MATH 112: Trigonometry (4-0-4) 4/30/25

Catalog Description: The trigonometric functions and their applications. Topics include graphs, identities, trigonometric equations, vectors, and complex numbers.

Course Objectives: After completing this course, students will be able to

- 1. Find arc-length and angles in both degrees and radians.
- 2. Define the six trigonometric function and use them to solve problems.
- 3. Graph trigonometric functions.
- 4. Use basic identities to prove additional identities.
- 5. Solve trigonometric equations.
- 6. Use the of law of sines, law of cosines, and vectors to solve applied problems.
- 7. Compute with complex numbers.
- 8. Communicate mathematical ideas using correct and appropriate notation.

Learning Outcomes and Performance Criteria

1. Find arc-length and angles in both degrees and radians.

Core Criteria:

- (a) Draw an angle in standard position.
- (b) Determine a reference angle.
- (c) Determine a coterminal angle of a given angle.
- (d) Find the arc-length, given the radius and an angle.
- (e) Find the angular and linear velocity given sufficient information and vice versa.
- (f) Convert between radians and degrees.

Additional Criteria:

- (a) Find the area of a sector of a circle.
- 2. Define the six trigonometric function and use them to solve problems.

Core Criteria:

- (a) Define the six trigonometric functions in terms of a right triangle.
- (b) Solve applied right triangle problems.
- (c) Given a point on the terminal side of an angle, compute the six trigonometric functions.
- (d) Given a quadrant and the value of a trigonometric function, determine the other five.
- (e) State (without a calculator) the values of the six trigonometric functions for all angles which have a reference angle that is a special angle.
- (f) Use a calculator to approximate trigonometric values of a real number.

3. Graph trigonometric functions.

Core Criteria:

- (a) Identify and graph sine, cosine, and tangent without transformations.
- (b) Find the amplitude, period, and phase shift given an equation or graph.
- (c) Given an equation of a sine or cosine draw a graph and label both the graph and the axes appropriately.
- (d) Given the graph of a sine or cosine curve determine an equation.

Additional Criteria:

- (a) Given an equation of a tangent, secant, cosecant, or cotangent, draw a graph and label both the graph and the axes appropriately.
- 4. Use basic identities to prove additional identities.

Core Criteria:

- (a) Use the half-angle and double-angle identities for sine and cosine to verify other identities.
- (b) Memorize the fundamental eight identities.
- (c) Use the sum and difference formulas for sine and cosine to verify other identities or find exact values of trigonometric functions.
- (d) Use the reduction formula $a\sin(x) + b\cos(x) = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}\cos(x \alpha)$ to verify other identities and combine waveforms.
- (e) Students will prove a trigonometric identity by writing in a logical manner with the appropriate format ("left-right-down").
- 5. Solve trigonometric equations.

Core Criteria:

- (a) Find the exact values of expressions with inverse trigonometric ($\sin^{-1}(x)$, $\cos^{-1}(x)$, and $\tan^{-1}(x)$) functions.
- (b) Use the range of inverse trig. functions appropriately to find a solution to a trigonometric function.
- (c) Find the solutions to a trigonometric equation on a prescribed domain.
- (d) Use an identity to solve an trigonometric equation.
- 6. Use the of law of sines, law of cosines, and vectors to solve applied problems.

Core Criteria:

- (a) Solve triangles with the law of sines and the law of cosines.
- (b) Solve applied problems using the law of sines and law of cosines.
- (c) Combine vectors geometrically and algebraically.
- (d) Convert vectors from cartesian to trigonometric form.

(e) Solve applied problems using vectors.

Additional Criteria:

- (a) Use the dot product and projections to solve applied problems.
- 7. Compute with complex numbers.

Core Criteria:

- (a) Convert complex numbers from cartesian to polar.
- (b) Perform complex arithmetic in the rectangular and polar form.
- (c) Find powers using De Moivre's Theorem.

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