## Math 1210-23 <br> Notes of $1 / 17 / 24$

- Today is a review of trigonometric functions and polynomials.


## Trigonometric Functions

- Trigonometry is the mathematics of angles.
- angles are measured counterclockwise along the unit circle (radius 1 centered at the origin) starting at the $x$-axis.
- The coordinates of a point on the circle are the cosine and sine of the angle, respectively.

- If the angle is between 0 and $\pi / 2$ we can compute the trig functions by considering a right triangle.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { sin }=\frac{\text { opp }}{\text { hyp }} \\
& \text { cadi os t }=\frac{\text { adj }}{\text { hyp }} \\
& \text { ant }=\frac{\text { opp }}{\text { adj }}=\frac{\sin t}{\cos t}
\end{aligned}
$$




Figure 1. Angles. $2 \pi=360^{\circ}$.

- from http://criselportfolio20122013.weebly.com/trigonometry.html
- The unit circle is the circle of radius 1 centered at the origin.
- Definition of sine and cosine: If $(x, y)$ is a point on the unit circle, corresponding to an angle $t$, then

$$
x=\cos t \quad \text { and } \quad y=\sin t
$$

- More notation:

$$
\sin (t)=\sin t
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\sin t & =\sin (t) \\
\sin ^{2} t & =(\sin t)^{2} \longleftarrow \\
\sin t^{2} & =\sin \left(t^{2}\right) \\
\cos t & =\cos (t) \\
\cos ^{2} t & =(\cos t)^{2} \\
\cos t^{2} & =\cos \left(t^{2}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

- For examplesin $t+c$ is ambiguous and should be written as $\sin (t+c)$ or $c+\sin t$.

$$
(\sin t)+C
$$

- Some immediate consequences of the definition:

$$
\sin ^{2} t+\cos ^{2} t=1
$$

because on the unit circle $x^{2}+y^{2}=1$
$\sin (t+2 \pi)=\sin t$
$\cos (t+2 \pi)=\cos t$
$2 \pi$ periodicity

- Less obvious consequences

$$
\begin{aligned}
\cos t= & \sin \left(t+\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \\
\sin t= & \cos \left(t-\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \\
& \sin \text { lags } \cos \text { by } \frac{\pi}{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

- 4 more trigonometric functions are defined by

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\tan t=\frac{\sin t}{\cos t} & \operatorname{tangent} \\
\cot t= & \cos t \\
\sec t= & \frac{1}{\sin t} \\
\csc t & \text { secant } \\
\frac{1}{\cos t} & \operatorname{cosecant}
\end{array}
$$

- We usually only use sine, cosine, and tangent.


Figure 2. Graphs of $\sin , \cos , \tan , \mathrm{x}$.

- Note that the tangent function is $\pi$-periodic (not just $2 \pi$-periodic)
- Also note that the functions $x, \sin x$, and $\tan x$ are all tangent at the origin. This is no coincidence!


## Trigonometric Identities

- There is a host of them. We'll use some of them occasionally in this class.
- Here is a partial list:

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\begin{aligned}
\sin (x+y) & =\sin x \cos y+\cos x \sin y \\
\cos (x+y) & =\cos x \cos y-\sin x \sin y \\
\tan (x+y) & =\frac{\tan x+\tan y}{1-\tan x \tan y} \\
\sin 2 x & =2 \sin x \cos x \\
\cos 2 x & =\cos ^{2} x-\sin ^{2} x \\
\sin \left(\frac{x}{2}\right) & = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1-\cos x}{2}} \\
\cos \left(\frac{x}{2}\right) & = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1+\cos x}{2}}
\end{aligned}
$$

Do not attempt to memorize those formulas!
On the other hand, it should be obvious that

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

$$
f(g(x))=x
$$

## "Inverse" Trig Functions

- major fact: Trig functions are not invertible.
- This is because for any value of a trigonometric function

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \sin ^{-1} \\
& \arcsin ^{\operatorname{arin}} \\
& \operatorname{asin} \\
& \arcsin (\sin x)=f
\end{aligned}
$$ there are infinitely many angles that give rise to that value of the trig function.

- The trig functions fail the horizontal line test because of their periodicity.
- However, one can define functions such that

- For example:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\arcsin \sin (2 \pi) & =0 \\
\arccos \cos (-\pi) & =\pi \\
\arctan \tan 2.0 & \approx-1.141592
\end{aligned}
$$




Polynomials

- A function $P$ is a polynomial (in $x$ ) if it can be written as

$$
P(x)=\sum_{i=0}^{n} a_{i} x^{i}=a_{n} x^{n}+a_{n-1} x^{n-1}+\ldots+a_{2} x^{2}+a_{1} x+a_{0} .
$$

- The $a_{i}$ are the coefficients of the polynomial.
- If the leading coefficient $\left(a_{n} \neq 0\right)$ then $n$ is the degree of the polynomial.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 3 x^{3}+4 x^{4}-5 \\
& \left(x^{2}+1\right)\left(x^{3}+1\right)(x+1) \\
& 72^{3} \\
& 3 \quad 2^{2} \\
& 6 \text { majority }
\end{aligned}
$$

## More Vocabulary

- Low degrees have their own names:

- The list goes on: sextic, septic, octic, nonic
- monomial: one term only.
- binomial: two terms

$$
x^{3}+x
$$

- trinomial: three terms
- constant term: $a_{0}$
- leading term: $a_{n} x^{n}$
- leading coefficient: $a_{n}$

Long Division
Example

$$
\begin{aligned}
p(x) & =2 x^{4}+3 x^{3}-4 x^{2}-5 x+1 \\
& =\left(2 x^{3}+3 x^{2}-4 x-5\right) x+1 \\
& =\left(\left(2 x^{2}+3 x-4\right) x-5\right) x+1 \\
& =(((2 x+3) x-4) x-5) x+1 \\
p(2) & =2 \cdot 2^{4}+3-8-4 \cdot 4-5 \cdot 2+1 \\
& =32+24-16-10+1 \\
& =31
\end{aligned}
$$

but also:

$$
\begin{aligned}
p(2) & =(((2 \cdot 2+3) \cdot 2-4) \cdot 2-5) x+1 \\
& =471410201530(31
\end{aligned}
$$

