Fundamentals of Engineering Review

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FE MATH REVIEW

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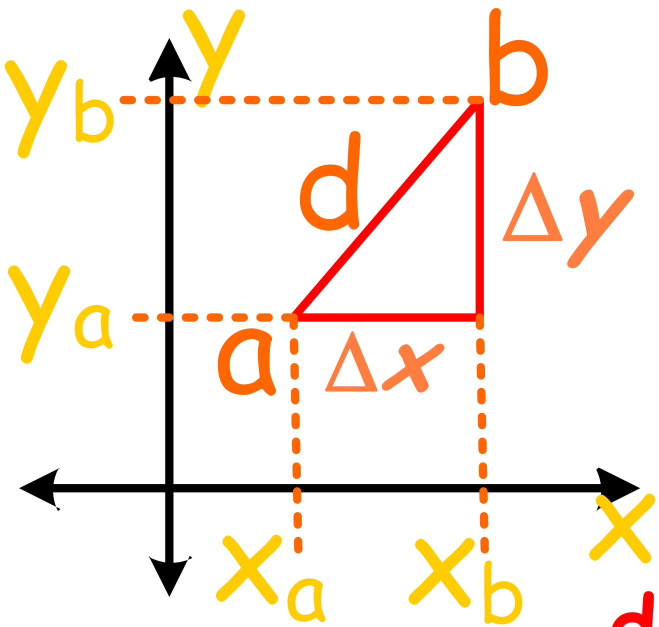
Introduction - Algebra

- Cartesian Coordinates
- Lines and Linear Equations
- Quadratics
- Logs and exponents
- Inequalities and absolute values
- Simultaneous Equations
- Conic Sections
- Complex Numbers

Cartesian Coordinates



Pythagorean Theorem

$$d^2 = (\Delta x)^2 + (\Delta y)^2$$

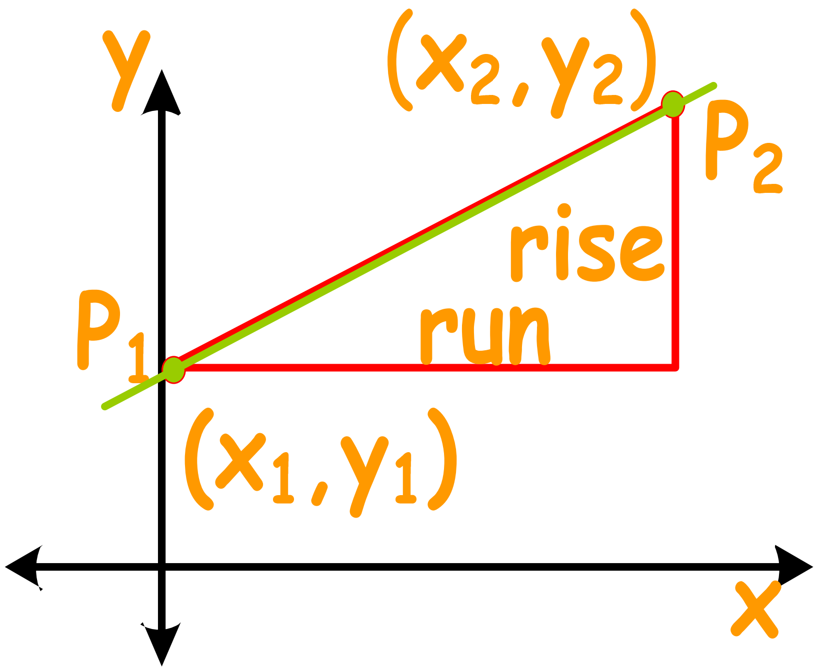
$$\Delta x = x_b - x_a$$

$$\Delta y = y_b - y_a$$

$$d = \sqrt{(x_b - x_a)^2 + (y_b - y_a)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(\Delta x)^2 + (\Delta y)^2}$$

