

**Grade 12  
Pre-Calculus Mathematics  
[MPC40S]**

**Chapter 4**

**Trigonometry and  
the Unit Circle**

**Outcomes**

**T1, T2, T3, T5**

- 12P.T.1. Demonstrate an understanding of angles in standard position expressed in degrees and radians.
- 12P.T.2. Develop and apply the equation of the unit circle.
- 12P.T.3. Solve Problems, using the six trigonometric ratios for angles expressed in radians and degrees.
- 12P.T.5. Solve, algebraically and graphically, first and second-degree trigonometric equations with the domain expressed in degrees and radians.

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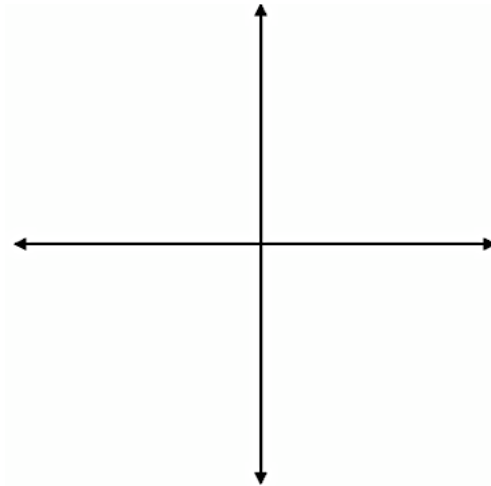


## Chapter 4: TRIGONOMETRY AND THE UNIT CIRCLE

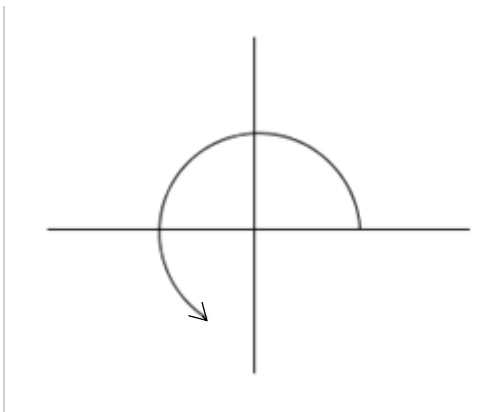
### 4.1 – Angles and Angle Measure

An \_\_\_\_\_ has its centre at the origin and its initial arm along the positive x-axis

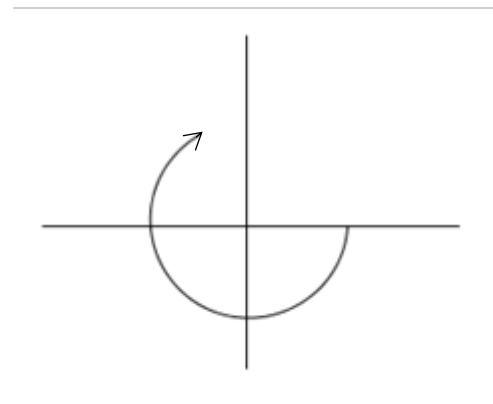
There are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ angles.



