

Trigonometric Identity

Hexagon

(a convenient way to remember
26 trigonometric identities)

*The two trigonometric functions
at the ends of any diagonal are
reciprocals of one another.*

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{\csc x} \quad \text{and} \quad \csc x = \frac{1}{\sin x}$$

$$\tan x = \frac{1}{\cot x} \quad \text{and} \quad \cot x = \frac{1}{\tan x}$$

$$\sec x = \frac{1}{\cos x} \quad \text{and} \quad \cos x = \frac{1}{\sec x}$$

*The product of any three
non – adjacent functions is 1.*

$$\sin x \times \sec x \times \cot x = 1$$

$$\tan x \times \csc x \times \cos x = 1$$

sin x

tan x

sec x

Order is important!

Is this figure a
hexagon, a cube, or
both?

COS x

CSC x

*Each trigonometric function is
the product of the trigonometric
functions on both sides of it.*

$$\sin x = \cos x \times \tan x$$

$$\tan x = \sin x \times \sec x$$

$$\sec x = \tan x \times \csc x$$

$$\csc x = \sec x \times \cot x$$

$$\cot x = \csc x \times \cos x$$

$$\cos x = \cot x \times \sin x$$

cot x

*Each trigonometric function is
equal to either of its adjacent
trigonometric functions divided by
the next adjacent trigonometric function.*

$$\sin x = \frac{\tan x}{\sec x} = \frac{\cos x}{\cot x}$$

$$\tan x = \frac{\sec x}{\csc x} = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

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

$$\csc x = \frac{\cot x}{\cos x} = \frac{\sec x}{\tan x}$$

$$\cot x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} = \frac{\csc x}{\sec x}$$

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