

# Challenge Problems

1. Be sure to attach a hand - sketch for this problem.

(a) First draw  $-245^\circ$  in standard position.

(b) Now draw the reference angle of  $-245^\circ$  in the same diagram. Do not find the value, just draw it.

**Remember the definition:** The reference angle of a given angle is the POSITIVE ACUTE angle formed by the terminal side of the angle and the NEAREST  $x -$  axis.

(c) Use the drawing in part (b) to find the value of the reference angle.

2. Find the exact value of the following expression which basically stands for the sum of  $\cos 1^\circ$ ,  $\cos 2^\circ$ ,  $\cos 3^\circ$  all the way up to  $\cos 179^\circ$ . Do not use a calculator.

$$\cos 1^\circ + \cos 2^\circ + \cos 3^\circ + \cdots \cdots \cdots + \cos 178^\circ + \cos 179^\circ$$

**Hints:** See the hints below.

- i. Start by establishing a relationship between the last term  $\cos 179^\circ$  and the first term  $\cos 1^\circ$ . To establish the relationship, first draw  $179^\circ$  in standard position and find its reference angle. Then use the reference angle and the quadrant in which  $179^\circ$  lies to rewrite  $\cos 179^\circ$  in terms of  $\cos 1^\circ$ . This will help you evaluate  $\cos 1^\circ + \cos 179^\circ$ .
  - ii. Follow the above method to evaluate the intermediate sums  $\cos 2^\circ + \cos 178^\circ$ ,  $\cos 3^\circ + \cos 177^\circ$  and so on.
3. A person's blood pressure follows a sine wave corresponding to the beats of the heart. A particular individual's blood pressure at time  $t$  (measured in minutes) is  $P(t) = 20 \sin(160\pi t) + 110$ .

What does this tell us about the person's (a) heart rate, (b) systolic and diastolic blood pressure?

4. Determine the amplitude, period, and phase shift for the function  $y = \pi \cos\left(\frac{1}{\pi}x - \frac{1}{3}\right)$ . Then graph one period of the function using a graphing utility such as [Graphmatica](#), [Desmos](#) or something of your choice. Hand sketches will not be accepted.

**Note:** Some graphing tips can be found in the “Math Calculator and Graphing Resources” page under the “Course Specific Information” module.