

Intro Video: Section 1.2
Essential Functions and a quick
trigonometry review

Math F251X Fall 2020

Linear functions and linear models

Example:

$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$ is constant
(the slope)

$$32^\circ\text{F} = 0^\circ\text{C}$$

$$212^\circ\text{F} = 100^\circ\text{C}$$

Let $C(T)$ be a function that takes as input temperature T , measured in $^\circ\text{F}$, and returns $C(T)$, measured in $^\circ\text{C}$

$$\text{Slope? } \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{100 - 0}{212 - 32} = \frac{100}{180} = \frac{10}{18} = \frac{5}{9}$$

$$C(T) = \frac{5}{9}(T - 32) + 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{point-slope form using point } (32, 0).$$

Polynomials

$$f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$$

quadratic

$$f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

Roots: where the function intersects the x-axis

Example

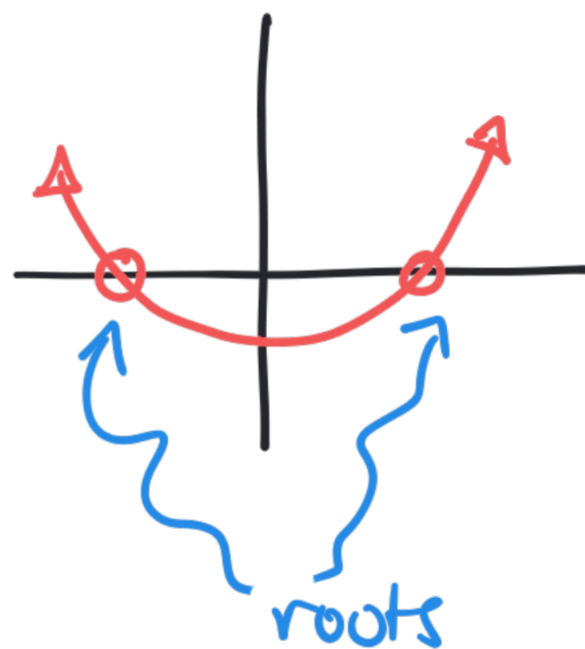
$$\begin{aligned} g(x) &= (2x+3)(x-1) \\ &= 2x^2 + x - 3 \end{aligned}$$

To find roots: solve $g(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (2x+3)(x-1) = 0 \Rightarrow 2x+3 = 0 \text{ or } x-1 = 0$$

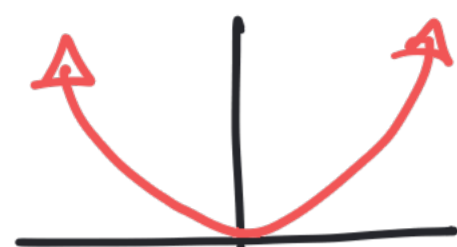
$$\Rightarrow x = -3/2 \text{ or } x = 1$$

Or use the quadratic equation!

