

5.3 Sum + Difference Identities

ESSENTIAL QUESTION:

How are sum and difference identities used to find trig functions of odd-ball angles (like $\sin 75^\circ$)?

SUM AND DIFFERENCE IDENTITIES

$$\cos(u \pm v) = \cos(u)\cos(v) \mp \sin(u)\sin(v)$$

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$$\sin(u \pm v) = \sin(u)\cos(v) \pm \cos(u)\sin(v)$$

"Same signs"

$$\tan(u \pm v) = \frac{\tan(u) \pm \tan(v)}{1 \mp \tan(u)\tan(v)}$$

"Same sign"

"Opposite sign"

*Put on
different
slides!

$$\frac{4\pi}{12} - \frac{3\pi}{12} = \frac{\pi}{12}$$

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\sin \frac{\pi}{3} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} - \cos \frac{\pi}{3} \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \\ &\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) \\ &\quad \uparrow \quad \frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{2}}{4} \end{aligned}$$

examples...

Use a sum or difference identity to find an exact value:

$$1. \cos 75^\circ$$

$$2. \sin \frac{\pi}{12}$$

$$\cos(45^\circ + 30^\circ)$$

$$\cos 45^\circ \cos 30^\circ - \sin 45^\circ \sin 30^\circ$$

$$\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) - \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{2}}{4}}$$

$$3. \tan \frac{11\pi}{12} \quad \tan(105^\circ)$$

$$\tan\left(\frac{2\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \tan\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) + \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$(120^\circ + 45^\circ) \quad \frac{1 - \tan\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)}{1 + \tan\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{8\pi}{12} + \frac{3\pi}{12} \\ &\frac{2\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi}{4} \\ &= \frac{-\sqrt{3} + 1}{1 - (-\sqrt{3})(1)} = \frac{1 - \sqrt{3}}{1 + \sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{1 - \sqrt{3}}{1 - \sqrt{3}} = \frac{1 - 2\sqrt{3} + 3}{1 - 3} = \frac{4 - 2\sqrt{3}}{-2} \\ &\quad \cancel{2(-1 + \sqrt{3})} \quad \boxed{\sqrt{3} - 2} \end{aligned}$$

Write each expression in terms of a single angle.

$$4. \cos 94^\circ \cos 18^\circ + \sin 94^\circ \sin 18^\circ$$

$$\cos(94^\circ - 18^\circ)$$

$$\boxed{\cos(76^\circ)}$$

$$5. \sin \frac{\pi}{7} \cos \frac{\pi}{3} + \cos \frac{\pi}{7} \sin \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{7} - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)$$

$$\sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{21} - \frac{7\pi}{21}\right) = \boxed{\sin\left(-\frac{4\pi}{21}\right)}$$

Use sum or difference identities to verify the identity.

6. $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \cos \theta$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)\cos(\theta) - \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)\sin(\theta) \\ &\quad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \\ &= (1)\cos(\theta) - (0)\sin(\theta) \\ &= [\cos\theta] \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

7. $\cos\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x\right) - y\right] = \sin(x+y)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x\right)\cos(y) + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x\right)\sin(y) \\ &= \sin(x)\cos(y) + \cos(x)\sin(y) \\ &= [\sin(x+y)] \checkmark \end{aligned}$$