

5.4 Solve Trigonometric Equations

BLM 5-8

- Determine approximate solutions for each equation in the interval $x \in [0, 2\pi]$, to the nearest hundredth of a radian.
 - $\cos x + 0.6 = 0$
 - $\sin x - 2.5 = 0$
 - $\csc x + 3 = 0$
 - $\cot x - 2.75 = 0$
 - $2 \sec x - 5 = 0$
- Use Technology** Verify the answers to question 1 by graphing with technology.
- Determine exact solutions for each equation in the interval $x \in [0, 2\pi]$.
 - $\tan x + 1 = 0$
 - $\sin x - 0.5 = 0$
 - $\cot x + \sqrt{3} = 0$
 - $\sec x - \sqrt{2} = 0$
 - $2 \cos x + \sqrt{3} = 0$
- Illustrate the answers to question 3 by graphing.
- Determine approximate solutions for each equation in the interval $x \in [0, 2\pi]$, to the nearest hundredth of a radian.
 - $\sin^2 x - 0.25 = 0$
 - $\tan^2 x - 1.21 = 0$
 - $\cos^2 x - 0.49 = 0$
 - $\csc^2 x - \frac{25}{9} = 0$
 - $\sec^2 x - 1.69 = 0$
- Use Technology** Verify the answers for each equation in question 5 by graphing with technology.
- Solve $2 \sin^2 x - \sin x - 1 = 0$ on the interval $x \in [0, 2\pi]$, giving exact answers.
- Solve $\tan^2 x + 3 \tan x - 28 = 0$ on the interval $x \in [0, 2\pi]$, to the nearest hundredth of a radian.
- Solve $\sec^2 x - 5 \sec x + 6 = 0$ on the interval $x \in [0, 2\pi]$, to the nearest hundredth of a radian.

- Determine exact solutions for each equation in the interval $2x \in [0, \pi]$.
 - $\sin 2x - 0.5 = 0$
 - $2 \cos 2x + \sqrt{3} = 0$

For the remaining questions determine exact solutions where possible. If exact solutions are not possible determine approximate solutions, rounded to the nearest hundredth of a radian.

- Solve $2 \cos^2 x - 4 \cos x = 0$ on the interval $x \in [0, 2\pi]$.
- Solve $\sin 2x = \cos 2x$ on the interval $x \in [0, 2\pi]$.
- Solve $6 \csc^2 x - 5 \csc x - 6 = 0$ on the interval $x \in [0, 2\pi]$.
- Solve $6 \sin^2 x - \sin x - 1 = 0$ on the interval $x \in [0, 2\pi]$.
- Solve $4 \tan^2 x + 2 \tan x - 3 = 0$ on the interval $x \in [0, 2\pi]$.
- Use Technology** Use graphing technology to verify your answers to question 15.
- The range that a baseball can be thrown underhand can be modelled by the equation $r = 45 \sin 2x$, where r is the range, in metres, and x is the angle, in radians, above the horizontal where the ball is released. A target, home plate in a soft ball baseball game, is 18 m away.
 - What are the restrictions on angle x ? Justify your answer.
 - Determine the angle(s) that the baseball player should use when releasing the ball in order to get the ball over home plate.
- Determine solutions for $\tan x \sec^2 x = 2 \tan x$ in the interval $x \in \left[-\pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}\right]$.