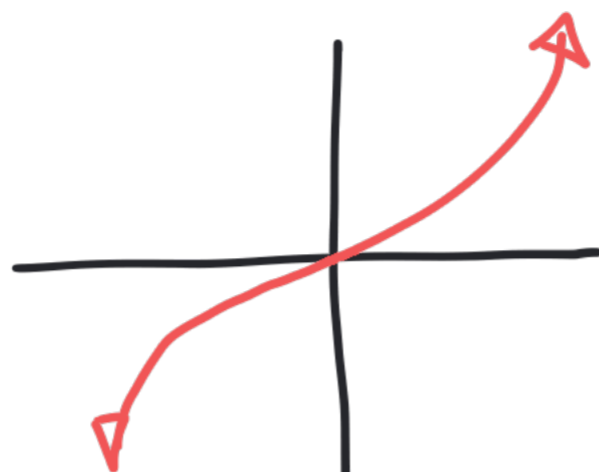


Solve $f(x) = 0$
to find the
root

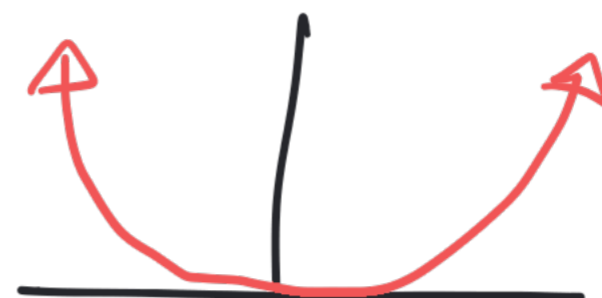
Functions whose graphs you should know



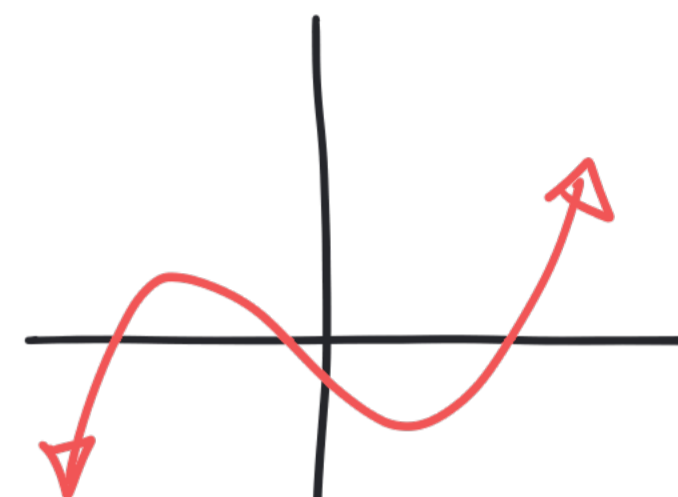
$$f(x) = x^2$$



$$f(x) = x^3$$



$$f(x) = x^4$$

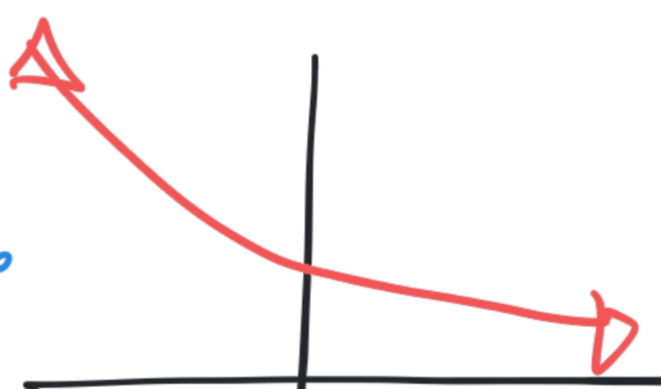


$$f(x) = \text{generic cubic}$$

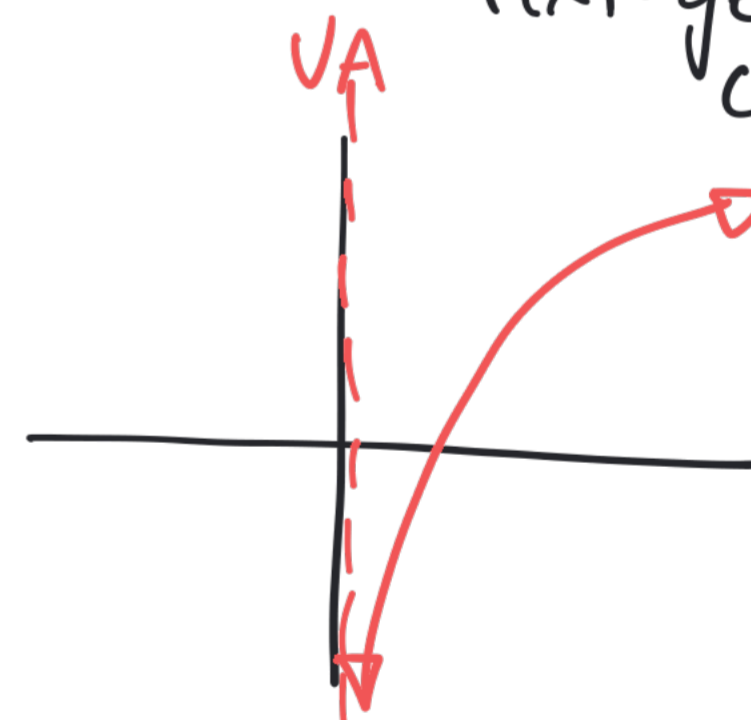


$$f(x) = a^x, \boxed{a > 1}$$

note $f(x) = e^x$ is in this collection



$$f(x) = a^x, 0 < a < 1$$



$$f(x) = \ln(x)$$

Quick Trigonometry Review

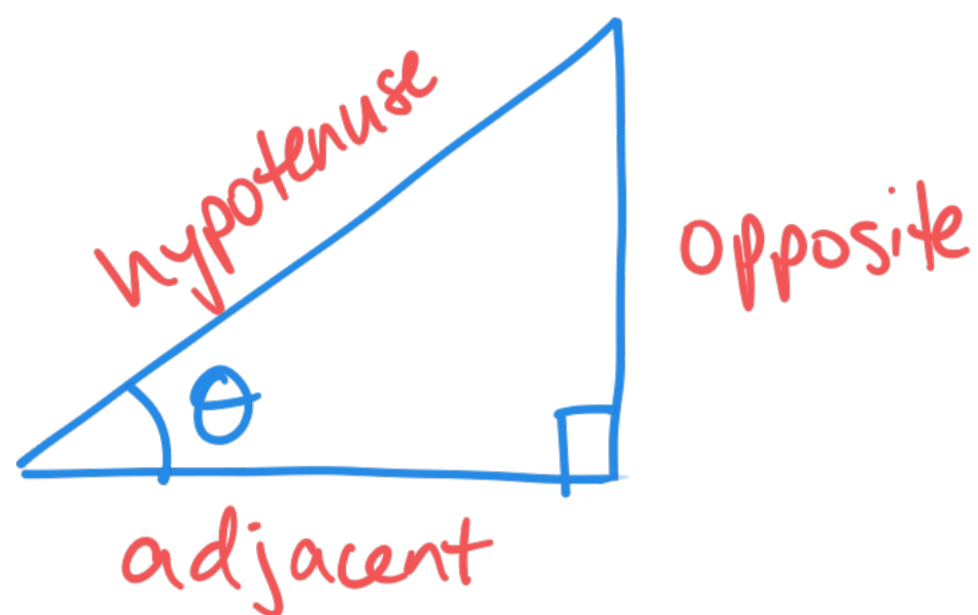
Three views of trigonometry:

① Right Triangle Trigonometry
→ ratios of sides of triangles

② Unit Circle Trigonometry
