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Summary

Prior knowledge check

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- 1** Sketch the graph of $y = \sin x$ for $-180^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$. Use your sketch to solve, for the given interval, the equations:

a $\sin x = 0.8$ **b** $\sin x = -0.4$

← Year 1, Chapter 10

- 2** Prove that $\frac{1}{\sin x \cos x} - \frac{1}{\tan x} = \tan x$

← Year 1, Chapter 10

- 3** Find all the solutions in the interval $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$ to the equation $3 \sin^2(2x) = 1$.

← Section 5.5

Trigonometric functions can be used to model oscillations and resonance in bridges. You will use the functions in this chapter together with differentiation and integration in chapters 9 and 12.

6.1) Secant, cosecant and cotangent

Reciprocal Trigonometric Functions



() brackets not required here but can be used

$$\sec(x) = \frac{1}{\cos(x)}$$

Short for "secant"

$$\operatorname{cosec}(x) = \frac{1}{\sin(x)}$$

Short for "cosecant"

$$\cot(x) = \frac{1}{\tan(x)} \text{ or } \frac{\cos(x)}{\sin(x)}$$

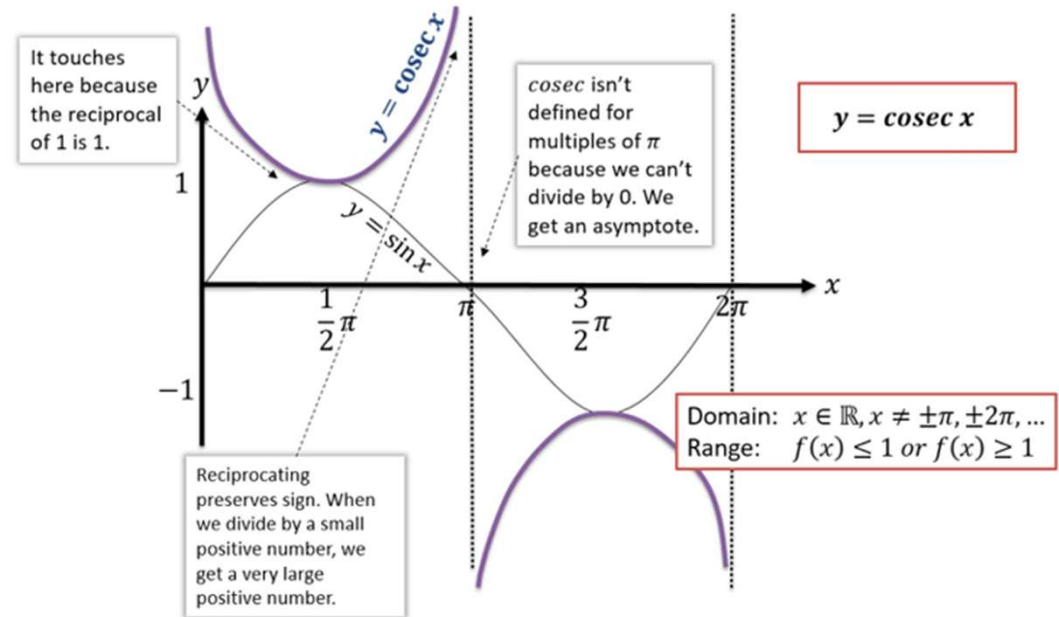
Short for "cotangent"

We typically use this version instead of $\frac{1}{\tan x}$ when doing proof questions.

