

Sum to Product and Product to Sum Identities

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Product to Sum Identities

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \cos(A + B) & = & \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B \\ + \cos(A - B) & = & \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\cos(A + B) + \cos(A - B) = 2 \cos A \cos B$$

$$\frac{1}{2} (\cos(A + B) + \cos(A - B)) = \cos A \cos B$$

Other Product to Sum Identities

$$\sin A \sin B = \frac{1}{2} (\cos(A - B) - \cos(A + B))$$

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For $\cos(A + B) + \cos(A - B) = 2 \cos A \cos B$, if we let $x = A + B$ and $y = A - B$, we get

$$x + y = 2A \quad \text{and} \quad x - y = 2B$$

from which

$$A = \frac{x + y}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \frac{x - y}{2}$$

$$\cos x + \cos y = 2 \cos \left(\frac{x + y}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{x - y}{2} \right)$$

Other Sum to Product Identities

$$\cos x - \cos y = -2 \sin \left(\frac{x+y}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{x-y}{2} \right)$$

$$\sin x \pm \sin y = 2 \sin \left(\frac{x \pm y}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{x \mp y}{2} \right)$$

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