→ coordinates of points on the unit circle

③ As trigonometric functions

Right Triangle Trigonometry:



$$\sin(\theta) = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$$

$$\csc(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sin\theta} = \frac{\text{hyp}}{\text{opp}}$$

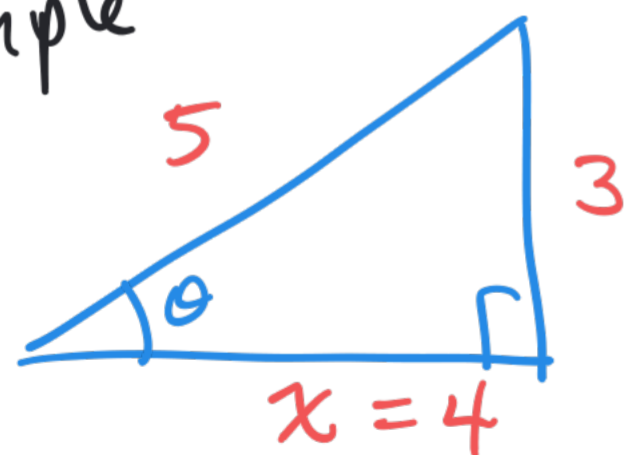
$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{\text{adjacent}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$$

$$\sec(\theta) = \frac{1}{\cos(\theta)} = \frac{\text{hyp}}{\text{adj}}$$

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{adjacent}}$$

$$\cot(\theta) = \frac{1}{\tan\theta} = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{opp}}$$