**Positive Angles**  
(Counter-clockwise)



**Negative Angles**  
(Clockwise)



**Example #1**

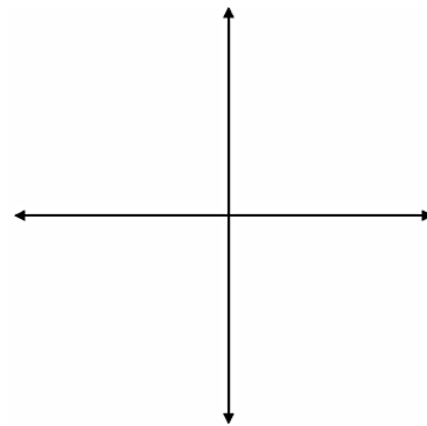
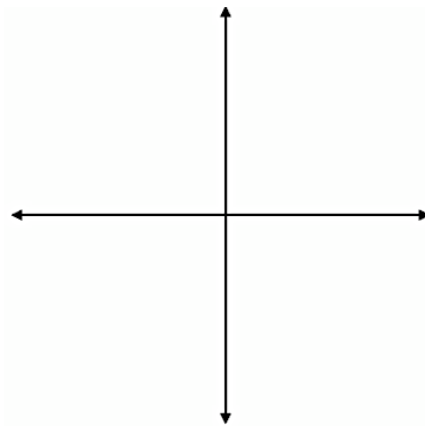
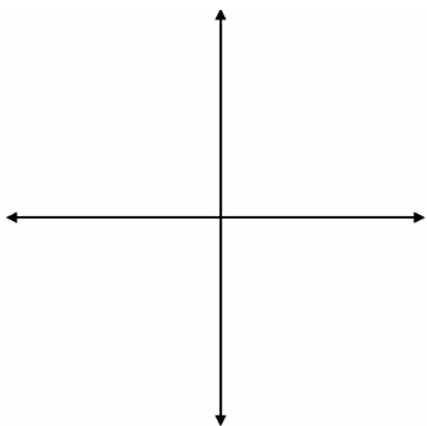
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In which **quadrant** is the terminal arm of each angle located?

a)  $400^\circ$  \_\_\_\_\_b)  $700^\circ$  \_\_\_\_\_c)  $-65^\circ$  \_\_\_\_\_d)  $-150^\circ$  \_\_\_\_\_**Example #2**

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**Sketch** each angle in **standard position**.

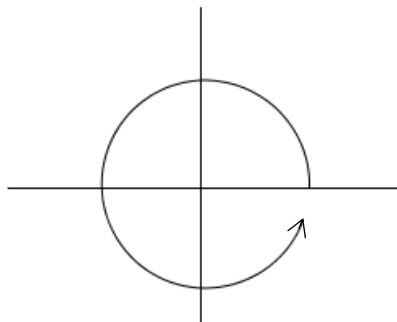
a)  $286^\circ$ b)  $-190^\circ$ c)  $430^\circ$ 

**Radian Measure of an Angle**

- The formula for the **circumference** of a circle is \_\_\_\_\_
- The **unit circle** has a radius = \_\_\_\_\_
- Therefore, the circumference of the unit circle is \_\_\_\_\_

$$2\pi = 6.283185\dots$$

This means that the distance traveled from the initial arm all around the circle and back again is 6.283185...



Revolutions	Degrees	Radian Measure	
		_____ radians	_____ radians
1 revolution		_____ radians	6.283185... radians
$\frac{1}{2}$ revolution		_____ radians	3.141592... radians
$\frac{1}{4}$ revolution		_____ radians	1.570796... radians
$\frac{3}{4}$ revolution		_____ radians	4.712388... radians
$\frac{1}{360}$ revolution		_____ radians	0.017453... radians

Note that 1 radian =  $\left(\frac{180^\circ}{\pi}\right) \approx 57.3^\circ$

**Converting Degrees to Radians:** \_\_\_\_\_**Example #3**

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Express the following angle measures in **radians**.

a)  $30^\circ$

b)  $225^\circ$

c)  $720^\circ$

**Converting Radians to Degrees:** \_\_\_\_\_**Example #4**

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Express the following angle measures in **degrees**

