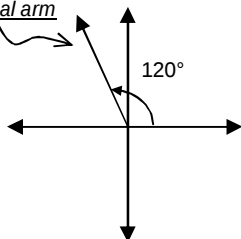


Standard Position Trigonometry Review

Standard position angle – vertex at the origin and initial arm on the positive x-axis.

ex.

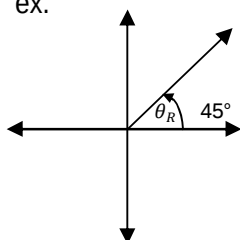
terminal arm



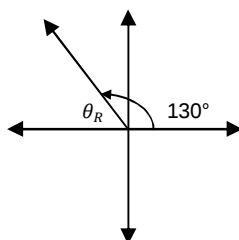
Counter clockwise rotation: positive angles

Reference angle (θ_R) – acute positive angle between the terminal arm and the x-axis.

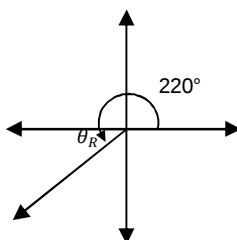
ex.



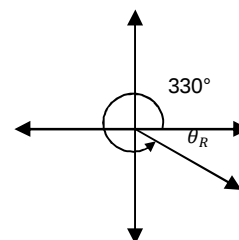
QI: $\theta_R = \theta$
 $\theta_R = 45^\circ$



QII: $\theta_R = 180^\circ - \theta$
 $\theta_R = 50^\circ$

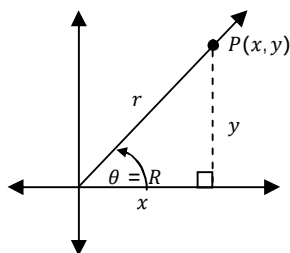


QIII: $\theta_R = \theta - 180^\circ$
 $\theta_R = 40^\circ$



QIV: $\theta_R = 360^\circ - \theta$
 $\theta_R = 30^\circ$

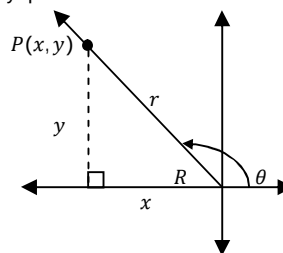
To determine trigonometric ratio values (sine, cosine, tangent) for standard position angle θ we use a point $P(x, y)$ on the terminal arm and the right triangle containing the reference angle (reference triangle).



$$r = \text{radius}$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

Can be done in any quadrant – use the reference Δ to state the ratios

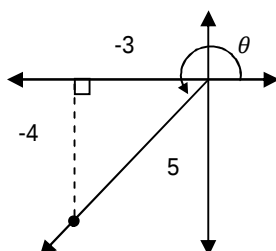


$\therefore$

$\sin \theta = \frac{y}{r}$ $\cos \theta = \frac{x}{r}$ $\tan \theta = \frac{y}{x}$

ex. The point $(-3, -4)$ lies on the terminal arm of θ in standard position. Determine the exact values (not decimal) of $\sin\theta$, $\cos\theta$, and $\tan\theta$.
Note: **NOT** finding θ !

Draw a sketch (not to scale):



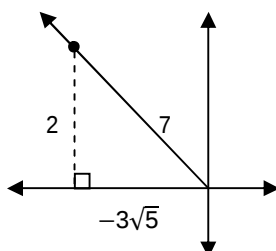
*label sides as negative when labelling sides on the negative axis but r is always positive

$$\begin{aligned} r &= \sqrt{(-3)^2 + (-4)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{9 + 16} \\ &= \sqrt{25} = 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \quad \boxed{\sin\theta = \frac{-4}{5} \quad \cos\theta = \frac{-3}{5} \quad \tan\theta = \frac{4}{3}}$$

ex. If θ is in quadrant II and $\sin\theta = \frac{2}{7}$ determine the exact values of $\cos\theta$, and $\tan\theta$.