Slopes of Lines



$$\text{slope} = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$$

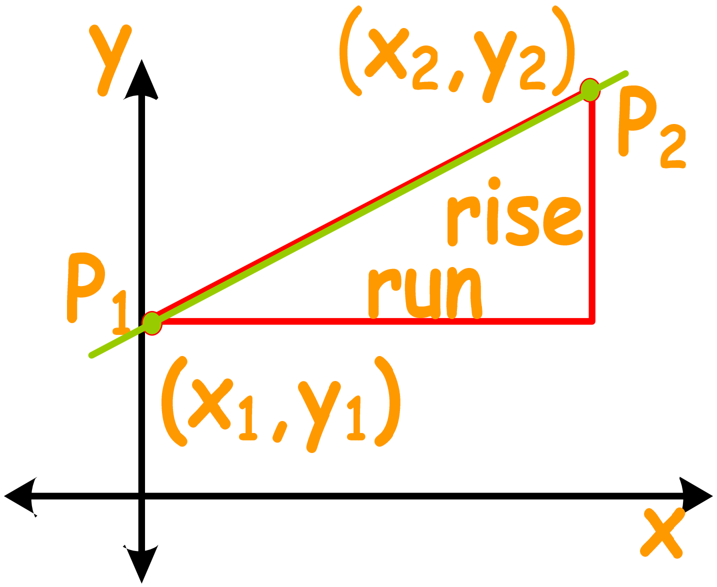
$$= \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = m$$

move from $P_1(x_1, y_1)$

to $P(x, y)$

$$m = \frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1}$$

Equation of a Line



Using the equation for the slope of a line between 2 points, we can develop the general equation for a line.

$$m = \frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1}$$

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{y = mx + b}$$

m = slope

b = y intercept

Parallel lines: $m_1 = m_2$

Perpendicular lines: $m_1 = -\dfrac{1}{m_2}$

Linear equation: $0 = Ax + By + C$

As long as the **order of both x and y is 1** the equation is that of a straight line. If the order changes then it begins to take on different shapes. If **y is of order 1** and **x is of order 2** then the equation is **Quadratic** and will generate a **parabola**.

Example

The equation $y = a^3 + a^2x$

where x and y are variables, and a is a constant.

Which of the following are represented by the equation?

(A) a 3rd order polynomial (B) a quadratic equation

(C) a straight line (D) acceleration

Answer:

The terms with a in them are constants so they don't determine the degree of the function. The implied Degree of both variables is a 1. The answer is (C).

Example

What is the slope of the line: $2y = 2x + 4$

Solution

Converting to the general form we get

$$0 = 2y - 2x - 4$$

$$2y = 2x + 4$$

$$y = x + 2$$

$$\boxed{\text{slope} = 1}$$

$$\boxed{y \text{ intercept} = 2}$$

Example:

What is the slope of the line perpendicular to

$y = 16x - 4$

Answer

If line A is perpendicular to the

line B, then $m_1 = {}^{-1}\!/_{m_2}$

$m_2 = 16$

$m_1 = {}^{-1}\!/_{m_2} = \boxed{{}^{-1}\!/_{16}}$

Example

What is the distance between the point $(-3,0)$ and the y intercept of the line $y + 4x - 4 = 0$?

Answer :

$$y = -4x + 4 \therefore b = (0, 4)$$

$$d = \sqrt{(y_2 - y_1)^2 + (x_2 - x_1)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(4 - 0)^2 + (0 - [-3])^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{4^2 + (3)^2} = \sqrt{16 + 9} = \sqrt{25} = \boxed{5}$$

Solving Quadratic Equations

- Using the Quadratic Formula
- Factoring
- Complete the squares
- Matrix methods (later)

Quadratic Equations: Formula

$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ (y has been set to 0)

Method 1: Quadratic Formula

$$x = \boxed{\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}}$$

Two imaginary solutions (no real solutions): $4ac > b^2$

One solution: $4ac = b^2$

Two real solutions: $4ac < b^2$

For Example:

$$0 = x^2 + 3x + 2$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{3^2 - 4(1)(2)}}{2(1)}$$

$$= \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 8}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{1}}{2} = \frac{-3 \pm 1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x = \frac{-4}{2}, \frac{-2}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad -2, -1}$$

Example:

Will the roots of the equation below be real, complex, or imaginary?

$$-1 = 50x^2 + 5\left(x - 2\right)^2$$

where x is a real valued variable.

$$0 = 50x^2 + 5\left(x^2 - 4x + 4\right) + 1$$

$$0 = 55x^2 - 20x + 21$$

$$\text{Roots} = \frac{-20 \pm \sqrt{20^2 - 4\left(55\right)\left(21\right)}}{2\left(55\right)} = \frac{-20 \pm \sqrt{400 - 4,620}}{110}$$

answer will be complex

Quadratics: Factoring

$$x^2 + 3x + 2 = (x + 2)(x + 1)$$

$$0 = x_1 + 2 \quad \therefore \quad x_1 = -2$$

$$0 = x_2 + 1 \quad \therefore \quad x_2 = -1$$

Quadratics: Completing the square

$0 = x^2 + 3x + 2$

1st, make sure that the coefficient of x^2 is 1.