Example



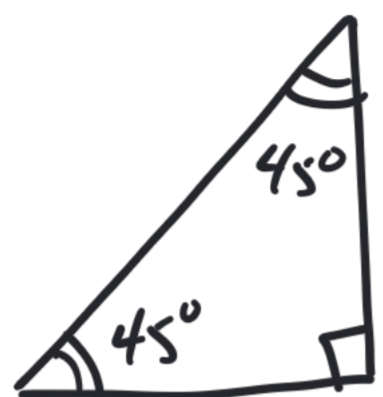
What is x ? Pythagorean Theorem:

$$3^2 + x^2 = 5^2 \Rightarrow 25 - 9 = x^2 \Rightarrow x^2 = 16$$
$$x = 4$$

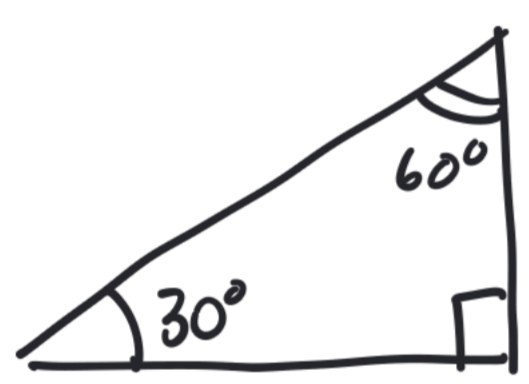
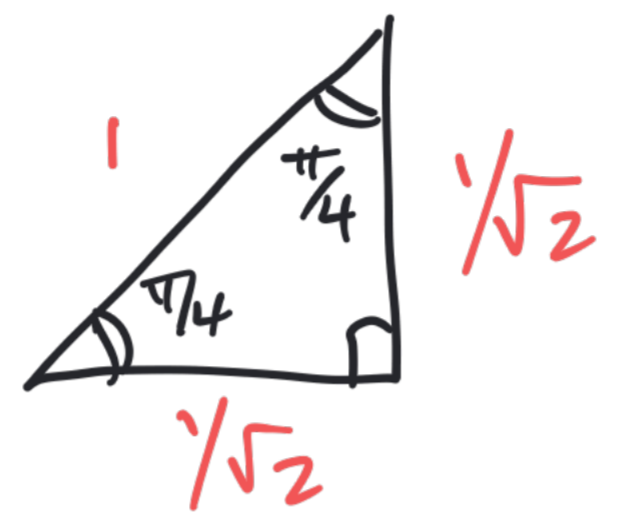
What is $\cos(x)$? $\frac{4}{5}$

What is $\cot(x)$?

