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Math 12H HW 4.7: Half Angle Identities and Solving advanced trigonometric equations

Half Angle Identities:

$$\sin \frac{1}{2}\theta = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2}}$$

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

$$\tan \frac{1}{2}\theta = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{1 + \cos \theta}} = \frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \cos \theta} = \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

Sum of Angle properties:

$$R \cos(\theta - \alpha) = R \cos \theta \cos \alpha + R \sin \theta \sin \alpha$$

$$R \sin(\theta - \alpha) = R \sin \theta \cos \alpha - R \cos \theta \sin \alpha$$

1. Use the half angle identities to evaluate each of the following:

<p>a) $\sin 15^\circ$</p> $\sin \frac{30}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos 30}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{3}}}{2}$	<p>b) $\cos 22.5^\circ$</p> $\cos \frac{45}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{1 + \cos 45}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}}{2}$
<p>c) $\sin 202.5^\circ$</p> $\sin \frac{405}{2} = -\sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos 405}{2}} = -\sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos 45}{2}} = -\frac{\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2}}}{2}$ <p style="text-align: center;">S A - C</p>	<p>d) $\cos 202.5^\circ$</p> $\cos \frac{405}{2} = -\sqrt{\frac{1 + \cos 45}{2}} = -\frac{\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}}{2}$ <p style="text-align: center;">S A - C</p>
<p>e) $\sin 292.5^\circ$</p> $\sin \frac{585}{2} = -\sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos 225}{2}} = -\frac{\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}}{2}$ <p style="text-align: center;">S A - C</p>	

2. Solve for θ , where $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ by using the form $R \cos(\theta - \alpha)$ or $R \sin(\theta - \alpha)$

<p>a) $3 \cos \theta + 2 \sin \theta = 1$</p> $R \cos(\theta - \alpha) = R \cos \theta \cos \alpha - R \sin \theta \sin \alpha$ $R \cos \alpha = 3 \quad R \sin \alpha = 2$ $R^2 = 13$ $R = \sqrt{13}$ $\tan \alpha = \frac{2}{3} \Rightarrow \alpha = 33.69^\circ$ $= \sqrt{13} \cos(\theta - 33.69^\circ) = 1$ $\theta - 33.69^\circ = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}\right) = 79.9^\circ, 280.1^\circ$ $\theta = 107.6^\circ, 319.8^\circ$	<p>b) $\cos \theta + \sqrt{3} \sin \theta = 1$</p> $R \cos(\theta - \alpha) = R \cos \theta \cos \alpha + R \sin \theta \sin \alpha$ $R \cos \alpha = 1 \quad R \sin \alpha = \sqrt{3}$ $R^2 = 4$ $R = 2$ $\tan \alpha = \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow \alpha = 60^\circ$ $2 \cos(\theta - 60^\circ) = 1$ $\theta - 60^\circ = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 60^\circ, 300^\circ$ $\theta = 120^\circ, 360^\circ, 0^\circ$
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Don't get θ and then find the other answer.
First get both answers for $\theta - 33.69^\circ$ and THEN
get θ . It make a difference in your answer.

c) $12 \cos \theta - 5 \sin \theta = 6.5$

$$R \cos(\theta + \alpha) = R \cos \theta \cos \alpha - R \sin \theta \sin \alpha$$

$$R \cos \alpha = 12 \quad R \sin \alpha = 5$$

$$R^2 = 169$$

$$R = 13$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{5}{12} \Rightarrow \alpha = 22.62^\circ$$

$$13 \cos(\theta + 22.62^\circ) = 6.5$$

$$\theta + 22.62^\circ = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{6.5}{13}\right) = 60^\circ, 300^\circ$$

$\theta = 37.38^\circ, 277.38^\circ$

d) $5 \sin \theta - 3 \cos \theta = 1$

$$R \sin(\theta - \alpha) = R \sin \theta \cos \alpha - R \cos \theta \sin \alpha$$

$$R \cos \alpha = 5 \quad R \sin \alpha = 3$$

$$R^2 = 36$$

$$R = 6$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{3}{5} \Rightarrow \alpha = 30.96^\circ$$

$$6 \sin(\theta - 30.96^\circ) = 1$$

$$\theta - 30.96^\circ = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) = 9.59^\circ, 170.4^\circ$$

$\theta = 40.56^\circ, 201.37^\circ$

e) $2 \cos 2\theta + 3 \sin 3\theta = 3$

$$2(1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta) + 3(3 \sin \theta - 4 \sin^3 \theta) = 3$$

$$2 - 4 \sin^2 \theta - 12 \sin^3 \theta + 9 \sin \theta - 1 = 0$$

use graphing software to get sol.