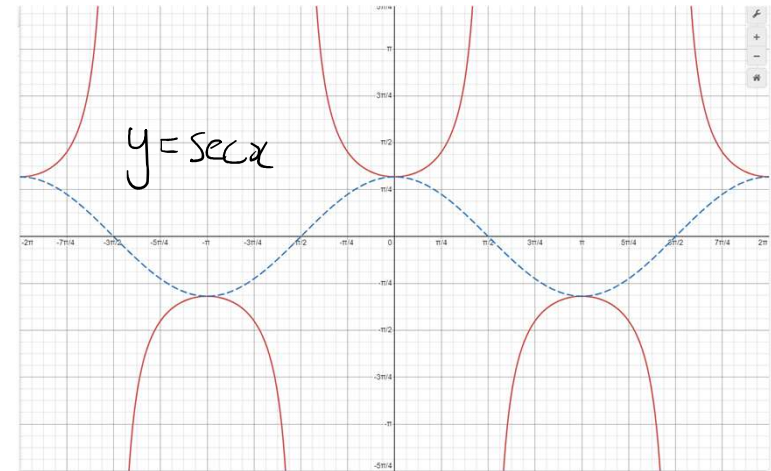
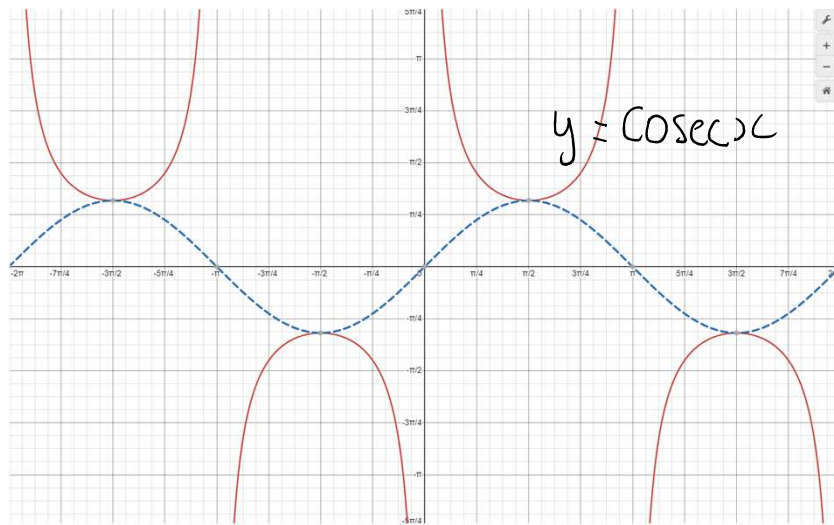
Tip: To remember these, look at the **3rd letter**: *sec*'s 3rd is 'c' so it's 1 over **cos**.

Sketches

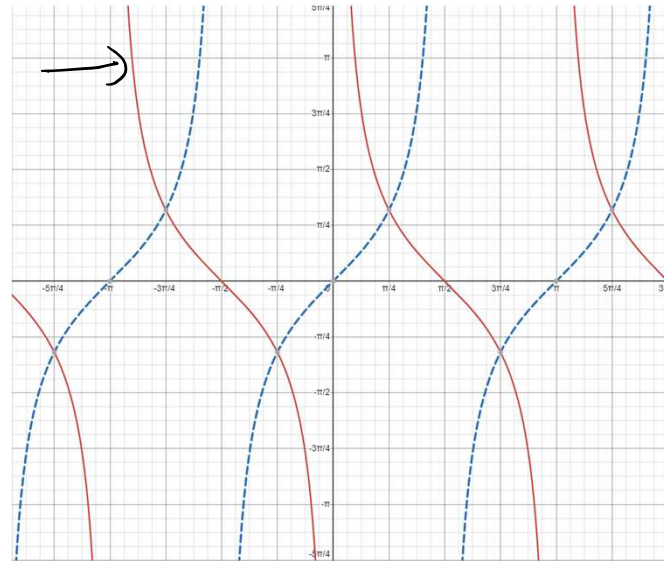
To draw a graph of $y = \operatorname{cosec} x$, start with a graph of $y = \sin x$, then consider what happens when we reciprocate each y value.



Graphs



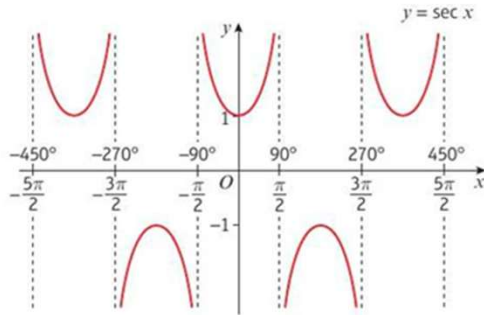
$y = \cot x$



Notes

6.2) Graphs of $\sec x$, $\operatorname{cosec} x$ and $\cot x$

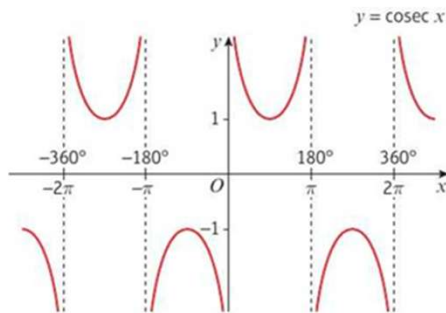
- The graph of $y = \sec x$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, has symmetry in the y -axis and has period 360° or 2π radians. It has vertical asymptotes at all the values of x for which $\cos x = 0$.