a)  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

b) 1.6

c)  $\frac{5\pi}{6}$



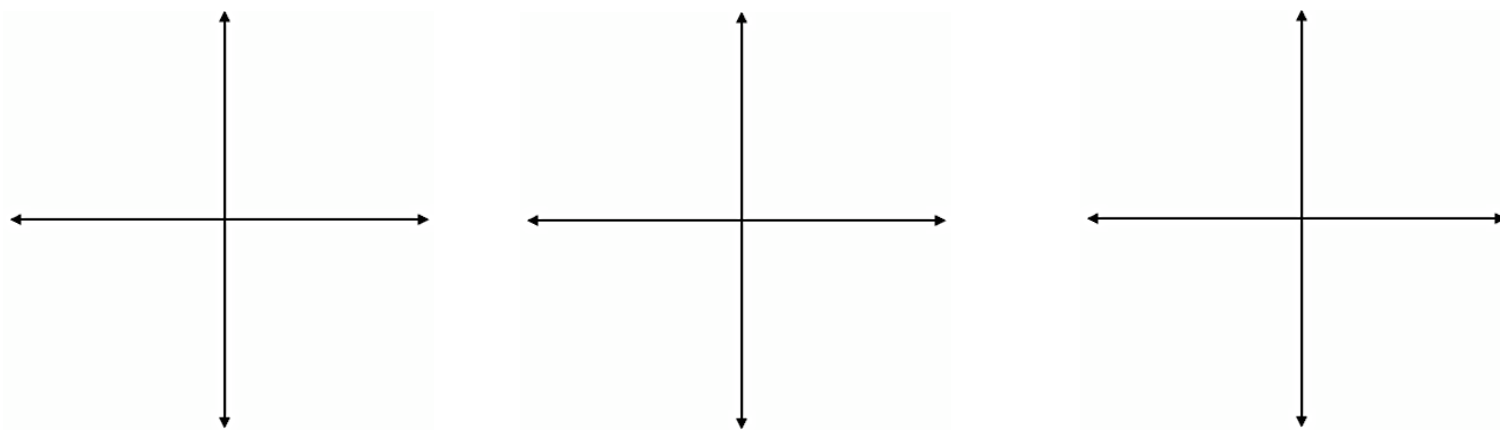
**Coterminal Angles**

Coterminal Angles are \_\_\_\_\_

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**Example #12**

Sketch  $\theta = 30^\circ$  as an angle in standard position, and show that  $\theta = 390^\circ$  and  $\theta = -330^\circ$  are **coterminal angles**.



The coterminal angle can be found by **adding** or **subtracting** revolutions; either  $\pm 360^\circ$  when given degree measure or  $\pm 2\pi$  when given radian measure. There are an infinite number of coterminal angles.

**Example #5**

Determine 3 **coterminal angles** for  $40^\circ$ .

**Example #6**

Determine 3 **coterminal angles** for  $\frac{\pi}{6}$

**General Form of Coterminal Angles**

Degrees: \_\_\_\_\_

Radians: \_\_\_\_\_

**Example #7**

Express the angles **coterminal** with  $50^\circ$  in general form.

**Example #8**

Express a general form for all **coterminal angles** of  $\frac{5\pi}{3}$

**Example #9**

Determine a **coterminal angle** to  $740^\circ$  over the interval  $-360^\circ < \theta < 0^\circ$

**Example #10**

Determine all **coterminal angles** to  $\frac{5\pi}{3}$  over the interval  $[-4\pi, 2\pi]$

**Arc Length**

The central angle is the relationship between the length of the arc and the radius of the circle.

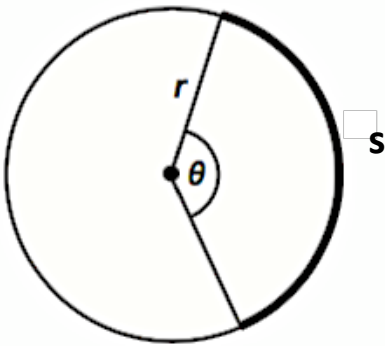
The equation that represents this relationship is:

$$S = \theta r$$

where:  $S =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$r =$  \_\_\_\_\_

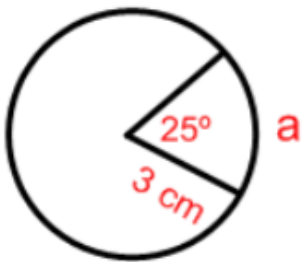
$\theta =$  \_\_\_\_\_



Note: If there is no unit attached to the angle measure (ex:  $\theta = 2.5$ ) it is assumed to be in **radians**.

**Example #11**

Determine the **arc length**.

**Example #12**

A bicycle tire has a radius of 0.5 m and travels a distance of 1.5 m. Determine the rotated angle, in degrees.

