

Answer on Question #57923 – Algebra – Trigonometry

6: Check all that apply. If $\tan \theta = 15/8$, then:

$$\cos \theta = 17/15 \quad - \text{false. } 0 \leq \cos \theta \leq 1, \text{ but } \frac{17}{15} > 1$$

$$\cot \theta = 8/15 \quad - \text{true. } \cot \theta = \frac{1}{\tan \theta}. \text{ Therefore } \cot \theta = \frac{1}{\frac{15}{8}} = \frac{8}{15}$$

$$\sec \theta = 17/8 \quad - \text{true.}$$

$$\sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta}, \cos^2 \theta = \frac{1}{1 + \tan^2 \theta}, \sec^2 \theta = \frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta} = 1 + \tan^2 \theta$$

$$\text{From a task condition } \sec^2 \theta = 1 + \left(\frac{15}{8}\right)^2 = 4.515625. \sec \theta = \sqrt{4.515625} = 2.125 = \frac{17}{8}$$

$$\cot \theta = 15/17 \quad - \text{false, because } \cot \theta = 8/15 \text{ (see above)}$$

7: Check all that apply. If $\csc \theta = 13/12$, then:

$$\tan \theta = 12/5 \quad - \text{true. } \sin \theta = \frac{1}{\csc \theta} = \frac{1}{\frac{13}{12}} = \frac{12}{13}; \quad \cos \theta = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{12}{13}\right)^2} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{144}{169}} = 0.3847;$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\frac{12}{13}}{0.3847} = 2.3995 = 2.4; \frac{12}{5} = 2.4$$

$$\sec \theta = 12/13 \quad - \text{false. } \sin \theta = \frac{12}{13} \text{ (see below)}$$

$$\sin \theta = 12/13 \quad - \text{true. } \sin \theta = \frac{1}{\csc \theta} = \frac{1}{\frac{13}{12}} = \frac{12}{13}$$

$$\cos \theta = 12/13 \quad - \text{false. } \sin \theta = \frac{12}{13} \text{ (see above)}$$