Notation The domain can also be given as $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq \frac{(2n+1)\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$.
 $\mathbb{Z}$ is the symbol used for **integers**, i.e. positive and negative whole numbers including 0.

- The domain of $y = \sec x$ is $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 90^\circ, 270^\circ, 450^\circ, \dots$ or any odd multiple of 90°
- In radians the domain is $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{2}, \dots$ or any odd multiple of $\frac{\pi}{2}$
- The range of $y = \sec x$ is $y \leq -1$ or $y \geq 1$

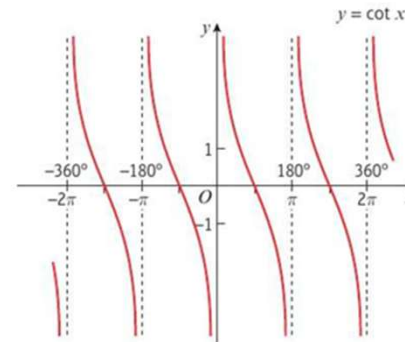
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- The domain of $y = \operatorname{cosec} x$ is $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0^\circ, 180^\circ, 360^\circ, \dots$ or any multiple of 180°
- In radians the domain is $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0, \pi, 2\pi, \dots$ or any multiple of π
- The range of $y = \operatorname{cosec} x$ is $y \leq -1$ or $y \geq 1$

- The graph of $y = \cot x$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, has period 180° or π radians. It has vertical asymptotes at all the values of x for which $\tan x = 0$.



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- The range of $y = \cot x$ is $y \in \mathbb{R}$

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Worked Example

Sketch the graph in the interval $-2\pi \leq x \leq 2\pi$:

$$y = \operatorname{cosec} \left(x + \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$$

$$y = \cot \left(x - \frac{\pi}{3} \right)$$

Worked Example

Sketch the graph in the interval $-2\pi \leq x \leq 2\pi$:

$$y = 2\operatorname{cosec} x$$

$$y = 3\cot x$$

Worked Example

Sketch the graph in the interval $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$:

$$y = 6 + \operatorname{cosec} 4x$$

$$y = \cot 3x - 5$$

Worked Example

State the range of:

$$y = \operatorname{cosec} x, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$y = \cot x, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Worked Example

Find the range of values of k for which $2 + 7 \sec x = k$ has no solutions.

Find the range of values of k for which $3 \operatorname{cosec} x - 5 = k$ has no solutions

Worked Example

Find the maximum and minimum of the graph, stating the smallest positive values of θ at which they occur:

$$y = \frac{1}{2 + 3 \sec \theta}$$

6.3) Using $\sec x$, $\operatorname{cosec} x$ and $\cot x$

Using $\sec$, cosec , $\cot$ - proving identities

Questions in the exam usually come in two types: (a) 'prove' questions requiring to prove some identity and (b) 'solve' questions.

Tip 1: Get everything in terms of $\sin$ and $\cos$ first (using $\cot x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$ rather than $\cot x = \frac{1}{\tan x}$)

Tip 2: Whenever you have algebraic fractions being added/subtracted, whether $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}$ or $\frac{a}{b} + c$, combine them into one (as we can typically then use $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$)

Worked Example

Simplify:

$$\sin \theta \cos \theta (\operatorname{cosec} \theta - \sec \theta)$$

Simplify:

$$\cos \theta \tan \theta \operatorname{cosec} \theta$$

Worked Example

Prove that:

$$\frac{\tan \theta \sec \theta}{\sec^2 \theta + \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta} \equiv \sin^3 \theta$$