f) $8 \sin 2\theta - 6 \sin 2\theta = 3$

$$2 \sin 2\theta = 3$$

$$\sin 2\theta = \frac{3}{2}$$

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3. Find the Maximum and Minimum of each expression for $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

a) $2 \cos \theta + 3 \sin \theta$

$$R \cos(\theta - \alpha) = R \cos \theta \cos \alpha + R \sin \theta \sin \alpha$$

$$R \cos \alpha = 2 \quad R \sin \alpha = 3$$

$$R^2 = 13$$

$$R = \sqrt{13}$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\alpha = 56.31^\circ$$

Max: $(56.31^\circ, \sqrt{13})$
Min: $(236.3^\circ, -\sqrt{13})$

b) $4 \cos \theta - 3 \sin \theta$

$$R \cos(\theta + \alpha) = R \cos \theta \cos \alpha - R \sin \theta \sin \alpha$$

$$R \cos \alpha = 4 \quad R \sin \alpha = 3$$

$$R^2 = 25$$

$$R = 5$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow \alpha = 36.87^\circ$$

Max: $(323.1^\circ, 5)$
Min: $(143.1^\circ, -5)$

c) $\sqrt{3} \sin \theta - \cos \theta$

$$R \sin(\theta - \alpha) = R \sin \theta \cos \alpha - R \cos \theta \sin \alpha$$

$$R \cos \alpha = \sqrt{3} \quad R \sin \alpha = 1$$

$$R^2 = 4$$

$$R = 2$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\alpha = 30^\circ$$

Max: $(120^\circ, 2)$
Min: $(300^\circ, -2)$

d) $4 \sin \theta + 5 \cos \theta$

$$R \sin(\theta + \alpha) = R \sin \theta \cos \alpha + R \cos \theta \sin \alpha$$

$$R \cos \alpha = 4 \quad R \sin \alpha = 5$$

$$R^2 = 41 \Rightarrow R = \sqrt{41}$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{5}{4} \Rightarrow \alpha = 51.34^\circ$$

Max: $(141.34^\circ, \sqrt{41})$
Min: $(321.34^\circ, -\sqrt{41})$

very silly mistake

Max: $(120^\circ, 2)$ ← max = 30+90
Min: $(300^\circ, -2)$ ← min = 30+270

Max: $(141.34^\circ, \sqrt{41})$
Min: $(321.34^\circ, -\sqrt{41})$

e) $4 + 3\cos\theta - 2\sin\theta$

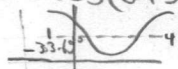
$$R\cos(\theta + \alpha) = R\cos\theta\cos\alpha - R\sin\theta\sin\alpha$$

$$R\cos\alpha = 3 \quad R\sin\alpha = 2$$

$$R^2 = 13$$

$$R = \sqrt{13}$$

$$\sqrt{13}\cos(\theta + 33.69^\circ) + 4$$



Max: $(326.3^\circ, 4 + \sqrt{13})$
 Min: $(146.3^\circ, 4 - \sqrt{13})$

$$\tan\alpha = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\alpha = 33.69^\circ$$

f) $2\cos\theta + \sin\theta - 2$

$$R\cos(\theta - \alpha) = R\cos\theta\cos\alpha + R\sin\theta\sin\alpha$$

$$R\cos\alpha = 2 \quad R\sin\alpha = 1$$

$$R^2 = 5$$

$$R = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\sqrt{5}\cos(\theta - 26.57^\circ) - 2$$



Max: $(26.57^\circ, -2 + \sqrt{5})$
 Min: $(206.57^\circ, -2 - \sqrt{5})$

$$\tan\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\alpha = 26.57^\circ$$

4. Given that $\cos\theta = \frac{3}{5}$ and θ is in Q1, then what is the value of $\sin\frac{1}{2}\theta$ and $\cos\frac{1}{2}\theta$?

$$\sin\frac{\theta}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos\theta}{2}} \Rightarrow \sin\frac{\theta}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{1 - \frac{3}{5}}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{\frac{2}{5}}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} = \frac{\sqrt{10}}{5}$$

(rationalize $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}$)

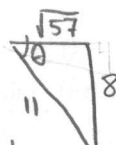
$$\cos\frac{\theta}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{1 + \cos\theta}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{1 + \frac{3}{5}}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{\frac{8}{5}}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{4}{5}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5}$$

5. Given that $\sin\theta = \frac{-8}{11}$ and θ is in Q4, then what is the value of $\sin\frac{1}{2}\theta$ and $\cos\frac{1}{2}\theta$?

$$\sin\frac{\theta}{2} = -\sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos\theta}{2}} = -\sqrt{\frac{1 - \frac{\sqrt{57}}{11}}{2}} = -\sqrt{\frac{11 - \sqrt{57}}{22}} \approx -0.396$$

$$\sin\theta = \frac{-8}{11}$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{\sqrt{57}}{11}$$



$$\cos\frac{\theta}{2} = -\sqrt{\frac{1 + \cos\theta}{2}} = -\sqrt{\frac{11 + \sqrt{57}}{22}} \approx -0.92$$



When halving an angle in Q4, it ends up in Q2. So cos will be negative & sin will be positive.