2nd, take the coefficient of x and divide it by 2

$$-2 + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = x^2 + 3x + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2$$

3rd, add the resulting number to both sides of the equation.

Completing the square (cont)

$$-2+\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = x^2+3x+\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} = \sqrt{\left(x+\frac{3}{2}\right)^2}$$

$$\pm\frac{1}{2} = x+\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\boxed{x = -3/2 \pm 1/2 = -1 \quad \text{or} \quad -2}$$

Logarithms and Exponentials

$$y = \log_a x \Leftrightarrow a^y = x$$

$$a = \text{base}$$

$$\log_e x = \ln x \qquad \underbrace{\left(e = 2.71828\ldots\right)}_{\text{irrational number}}$$

Logarithms and Exponentials (a few properties)

$$e^{a+b} = e^a \bullet e^b$$

$$e^{-a} = \frac{-1}{e^a}$$

$$\left(e^a\right)^b = e^{a \bullet b}$$

$$\ln(a \bullet b) = \ln(a) + \ln(b)$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = \ln(a) - \ln(b)$$

$$\ln\left(a^b\right) = b\ln(a)$$

$$\log_a(b) = \frac{\ln(b)}{\ln(a)}$$

Log/ln example

$$\log_3(7) = \frac{\ln 7}{\ln 3}$$

$$= \frac{1.946}{1.099}$$

$$= \boxed{1.771}$$

Absolute values

$|x|$ = always positive

suppose $a < b$

$c \bullet a < c \bullet b$ if c is positive

$c \bullet a > c \bullet b$ if c is negative

Note that when you multiply both sides by a negative number the inequality changes.

Example

solve $|x-2| < 5$

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so, $-(x-2) < 5$

$$x-2 > -5$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x = -3}$$

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so, $-(x-2)<5$

$$x-2>-5$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x=-3}$$

solution : $x > -3$ and $x<7 \Rightarrow \boxed{-3<x<7}$

Common Log Example

What is the common log of $(1000)^4$?

Identity : $\log_{10} 10^n = n$

$$(1000)^4 = (10^3)^4 = 10^{12}$$

$$\log_{10} 10^{12} = 12 \log_{10} 10 = 12(1) = \boxed{12}$$

Natural Log Example

What is the natual log of e^{x-y} ?

identity : $\ln e^{c} = c$

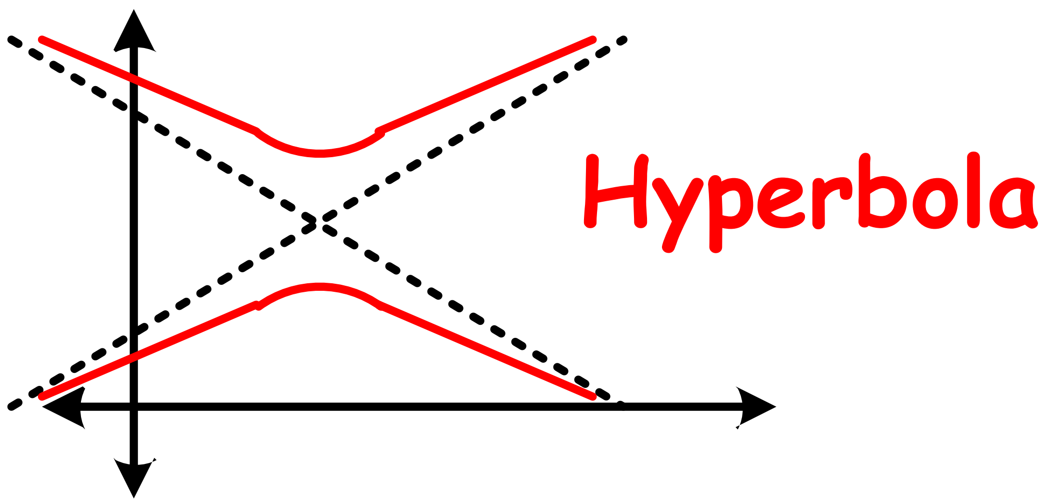
$$\ln\left(e^{x-y}\right) = \boxed{x - y}$$