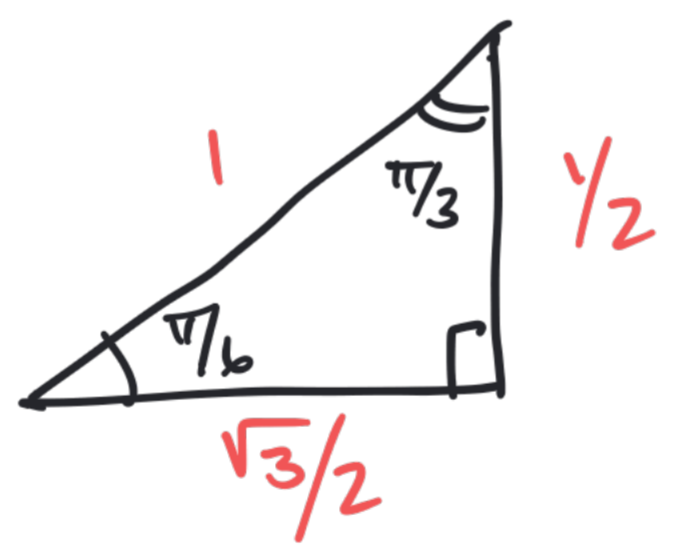
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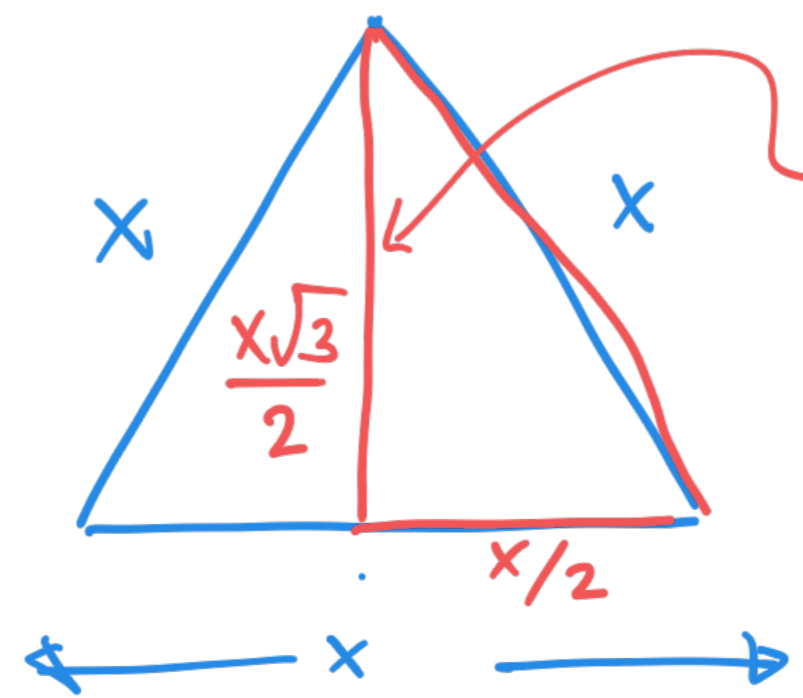
