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Learning Goal 6.1

Using identities to reduce complexity in expressions and solve equations.

More Questions – Solutions**Double Angle Identities**

$$\begin{aligned}\cos 2A &= \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A \\ &= 2\cos^2 A - 1 \\ &= 1 - 2\sin^2 A\end{aligned}$$

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

1. Prove the identities using the Pythagorean identities.

a. $\cos 2A = 2\cos^2 A - 1$

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

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

b. $\cos 2A = 1 - 2\sin^2 A$

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

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

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

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

2. Express the following as a single trigonometric function of a single angle (do not evaluate).

a. $2\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right)$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \sin 2\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right) \\ &= \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{5}\right)\end{aligned}$$

b. $4\cos^2 35^\circ - 2$

$$\begin{aligned}&= 2(2\cos^2 35^\circ - 1) \\ &= 2\cos 2(35^\circ) \\ &= 2\cos(70^\circ)\end{aligned}$$

c. $\sin 60^\circ \cos 60^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \frac{1}{2}(2\sin 60^\circ \cos 60^\circ) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\sin 2(60^\circ) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\sin(120^\circ)\end{aligned}$$

3. If $\cos A = \frac{5}{7}$ and $\angle A$ is in the fourth quadrant, find the exact value of $\sin 2A$.

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 + y^2 &= r^2 \\(5)^2 + y^2 &= (7)^2 \\25 + y^2 &= 49 \\y^2 &= 24 \\y &= -\sqrt{24} \\y &= -2\sqrt{6}\end{aligned}$$

$$\sin A = -\frac{2\sqrt{6}}{7}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sin 2A &= 2\sin A \cos A \\&= 2\left(-\frac{2\sqrt{6}}{7}\right)\left(\frac{5}{7}\right) \\&= -\frac{20\sqrt{6}}{49}\end{aligned}$$

4. Prove the following equation.

$$\frac{\frac{\sin 3x}{\sin x \cos x}}{\frac{\sin 3x}{\sin x \cos x}} = 4 \cos x - \sec x$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(A + B) &= \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B \\(A = 2x, B = x)\end{aligned}$$

Angle Sum
Identity

$$4 \cos x - \sec x$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \frac{\sin 2x \cos x + \cos 2x \sin x}{\sin x \cos x} \\&= \frac{(2 \sin x \cos x) \cos x + (2 \cos^2 x - 1) \sin x}{\sin x \cos x} \\&= \frac{2 \sin x \cos^2 x + 2 \sin x \cos^2 x - \sin x}{\sin x \cos x} \\&= \frac{4 \sin x \cos^2 x - \sin x}{\sin x \cos x} \\&= \frac{\sin x (4 \cos^2 x - 1)}{\sin x \cos x} \\&= \frac{4 \cos^2 x - 1}{\cos x}\end{aligned}$$

Double Angle
Identities

Expand

$$\begin{aligned}&= 4 \cos x - \frac{1}{\cos x} \\&= \frac{4 \cos^2 x - 1}{\cos x}\end{aligned}$$