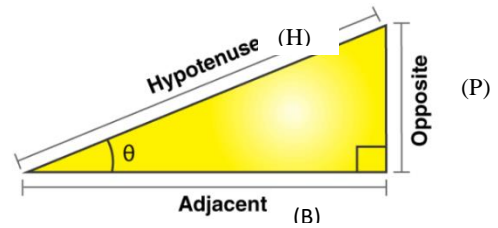


PROBLEMS BASED ON TRIGONOMETRIC RATIOS

Let's Recall

Six trigonometric ratios--

| Trigonometric ratios | Abbreviations | Relationship with sides of a right triangle |
|----------------------|---------------|---|
| Sine | Sin | Opposite side/ Hypotenuse (P/H) |
| Cosine | Cos | Adjacent side / Hypotenuse (B/H) |
| Tangent | Tan | Opposite side/Adjacent side (P/B) |
| Cosecant | Cosec | Hypotenuse / Opposite side (H/P) |
| Secant | Sec | Hypotenuse / Adjacent side (H/B) |
| Cotangent | cot | Adjacent side/Opposite side (B/P) |



Opposite Side- side opposite to the mentioned angle.
Adjacent Side- Side adjacent to mentioned angle

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \theta &= \frac{1}{\text{Cosec } \theta} & \text{Cosec } \theta &= \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \\ \cos \theta &= \frac{1}{\text{Sec } \theta} & \text{Sec } \theta &= \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \\ \tan \theta &= \frac{1}{\text{Cot } \theta} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} & \text{Cot } \theta &= \frac{1}{\tan \theta} = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \end{aligned}$$

Example1:- If $7 \tan \Phi = 4$, then find the value of $\frac{7 \sin \Phi - 3 \cos \Phi}{7 \sin \Phi + 3 \cos \Phi}$.

Solution:- $7 \tan \Phi = 4$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \Phi = 4/7$$

Now consider, $\frac{7 \sin \Phi - 3 \cos \Phi}{7 \sin \Phi + 3 \cos \Phi}$

Divide numerator and denominator by $\cos \Phi$,

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{7 \sin \Phi / \cos \Phi - 3 \cos \Phi / \cos \Phi}{7 \sin \Phi / \cos \Phi + 3 \cos \Phi / \cos \Phi} \\ \Rightarrow &\frac{7 \tan \Phi - 3}{7 \tan \Phi + 3} = \frac{7 \cdot 4/7 - 3}{7 \cdot 4/7 + 3} = \frac{4 - 3}{4 + 3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{7 \sin \Phi - 3 \cos \Phi}{7 \sin \Phi + 3 \cos \Phi} = \frac{1}{7}$$

Example3:- If $\angle A$ and $\angle B$ are acute angles such that $\cos A = \cos B$, then show that $\angle A = \angle B$.

Solution:-

Let us assume the triangle ABC in which $CD \perp AB$

Give that the angles A and B are acute angles, such that

$$\cos(A) = \cos(B) \dots\dots\dots (*)$$

$$\cos(A) = AD/AC \text{ and } \cos(B) = BD/BC$$

$$\text{from } (*) AD/AC = BD/BC$$

Now, interchange the terms, we get

$$AD/BD = AC/BC$$

Let take a constant value

$$AD/BD = AC/BC = k \dots\dots\dots (**)$$

Now consider the equation as

$$AD = k BD \dots (1)$$

$$AC = k BC \dots (2)$$

By applying Pythagoras theorem in $\triangle CAD$ and $\triangle CBD$ we get,

$$CD^2 = BC^2 - BD^2 \dots (3)$$

$$CD^2 = AC^2 - AD^2 \dots (4)$$

From the equations (3) and (4) we get,

$$AC^2 - AD^2 = BC^2 - BD^2$$

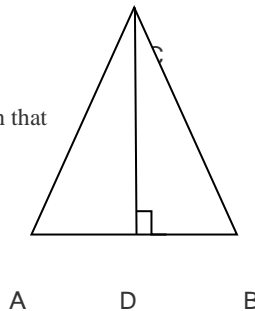
Now substitute the equations (1) and (2) in (3) and (4)

$$k^2(BC^2 - BD^2) = (BC^2 - BD^2) \Rightarrow k^2 = 1 \Rightarrow k = 1$$

Putting this value in equation (**), we obtain

$$AC = BC$$

$\angle A = \angle B$ (Angles opposite to equal side are equal-isosceles triangle)



Example2:- In given fig. Find $\tan P - \cot R$,

Solution: In the given triangle PQR, the given triangle is right angled at Q and

$$PR = 13 \text{ cm,}$$

$$PQ = 12 \text{ cm}$$

Since the given triangle is right angled triangle,

to find the side QR, apply the Pythagoras theorem

In a right-angled triangle,

$$PR^2 = QR^2 + PQ^2$$

Substitute the values of PR and PQ

$$13^2 = QR^2 + 12^2$$

$$169 = QR^2 + 144$$

$$\text{Therefore, } QR^2 = 169 - 144$$

$$QR^2 = 25$$

$$QR = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

Therefore, the side QR = 5 cm

To find $\tan P - \cot R$:

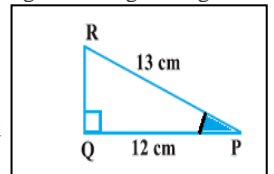
$$\tan(P) = \text{Opposite side/Adjacent side} = QR/PQ = 5/12$$

$$\cot(R) = \text{Adjacent side/Opposite side} = QR/PQ = 5/12$$

Therefore,

$$\tan(P) - \cot(R) = 5/12 - 5/12 = 0$$

Therefore, $\tan(P) - \cot(R) = 0$



TRY YOURSELF -

1. If $\angle B$ and $\angle Q$ are acute angles such that $\sin B = \sin Q$, then prove that $\angle B = \angle Q$.

2. If $\cot \theta = 7/8$, evaluate :

(i) $\frac{(1 + \sin \theta)(1 - \sin \theta)}{(1 + \cos \theta)(1 - \cos \theta)}$

(ii) $\cot^2 \theta$

3. Consider $\triangle ACB$, right-angled at C, in which $AB = 29$ units, $BC = 21$ units and $\angle ABC = \theta$. Determine the values of

(i) $\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta$, (ii) $\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta$.