

Section 5.5 Multiple-Angle and Product-to-Sum Formulas

Objective: In this lesson you learned how to use multiple-angle formulas, power-reducing formulas, half-angle formulas, and product-to-sum formulas to rewrite and evaluate trigonometric functions.

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I. Multiple-Angle Formulas (Pages 405–407)

The double-angle formulas are often used in trigonometry and calculus. These are listed below:

$$\sin 2u = \underline{2 \sin u \cos u}$$

$$\cos 2u = \underline{\cos^2 u - \sin^2 u}$$

$$= \underline{2 \cos^2 u - 1}$$

$$= \underline{1 - 2 \sin^2 u}$$

$$\tan 2u = \underline{(2 \tan u)/(1 - \tan^2 u)}$$

To form other multiple-angle formulas, use 4θ and 2θ or 6θ and 3θ in place of 2θ and θ in the double-angle formulas or by using the double-angle formulas together with the appropriate trigonometric sum formulas.

What you should learn

How to use multiple-angle formulas to rewrite and evaluate trigonometric functions

Example 1: Use multiple-angle formulas to express $\cos 3x$ in terms of $\cos x$.

$$4 \cos^3 x - 3 \cos x$$

II. Power-Reducing Formulas (Page 407)

Power-reducing formulas can be used to _____ **write**
powers of trigonometric functions in a way that does not involve
powers _____.

What you should learn

How to use power-reducing formulas to rewrite and evaluate trigonometric functions

The power-reducing formulas are:

$$\sin^2 u = \frac{(1 - \cos 2u)}{2}$$

$$\cos^2 u = \frac{(1 + \cos 2u)}{2}$$

$$\tan^2 u = \frac{(1 - \cos 2u)}{(1 + \cos 2u)}$$

III. Half-Angle Formulas (Pages 408–409)

List the **half-angle formulas**:

$$\sin \frac{u}{2} = \frac{\pm \sqrt{(1 - \cos u)/2}}{1}$$

$$\cos \frac{u}{2} = \frac{\pm \sqrt{(1 + \cos u)/2}}{1}$$

$$\tan \frac{u}{2} = \frac{(1 - \cos u)/(\sin u)}{1} = \frac{(\sin u)/(1 + \cos u)}{1}$$

What you should learn

How to use half-angle formulas to rewrite and evaluate trigonometric functions

The signs of $\sin (u/2)$ and $\cos (u/2)$ depend on _____ **the quadrant**
in which $u/2$ lies _____.

Example 2: Find the exact value of $\tan 15^\circ$.

$$2 - \sqrt{3}$$

IV. Product-to-Sum Formulas (Pages 409–411)

The **product-to-sum formulas** can be used to rewrite products of trigonometric functions as a sum or difference.

What you should learn
How to use product-to-sum and sum-to-product formulas to rewrite and evaluate trigonometric functions

The product-to-sum formulas are:

$$\sin u \sin v = \frac{1}{2}[\cos(u - v) - \cos(u + v)]$$

$$\cos u \cos v = \frac{1}{2}[\cos(u - v) + \cos(u + v)]$$

$$\sin u \cos v = \frac{1}{2}[\sin(u + v) + \sin(u - v)]$$

$$\cos u \sin v = \frac{1}{2}[\sin(u + v) - \sin(u - v)]$$

Example 3: Write $\cos 3x \cos 2x$ as a sum or difference.

$$\frac{1}{2} \cos x + \frac{1}{2} \cos 5x$$

The **sum-to-product formulas** can be used to rewrite a sum or difference of trigonometric functions as a product.

The sum-to-product formulas are:

$$\sin u + \sin v = \frac{2 \sin((u + v)/2) \cos((u - v)/2)}{2}$$

$$\sin u - \sin v = \frac{2 \cos((u + v)/2) \sin((u - v)/2)}{2}$$

$$\cos u + \cos v = \frac{2 \cos((u + v)/2) \cos((u - v)/2)}{2}$$

$$\cos u - \cos v = \frac{-2 \sin((u + v)/2) \sin((u - v)/2)}{2}$$

Example 4: Write $\cos 4x + \cos 2x$ as a sum or difference.

$$2 \cos 3x \cos x$$

Additional notes

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