimal places.
- b) State the maximum value of $7 \cos \theta - 5 \sin \theta$ and the value of θ , for $0 < \theta < 2\pi$ at which this maximum occurs.

The height H above ground of a passenger on a Ferris wheel is modelled by the equation

$$H = 12 - 7 \cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{4}\right) + 5 \sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{4}\right)$$

where H is measured in metres, and t is the time in minutes after the wheel starts turning.

- c) Calculate the maximum value of H predicted by this model, and the value of t when this maximum first occurs
- d) Determine the time for the Ferris wheel to complete five revolutions

Your Turn

- a) Express $9 \cos \theta - 2 \sin \theta$ in the form $R \cos(\theta + \alpha)$, where $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$. State the exact value of R and give α to four decimal places.
- b) State the maximum value of $9 \cos \theta - 2 \sin \theta$ and the value of θ , for $0 < \theta < 2\pi$ at which this maximum occurs.

The height H above ground of a passenger on a Ferris wheel is modelled by the equation

$$H = 10 - 9 \cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{5}\right) + 2 \sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{5}\right)$$

where H is measured in metres, and t is the time in minutes after the wheel starts turning.

- c) Calculate the maximum value of H predicted by this model, and the value of t when this maximum first occurs
- d) Determine the time for the Ferris wheel to complete two revolutions

a) $R = \sqrt{85}, \alpha = 0.2187$

b) Maximum = $\sqrt{85}$ when $\theta = 6.06$

c) Maximum $H = 19.22m$ at $t = 4.65$

d) 20 minutes

Worked Example

- a) Express $1.5 \sin \theta - 2 \cos \theta$ in the form $R \sin(\theta - \alpha)$, where $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$. State the exact value of R and give α to four decimal places.
- b) State the maximum value of $1.5 \sin \theta - 2 \cos \theta$ and the value of θ , for $0 < \theta < \pi$ at which this maximum occurs.

The height H of sea water on a particular day can be modelled by the equation

$$H = 8 + 1.5 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi t}{25}\right) - 2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi t}{25}\right), 0 \leq t < 12$$

where H is measured in metres, and t is the number of hours after midnight.

- c) Calculate the maximum value of H predicted by this model, and the value of t when this maximum occurs
- d) Calculate, to the nearest minute, the times when the height of sea water is predicted, by this model, to be 7 metres.

Extract from Formulae book

Trigonometric identities

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

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

$$\tan(A \pm B) = \frac{\tan A \pm \tan B}{1 \mp \tan A \tan B} \quad (A \pm B \neq (k + \frac{1}{2})\pi)$$

$$\sin A + \sin B = 2 \sin \frac{A+B}{2} \cos \frac{A-B}{2}$$

$$\sin A - \sin B = 2 \cos \frac{A+B}{2} \sin \frac{A-B}{2}$$

$$\cos A + \cos B = 2 \cos \frac{A+B}{2} \cos \frac{A-B}{2}$$

$$\cos A - \cos B = -2 \sin \frac{A+B}{2} \sin \frac{A-B}{2}$$

Small angle approximations

$$\sin \theta \approx \theta$$

$$\cos \theta \approx 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2}$$

$$\tan \theta \approx \theta$$

where θ is measured in radians

Past Paper Questions

13. (a) Show that

$$\operatorname{cosec} 2x + \cot 2x \equiv \cot x, \quad x \neq 90n^\circ, n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (5)$$

(b) Hence, or otherwise, solve, for $0 \leq \theta < 180^\circ$,

$$\operatorname{cosec}(4\theta + 10^\circ) + \cot(4\theta + 10^\circ) = \sqrt{3}$$

You must show your working.

(Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.)

(5)



Exams

- Formula Booklet
- Past Papers
- Practice Papers
- [past paper Qs by topic](#)

Past paper practice by topic. Both new and old specification can be found via this link on hgsmaths.com

		(10 marks)	
(p)	$\theta = 105^\circ 2_0$	M1	1'1P
	$3\theta + 2_0 = 180_0 + 10_0 \Rightarrow \theta = \dots$	M1	3'1
	$3\theta + \dots = 30_0 \Rightarrow \theta = 15^\circ 2_0$	M1	1'1P
	$\cot(3\theta + \dots) = \sqrt{3}$	M1	1'1P
	$\operatorname{cosec}(4\theta + 10_0) + \cot(4\theta + 10_0) = \sqrt{3}; 0^\circ < \theta < 180_0$	M1	3'3P
13(b)	$\frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \cot x$	M1*	3'1
	$\frac{\sin x \cos x}{1 + \sin^2 x - 1} = \frac{\sin x \cos x}{\sin^2 x}$	M1	1'1P
	$\frac{\sin x}{1 + \cos^2 x}$	M1	1'1P
	$\operatorname{cosec} 2x + \cot 2x = \frac{\sin 2x}{1} + \frac{\cos 2x}{\sin 2x}$	M1	1'3
	$\operatorname{cosec} 2x + \cot 2x = \cot x; x \neq 90n_0; n \in \mathbb{Z}$		
Question	Scheme	Marks	AOA

Summary of Key Points

Summary of key points

1 The **addition** (or compound-angle) formulae are:

$$\bullet \sin(A + B) \equiv \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$$

$$\bullet \cos(A + B) \equiv \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B$$

$$\bullet \tan(A + B) \equiv \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B}$$

$$\sin(A - B) \equiv \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B$$

$$\cos(A - B) \equiv \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B$$

$$\tan(A - B) \equiv \frac{\tan A - \tan B}{1 + \tan A \tan B}$$

2 The **double-angle** formulae are:

$$\bullet \sin 2A \equiv 2 \sin A \cos A$$

$$\bullet \cos 2A \equiv \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A \equiv 2 \cos^2 A - 1 \equiv 1 - 2 \sin^2 A$$

$$\bullet \tan 2A \equiv \frac{2 \tan A}{1 - \tan^2 A}$$

3 For positive values of a and b ,

• $a \sin x \pm b \cos x$ can be expressed in the form $R \sin(x \pm \alpha)$

• $a \cos x \pm b \sin x$ can be expressed in the form $R \cos(x \mp \alpha)$

with $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < 90^\circ$ (or $\frac{\pi}{2}$)

where $R \cos \alpha = a$ and $R \sin \alpha = b$ and $R = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$.