Worked Example

Prove that:

$$\operatorname{cosec} x - \sin x \equiv \cos x \cot x$$

Worked Example

Prove that:

$$(1 + \sin x)(\sec x - \tan x) \equiv \cos x$$

Worked Example

Solve in the interval $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$:

$$\operatorname{cosec} \theta = 1$$

Solve in the interval $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$:

$$\cot \theta = \sqrt{3}$$

Worked Example

Solve in the interval $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$:

$$\operatorname{cosec} \theta = 2$$

Solve in the interval $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$:

$$\cot \theta = -3$$

Worked Example

Solve in the interval $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$:

$$\operatorname{cosec} \theta = 0$$

Solve in the interval $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$:

$$\cot \theta = 0$$

Worked Example

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

$$\operatorname{cosec} \theta = -\sqrt{2}$$

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

$$\cot \theta = -\sqrt{3}$$

Worked Example

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

$$\frac{1 - \tan x}{1 - \cot x} = 2$$

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12. In this question you must show all stages of your working.

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(a) Show that

$$\operatorname{cosec} \theta - \sin \theta \equiv \cos \theta \cot \theta \quad \theta \neq (180n)^\circ \quad n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (3)$$

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

$$\operatorname{cosec} x - \sin x = \cos x \cot(3x - 50^\circ) \quad (5)$$

Your Turn

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(a) Show that

$$\sec \theta - \cos \theta \equiv \sin \theta \tan \theta \quad \theta \neq (180n)^\circ \quad n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (3)$$

(b) Hence, or otherwise, solve for $0 < x \leq 360^\circ$

$$\sec x - \cos x = \sin x \tan (2x - 30^\circ) \quad (5)$$

(Total for Question 12 is 8 marks)

6.4) Trigonometric identities

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

There are just two new identities you need to know:

Dividing by $\cos^2 x$:

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

Dividing by $\sin^2 x$:

$$1 + \cot^2 x = \operatorname{cosec}^2 x$$

"Prove that $1 + \tan^2 x \equiv \sec^2 x$."

$$\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x \equiv 1$$

$$\frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} + \frac{\cos^2 x}{\cos^2 x} \equiv \frac{1}{\cos^2 x}$$

$$\tan^2 x + 1 \equiv \sec^2 x$$

Fro Tip: I used to misremember this as " $1 + \sec^2 x = \tan^2 x$ ". Then I imagined the Queen coming back from holiday, saying "One is tanned", i.e. the 1 goes with the $\tan^2 x$.

Fro Tip: I remember this one by starting with the above, and slapping 'co' on front of each trig function.

Fro Tip: This has been asked in an exam before! You must explicitly show each term being divided by $\cos^2 x$.

Notes

Worked Example

Prove that:

$$\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta \equiv \cos^2 \theta (1 + \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta)$$

Worked Example

Prove that:

$$\sec^4 \theta - \tan^4 \theta = \frac{1 + \sin^2 \theta}{1 - \sin^2 \theta}$$

Worked Example

Given that $\tan A = -\frac{3}{4}$ and angle A is obtuse, find the exact values of $\sec A$ and $\sin A$

Worked Example

Given that $\cos A = \frac{3}{5}$ and angle A is reflex, find the exact values of $\tan A$ and $\operatorname{cosec} A$

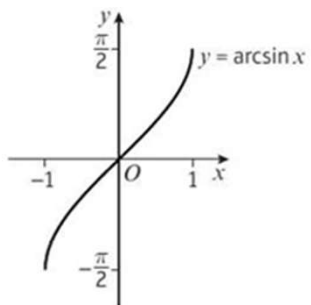
Worked Example

Given that $x = \operatorname{cosec} \theta + \cot \theta$, express in its simplest form:

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2$$

6.5) Inverse trigonometric functions

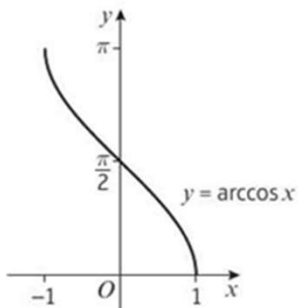
■ The inverse function of $\sin x$ is called $\arcsin x$.



Hint The $\sin^{-1}$ function on your calculator will give principal values in the same range as $\arcsin$.