6. Prove the following identities:

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

$$= \left(\pm\sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos\theta}{2}}\right)^2 \quad \text{half angle identity}$$

$$= \frac{1 - \cos\theta}{2} = \text{RHS}$$

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

$$\left(\pm\sqrt{\frac{1 + \cos\theta}{2}}\right)^2 \quad \text{half angle identity}$$

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

$\cos \theta = \frac{1 - \tan^2 \frac{1}{2}\theta}{1 + \tan^2 \frac{1}{2}\theta}$ half angle identity

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

$= \frac{\sin^2 \theta - 1 + 2\cos \theta - \cos^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta + 1 - 2\cos \theta + \cos^2 \theta}$

$= \frac{2\cos \theta - 2\cos^2 \theta}{2 - 2\cos \theta} = \frac{2\cos \theta(1 - \cos \theta)}{2(1 - \cos \theta)} = \cos \theta = \text{LHS} //$

NPV: $\cos \frac{1}{2}\theta \neq 0$

$\cot \theta + \csc \theta = \cot \frac{\theta}{2}$

RHS = $\frac{1}{\tan \frac{\theta}{2}} = \frac{1}{\frac{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 + \cos \theta}} = \frac{1 + \cos \theta}{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}}$

$= \csc \theta + \cot \theta = \text{LHS} //$

NPV: $\sin \theta \neq 0, \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \neq 0$

7. Prove the identity: $\frac{\cos x - 5 \cos 5x + \cos 9x}{\sin x - 5 \sin 5x + \sin 9x} = \cot 5x$

Sum to product identity: $= \frac{2 \cos 5x \cos 4x - 5 \cos 5x}{2 \sin 5x \cos 4x - 5 \sin 5x} = \frac{\cos 5x (2 \cos 4x - 5)}{\sin 5x (2 \cos 4x - 5)} = \cot 5x = \text{RHS} //$

factor

NPV: $\sin 5x \neq 0$
 $\sin x - 5 \sin 5x + \sin 9x \neq 0$

8. Solve for θ , where $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ $\sin 9\theta \sin 8\theta - \sin 7\theta \sin 6\theta = 0$

product to sum = $\frac{1}{2}(\cos 17\theta - \cos \theta) - \frac{1}{2}(\cos 13\theta - \cos 3\theta)$

sum to product = $\frac{1}{2}(\cos 17\theta - \cos 13\theta)$

$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot -2 \sin 15\theta \sin 2\theta = 0$

solve

$\sin 15\theta \sin 2\theta = 0$

$\sin 15\theta = 0$

$\sin 2\theta = 0$

$15\theta = 0, 180, 360, \dots$

$2\theta = 0, 180, 360, \dots$

$\theta = 0, 12, 24, 36, \dots, 360$

$\theta = 0, 90, 180, 270, 360$

$\therefore \theta = 12n; 0 \leq n \leq 30$

9. Solve for θ , where $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ $\cos \theta - \cos 3\theta = \sin 2\theta$

$$\cos a - \cos b = -2 \sin \frac{1}{2}(a+b) \sin \frac{1}{2}(a-b)$$

$$\cos \theta - \cos 3\theta = \sin 2\theta$$

$$-2 \sin 2\theta \sin \theta = \sin 2\theta$$

$$\sin 2\theta (-2 \sin \theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\sin 2\theta = 0 \quad \sin \theta = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\theta = 0, 90^\circ, 180^\circ, 270^\circ, 360^\circ \quad \theta_1 = 210^\circ, 330^\circ$$

10. If $\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{1+3\cos^2 \theta} = \frac{3}{16}$, where $90^\circ < \theta < 180^\circ$, find the value of $\frac{\sin \theta}{1+3\cos \theta}$

$$\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{1+3(1-\sin^2 \theta)} = \frac{3}{16}$$

$$16 \sin^2 \theta = 3 + 9 - 9 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$25 \sin^2 \theta = 12$$

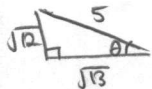
$$\sin^2 \theta = \frac{12}{25}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{5}$$