Example #13

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Given the following information determine the missing value.

a)  $r = 8.7$  cm,  $\theta = 75^\circ$  determine arc length

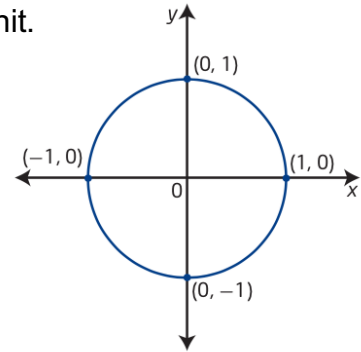
b)  $\theta = 1.8$ ,  $S = 4.7$  mm, determine the radius

c)  $r = 5$  m,  $S = 13$  m, determine the measure of the central angle

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### 4.2 – The Unit Circle

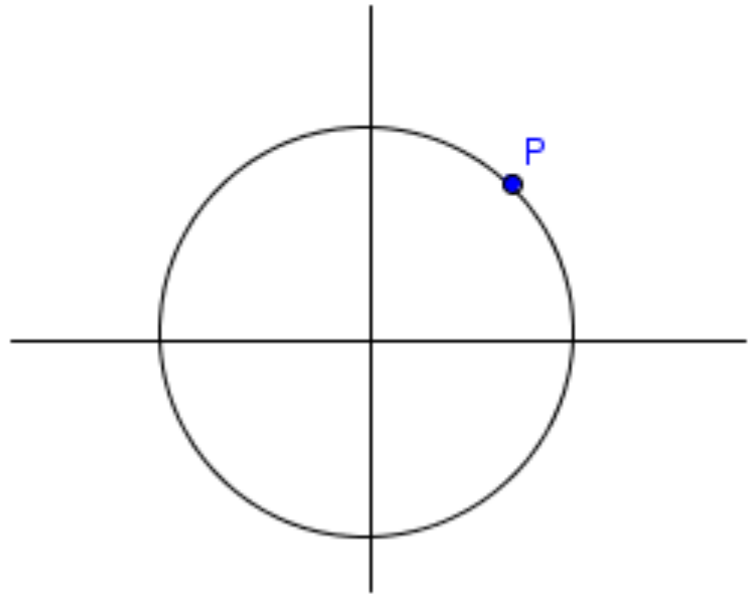
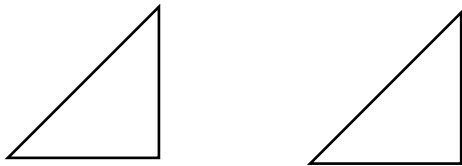
The unit circle is centered at the origin and has a radius of 1 unit.



We use the notation  $P(\theta)$  to indicate a point on the circle.

$\theta$  = arc length

$P(\theta)$  = defined by a point  $(x, y)$



Since the radius is 1, then the equation of the unit circle is  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$

Important ideas:

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**Example #1**

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Determine whether or not the point  $\left(\frac{2}{5}, \frac{3}{5}\right)$  is on the unit circle. Justify your reasoning.

**Example #2**

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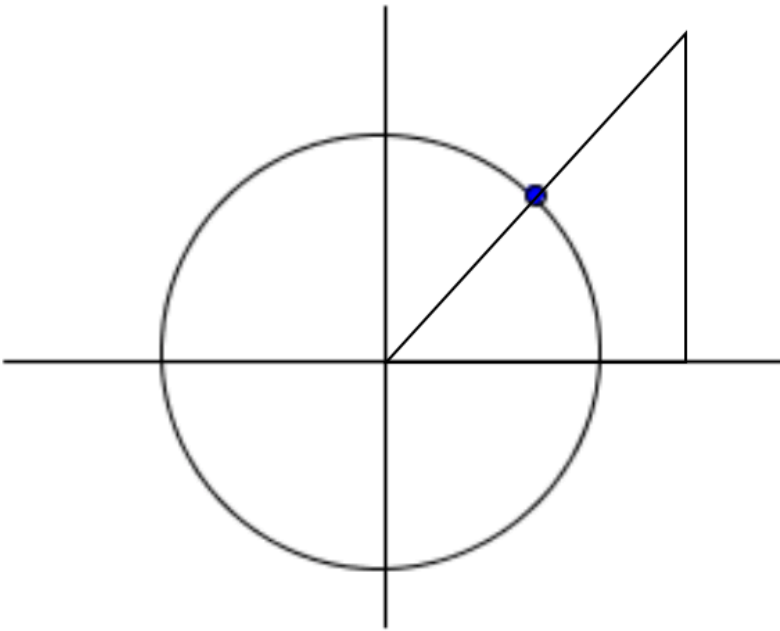
A point  $\left(\frac{2}{3}, y\right)$  is on the unit circle. Determine the value of  $y$ .