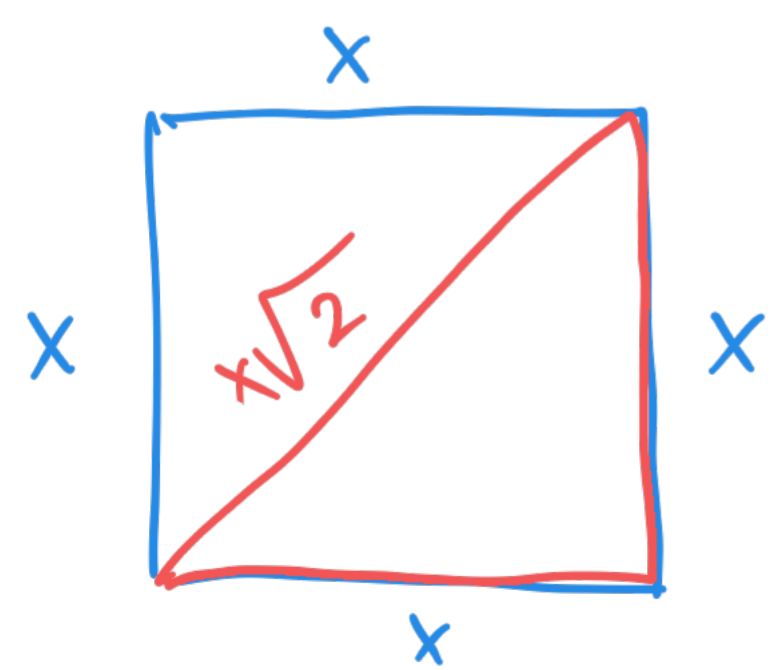
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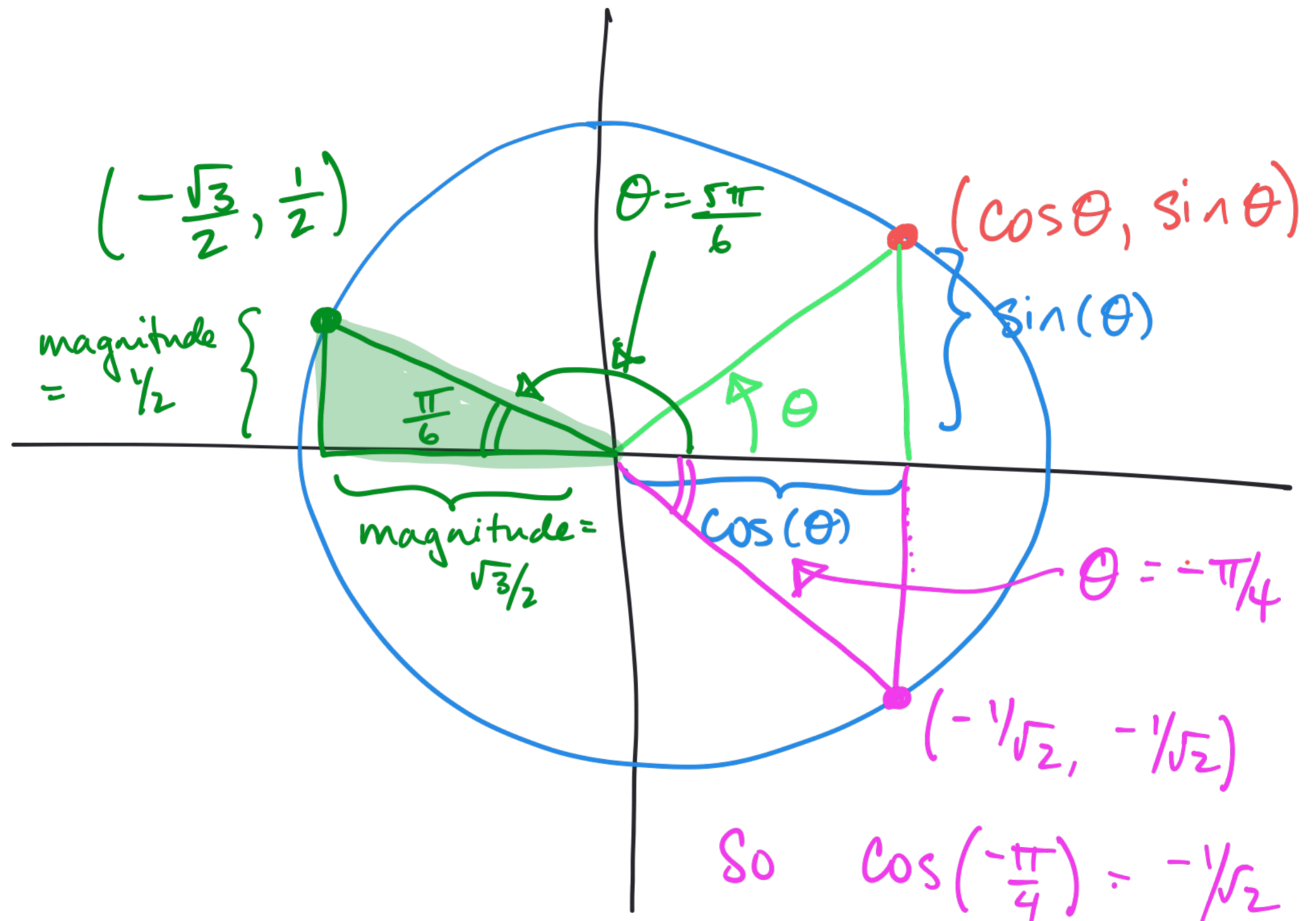