Draw a sketch (not to scale):



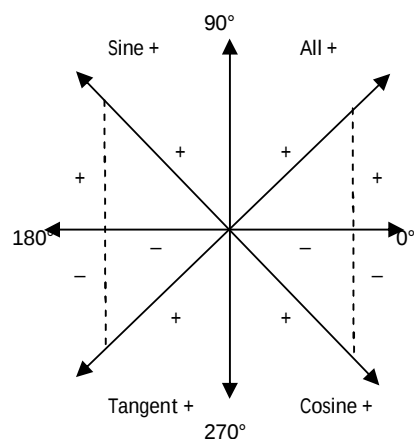
since $\sin\theta = \frac{2}{7}$ we know that $y = 2$ and $r = 7$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= -\sqrt{(7)^2 - (2)^2} \quad \text{*will be negative due to its position} \\ &= -\sqrt{45} \\ &= -\sqrt{9 \cdot 5} = -3\sqrt{5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \quad \boxed{\cos\theta = \frac{-3\sqrt{5}}{7} \quad \tan\theta = \frac{-2}{3\sqrt{5}}} \quad \text{*don't place negatives in the denominator}$$

Due to the positive and negative values that occur in the reference triangles, trig ratio values can be positive or negative depending on what quadrant you are in.

Identify which ratios are positive in which quadrants: (consider all 4 possible reference triangles, one per quadrant)



All Soup Turns Cold or All Students Take Calculus

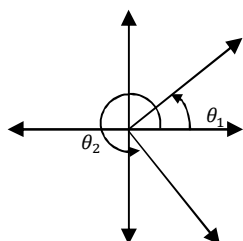
Solving for angles in standard position.

ex. Solve to the nearest degree: $\cos \theta = 0.3156$; $0 \leq \theta < 360^\circ$

*common restriction – without restriction there would be infinite solutions

since cosine is positive the solutions are in quadrants I and IV (recall All Soup Turns Cold)

sketch to remind us where the solutions are help us find them



The two solutions share the same reference angle.

$$\text{Find } \theta_R: \theta_R = \cos^{-1} 0.3156$$

$$\theta_R = 72^\circ$$

$$\therefore \theta_1 = 72^\circ \quad \theta_2 = 360 - 72 = 288^\circ$$

$$\theta = 72^\circ \text{ or } 288^\circ$$

In general:

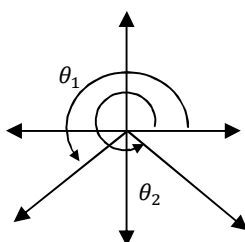
$$\text{QI} \quad \theta = \theta_R$$

$$\text{QII} \quad \theta = 180^\circ - \theta_R$$

$$\text{QIII} \quad \theta = 180^\circ + \theta_R$$

$$\text{QIV} \quad \theta = 360^\circ - \theta_R$$

ex. solve to the nearest tenth: $\sin \theta = -0.8971$; $0 \leq \theta < 360^\circ$



↑
sine negative
QIII & IV

$$\theta_R = \sin^{-1} 0.8971$$

↑
do **NOT** put any negatives in when identifying the reference angle!

$$\theta_R = 63.8^\circ$$

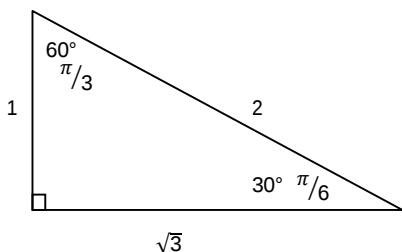
$$\therefore \theta_1 = 180 + 63.8 \quad \theta_2 = 360 - 63.8$$

$$\theta = 243.8^\circ \text{ or } 296.2^\circ$$

Special triangles (for exact value ratios):

