

Verifying Trig. Functions white-board review

Example

$$\frac{\sin x}{\cos x} + \frac{\cos x}{\sec x} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} + \frac{\cos x}{\frac{1}{\cos x}} = 1$$

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

not an identity

Example

$$\frac{\sin x \csc x}{\cot x} = \tan x$$

$$\frac{\sin x \cdot \frac{1}{\sin x}}{\frac{\cos x}{\sin x}}$$

$$\frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$$

$$\frac{1}{\frac{\cos x}{\sin x}}$$

$$\frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

$\tan x \checkmark$

Example

$$\frac{1 - \tan^2 x}{\cot^2 x - 1} = \tan^2 x$$

$$\frac{1 - \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x}}{\frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x} - 1} \Rightarrow \frac{\frac{\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x}}{\frac{\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x}{\sin^2 x}}$$

$$\frac{\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} \cdot \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} \Rightarrow \tan^2 x \checkmark$$

Example

$$\csc \theta \sin \theta - \sin^2 \theta = \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \cdot \sin \theta - \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 \theta \checkmark$$

Example

$$\frac{\tan x - \sin x}{\sin x \tan x} = \frac{\sin x \tan x}{\tan x + \sin x}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\sin x}{\cos x} - \sin x}{\sin x \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}} \Rightarrow \frac{\frac{\sin x - \sin x \cos x}{\cos x}}{\frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos x}} \Rightarrow \frac{\sin x - \sin x \cos x}{\cos x} \cdot \frac{\cos x}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin x (1 - \cos x)}{\cos x} \cdot \frac{\cos x}{\sin^2 x} \Rightarrow \frac{1 - \cos x}{\sin x} \cdot \frac{(1 + \cos x)}{(1 + \cos x)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 - \cos^2 x}{\sin x (1 + \cos x)} \Rightarrow \frac{\sin^2 x}{\sin x (1 + \cos x)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin x}{1 + \cos x} \left(\frac{\tan x}{\tan x} \right) \Rightarrow \frac{\sin x \tan x}{\tan x + \cos x \left(\frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \right)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin x \tan x}{\tan x + \sin x} \checkmark$$

Example

$$\sin x (\cot x + \tan x) = \sec x$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x \left(\frac{\cos x}{\sin x} + \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cos x + \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos x}}{\cos x} \Rightarrow \frac{\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x}{\cos x} \Rightarrow \frac{\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x}{\cos x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\cos x} \Rightarrow \sec x \checkmark$$

Example

$$(\csc x + \cot x)(\csc x - \cot x) = 1$$

$$\csc^2 x - \cot^2 x = 1$$

$$1 = 1 \checkmark$$

OR $\csc^2 x - \cot^2 x$

$$\frac{1}{\sin^2 x} - \frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x} \Rightarrow \frac{1 - \cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin^2 x}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \checkmark$$

Example

$$\csc x + \cot x = \frac{\sin x}{1 - \cos x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sin x} + \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 + \cos x}{\sin x} \left(\frac{\sin x}{\sin x} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(1 + \cos x) \sin x}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(1 + \cos x) \sin x}{1 - \cos^2 x} \leftarrow \text{Diff. of } \square$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(1 + \cos x) \sin x}{(1 + \cos x)(1 - \cos x)} \Rightarrow \frac{\sin x}{1 - \cos x}$$

Example

$$8 \csc^2 x - 3 \cot^2 x = 3 + 5 \csc^2 x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8}{\sin^2 x} - \frac{3 \cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8 - 3 \cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8 - 3(1 - \sin^2 x)}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8 - 3 + 3 \sin^2 x}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5 + 3 \sin^2 x}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{\sin^2 x} + \frac{3 \sin^2 x}{\sin^2 x} \Rightarrow 3 + 5 \csc^2 x$$

Fix

Example

$$(1 + \sec x) \frac{1}{1 - \sec x} + \frac{1}{1 + \sec x} = -2 \cot^2 x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 + \sec x + 1 - \sec x}{(1 - \sec x)(1 + \sec x)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{1 - \sec^2 x} \Rightarrow \frac{2}{1 - \frac{1}{\cos^2 x}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{\frac{\cos^2 x - 1}{\cos^2 x}} \Rightarrow \frac{2 \cos^2 x}{\cos^2 x - 1} \Rightarrow \frac{2 \cos^2 x}{\cos^2 x - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2 \cos^2 x}{-\sin^2 x} \Rightarrow -2 \cot^2 x$$

Example

$$\frac{\sec x + 1}{\tan x} = \frac{\sin x}{1 - \cos x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 + \cos x}{\cos x \cdot \cos x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 + \cos x}{\cos x} \cdot \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 + \cos x}{\cos x} \cdot \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 + \cos x}{\sin x} \cdot \frac{1 - \cos x}{1 - \cos x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 - \cos^2 x}{\sin x (1 - \cos x)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin^2 x}{\sin x (1 - \cos x)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin x}{1 - \cos x} \checkmark$$

Example

$$\frac{\tan x}{\sec x - 1} = \frac{\sec x + 1}{\tan x}$$

$$\frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\cos x} - 1 \left(\frac{\cos x}{\cos x} \right)$$

$$\frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 - \cos x}{\cos x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \cdot \frac{\cos x}{1 - \cos x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin x}{1 - \cos x} \cdot \frac{(1 + \cos x)}{(1 + \cos x)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin x (1 + \cos x)}{1 - \cos^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cancel{\sin x} (1 + \cos x)}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 + \cos x}{\cancel{\sin x}} \left(\frac{\cancel{\sin x}}{\cos x} \right)$$

$$\frac{1 + \cos x}{\cos x}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{\cos x} + \frac{\cos x}{\cos x} \right)$$

$$\left(\sec x + 1 \right) \left(\frac{1}{\tan x} \right)$$

$$\frac{\sec x + 1}{\tan x} \checkmark$$

Example

$$\cot^2 x - \cos^2 x = \cot^2 x \cos^2 x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cos^2 x - \cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cos^2 x - \cos^2 x \sin^2 x}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cos^2 x (1 - \sin^2 x)}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cos^2 x (\cos^2 x)}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x} \cdot \frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cot^2 x \cdot \frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x} \cdot \left(\frac{\cancel{\sin^2 x}}{1} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cot^2 x \cos^2 x \checkmark$$