

Double - Angle Identities

Know these:

$$\begin{aligned} \star \sin 2\theta &= 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \star \\ \star \cos 2\theta &= \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta \star \end{aligned}$$

no need to memorize

$$\tan 2\theta = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}$$

more:

Variations on double-angle identity for cosine:

$$\cos 2\theta = \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\cos^2 \theta = 1 - \sin^2 \theta \Rightarrow \cos 2\theta = 1 - \sin^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\cos 2\theta = 1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\cos 2\theta = \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos 2\theta &= \cos^2 \theta - (1 - \cos^2 \theta) \\ &= \cos^2 \theta - 1 + \cos^2 \theta \\ &= 2 \cos^2 \theta - 1 \end{aligned}$$

3 variations:

know the
+ one

$$\begin{aligned} \cos 2\theta &= \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta \\ \cos 2\theta &= 1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta \\ \cos 2\theta &= 2 \cos^2 \theta - 1 \end{aligned}$$

Ex: Prove $\cos 2A = \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos 2A &= \\ &= \cos(A + A) = \cos A \cos A - \sin A \sin A \\ &= \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Ex.: Prove $\sin 2A = 2 \sin A \cos A$

$$\begin{aligned}\sin 2A &= \sin (A+A) \\ &= \sin A \cos A + \cos A \sin A \\ &= 2 \sin A \cos A\end{aligned}$$

Ex.: Find $\cos 2\theta$ and $\sin 2\theta$, given that $\cos \theta = -\frac{12}{13}$ and $\sin \theta > 0$.

$$\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$$

$$\left(-\frac{12}{13}\right)^2 + \sin^2 \theta = 1$$

$$\frac{144}{169} + \sin^2 \theta = 1$$

$$\sin^2 \theta = 1 - \frac{144}{169}$$

$$\sin^2 \theta = \frac{169}{169} - \frac{144}{169}$$

$$\sin^2 \theta = \frac{25}{169}$$

$$\sin \theta = \pm \sqrt{\frac{25}{169}}$$

$$\sin \theta = \pm \frac{5}{13}$$

$$\text{Q2, given info} \Rightarrow \sin \theta = +\frac{5}{13}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sin 2\theta &= 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ &= 2 \left(\frac{5}{13}\right) \left(-\frac{12}{13}\right)\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\sin 2\theta = -\frac{120}{169}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\cos 2\theta &= \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta \\ &= \left(-\frac{12}{13}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{5}{13}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{144}{169} - \frac{25}{169}\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\cos 2\theta = \frac{119}{169}}$$

