

MATH 6 – RECITATION WORKSHEET 10  
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Today we'll look at how trig identities can help you solve calculus problems.

1.
  - (a) Find the derivative of  $f(x) = \sin x \cos x$  using rules of derivatives.
  - (b) Rewrite  $\sin x \cos x$  using a trig identity.
  - (c) Take the derivative of the expression you found. Do your answers agree? Which method do you prefer?
  
2.
  - (a) Find the derivative of  $f(x) = \sec^2 x - \tan^2 x$  using rules of derivatives.
  - (b) Rewrite  $\sec^2 x - \tan^2 x$  using a trig identity.
  - (c) Take the derivative of the expression you found. Do your answers agree? Which method do you prefer?

3. Compute the following integral by first rewriting the integrand using a trig identity, and then using substitution.

$$\int \sin^3 x \, dx$$

4. Compute the following integral by first rewriting the integrand using a trig identity.

$$\int \cos^2 x \, dx$$

5. Compute the following integral by first rewriting the integrand using a trig identity.

$$\int \tan^2 x \, dx$$