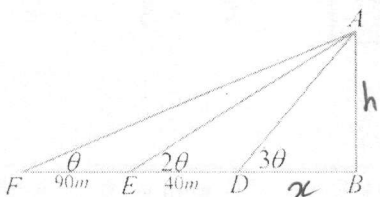
(positive b/c $90^\circ < \theta < 180^\circ$)
 $\Rightarrow \cos \theta = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{25}$

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{1+3\cos \theta} = \frac{\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{5}}{1 - \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{25}} = \frac{\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{5}}{\frac{25-3\sqrt{3}}{25}}$$

$$= \frac{10\sqrt{3}}{25-3\sqrt{3}}$$



11. AB is a building and BDEF is a level straight line. The angles of elevation of the top of the tower from F, E, D, are θ , 2θ , and 3θ respectively. If $EF = 90m$ and $DE = 40m$ find the height of the building. Hint: The following two identities will be helpful: $[\cot \theta - \cot 2\theta = \csc 2\theta]$ and $[\cot 2\theta - \cot 3\theta = \frac{1}{2} \sec \theta \csc 3\theta]$ (P28 HKCEE).



step 1

$$\cot \theta - \cot 2\theta = \csc 2\theta$$

$$\frac{130+x}{h} - \frac{40+x}{h} = \csc 2\theta$$

$$\frac{90}{h} = \csc 2\theta$$

$$h = 90 \sin 2\theta$$

step 2

$$\cot 2\theta - \cot 3\theta = \frac{1}{2} \sec \theta \csc 3\theta$$

$$\frac{40+x}{h} - \frac{x}{h} = \frac{1}{2 \cos \theta \sin 3\theta}$$

$$\frac{h}{40} = 2 \cos \theta \sin 3\theta$$

$$h = 80 \cos \theta \sin 3\theta$$

$$\frac{h}{h} = \frac{90 \times 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{4 \cos \theta \sin 3\theta}$$

$$4 \sin 3\theta = 9 \sin \theta$$

$$12 \sin \theta - 6 \sin^3 \theta = 9 \sin \theta$$

$$16 \sin^3 \theta - 3 \sin \theta = 0$$

$$16 \sin^2 \theta = 3$$

$$\sin^2 \theta = \frac{3}{16}$$

$$\sin \theta = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$$

$$\cos \theta = \pm \frac{\sqrt{13}}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow h = 90 \sin 2\theta = 180 \sin \theta \cos \theta = 180 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{13}}{4} = \frac{45\sqrt{39}}{4}$$

12. Challenge: Find the general solution of $\tan 5\theta + \cot 2\theta = 0$ (p19 HKCEE)

$$\frac{\sin 5\theta}{\cos 5\theta} + \frac{\cos 2\theta}{\sin 2\theta} = 0$$

$$\frac{\sin 5\theta \sin 2\theta + \cos 2\theta \cos 5\theta}{\cos 5\theta \sin 2\theta} = 0$$

$$\frac{\cos(5\theta - 2\theta)}{\cos 5\theta \sin 2\theta} = 0 \Rightarrow \cos 3\theta = 0$$

$$3\theta = 90^\circ, 270^\circ, 450^\circ$$

$$\theta = 30^\circ, 90^\circ, 150^\circ, 210^\circ, 270^\circ, 330^\circ$$

$$\theta_1 = 30^\circ + 120k \text{ (No NPV)}$$

$$\theta_2 = 90^\circ + 120k$$

13. Find the general solution of $\sin 9x \sin 8x - \sin 7x \sin 6x = 0$ HKCE

(exact same as #8)

same solution provided regardless:

$$= \frac{1}{2}(\cos 17x + \cos x) - \frac{1}{2}(\cos 13x + \cos 5x) = 0$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(\cos 17x - \cos 13x) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \sin 15x \sin 2x = 0$$

$$\sin 15x \sin 2x = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$x_1 = 12n; n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x_2 = 90n; n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

14. Using the identity: $\cos 3x = \cos(x + 2x)$, prove the following identity: $\cos 3x = 4\cos^3 x - 3\cos x$

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

$$= \cos(x + 2x)$$

$$= \cos x \cos 2x - \sin x \sin 2x$$

double angle identity

$$= \cos x (\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x) - 2\sin^2 x \cos x$$

double angle identity

$$= \cos^3 x - \cos x \sin^2 x - 2\sin^2 x \cos x$$

expand

$$= \cos^3 x - 3\cos x \sin^2 x$$

combine like terms

$$= \cos^3 x - 3\cos x (1 - \cos^2 x)$$

pythag. identity

$$= \cos^3 x - 3\cos x + 3\cos^3 x$$

combine like terms

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

$$= \text{RHS} //$$

No NPVs