Note that the natural log is sometimes called the Naperian logarithm

Conic Sections

$$Ax^2 + By^2 + Cx + Dy + E = 0$$

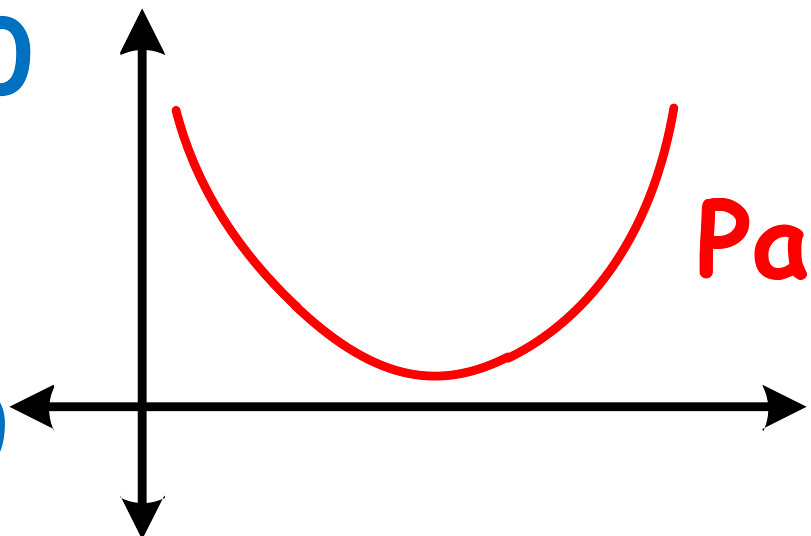
A or B equals 0 (but not both)



Conic Sections (continued)

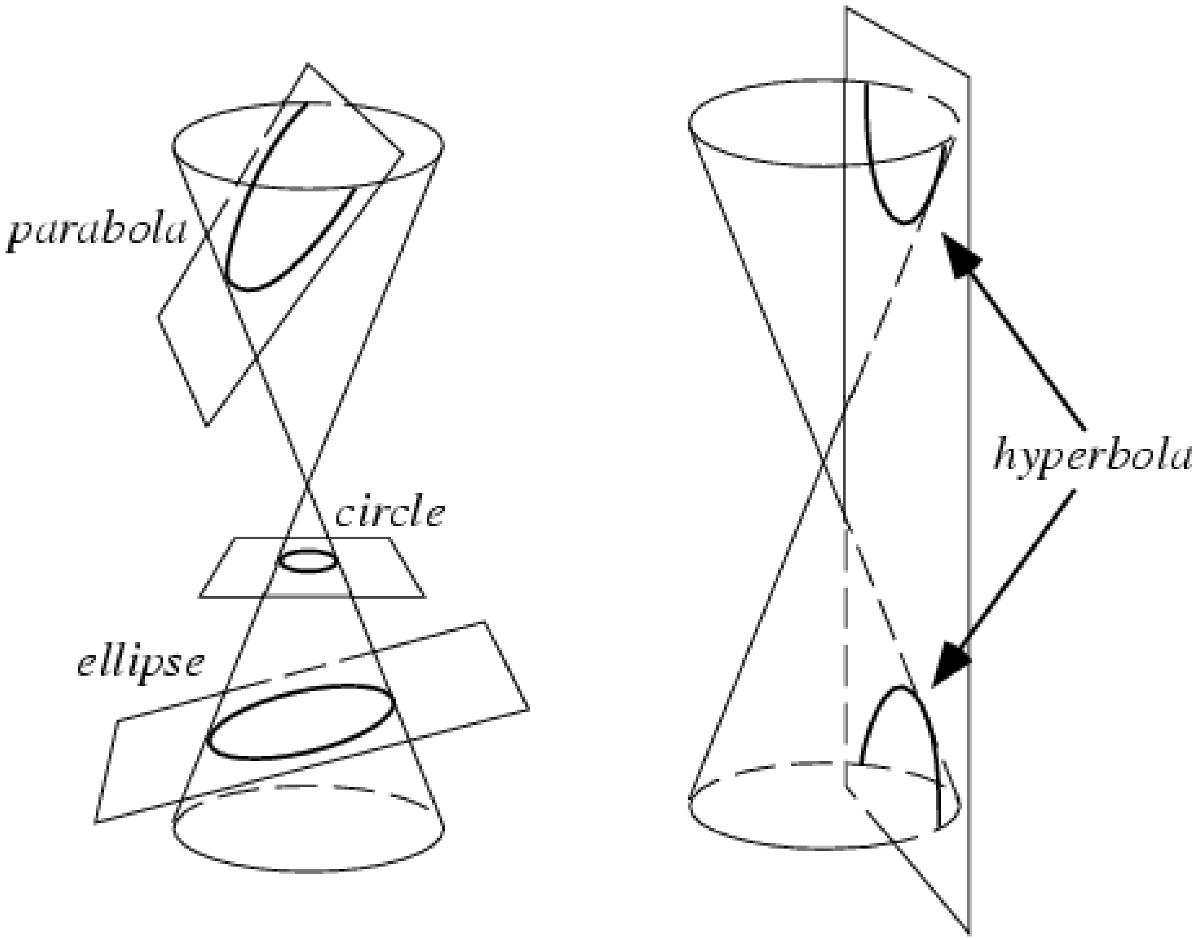
$$0 = Ax^2 + 2Bxy + Cy^2 + 2Dx + 2Ey + F$$