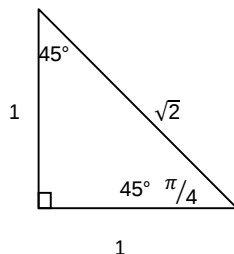
$$30^\circ - 60^\circ - 90^\circ$$

$$\pi/6 - \pi/3 - \pi/2$$



$$45^\circ - 45^\circ - 90^\circ$$

$$\pi/4 - \pi/4 - \pi/2$$

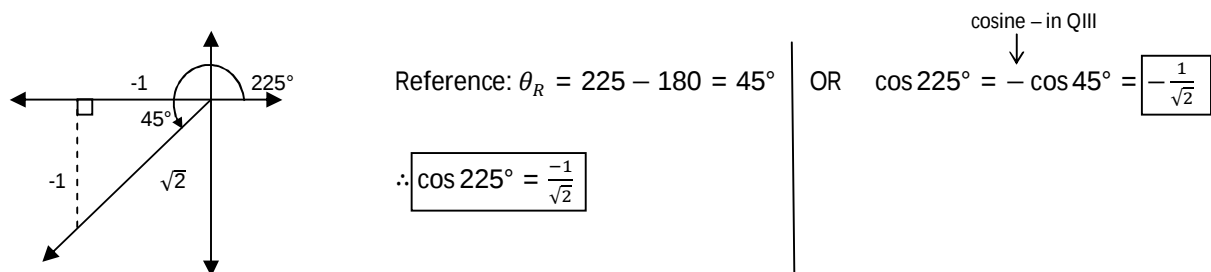


These triangles allow us to produce exact values for all the trig ratios involving 30° , 60° or 45° :

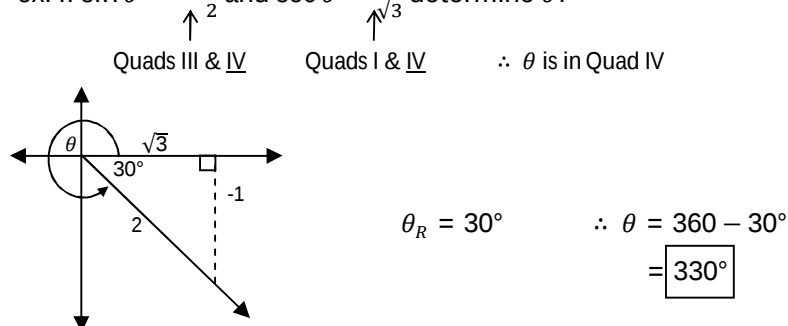
	30°	45°	60°
$\sin \theta$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$
$\cos \theta$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
$\tan \theta$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	1	$\sqrt{3}$

Can also state the exact trig ratios of angles whose reference angle is one of these special angles.

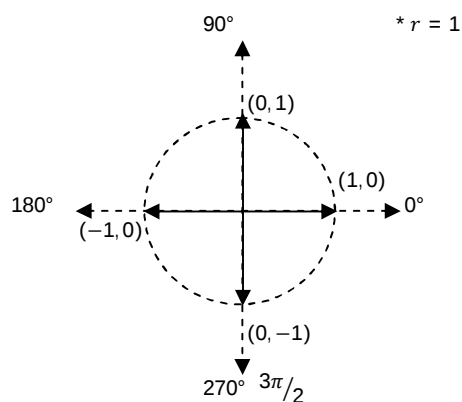
ex. Determine $\cos 225^\circ$



ex. If $\sin \theta = -\frac{1}{2}$ and $\sec \theta = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$ determine θ .



We can also determine exact values for standard position angles whose terminal arms lie on the axis (ie. 0° , 90° , 180° , 270° , 360° , etc ...) by using a unit circle (terminal arm length $r = 1$).



recall: $\sin \theta = \frac{y}{r}$ $\cos \theta = \frac{x}{r}$ $\tan \theta = \frac{y}{x}$

	0°	90°	180°	270°
$\sin \theta$	$\frac{0}{1} = 0$	$\frac{1}{1} = 1$	$\frac{0}{1} = 0$	$\frac{-1}{1} = -1$
$\cos \theta$	$\frac{1}{1} = 1$	$\frac{0}{1} = 0$	$\frac{-1}{1} = -1$	$\frac{0}{1} = 0$
$\tan \theta$	$\frac{0}{1} = 0$	$\frac{1}{0} = \infty$	$\frac{0}{-1} = 0$	$\frac{-1}{0} = \infty$

Note: ∞ = undefined