

Chapter-08

Introduction to Trigonometry

- Trigonometry is the branch of Mathematics which deals with the measurement of sides and angles of the triangles.

- In a right triangle ABC, right-angled at B,

- $\sin A = \frac{\text{side opposite to angle } A}{\text{hypotenuse}}$, $\cos A = \frac{\text{side adjacent to angle } A}{\text{hypotenuse}}$

$$\tan A = \frac{\text{side opposite to angle } A}{\text{side adjacent to angle } A}$$

$$\operatorname{cosec} A = \frac{1}{\sin A}; \sec A = \frac{1}{\cos A}$$

$$\cot A = \frac{1}{\tan A}, \tan A = \frac{\sin A}{\cos A}$$

- If one of the trigonometric ratios of an acute angle is known, the remaining trigonometric ratios of the angle can be easily determined.
- The values of trigonometric ratios for angles 0° , 30° , 45° , 60° and 90° .
- The value of $\sin A$ or $\cos A$ never exceeds 1, whereas the value of $\sec A$ or $\operatorname{cosec} A$ is always greater than or equal to 1.
- $\sin(90^\circ - A) = \cos A$, $\cos(90^\circ - A) = \sin A$;
- $\tan(90^\circ - A) = \cot A$, $\cot(90^\circ - A) = \tan A$;
- $\sec(90^\circ - A) = \operatorname{cosec} A$, $\operatorname{cosec}(90^\circ - A) = \sec A$.
- $\sin^2 A + \cos^2 A = 1$,
- $\sec^2 A - \tan^2 A = 1$ for $0^\circ \leq A < 90^\circ$,
- $\operatorname{cosec}^2 A = 1 + \cot^2 A$ for $0^\circ < A \leq 90^\circ$.