Example #3

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The point  $P(\theta)$  lies on the intersection of the unit circle and a line joining the origin to the point  $(4, 3)$ .

Determine the coordinates of  $P(\theta)$ .



**Example #4**

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The point  $P(\theta)$  lies on the intersection of the unit circle and a line joining the origin to the point  $(-3, 6)$ .

Determine the coordinates of  $P(\theta)$ .



Example #5

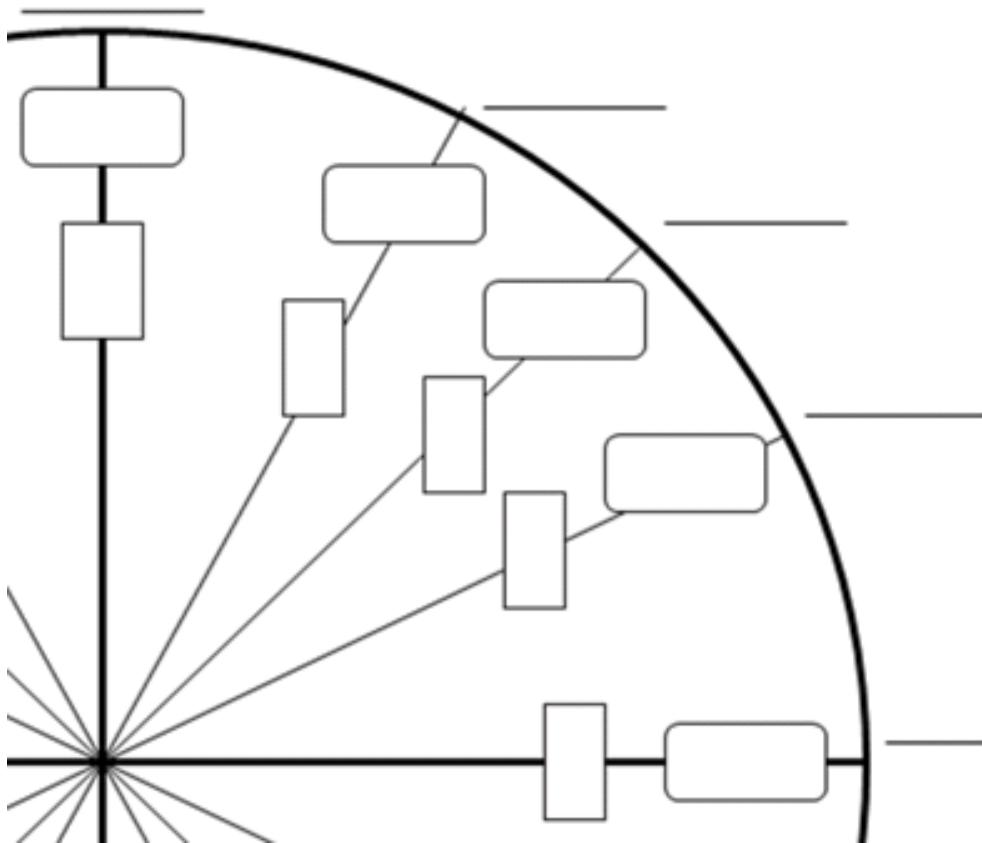
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Determine the values of  $\cos \theta$  and  $\tan \theta$  over the interval  $\frac{3\pi}{2} \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$  when  $\sin \theta = -\frac{3}{5}$ .