A or C = 0 (but not both) and B = 0

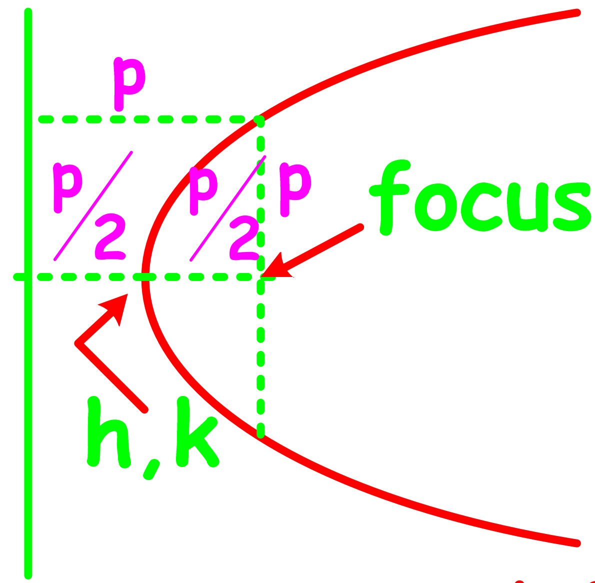


$$B^2 - AC = 0$$

Why are these called Conic Sections?



Parabola



If opens left or right the equation will fit

$$(y-k)^2 = 2p(x-h)$$

$p > 0$ means opens right, $p < 0$ means opens left

center at (h,k), focus at $\left(h+\frac{p}{2}, k\right)$

direction at $\left(x = h - \frac{p}{2}\right)$

Parabola (cont)

If opens up or down the equation will fit

$$2p(y-k)=(x-h)^2$$

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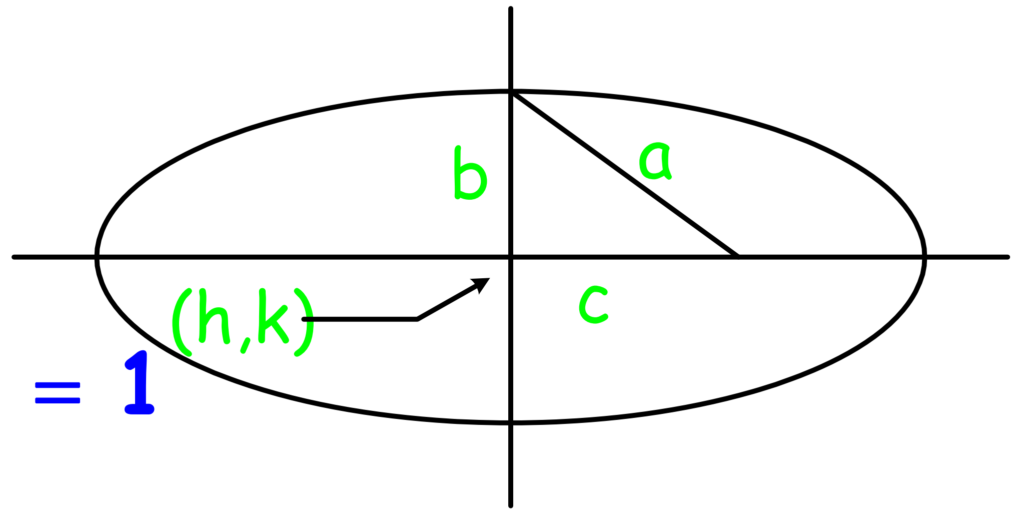
direction at $\left(y=k-\frac{p}{2}\right)$

