

**Right triangle definitions** of the 6 trig functions:

$$\sin(\theta) = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$$

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{\text{adjacent}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$$

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{adjacent}}$$

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

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

$$\cot(\theta) = \frac{1}{\tan(\theta)}$$

**Coordinate plane definitions** of the basic 3 trig functions

$\theta$  is an angle in standard position;  $(a, b)$  is any point on its terminal side;

$r$  is the distance from the origin to  $(x, y)$

Then  $r^2 = a^2 + b^2$

The 3 basic trig functions:

$$\sin(\theta) = \frac{b}{r}$$

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{a}{r}$$

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{b}{a}$$

**Unit Circle definitions** of the basic 3 trig functions

$(a, b)$  is any point on the unit circle  $a^2 + b^2 = 1$

Then  $x$  is the radian measure of a rotation which starts at  $(1, 0)$  and ends at  $(a, b)$

The 3 basic trig functions:

$$\sin(\theta) = b$$

$$\cos(\theta) = a$$

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{b}{a}$$