

14-3: Simplifying Expressions and Proving Identities

Simplify to a single trig function:

$$\begin{aligned}\tan y(\tan y + \cot y) &= \underbrace{\tan^2 y + 1}_{\sec^2 y} \\ &= \sec^2 y\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\sec y + \csc y}{1 + \tan y} &= \frac{\left[\frac{1}{\cos y} + \frac{1}{\sin y}\right] \cos y \sin y}{\left[1 + \frac{\sin y}{\cos y}\right] \cos y \sin y} \\ &= \frac{\sin y + \cos y}{\cos y \sin y + \sin^2 y} \\ &= \frac{1 \cdot \sin y + \cos y}{\sin y (\cos y + \sin y)} \\ &= \csc y\end{aligned}$$

Prove: $\frac{\sec^2 y - 1}{\sec^2 y} \equiv \sin^2 y$

$$\frac{\tan^2 y}{\sec^2 y}$$
$$\frac{\sin^2 y}{\cos^2 y} \div \frac{1}{\cos^2 y}$$
$$\frac{\sin^2 y}{\cancel{\cos^2 y}} \cdot \frac{\cancel{\cos^2 y}}{1}$$
$$\sin^2 y \equiv \sin^2 y$$

Prove: $\frac{\cos y}{1 + \sin y} + \tan y \equiv \sec y$

$$\frac{\cos y}{\cos y} \cdot \frac{\cos y}{1 + \sin y} + \frac{\sin y (1 + \sin y)}{\cos y (1 + \sin y)}$$
$$\frac{\cos^2 y + \sin y + \sin^2 y}{\cos y (1 + \sin y)}$$
$$= \frac{1 - 1 + \sin y}{\cos y (1 + \sin y)}$$

$$\frac{1}{\cos y} \neq \frac{1}{\cos y}$$