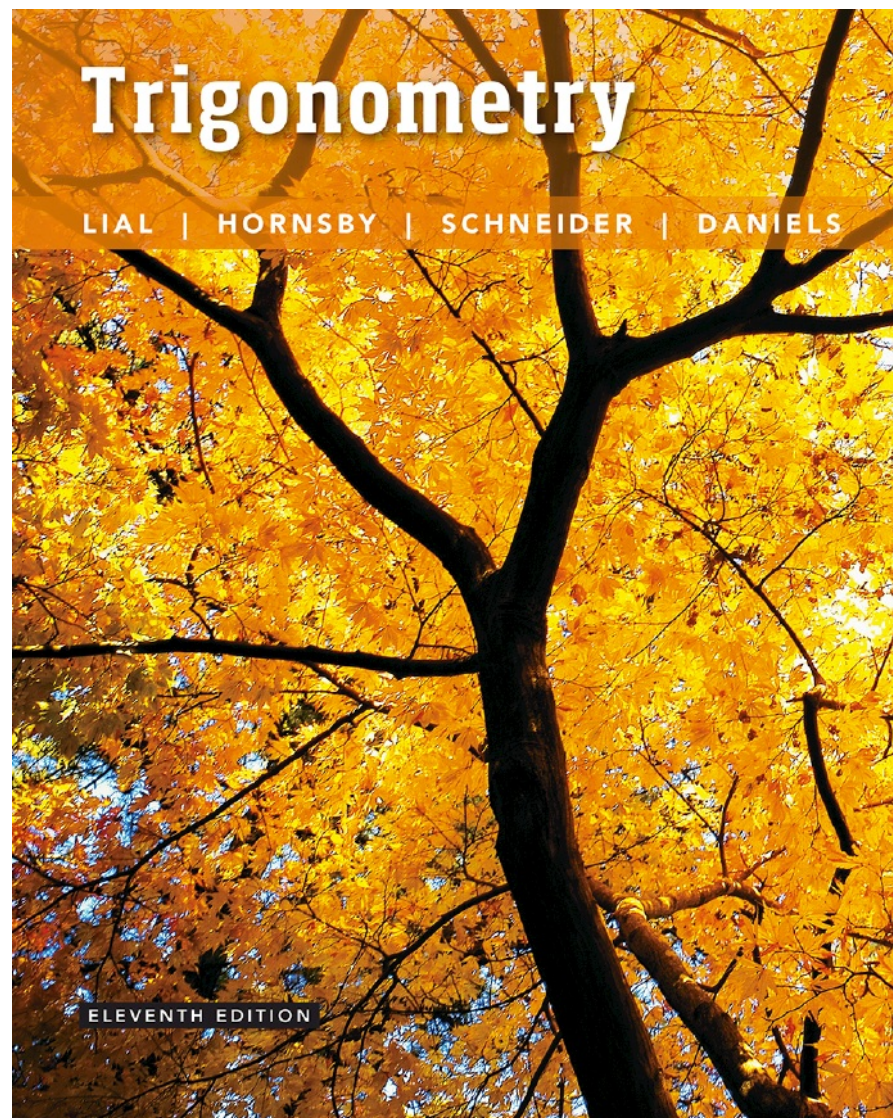


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Trigonometric Identities



5.4 Sum and Difference Identities for Sine and Tangent

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Sum and Difference Identities for Sine

We can use the cosine sum and difference identities to derive similar identities for sine and tangent.

$$\sin(A + B) = \cos[90^\circ - (A + B)] \quad \text{Cofunction identity}$$

$$= \cos[(90^\circ - A) - B]$$

$$= \cos(90^\circ - A)\cos B + \sin(90^\circ - A)\sin B$$

Cosine difference identity

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

Cofunction identities

Sum and Difference Identities for Sine

$$\sin(A - B) = \sin[A + (-B)]$$

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

Sine sum identity

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

Negative-angle identities

Sine of a Sum or Difference

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

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

Sum and Difference Identities for Tangent

$$\tan(A + B) = \frac{\sin(A + B)}{\cos(A + B)}$$

Fundamental identity

$$= \frac{\sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B}{\cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B}$$

Sum identities

$$= \frac{\frac{\sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B}{1}}{\frac{\cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B}{1}} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{\cos A \cos B}}{\frac{1}{\cos A \cos B}}$$

Multiply numerator and denominator by 1.

Sum and Difference Identities for Tangent

$$\tan(A + B) = \frac{\frac{\sin A \cos B}{\cos A \cos B} + \frac{\cos A \sin B}{\cos A \cos B}}{\frac{\cos A \cos B}{\cos A \cos B} - \frac{\sin A \sin B}{\cos A \cos B}} \quad \text{Multiply.}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{\sin A}{\cos A} + \frac{\sin B}{\cos B}}{1 - \frac{\sin A}{\cos A} \cdot \frac{\sin B}{\cos B}} \quad \text{Simplify.}$$

$$= \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B} \quad \text{Fundamental identity}$$

Replace B with $-B$ and use the fact that $\tan(-B) = -\tan B$ to obtain the identity for the tangent of the difference of two angles.

