



## 7.6 Solving Quadratic Trigonometric Equations

"I can solve for the unknown angle(s) in any quadratic trigonometric equation. I realize that I may need to apply previously established identities to do so. I can apply what I have learned in unfamiliar settings."

**Ex. 1:** Solve on  $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$ . Round all final answers to the nearest hundredth.

$$2\sec^2 x - 5\tan x = 5$$

$$2(\tan^2 x + 1) - 5\tan x = 5$$

$$2\tan^2 x + 2 - 5\tan x - 5 = 0$$

$$2\tan^2 x - 5\tan x - 3 = 0$$

$$(2\tan x + 1)(\tan x - 3) = 0$$

$$\therefore 2\tan x + 1 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \tan x - 3 = 0$$

$$\tan x = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \tan x = 3$$

$$\beta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\approx 0.463$$

QII ~~QI~~ QIV ~~QIII~~

$$x = \pi - \beta$$

$$\approx \pi - 0.463$$

$$\approx 2.677$$

$$\approx 2.68$$

$$x = 2\pi - \beta$$

$$\approx 2\pi - 0.463$$

$$\approx 5.819$$

$$\approx 5.82$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(3)$$

$$\approx 1.249$$

QI

$$x \approx 1.249$$

$$\approx 1.25$$

QIII

$$x = \pi + \beta$$

$$\approx 4.390$$

$$\approx 4.39$$

$$\therefore x \approx 1.25, 2.68, 4.39, 5.82$$