

6.6

Solving Trigonometric Equations

evaluate the
expression
 $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$

versus

Solve the
equation
 $\sin x = \frac{1}{2}$

one solution;
 $\frac{\pi}{6}$

infinitely many solutions;
 $\frac{\pi}{6} + 2\pi k, k \in \mathbb{Z}$

$\frac{5\pi}{6} + 2\pi k, k \in \mathbb{Z}$

\in = "is an element of"
 \mathbb{Z} = "the set of integers"

Solve for $x \in [0, 2\pi)$.

2. $2 \sin x = \sqrt{3}$

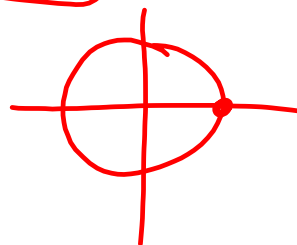
$$\sin x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

4. $\cos x - 1 = 0$

$$\cos x = 1$$

$$x = 0$$



$$6. 2 \sin x \cos x = \sqrt{3} \sin x$$

$$\frac{x^2}{x} = \frac{x}{x}$$

$$2 \sin x \cos x - \sqrt{3} \sin x = 0$$

$$x = 1$$

$$\sin x (2 \cos x - \sqrt{3}) = 0$$

$$x^2 - x = 0$$

$$\sin x = 0$$

$$x = 0, \pi$$

$$\text{or } 2 \cos x - \sqrt{3} = 0$$

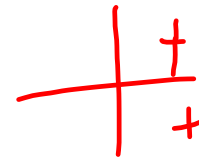
$$2 \cos x = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\cos x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$x(x-1) = 0$$

$$x = 0, x = 1$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{11\pi}{6}$$



Algebra Review

$$(x - 2)(x - 3)(x - 4) = 0$$

$$x - 2 = 0, x - 3 = 0, x - 4 = 0$$

$$x = 2, x = 3, x = 4$$

The Zero Product Property states:

If $AB = 0$, then $A = 0$ or $B = 0$.

$$x^2 = 9$$

$$x = \pm 3$$

The Square Root Theorem states:

If $[f(x)]^2 = c$, then $f(x) = \pm\sqrt{c}$

$$8. \cos^2 x - 1 = 0 \xrightarrow{\text{OR}} (\cos x - 1)(\cos x + 1) = 0$$

$$\cos^2 x = 1$$

$$\cos x = \pm 1$$

$$\cos x = 1 \quad ; \quad \cos x = -1$$

$$x = 0 \quad x = \pi$$

Let $u = \sec x$

$$10. \sec^2 x + \sqrt{3} \sec x - \sqrt{2} \sec x - \sqrt{6} = 0$$

$$\underbrace{u^2 + \sqrt{3}u} - \underbrace{\sqrt{2}u + \sqrt{6}} = 0$$

$$u(u + \sqrt{3}) - \sqrt{2}(u + \sqrt{3}) = 0$$

$$(u + \sqrt{3})(u - \sqrt{2}) = 0$$

$$(\sec x + \sqrt{3})(\sec x - \sqrt{2}) = 0$$

$$\sec x = -\sqrt{3}$$

$$\sec x = \sqrt{2}$$

$$x = \sec^{-1}(-\sqrt{3})$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}$$

$$14. 2 \cos^2 x + 1 = -3 \cos x$$

$$2 \cos^2 x + 3 \cos x + 1 = 0$$

Let $u = \cos x$

$$2u^2 + 3u + 1 = 0$$

$$(2u + 1)(u + 1) = 0$$

$$(2 \cos x + 1)(\cos x + 1) = 0$$

$$2 \cos x + 1 = 0$$

$$\cos x + 1 = 0$$

$$\cos x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\cos x = -1$$

$$x = \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{4\pi}{3}$$

$$x = \pi$$

$$18. 4 \cos^3 x = 3 \cos x$$

$$4 \cos^3 x - 3 \cos x = 0$$

$$\cos x (4 \cos^2 x - 3) = 0$$

$$\cos x = 0$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

$$4 \cos^2 x - 3 = 0$$

$$\cos^2 x = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\cos x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{7\pi}{6}, \frac{11\pi}{6}$$

$$20. \tan^2 x + \tan x - \sqrt{3} = \sqrt{3} \tan x$$

$$\tan^2 x + \tan x - \sqrt{3} \tan x - \sqrt{3} = 0$$

$$\tan x (\tan x + 1) - \sqrt{3} (\tan x + 1) = 0$$

$$(\tan x + 1) (\tan x - \sqrt{3}) = 0$$

$$\tan x = -1 \quad \tan x = \sqrt{3}$$

$$x = \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{4\pi}{3}$$

$$22. \cos^4 x = \cos^2 x$$

$$\cos^4 x - \cos^2 x = 0$$

$$\cos^2 x (\cos^2 x - 1) = 0$$

$$\cos^2 x = 0$$

$$\cos x = 0$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

$$\cos^2 x = 1$$

$$\cos x = \pm 1$$

$$x = 0, \pi$$

New Directions: Find ALL the solutions (not just in $[0, 2\pi)$)

$$62. \sec 3x - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} = 0$$

$$\sec 3x = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$\sec(3x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$3x = \frac{\pi}{6} + 2\pi k; 3x = \frac{11\pi}{6} + 2\pi k$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{18} + \frac{2\pi}{3}k; x = \frac{11\pi}{18} + \frac{2\pi}{3}k$$

$$68. \cos\left(2x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$2x - \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{3\pi}{4} + 2\pi k, \quad 2x - \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{5\pi}{4} + 2\pi k$$

$$2x = \pi + 2\pi k$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi k$$

$$2x = \frac{3\pi}{2} + 2\pi k$$

$$x = \frac{3\pi}{4} + \pi k$$

Homework for Test #3:

Homework #6 (submitted Wed. 01/15)

- 6.1 #1-69 odd (proofs)
- 6.2 #1-41 odd
- 6.3 #1-24 all; 30-36 all; 49-93 odd

Homework #7 (due Wednesday?)

- 6.5 #1-24 **all**; 25-55 odd
- 6.6 #1-21 odd - finding solutions between 0 and 2π
- 6.6 #61-69 odd - finding all possible solutions ($+2\pi \cdot k$)

Test #3 - Thursday 01/23?