

# L1 - Radians

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## Unit 9: Trigonometric Equations

### Lesson 1 Radians, Standard Position, Co-terminal Angles & Arc Length

In Trigonometry, we use degrees to measure angles in triangles. However, degrees are not "user friendly" in many situations (just as % is not user friendly unless we change it into decimals.)

**Radians:** Another measure of an angle.  $2\pi$  radians is equivalent to one full circle rotation  $360^\circ$ .  
(~6.28)

- When working with radians we don't need to include the units. If an angle measure has no units, we can assume it is in radians.
- To convert between units, we will use unit analysis, as in Science with the conversion  $\pi = 180^\circ$

Ex.1: Convert the following angles.

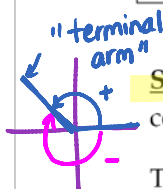
a)  $40^\circ$  to radians

$$40^\circ \times \frac{\pi \text{ radians}}{180^\circ} = \frac{2\pi}{9} \text{ radians} \quad (\sim 0.698)$$

b) 1 radian to degrees

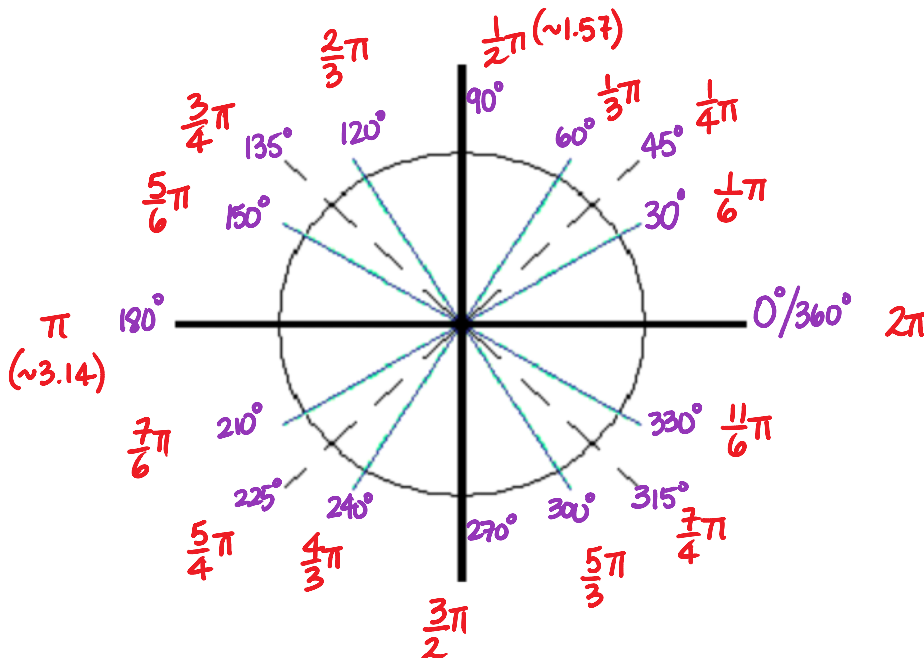
$$1 \text{ radian} \times \frac{180^\circ}{\pi \text{ radians}} = \frac{180^\circ}{\pi} \quad (\sim 57.3^\circ)$$

$\angle$ in degree:	$0^\circ$	$30^\circ$	$45^\circ$	$60^\circ$	$90^\circ$	$180^\circ$	$270^\circ$	$360^\circ$
$\angle$ in radian:	0	$\frac{1}{6}\pi$	$\frac{1}{4}\pi$	$\frac{1}{3}\pi$	$\frac{1}{2}\pi$	$\pi$	$\frac{3}{2}\pi$	$2\pi$



**Standard Position:** an angle measured from the positive x-axis to a **terminal arm**. Angles measured counter-clockwise are considered positive, and angles measured clockwise are considered negative.

The circle below is divided by lines with different angles. Label the angles in both degrees and radians. (Hint: The dotted lines cut the  $90^\circ$  in halves, and the shadow lines divide the  $90^\circ$  into 3 equal parts.)



**Co-terminal angles:** are angles in standard position that share the same terminal (stopping point). They can be found by adding or subtracting multiples of  $360^\circ$  (in degree) or  $2\pi$  (in radian).

