

CHAPTER 08

Introduction to Trigonometry

Trigonometric ratios of some specific angles:

Trigonometric ratios of 45° :

For determining the trigonometric ratios of 45° , one angle should be 45° apart from 90° . The other angle is 45° . The triangle is right-angled isosceles triangle.

Now, let us consider the right – angled isosceles triangle in each equal side is considered as 'x' units. Then,

By Pythagoras theorem, we have

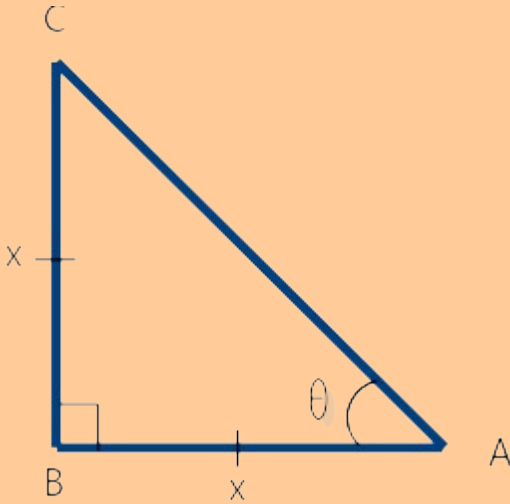
$$AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AC^2 = x^2 + x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AC^2 = 2x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AC = \sqrt{2x^2}$$

$$\therefore AC = \sqrt{2}x = \text{Hypotenuse}$$



Let us consider the reference angle as $A = \theta = 45^\circ$ and the T – ratios of angles are,

$$\sin 45^\circ = \frac{\text{Opposite}}{\text{Hypotenuse}} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{2}x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

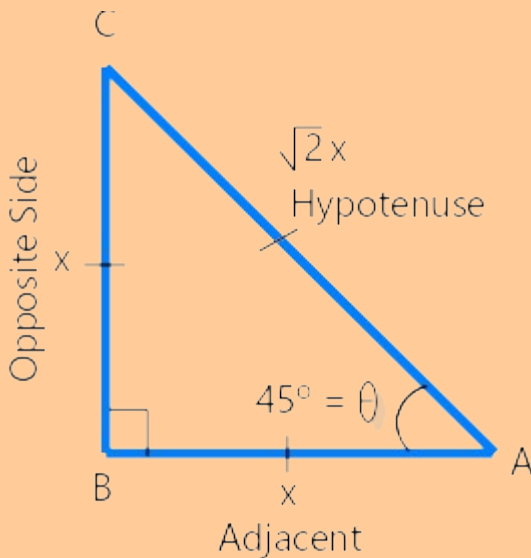
$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{Cosec} 45^\circ = \frac{\text{Hypotenuse}}{\text{Opposite}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}x}{x} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\cos 45^\circ = \frac{\text{Adjacent}}{\text{Hypotenuse}} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{2}x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sec 45^\circ = \frac{\text{Hypotenuse}}{\text{Adjacent}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}x}{x} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\tan 45^\circ = \frac{\text{Opposite}}{\text{Adjacent}} = \frac{x}{x} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \cot 45^\circ = \frac{\text{Adjacent}}{\text{Opposite}} = \frac{x}{x} = 1$$



Summary:

$$\sin 45^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}; \cos 45^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}; \tan 45^\circ = 1$$

$$\operatorname{Cosec} 45^\circ = \sqrt{2}; \operatorname{Sec} 45^\circ = \sqrt{2}; \cot 45^\circ = 1$$

Note:

- $\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots \infty \quad (x \in \mathbb{R})$
- $\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots \infty \quad (x \in \mathbb{R})$