

5.3 and 5.4: Sum and Difference Identities

Be able to use these identities:

$$\cos(A+B) = \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B$$

$$\cos(A-B) = \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B$$

$$\sin(A+B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$$

$$\sin(A-B) = \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B$$

$$\tan(A+B) = \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B}$$

$$\tan(A-B) = \frac{\tan A - \tan B}{1 + \tan A \tan B}$$

No need to
memorize
these!

Ex: Find the exact value of $\sin(15^\circ)$.

$$\sin(15^\circ) = \sin(60^\circ - 45^\circ)$$

$$= \sin(60^\circ) \cos(45^\circ) - \cos(60^\circ) \sin(45^\circ)$$

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

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

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Use
 $\sin(A-B) = \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B$
with $A = 60^\circ$, $B = 45^\circ$

Use calculator to check:

$$\frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}{4} \approx 0.2598 \leftarrow \text{equal!}$$

$$\sin(15^\circ) \approx 0.2598 \leftarrow \checkmark$$

Ex: Find the exact value of $\cos\left(\frac{7\pi}{12}\right)$.

Could change to degrees:

$$\frac{7\pi}{12} = \frac{7\pi}{12} (\text{radian}) \cdot \frac{180^\circ}{\pi (\text{radian})} = \frac{7(180^\circ)}{12} = 105^\circ$$

Then write $105^\circ = 60^\circ + 45^\circ$

Or leave in radian measure:

$$\begin{aligned} \cos\left(\frac{7\pi}{12}\right) &= \cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{12} + \frac{4\pi}{12}\right) \\ &= \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \\ &= \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} \\ &= \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{6}}{4}} \end{aligned}$$

Note:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\pi}{6} &= \frac{2\pi}{12} \\ \frac{\pi}{4} &= \frac{3\pi}{12} \\ \frac{\pi}{3} &= \frac{4\pi}{12} \end{aligned}$$

Ex. Suppose $\cos(u) = -\frac{1}{7}$ and $\sin(t) = \frac{3}{7}$. Also
 Suppose that u and t are both in Quadrant 2.
 Determine $\tan(u+t)$ and $\sin(u-t)$.

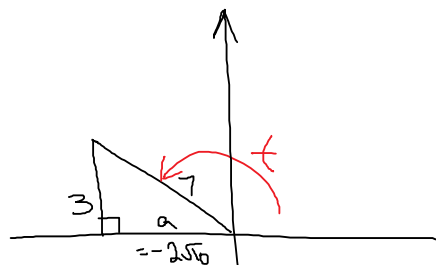


$$\begin{aligned} 1^2 + b^2 &= 7^2 \\ b^2 &= 49 - 1 \\ b^2 &= 48 \\ b &= \pm\sqrt{48} \\ b &= \pm\sqrt{16 \cdot 3} \\ &= \pm 4\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sin(u) = \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{7}$$

$$\cos(u) = -\frac{1}{7}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tan(u) &= \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{-1} \\ &= -4\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$



$$\cos(t) = -\frac{2\sqrt{10}}{7}$$

$$\sin(t) = \frac{3}{7}$$

$$\tan(t) = \frac{3}{-2\sqrt{10}}$$

$$= -\frac{3}{2\sqrt{10}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{10}}{\sqrt{10}}$$

$$= -\frac{3\sqrt{10}}{2 \cdot 10}$$

$$= -\frac{3\sqrt{10}}{20}$$

$$a^2 + 3^2 = 7^2$$

$$a^2 + 9 = 49$$

$$a^2 = 40$$

$$a = \pm\sqrt{40}$$

$$a = -\sqrt{4 \cdot 10}$$

$$a = -2\sqrt{10}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(u-t) &= \sin(u)\cos(t) - \cos(u)\sin(t) \\ &= \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{7} \left(-\frac{2\sqrt{10}}{7} \right) - \left(-\frac{1}{7} \right) \left(\frac{3}{7} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= -\frac{8\sqrt{30}}{49} + \frac{3}{49} = \boxed{\frac{-8\sqrt{30} + 3}{49}}$$

$$\tan(u+t) = \frac{\tan(u) + \tan(t)}{1 - \tan(u)\tan(t)}$$

$$= \frac{-4\sqrt{3} + \left(-\frac{3\sqrt{10}}{20} \right)}{1 - \left(-4\sqrt{3} \right) \left(-\frac{3\sqrt{10}}{20} \right)} = \frac{-4\sqrt{3} - \frac{3\sqrt{10}}{20}}{1 - \frac{12\sqrt{30}}{20}} \cdot \frac{20}{20}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{-80\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{10}}{20 - 12\sqrt{30}}}$$