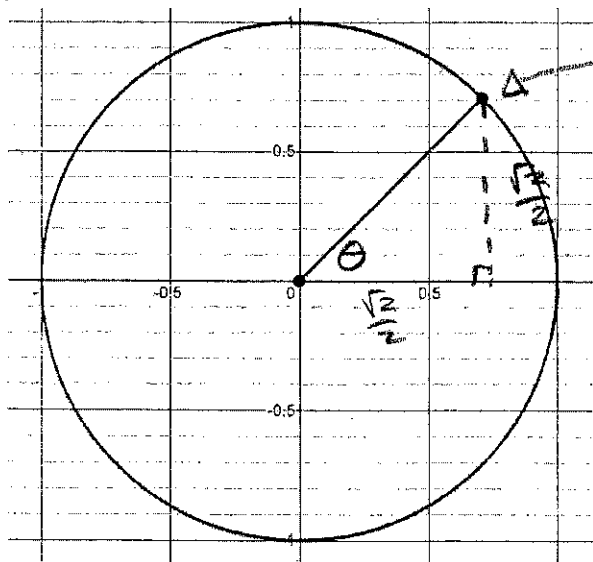


PC 5-2 The six trigonometric functions

Below is a picture of the unit circle with the coordinate $(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2})$ graphed on the circumference of the circle.

X Y



The coordinate $(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2})$ is on the unit circle. The angle θ associated with that coordinate is $\frac{\pi}{4}$.

$$\sin(\theta) = y$$

$$\sin(\pi/4) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$\cos(\theta) = x$$

$$\cos(\pi/4) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\tan(\pi/4) = 1$$

$$\csc(\theta) = \frac{1}{y}$$

$$\csc(\pi/4) = \frac{1}{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{2} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\sec(\theta) = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\sec(\pi/4) = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\cot(\theta) = \frac{x}{y}$$

$$\cot(\pi/4) = 1$$