Ellipse

$$B^2 - AC < 0$$

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$$



center at (h,k),

width $= 2a \ (x\text{ - axis})$

height $h = 2b \ (y\text{ - axis})$

Example

What shape does this equation represent?

$$(y-2)(y+2)=14x-12$$

$$0 = Ax^2 + 2Bxy + Cy^2 + 2Dx + 2Ey + F$$

$$0 = y^2 - 4 - 14x + 12$$

in parabola, either A or C = 0, not both AND B=0

$$0 = 0x^2 + 2(0)xy + Cy^2 + 2(7)x + 2(0)y + F$$

$$0 = 1y^2 + 14x + 8$$

$$\boxed{B^2 - AC = 0 \therefore \text{parabola}}$$

Complex Numbers

'j' and 'i' are used to represent complex numbers.
'i' is normally used in math and physics while
'j' is normally used in engineering (specifically electrical)

$$i = \sqrt{-1} \qquad i^2 = -1 \qquad i^3 = -i$$

$$j = \sqrt{-1} \qquad j^2 = -1 \qquad j^3 = -i$$

Complex Numbers Example

$$(4 + j7) + (6 + j9) = ?$$

$$(4 + 6) + (j7 + j9) = \boxed{10 + j16}$$

Complex Numbers Example

Complete the following math equation.
Your final answer should be in Polar Notation.

$$(2 - i2) \bullet \sqrt{32}e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}}$$

$$= \left[\sqrt{2^2 + (-2)^2} \measuredangle \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-2}{2}\right)\right] \bullet \sqrt{32} \measuredangle \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\text{rad}\right)\left(\frac{180°}{\pi}\right)$$

$$= 2.82 \measuredangle -45° \bullet \sqrt{32} \measuredangle 45°$$

$$= \boxed{15.952 \measuredangle 0°}$$

Complex Conjugates

$$z^* = x - jy \quad \text{if} \quad z = x + jy$$

$$z \bullet z^* = x^2 + y^2$$

Complex Conjugate example

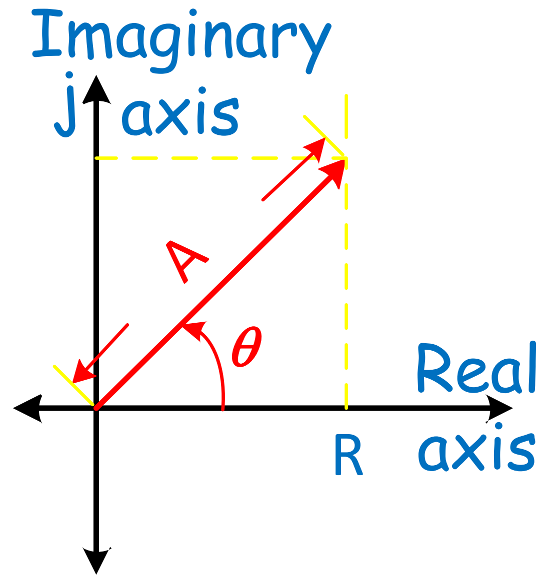
$$\text{solve}: \frac{2+j}{3+2j}$$

$$\frac{(2+j)(3-2j)}{(3+2j)(3-2j)} = \frac{6-4j+3j-2j^2}{3^2+2^2}$$

$$= \frac{6-j-2(-1)}{9+4}$$

$$= \frac{6-j+2}{13} = \boxed{\frac{8-j}{13}}$$

Complex Number Conversions



$$A\measuredangle\theta \quad = \quad R + jI$$

$$A = \sqrt{R^2 + I^2} \qquad R = A\cos(\theta)$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{I}{R}\right) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad I = A\sin(\theta)$$

Example

$$R + jI = 3 + j4$$

$$A = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{9 + 16} = \sqrt{25} = \boxed{5}$$

$$\measuredangle\theta = \measuredangle \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{I}{R}\right)$$

$$= \measuredangle \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) = \boxed{53.13^\circ}$$

$$\bar{A} = A\measuredangle\theta = \boxed{5\measuredangle 53.13^\circ}$$

Simultaneous Equations

A set of equations can be solved simultaneously if the number of unknowns is equal to the number of equations. There are several ways to solve them including via Matrix methods which will be discussed later.