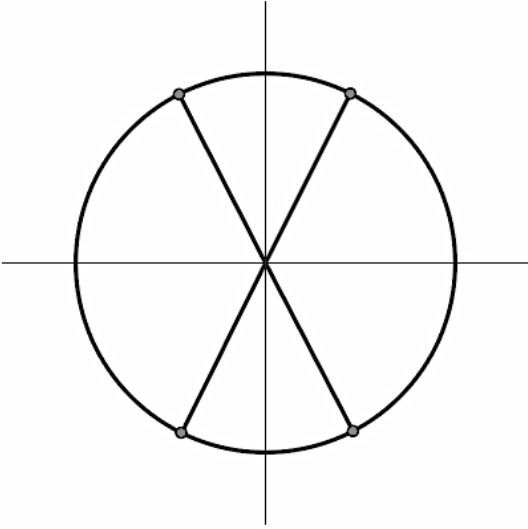


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The Unit Circle

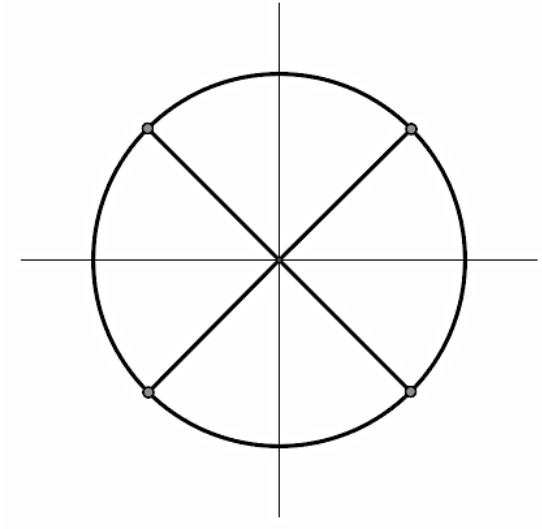
**QUADRANT 1**



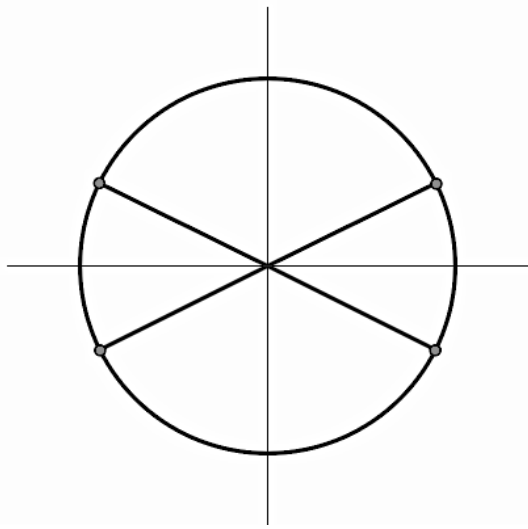
$\frac{\pi}{3}$  Family



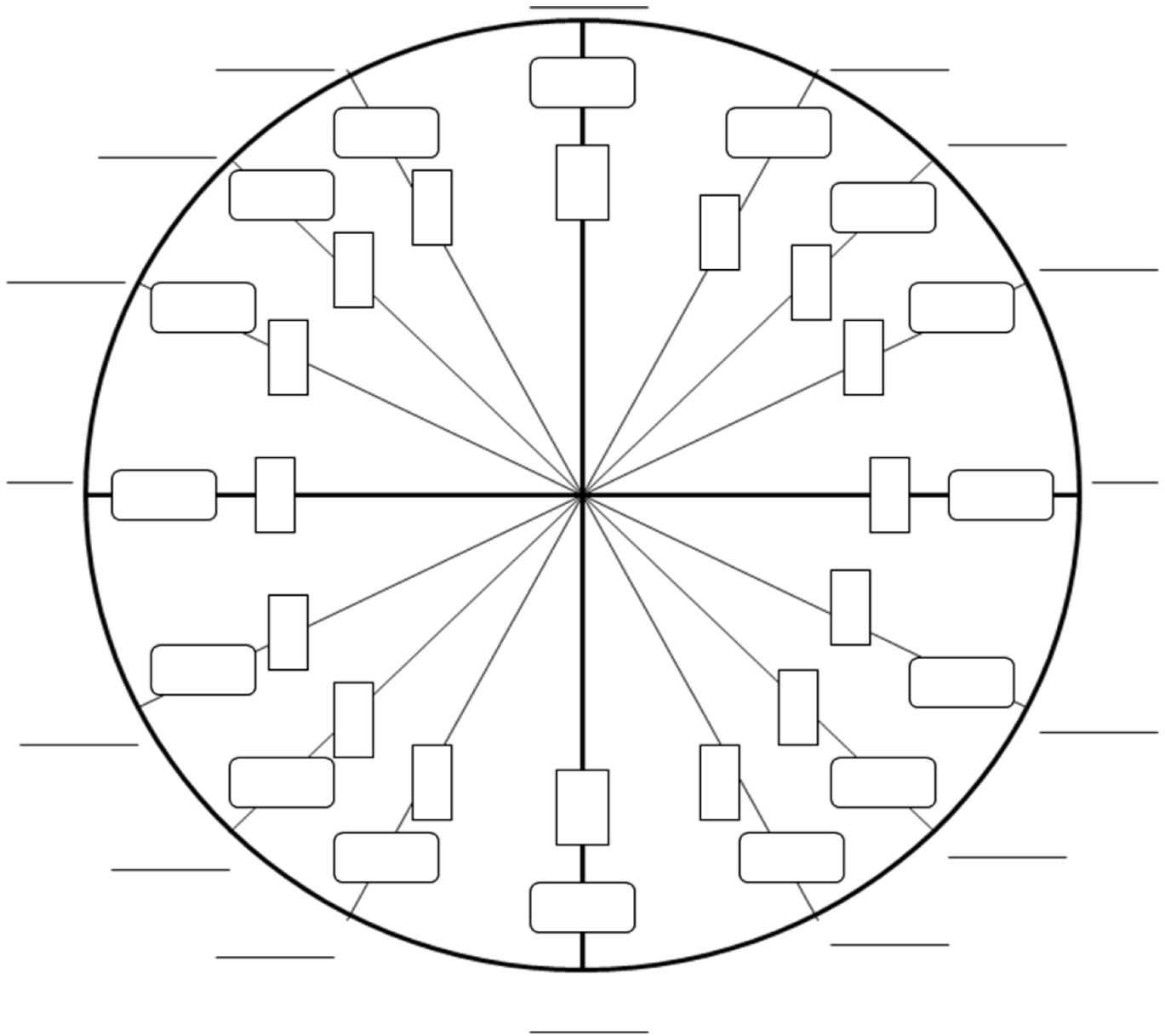
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$\frac{\pi}{6}$  Family



# THE UNIT CIRCLE

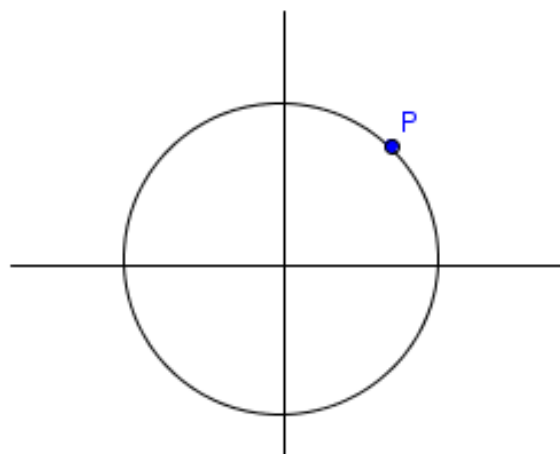
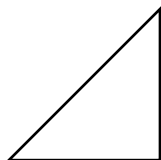




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## 4.3 – Trigonometric Ratios

Recall:

 $\theta = \text{arc length}$  $P(\theta) = \text{defined by a point } (x, y)$ 

If we use the trigonometric ratios SOH CAH TOA, then

$$\sin \theta = \frac{y}{1} \rightarrow \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{x}{1} \rightarrow \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{y}{x} \rightarrow \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Thus, any point on the unit circle can be described as:  $P(\theta) = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$ PRIMARY FUNCTIONS

$$\sin \theta = y$$

$$\cos \theta = x$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{y}{x}$$

RECIPROCAL FUNCTIONS  $\left(\frac{1}{f(x)}\right)$ 

cosecant \_\_\_\_\_

secant \_\_\_\_\_

cotangent \_\_\_\_\_

**Example #1**

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The point  $\left(\frac{5}{13}, -\frac{12}{13}\right)$  lies on the terminal arm of an angle  $\theta$  in standard position.

a) Draw a diagram to represent this situation.

b) Find all 6 trigonometric ratios for  $\theta$ .

