

Additions and Subtraction Formulas (Sheet 2)
Trigonometry

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Addition and Subtraction formulas

The addition and subtraction formulas for trigonometric functions are below:

Addition Formulas

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(\theta + \phi) &= \sin \theta \cos \phi + \cos \theta \sin \phi \\ \cos(\theta + \phi) &= \cos \theta \cos \phi - \sin \theta \sin \phi \\ \tan(\theta + \phi) &= \frac{\tan \theta + \tan \phi}{1 - \tan \theta \tan \phi}\end{aligned}$$

Subtraction Formulas

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(\theta - \phi) &= \sin \theta \cos \phi - \cos \theta \sin \phi \\ \cos(\theta - \phi) &= \cos \theta \cos \phi + \sin \theta \sin \phi \\ \tan(\theta - \phi) &= \frac{\tan \theta - \tan \phi}{1 + \tan \theta \tan \phi}\end{aligned}$$

Double angle formulas

The double angle formulas for trigonometric functions reduce a trigonometric value of a “double” angle, an angle of the form 2θ to a combination of products and additions of trigonometric functions of the single angle θ . The double angle formulas can be found below:

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

Exercises

Evaluate the following.

a) $\csc(\pi/3)$

g) $\csc(\pi/2 - 2\pi/3)$

b) $\sec(\pi/4)$

h) $\cot(5\pi/4 + \pi/2)$

c) $\cot(\pi/6)$

i) $\csc(7\pi/4 + \pi/2)$

d) $\cot(\pi/2 - 11\pi/12)$

j) $\tan(9\pi/6 + \pi/2)$

e) $\tan(\pi/2 - \pi/4)$

k) $\sin(0 + 3\pi)$

f) $\sec(\pi/6 + \pi/2)$