

6.5 Sum & Difference Formulas NOTES

Objectives

1. Use Sum & Difference Formulas to find exact values.
2. Use Sum & Difference Formulas to establish identities.

Sum & Difference formulas involve the sum or difference of two angles, such as $\cos(\alpha + \beta)$ & $\cos(\alpha - \beta)$.

Sum & Difference Formulas

$$\theta = \alpha + \beta$$

$$\cos(\alpha + \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \sin \beta$$

$$\cos(\alpha - \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta$$

$$\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta$$

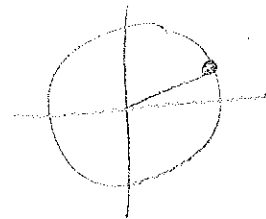
$$\sin(\alpha - \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \sin \beta$$

$$\tan(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta}{1 - \tan \alpha \tan \beta}$$

$$\tan(\alpha - \beta) = \frac{\tan \alpha - \tan \beta}{1 + \tan \alpha \tan \beta}$$

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

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



Example. Use the Sum Formula to find an exact value of $\cos(75^\circ)$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(75^\circ) &= \cos(45^\circ + 30^\circ) = \cos 45^\circ \cdot \cos 30^\circ - \sin 45^\circ \sin 30^\circ \\ &= \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) - \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}{4} \text{ or } \frac{1}{4}(\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}) \end{aligned}$$

Example. Use the Difference Formula to find the exact value of $\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right)$.

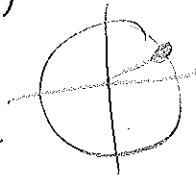
$$\frac{\pi}{12} = \frac{3\pi}{12} - \frac{2\pi}{12} = \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$

$$= \cos\frac{\pi}{4} \cos\frac{\pi}{6} + \sin\frac{\pi}{4} \sin\frac{\pi}{6}$$

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

$$= \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2}}{4} \text{ or } \frac{1}{4}(\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2})$$



Example. Use the Sum Formula to find the exact value of $\sin\left(\frac{7\pi}{12}\right)$.

$$\frac{7\pi}{12} = \frac{4\pi}{12} + \frac{3\pi}{12} = \frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\sin\left(\frac{7\pi}{12}\right) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$= \sin\frac{\pi}{3} \cos\frac{\pi}{4} + \cos\frac{\pi}{3} \sin\frac{\pi}{4}$$

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

$$= \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2}}{4} \text{ or } \frac{1}{4}(\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2})$$

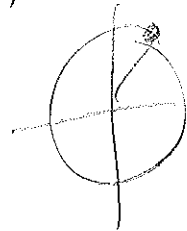


Example. Use the Difference Formula to find an exact value of $\sin 80^\circ \cos 20^\circ - \cos 80^\circ \sin 20^\circ$

$$\sin(80 - 20)$$

$$\sin(60)$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$



Assign 6.5: 5, 6, 8, 10, 11-17 odd