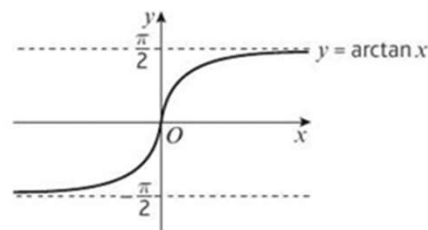
- The domain of $y = \arcsin x$ is $-1 \leq x \leq 1$.
- The range of $y = \arcsin x$ is $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \arcsin x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ or $-90^\circ \leq \arcsin x \leq 90^\circ$.

■ The inverse function of $\cos x$ is called $\arccos x$.



- The domain of $y = \arccos x$ is $-1 \leq x \leq 1$.
- The range of $y = \arccos x$ is $0 \leq \arccos x \leq \pi$ or $0^\circ \leq \arccos x \leq 180^\circ$.

■ The inverse function of $\tan x$ is called $\arctan x$.

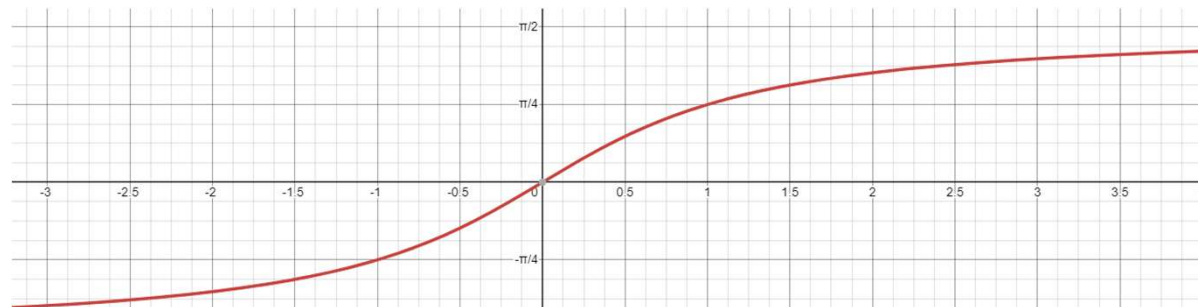
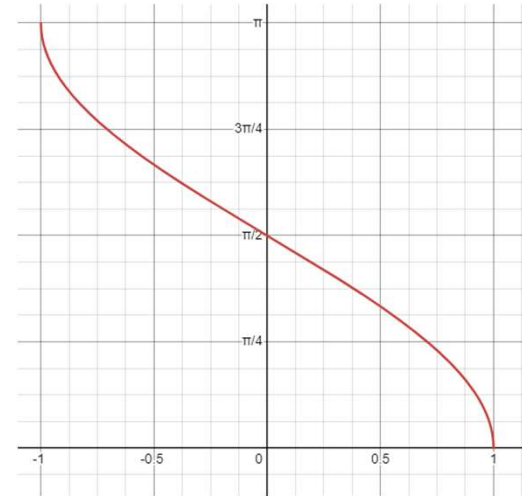
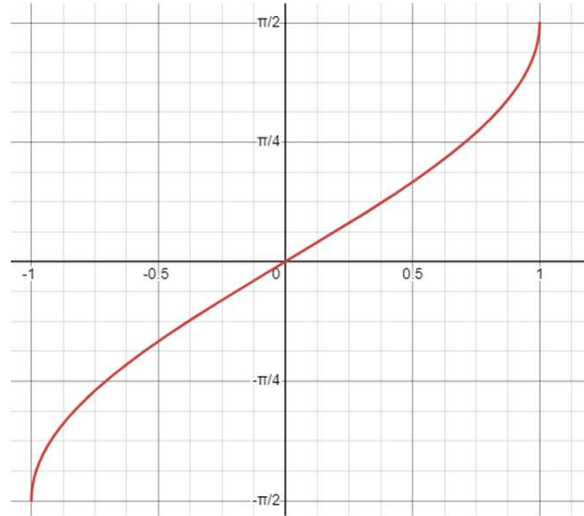


Watch out Unlike $\arcsin x$ and $\arccos x$, the function $\arctan x$ is defined for all real values of x .

- The domain of $y = \arctan x$ is $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
- The range of $y = \arctan x$ is $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \arctan x < \frac{\pi}{2}$ or $-90^\circ < \arctan x < 90^\circ$.