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and

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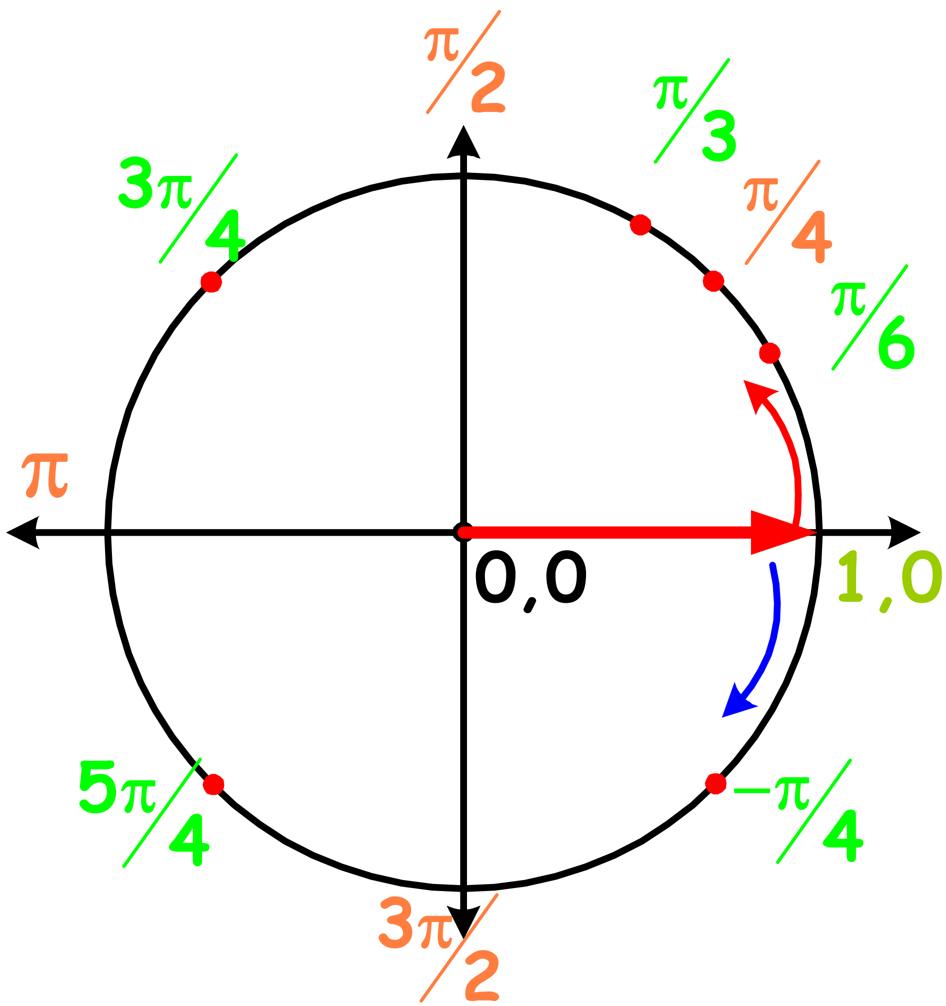
Trigonometry basics