derive side lengths from pythagorean theorem and geometry



Solve $(\frac{x}{2})^2 + ?^2 = x^2$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{4} + ?^2 = x^2$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{3x^2}{4} = ?^2 \Rightarrow ? = \frac{x\sqrt{3}}{2}$

Unit Circle Trigonometry



$(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$
magnitude = $\frac{1}{2}$

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$\theta = \frac{5\pi}{6}$

$(\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$

$\sin(\theta)$

$\cos(\theta)$

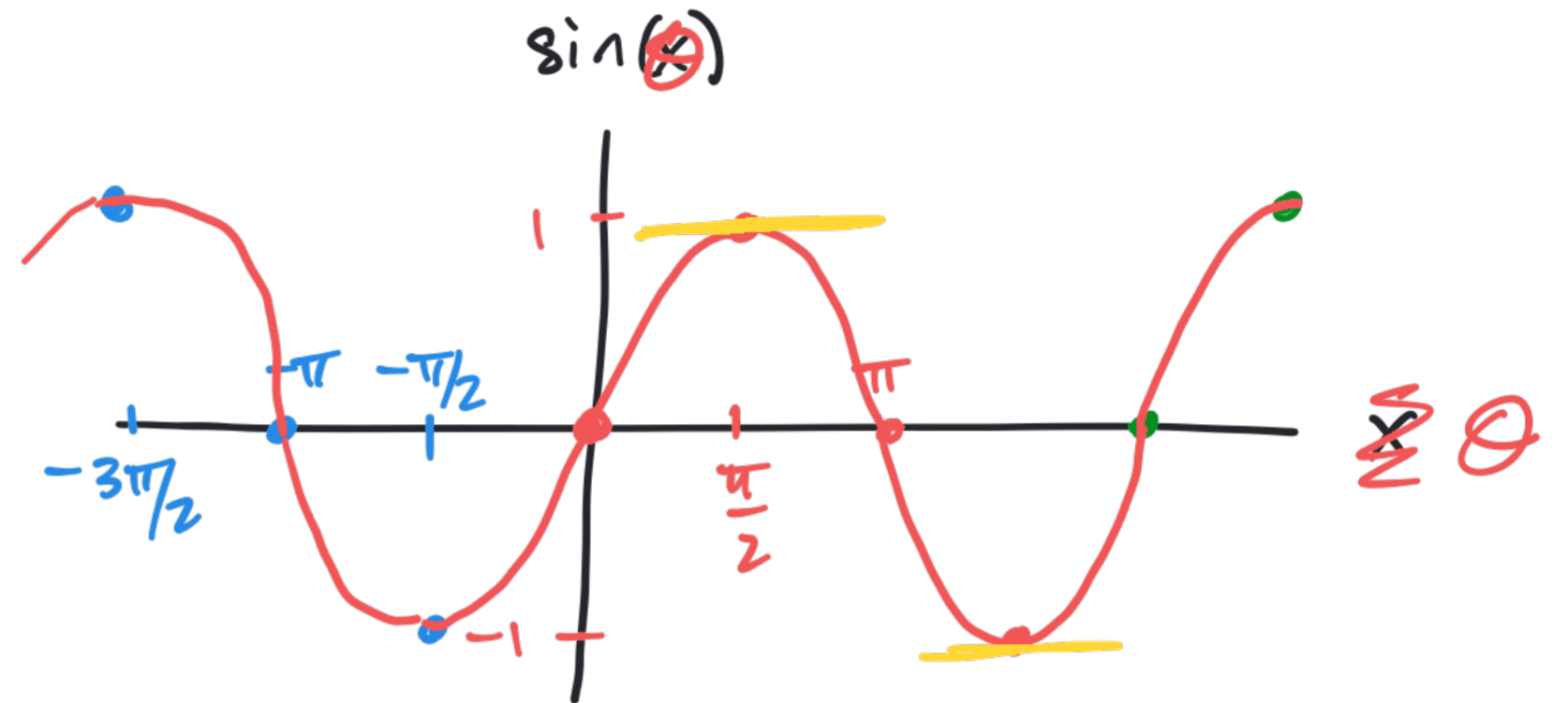
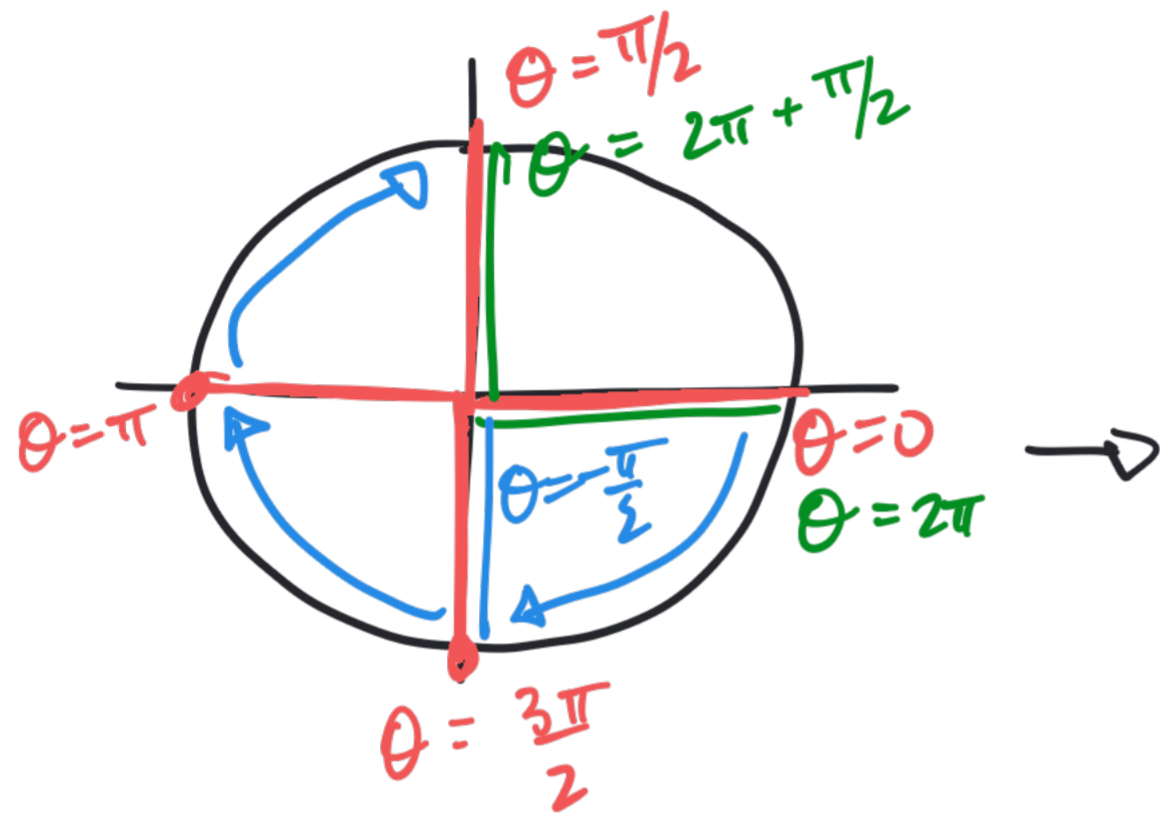
$\theta = -\frac{\pi}{4}$

