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Learning Goal 6.1

Using identities to reduce complexity in expressions and solve equations.

More Questions – Solutions

1. Solve each equation algebraically over the domain $0 \leq x < 2\pi$.

a. $4 \sin^2 x - 1 = 0$

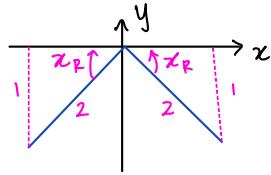
$$(2 \sin x + 1)(2 \sin x - 1) = 0$$

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

$$2 \sin x = -1$$

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

$$x_R = \frac{\pi}{6}$$



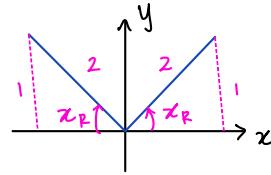
$$x_1 = \pi + \frac{\pi}{6} \\ = \frac{7\pi}{6}$$

$$x_2 = 2\pi - \frac{\pi}{6} \\ = \frac{11\pi}{6}$$

$$2 \sin x - 1 = 0$$

$$2 \sin x = 1$$

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{2}$$



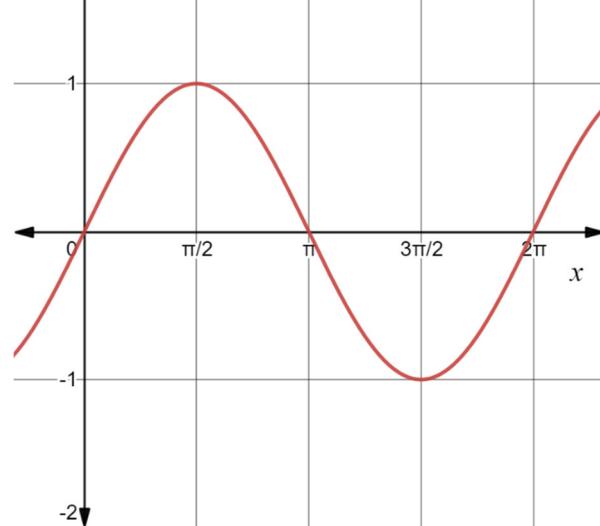
$$x_3 = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$x_4 = \pi - \frac{\pi}{6} \\ = \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

$$\sin x = 0$$

$$\sin x = 1$$

$$\sin x = -1$$

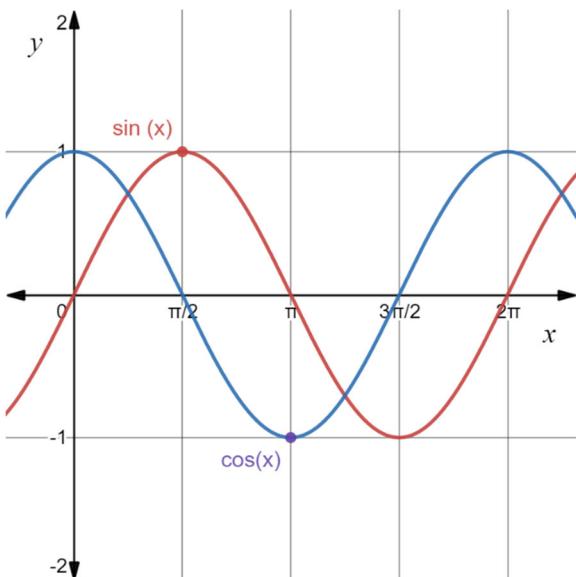


$$\sin x (\sin x - 1) = 0$$

$$x_1 = 0 \\ x_2 = \pi \\ x_3 = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

c. $\sin 2x - 1 = \cos 2x$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \sin x \cos x - 1 &= 2 \cos^2 x - 1 \\ 2 \sin x \cos x &= 2 \cos^2 x \\ 2 \sin x \cos x - 2 \cos^2 x &= 0 \\ 2 \cos x (\sin x - \cos x) &= 0 \\ 2 \cos x = 0 & \quad \sin x - \cos x = 0 \\ \cos x = 0 & \quad \sin x = \cos x \end{aligned}$$

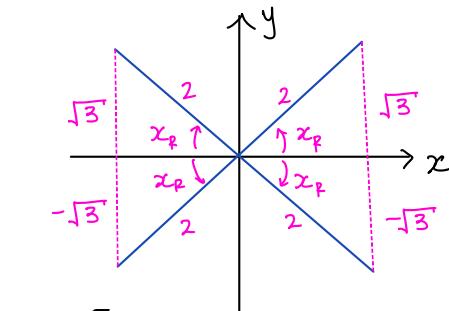


$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \frac{\pi}{2} \\ x_2 &= \frac{3\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \frac{\pi}{4} \\ x_2 &= \frac{5\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

d. $2 \sin^2 x - 3 \cos 2x = 3$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \sin^2 x - 3(1 - 2 \sin^2 x) &= 3 \\ 2 \sin^2 x - 3 + 6 \sin^2 x &= 3 \\ 8 \sin^2 x &= 6 \\ \sin^2 x &= \frac{3}{4} \\ \sin x &= \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ x_R &= \frac{\pi}{3} \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \frac{\pi}{3} \\ x_3 &= \pi + \frac{\pi}{3} \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 &= \pi - \frac{\pi}{3} \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_4 &= 2\pi - \frac{\pi}{3} \\ &= \frac{5\pi}{3} \end{aligned}$$

e. $\cos x + 1 = 2 \sin^2 x$

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

$$\cos x + 1 = 2 - 2 \cos^2 x$$

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

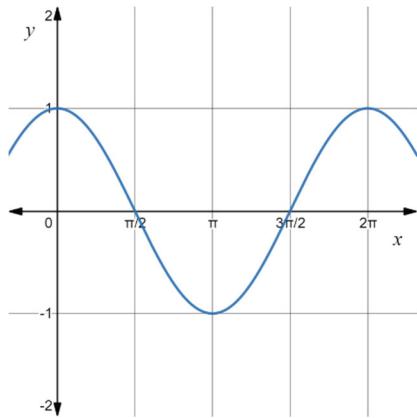
$$2 \cos^2 x + \cos x - 1 = 0$$

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

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

$$2 \cos x = 1$$

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



$$x_1 = x_R \\ = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$x_2 = 2\pi - \frac{\pi}{3} \\ = \frac{5\pi}{3}$$

$$x_3 = \pi$$

f. $\sec^2 x + 5 \sec x + 6 = 0$

$$(\sec x + 2)(\sec x + 3) = 0$$

$$\sec x + 2 = 0$$

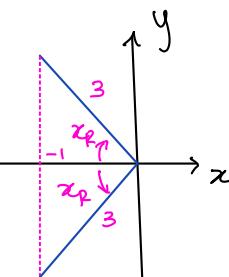
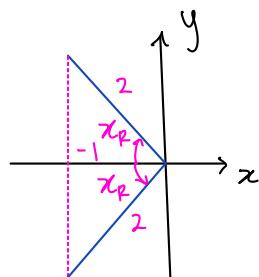
$$\sec x = -2$$

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

$$\sec x + 3 = 0$$

$$\sec x = -3$$

$$\cos x = -\frac{1}{3}$$



$$x_R = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$x_R \approx 1.23$$

$$x_3 \approx \pi - 1.23 \\ \approx 1.91$$

$$x_2 = \pi - \frac{\pi}{3} \\ = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$x_4 \approx \pi + 1.23 \\ \approx 4.37$$

$$x_2 = \pi + \frac{\pi}{3} \\ = \frac{4\pi}{3}$$