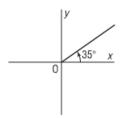
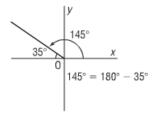
Lesson 2 Reference Angles

A *reference angle* is the positive acute angle formed between the terminal arm of the angle and the *x*-axis.

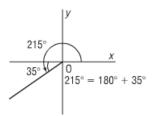
Quadrant I



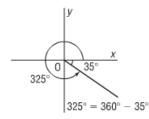
Quadrant II



Quadrant III







Examples

1. Sketch the following angles in standard position and determine the reference angle.

a) 87° b) 232°

- 2. Determine the values of θ such that $0^{\circ} \le \theta \le 360^{\circ}$ for the given trigonometric functions. Express answers to the nearest tenth of a degree.
 - a) $\sin \theta = 0.78615$

b) $\cos \theta = 0.43214$

c) $\tan \theta = -2.81763$

- 3. Determine the solution set for each of the following trigonometric equations over the interval $0^{\circ} \le \theta \le 360^{\circ}$.
 - a) $\cos\theta = -\frac{2}{3}$

b)
$$\tan\theta = -\frac{4}{3}$$

c)
$$-3\sin\theta = 2$$