$(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$

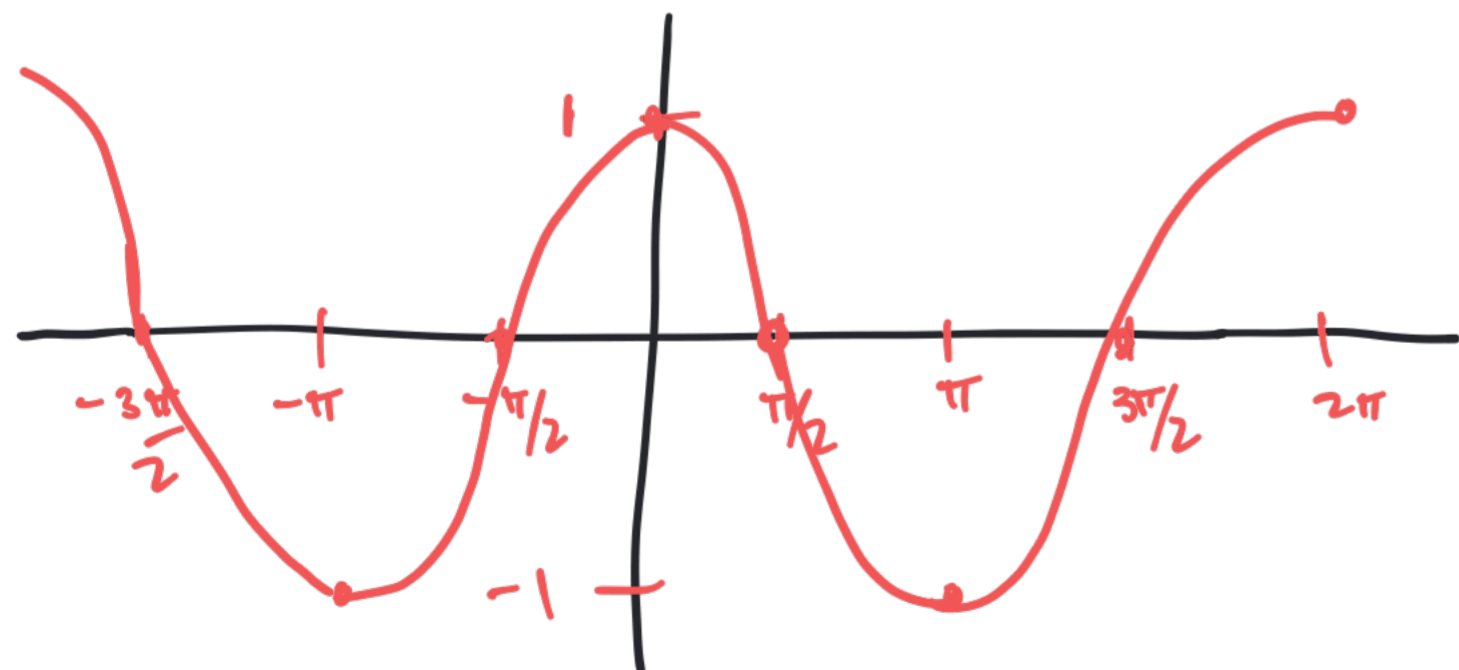
So $\cos(-\frac{\pi}{4}) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

$\sin(-\frac{\pi}{4}) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

Unit Circle \rightarrow trigonometric functions



$\cos \theta$



$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin(\theta)}{\cos(\theta)}$$

