

1. Add the following fractions.

a) $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{3}$

b) $\frac{x}{y} + \frac{1}{xy}$

The same method can be applied when adding fractions involving trigonometric functions.

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + \frac{1}{\sin \theta}$$

Complex fractions can be simplified in a similar way by multiplying the numerator and denominator by the common denominator.

2. Simplify.

a) $\frac{\frac{2}{5} + 3}{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{5}}$

b) $\frac{\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + 1}{\frac{1}{\cos \theta} + \sin \theta}$

Assignment

Simplify each Expression.

1. a) $\frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{3}$

b) $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{ab}$

c) $\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$

d) $\frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta} + \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$

e) $\frac{2}{x} + \frac{3}{y}$

f) $\frac{7}{xy^2} - \frac{15}{x^2y}$

g) $\frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} - \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta}$

h) $\frac{2}{\sin \theta \cos \theta} - \frac{1}{\cos \theta \sin \theta}$

i) $\frac{17a}{bc} + \frac{5b}{ac}$

j) $\frac{15n^2}{m} + \frac{11n}{m^2}$

k) $\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} - \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$

l) $\frac{2\sin \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} - \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$

2. a) $\frac{\frac{2}{3} + 1}{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}}$

b) $\frac{\frac{x}{y} + x}{\frac{y}{x} + y}$

c) $\frac{\frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} + \sin \theta}{\frac{1}{\sin \theta} + 1}$

d) $\frac{\cos \theta + \frac{1}{\sin \theta}}{\sin \theta}$

e) $\frac{x + \frac{2x}{3}}{6}$

f) $\frac{6x - \frac{3x}{5}}{3x}$

g) $\frac{5s - \frac{4}{s}}{s - \frac{5s}{4}}$

h) $\frac{\frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} - 1}{1 - \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}}$

i) $\frac{8a + 5 - \frac{3a}{2}}{3a - 7 + \frac{5a}{2}}$

j) $\frac{2m + \frac{5}{m-3}}{5m - \frac{2}{m-3}}$

k) $\frac{2s - 5 - \frac{2s^2 - 3s}{s+1}}{3s - 1 - \frac{2s+1}{s+1}}$

l) $\frac{\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + \frac{1}{\cos \theta}}{\frac{1}{\cos \theta} + \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}}$

Answers:

1. a) $\frac{7}{6}$ b) $\frac{a^2 + c}{ab}$ c) $\frac{\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta}{\sin \theta \cos \theta}$ d) $\frac{1 + \cos \theta}{\cos^2 \theta}$ e) $\frac{3x + 2y}{xy}$ f) $\frac{7x - 15y}{x^2y^2}$ g) $\frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta - 1}{\sin^2 \theta}$ h) $\frac{1}{\sin \theta \cos \theta}$ i) $\frac{17a^2 + 5b^2}{abc}$ j) $\frac{n(15mn + 11)}{m^2}$

k) $\frac{\sin^2 \theta - \cos^3 \theta}{\sin \theta \cos^2 \theta}$ l) $\frac{\sin \theta (2 - \cos \theta)}{\cos^2 \theta}$

2. a) 2 b) $\frac{x^2(1+y)}{y^2(1+x)}$ c) $\frac{\cos \theta + \sin^2 \theta}{1 + \sin \theta}$ d) $\frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta + 1}{\sin^2 \theta}$ e) $\frac{5x}{18}$ f) $\frac{9}{5}$ g) -17 h) -1 i) $\frac{13a + 10}{11a - 14}$ j) $\frac{2m^2 - 6m + 5}{5m^2 - 15m - 2}$ k) $\frac{-5}{3s^2 - 2}$ l) $\frac{\sin \theta (\sin \theta + 1)}{\sin \theta + \cos^2 \theta}$