- Unit Circle
- Triangles
- A few identities

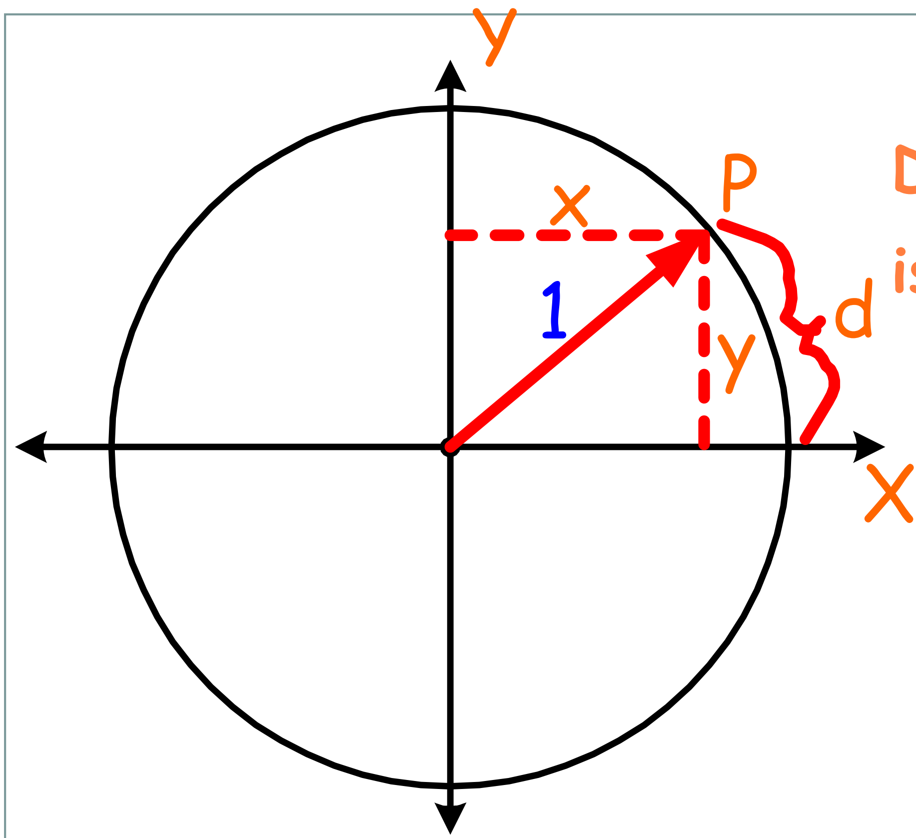
The Unit Circle



$r = 1$

$C = 2\pi r = 2\pi(1) = 2\pi$

Units = radians



Distance (d) from point (1,0) is point P on the circle.

$\sin(d) = y$ coordinate

$\cos(d) = x$ coordinate

$$\tan(d) = \frac{\sin(d)}{\cos(d)} = \frac{y}{x} \qquad \sec(d) = \frac{1}{\cos(d)} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\cot(d) = \frac{1}{\tan(d)} = \frac{x}{y} \qquad c\sec(d) = \frac{1}{\sin(d)} = \frac{1}{y}$$

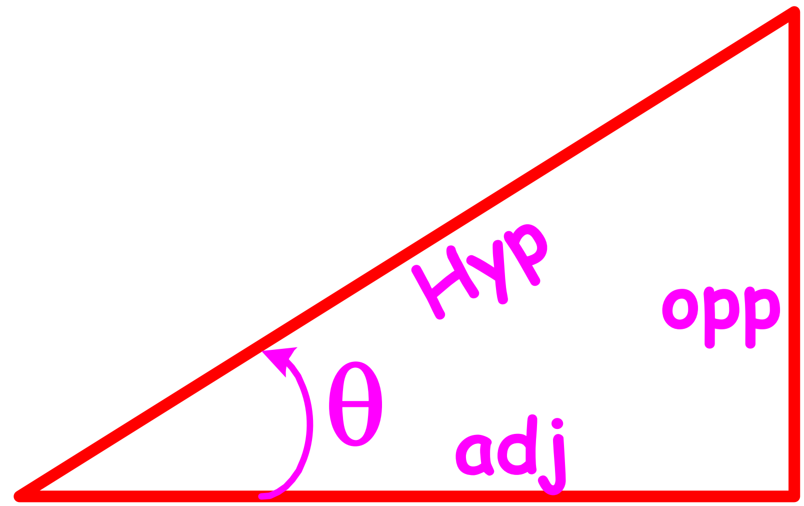
Triangle point of view

$$\sin\theta = \frac{opp}{hyp}$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{adj}{hyp}$$

$$\tan\theta = \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} = \frac{opp}{adj}$$

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



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

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

A few identities

$$c^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$(hyp)^2 = (adj)^2 + (opp)^2$$

$$1 = \left(\frac{adj}{hyp}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{opp}{hyp}\right)^2$$

$$1 = \cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta$$

$$\sin^2\theta = \frac{1-\cos 2\theta}{2}$$

$$\sin(\theta_1 \pm \theta_2) = \sin(\theta_1)\cos(\theta_2) \pm \cos(\theta_1)\sin(\theta_2)$$