

 $Sinx(1 + Cot^2x)$ 

## Verifying Trig Identities:

Showing that the two sides of the equation really are equal.

When trying to verify/prove an identity you CAN'T do the following:

• Move terms from one side of the equation to the other side

• Multiply/divide/square/square root both sides of the equation

• Add/Subtract from both sides of the equation

## You are NOT solving

You are trying to show the two sides of the equation are equal, therefore, you can't do anything that requires them to be equal.

## Two basic techniques:

• Work on one side only and make it look like the other side.

or

• Work on both sides until they look the same.







Verify this identity: sinx COSX  $\frac{\pi}{2} = \sin x + \cos x$ tanx cotx Sin  $+ \frac{\cos}{\sin}$ Sin Stra. COS + COS, SIN SILO + COS, SIN  $\cos x + \sin x = \sin x + \cos x$ 



You should now be able to complete Hwk #32

Practice Sheet Sec 14-1