

Simplify each trigonometric expression.

$$\frac{\sec x - \cos x}{\sec x}$$

$$\sec x$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\frac{1}{\cos} - \cos}{\frac{1}{\cos}} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\cos} - \cos \right) \cos \\ &= 1 - \cos^2 \\ &= \sin^2 x \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\sin x}{1 - \cos^2 x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\sin}{\sin^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sin} = \csc x \end{aligned}$$

$$\cos x (1 + \tan^2 x)$$

$$= \cos (\sec^2)$$

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

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

$$\frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos x \cdot \tan x}$$

$$\frac{\sin^2}{\frac{\cos \cdot \sin}{1}} = \frac{\sin^2}{\sin} = \sin x$$

You can now finish Hwk #24: Sec 14-1

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Problems: 18, 20-23, 28, 30, 32-34

No work = No credit

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\sec x}{\cos x} - \frac{\tan x}{\cot x} &= \frac{\frac{1}{\cos}}{\cos} - \frac{\frac{\sin}{\cos}}{\frac{\cos}{\sin}} \\&= \frac{1}{\cos} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos} - \frac{\sin}{\cos} \cdot \frac{\sin}{\cos} \\&= \frac{1}{\cos^2} - \frac{\sin^2}{\cos^2} \\&= \frac{1 - \sin^2}{\cos^2} \\&= \frac{\cos^2}{\cos^2} = \boxed{1}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\sec \theta}{\cot \theta + \tan \theta} &= \frac{\frac{1}{\cos}}{\frac{\cos}{\cos} \cdot \frac{\cos}{\sin} + \frac{\sin}{\cos} \cdot \frac{\sin}{\sin}} \\&= \frac{\frac{1}{\cos}}{\frac{\cos^2 + \sin^2}{\sin \cdot \cos}} \\&= \frac{\frac{1}{\cos}}{\frac{1}{\sin \cos}} \\&= \frac{1}{\cos} \cdot \frac{\sin \cdot \cos}{1} \\&= \boxed{\sin x}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\sin^4(x) - \cos^4(x)}{\sin^2(x) - \cos^2(x)} &= \frac{(\sin^2 + \cos^2)(\sin^2 - \cos^2)}{\sin^2 - \cos^2} \quad \text{this factors using difference of perfect squares} \\&= \sin^2 + \cos^2 \\&= \boxed{1}\end{aligned}$$

You can now finish Hwk #25:

Practice Sheet: Sec 14-1

Simplifying Trigonometric Expressions

Verifying trig identities:

Showing that the two sides of the equation really are 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.

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 which means you don't know they are equal....YET.

Verify this identity:

$$1 + \cot A = \csc A (\sin A + \cos A)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{\sin} (\sin + \cos) \\ &= 1 + \frac{\cos}{\sin} \\ 1 + \cot A &= 1 + \cot A \end{aligned}$$