In degrees: *revolutions around terminal arm* In radians:

$$\theta_c = \theta + 360^\circ n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

↑ given

$$\theta_c = \theta + 2\pi n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Ex.2: Determine one positive and one negative angle measure that is co-terminal with each angle. Then write a general equation to express its co-terminal angle. In which quadrant does the terminal arm lie?

a)  $40^\circ$

$\theta_c = 40^\circ + 360^\circ = 400^\circ$

$\theta_c = 40^\circ - 360^\circ = -320^\circ$

$\theta_c = 40^\circ + 360^\circ n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$   
Quadrant I

b)  $-430^\circ = -(360^\circ + 70^\circ)$

$\theta_c = -430^\circ + 2(360^\circ) = 290^\circ$

$\theta_c = -70^\circ$

$\theta_c = -430^\circ + 360^\circ n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$   
Quadrant IV

c)  $\frac{8\pi}{3} \leftarrow 8 \frac{\pi}{3}'s$

$\theta_c = \frac{2}{3}\pi$

$\theta_c = -\frac{4}{3}\pi$

$\theta_c = \frac{8}{3}\pi + 2\pi n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$   
Quadrant II

**Arc Length:** The distance around a portion of the circumference of a circle. Can be found using the formula  $a = r\theta$  (where the angle  $\theta$  is in radians).

Ex.3: Find the unknown.

a) Given  $a = 28$  and  $r = 5$ , find  $\theta$ .

$a = r\theta$

$\theta = \frac{a}{r} = \frac{28}{5} = 5.6 \text{ radians}$

b) Given  $r = \pi$  and  $\theta = 60^\circ$ , find  $a$ .

*in radians!*

$\theta = 60^\circ \times \frac{\pi}{180^\circ} = \frac{1}{3}\pi$

$a = r\theta$

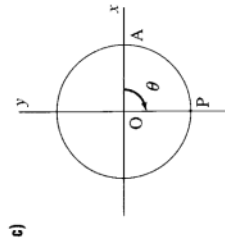
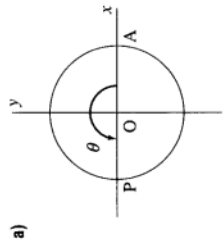
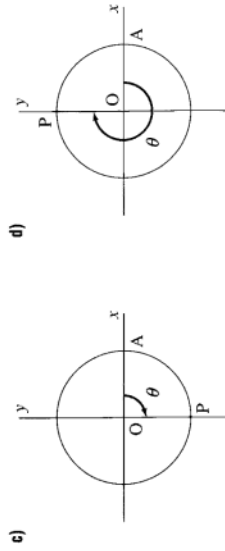
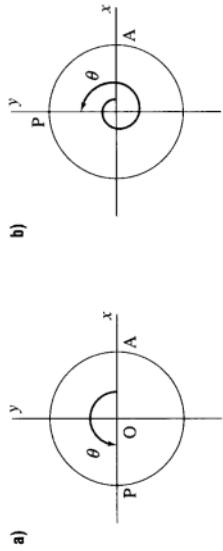
$= \pi \left(\frac{1}{3}\pi\right) = \frac{1}{3}\pi^2$

$\sim 3.29$

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## EXERCISES

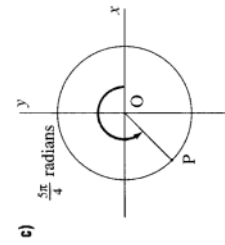
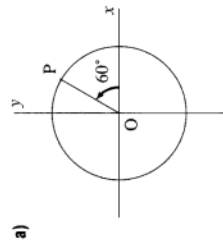
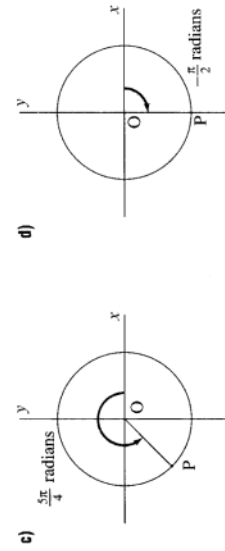
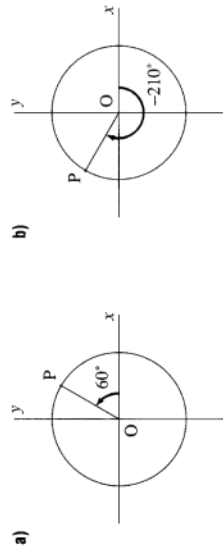
1. For each angle in standard position, determine  $\theta$  in degrees and in radians.