**Example #2**

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The point  $\left(-\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right)$  lies on the terminal arm of an angle  $\theta$  in standard position.

a) Draw a diagram to represent this situation.

b) Find all 6 trigonometric ratios for  $\theta$ .



**Determining Exact Values****Example #3**

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Determine the **exact** value of the following trigonometric ratios.

a)  $\cos \frac{\pi}{3} =$

b)  $\sec \frac{\pi}{3} =$

c)  $\sin \left( -\frac{5\pi}{6} \right) =$

d)  $\cos \frac{7\pi}{4} =$

e)  $\cot(270^\circ) =$

f)  $\csc \left( \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) =$

g)  $\tan \frac{17\pi}{4} =$

h)  $\sec \frac{23\pi}{3} =$

Example #4

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Determine the **exact** value of the following expressions.

a)  $\cos(120^\circ) - \tan(-135^\circ)$

b)  $\cot\left(-\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) + \csc\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

c)  $\sin^2\left(\frac{7\pi}{6}\right) + \cos^2\left(\frac{7\pi}{6}\right)$

d)  $\tan^2\left(\frac{-\pi}{3}\right) \sec\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right)$

**Chapter 4: TRIGONOMETRY AND THE UNIT CIRCLE****4.4 – Trigonometric Equations**

We can solve trigonometric equations just like we have been solving equations from previous units.

Note: If interval/domain is given in **radians**, your answer must be in **radians**.  
If interval/domain is given in **degrees**, your answer must be in **degrees**.

**Example #1**

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**Solve** the following trigonometric equation, over the given domain.

$$\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

**Example #2**

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**Solve** the following trigonometric equations, over the given domain.

a)  $2 \cos \theta + 3 = 1, \quad 0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 540^\circ$

b)  $4 \sec x + 8 = 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$

**Example #3**

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**Solve** the following trigonometric equations, over the given intervals.

a)  $3\tan^2x - 9 = 0, \quad 0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$

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b)  $2\cos^2\theta + \cos\theta = 1, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$

**Example #4**

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**Solve** the following trigonometric equations, over the given intervals.

a)  $2\sin^2 x - 1 = \sin x, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 270^\circ$

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b)  $\sin^2 x + \sin x - 12 = 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$

**Example #5**

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**Solve** the following trigonometric equations, over the given intervals.

a)  $\csc^2 x + \csc x - 12 = 0, 0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$

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b)  $\tan^2 \theta - 5 \tan \theta + 4 = 0, -2\pi \leq x \leq 2\pi$

**Example #6**

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**Solve** the following trigonometric equations, over the given interval.

$$2\cos^2\theta - 4\cos\theta - 5 = 0, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

### General Solution of Trigonometric Equations

If the domain is **real numbers**, there are an **infinite** number of rotations on the unit circle in both a positive and negative direction.

To determine a **general solution**, find the solutions in one positive rotation. Then use the concept of coterminal angles to write an expression that identifies all possible measures.

There are different ways to request the **general solution** answers. They are:

- Domain is all real numbers
- $x \in R$  or  $\theta \in R$
- General solution

#### Example #7

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a) **Solve**  $\cot \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$  over the interval  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$

b) **Solve** the above equation if  $\theta \in R$



**Example #8**

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**Solve** each of the following trigonometric equations.

a) Solve  $\tan \theta = -4$  if the domain is all real numbers, in radians.

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b) Find the general solution of  $\cos \beta = 0$ , in degrees.

**Example #9**

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**Solve** the following trigonometric equation, where  $\theta \in R$ . (In radians)

$$2\tan^2\theta - \tan\theta - 1 = 0$$