Graphs

Fully label:



Worked Example

Work out, in radians, the values of:

a) $\arcsin\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)$

b) $\arccos(1)$

c) $\arctan(-\sqrt{3})$

Worked Example

Given that $y = \arcsin x$, $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ and $0 \leq y \leq \pi$,

- a) Express $\arccos x$ in terms of y
- b) Hence evaluate $\arcsin x - \arccos x$

Worked Example

Prove that for $0 \leq x \leq 1$, $\arcsin x = \arccos \sqrt{1 - x^2}$ and give a reason why this result is not true for $-1 \leq x \leq 0$

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

A2 2020 Paper 1

Trig – sec, cosec, cot

12.

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

$$\operatorname{cosec} x - \sin x = \cos x \cot(3x - 50^\circ) \quad (5)$$



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

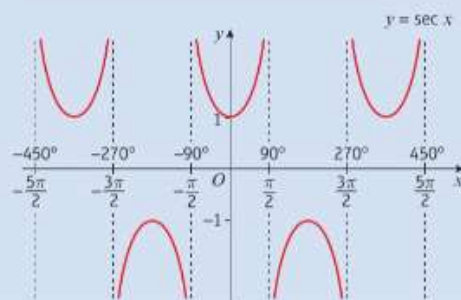
		(8 marks)	
(p)	Dequces $x = 20^\circ$	B1	3.5a
	$x = 112^\circ$	A1	1.1P
	Also $\cot x = \cot(3x - 20^\circ) \Rightarrow x + 180^\circ = 3x - 20^\circ$	M1	3.1
	$x = 52^\circ$	A1	1.1P
	$\cot x = \cot(3x - 20^\circ) \Rightarrow x = 3x - 20^\circ$	M1	3.1a
	$\Rightarrow \cot x \cot x = \cot x \cot(3x - 20^\circ)$ $\operatorname{cosec} x - \sin x = \cos x \cot(3x - 20^\circ)$		
15 (a)	$\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \cos \theta \times \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \cos \theta \cot \theta$	A1*	3.1
	$\operatorname{cosec} \theta - \sin \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{1} - \sin \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{1 - \sin^2 \theta}$	M1	3.1
	$\operatorname{cosec} \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{1}$	B1	1.5
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Summary of Key Points

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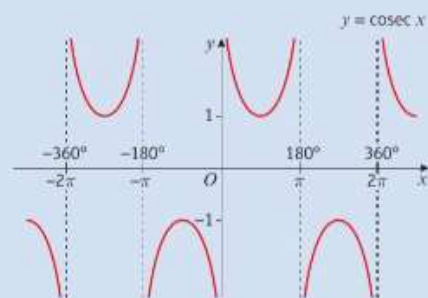
- $\sec x = \frac{1}{\cos x}$ (undefined for values of x for which $\cos x = 0$)
 - $\operatorname{cosec} x = \frac{1}{\sin x}$ (undefined for values of x for which $\sin x = 0$)
 - $\cot x = \frac{1}{\tan x}$ (undefined for values of x for which $\tan x = 0$)
 - $\cot x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$

- The graph of $y = \sec x$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, has symmetry in the y -axis and has period 360° or 2π radians. It has vertical asymptotes at all the values of x for which $\cos x = 0$.



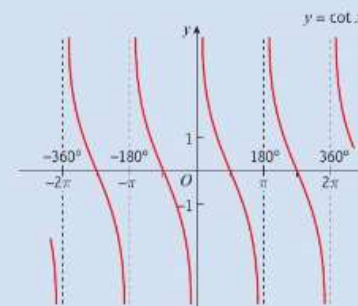
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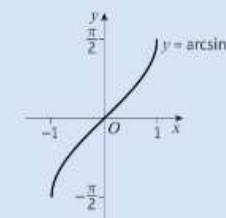
- $\sec x = k$ and $\operatorname{cosec} x = k$ have no solutions for $-1 < k < 1$.

- You can use the identity $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x \equiv 1$ to prove the following identities:

- $1 + \tan^2 x \equiv \sec^2 x$
- $1 + \cot^2 x \equiv \operatorname{cosec}^2 x$

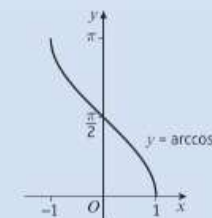
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