2. Sketch each angle in standard position.

- a)  $\theta = 50^\circ$     b)  $\theta = -120^\circ$     c)  $\theta = -165^\circ$     d)  $\theta = 240^\circ$   
 e)  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  radians    f)  $\theta = -\frac{\pi}{4}$  radians    g)  $\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}$  radians    h)  $\theta = -\frac{3\pi}{2}$  radians

4. For each angle  $\theta$  in standard position, determine two other angles that are coterminal with  $\theta$ .



5. Determine two angles that are coterminal with each angle  $\theta$ .

- a)  $\theta = \pi$  radians    b)  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  radians  
 c)  $\theta = -\frac{\pi}{3}$  radians    d)  $\theta = -2\pi$  radians

7. P is a point on the terminal arm of an angle  $\theta$  in standard position. Suppose P has rotated  $420^\circ$ .

- a) How many complete rotations have been made?  
 b) In which quadrant is P located?  
 c) Draw a diagram to show the position of P.

9. Sketch each angle in standard position.

- a)  $\theta = 400^\circ$     b)  $\theta = 750^\circ$     c)  $\theta = -270^\circ$     d)  $\theta = -60^\circ$

10. Repeat exercise 9 for each angle of rotation for P.

- a)  $-\pi$  radians    b)  $\frac{3\pi}{2}$  radians    c)  $2\pi$  radians    d)  $-\frac{5\pi}{2}$  radians

11. Sketch each angle in standard position.

- a)  $\theta = \frac{9\pi}{2}$  radians    b)  $\theta = \frac{10\pi}{3}$  radians  
 c)  $\theta = -\frac{5\pi}{4}$  radians    d)  $\theta = -7\pi$  radians

13. Write an expression to represent any angle coterminal with each angle  $\theta$ .

- a)  $\theta = -45^\circ$     b)  $\theta = 150^\circ$     c)  $\theta = 240^\circ$     d)  $\theta = -30^\circ$   
 e)  $\theta = \pi$  radians    f)  $\theta = -\frac{\pi}{4}$  radians    g)  $\theta = \frac{5\pi}{2}$  radians    h)  $\theta = -1$  radian

1. a)  $180^\circ, \pi$  radians    b)  $450^\circ, \frac{5\pi}{2}$  radians  
 c)  $-90^\circ, -\frac{\pi}{2}$  radians    d)  $-270^\circ, -\frac{3\pi}{2}$  radians  
 2. a)  $310^\circ, 410^\circ$     b)  $240^\circ, 600^\circ$   
 c)  $195^\circ, 555^\circ$     d)  $-120^\circ, 600^\circ$   
 e)  $\frac{4\pi}{3}$  radians,  $\frac{16\pi}{3}$  radians    f)  $\frac{4\pi}{3}$  radians,  $\frac{16\pi}{3}$  radians  
 g)  $\frac{4\pi}{3}$  radians,  $\frac{16\pi}{3}$  radians    h)  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$  radians,  $\frac{8\pi}{3}$  radians  
 3. Answers may vary.    a)  $-300^\circ, 420^\circ$   
 b)  $150^\circ, -570^\circ$     c)  $-\frac{4}{3}\pi$  radians,  $-\frac{14}{3}\pi$  radians  
 d)  $\frac{2}{3}\pi$  radians,  $-\frac{10}{3}\pi$  radians  
 4. Answers may vary.    a)  $-\pi$  radians,  $3\pi$  radians  
 b)  $-\frac{3\pi}{2}$  radians,  $\frac{3\pi}{2}$  radians  
 c)  $\frac{3\pi}{2}$  radians,  $-\frac{3\pi}{2}$  radians  
 5. Answers may vary.    a)  $150^\circ + n(360^\circ)$   
 b)  $30^\circ + n(360^\circ)$     c)  $240^\circ + n(360^\circ)$   
 d)  $(\pi + 2\pi n)$  radians    e)  $(\pi + 2\pi n)$  radians  
 f)  $(-\frac{\pi}{4} + 2\pi n)$  radians    g)  $(\frac{\pi}{5\pi} + 2\pi n)$  radians  
 h)  $(-1 + 2\pi n)$  radians

## Exercises