Tangent of a Sum or Difference

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

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

► Example 1(a) FINDING EXACT SINE AND TANGENT FUNCTION VALUES

Find the *exact* value of $\sin 75^\circ$.

$$\sin 75^\circ = \sin(45^\circ + 30^\circ)$$

$$= \sin 45^\circ \cos 30^\circ + \cos 45^\circ \sin 30^\circ$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

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

► Example 1(b)

FINDING EXACT SINE AND TANGENT FUNCTION VALUES

Find the *exact* value of $\tan \frac{7\pi}{12}$.

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

► Example 1(c)

FINDING EXACT SINE AND TANGENT FUNCTION VALUES

Find the *exact* value of $\sin 40^\circ \cos 160^\circ - \cos 40^\circ \sin 160^\circ$.

$$\begin{aligned}\sin 40^\circ \cos 160^\circ - \cos 40^\circ \sin 160^\circ &= \sin(40^\circ - 160^\circ) \\ &= \sin(-120^\circ) \\ &= -\sin 120^\circ \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\end{aligned}$$

► Example 2

WRITING FUNCTIONS AS EXPRESSIONS INVOLVING FUNCTIONS OF θ

Write each function as an expression involving functions of θ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad \cos(30^\circ + \theta) &= \cos 30^\circ \cos \theta - \sin 30^\circ \sin \theta \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cos \theta - \frac{1}{2} \sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3} \cos \theta - \sin \theta}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad \tan(45^\circ - \theta) = \frac{\tan 45^\circ - \tan \theta}{1 + \tan 45^\circ \tan \theta} = \frac{1 - \tan \theta}{1 + \tan \theta}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c)} \quad \sin(180^\circ - \theta) &= \sin 180^\circ \cos \theta - \cos 180^\circ \sin \theta \\ &= 0 \cdot \cos \theta - (-1) \sin \theta \\ &= \sin \theta \end{aligned}$$

► Example 3

FINDING FUNCTION VALUES AND THE QUADRANT OF $A + B$

Suppose that A and B are angles in standard position with $\sin A = \frac{4}{5}$, $\frac{\pi}{2} < A < \pi$, and $\cos B = -\frac{5}{13}$, $\pi < B < \frac{3\pi}{2}$. Find each of the following.

(a) $\sin(A + B)$

(b) $\tan(A + B)$

(c) the quadrant of $A + B$

► Example 3

FINDING FUNCTION VALUES AND THE QUADRANT OF $A + B$ (continued)

The identity for $\sin(A + B)$ involves $\sin A$, $\cos A$, $\sin B$, and $\cos B$. The identity for $\tan(A + B)$ requires $\tan A$ and $\tan B$. We must find $\cos A$, $\tan A$, $\sin B$ and $\tan B$.

Because A is in quadrant II, $\cos A$ is negative and $\tan A$ is negative.

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

$$\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2 + \cos^2 A = 1$$

$$\cos^2 A = \frac{9}{25} \Rightarrow \cos A = -\frac{3}{5}$$

► Example 3

FINDING FUNCTION VALUES AND THE QUADRANT OF $A + B$ (continued)

Because B is in quadrant III, $\sin B$ is negative and $\tan B$ is positive.

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

$$\sin^2 B + \left(-\frac{5}{13}\right)^2 = 1$$

$$\sin^2 B = \frac{144}{169} \Rightarrow \sin B = -\frac{12}{13}$$

$$\tan A = \frac{\sin A}{\cos A} = \frac{\frac{4}{5}}{-\frac{3}{5}} = -\frac{4}{3} \qquad \tan B = \frac{\sin B}{\cos B} = \frac{-\frac{12}{13}}{-\frac{5}{13}} = \frac{12}{5}$$

► Example 3

FINDING FUNCTION VALUES AND THE QUADRANT OF $A + B$ (continued)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) } \sin(A + B) &= \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B \\ &= \frac{4}{5} \left(-\frac{5}{13} \right) + \left(-\frac{3}{5} \right) \left(-\frac{12}{13} \right) \\ &= -\frac{20}{65} + \frac{36}{65} = \frac{16}{65} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) } \tan(A + B) &= \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B} \\ &= \frac{-\frac{4}{3} + \frac{12}{5}}{1 - \left(-\frac{4}{3} \right) \left(\frac{12}{5} \right)} = \frac{\frac{16}{15}}{\frac{63}{15}} = \frac{16}{63} \end{aligned}$$

► Example 3

FINDING FUNCTION VALUES AND THE QUADRANT OF $A + B$ (continued)

(c) From parts (a) and (b), $\sin (A + B) > 0$ and $\tan (A + B) > 0$.

The only quadrant in which the values of both the sine and the tangent are positive is quadrant I, so $(A + B)$ is in quadrant I.

► Example 4

VERIFYING AN IDENTITY USING SUM AND DIFFERENCE IDENTITIES

Verify that the equation is an identity.

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{6} + \theta\right) + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + \theta\right) = \cos \theta$$

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{6} + \theta\right) + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + \theta\right)$$

$$= \left(\sin \frac{\pi}{6} \cos \theta + \sin \theta \cos \frac{\pi}{6}\right) + \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{3} \cos \theta - \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \sin \theta\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \cos \theta + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin \theta\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \cos \theta - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin \theta\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta = \cos \theta$$