Sum and Difference Formulas

Trigonometry

The Formulas

$$\cos(\alpha + \beta) = \cos\alpha\cos\beta - \sin\alpha\sin\beta$$
$$\cos(\alpha - \beta) = \cos\alpha\cos\beta + \sin\alpha\sin\beta$$
$$\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin\alpha\cos\beta + \cos\alpha\sin\beta$$
$$\sin(\alpha - \beta) = \sin\alpha\cos\beta - \cos\alpha\sin\beta$$
$$\tan(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{\tan\alpha + \tan\beta}{1 - \tan\alpha\tan\beta}$$
$$\tan(\alpha - \beta) = \frac{\tan\alpha - \tan\beta}{1 + \tan\alpha\tan\beta}$$

Examples

Find the exact value of the following.

1.
$$\cos\left(\frac{7\pi}{12}\right)$$

2.
$$\sin\left(\frac{5\pi}{12}\right)$$

3.
$$\tan\left(\frac{19\pi}{12}\right)$$

4. Rewrite in terms of $\sin x$ and $\cos x$.

$$\sin\left(x - \frac{3\pi}{4}\right)$$

Given $\sin(a) = \frac{2}{3}$ and $\cos(b) = -\frac{1}{4}$, with a and b both in the interval $[\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi)$, find $\sin(a+b)$

Prove the identity.

1.
$$\tan\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{\tan x + 1}{1 - \tan x}$$

2.
$$\cos(a+b) + \cos(a-b) = 2\cos(a)\cos(b)$$

3.
$$\frac{\cos(\alpha+\beta)}{\cos(\alpha-\beta)} = \frac{1-\tan(\alpha)\tan(\beta)}{1+\tan(\alpha)\tan(\beta)}$$