

Section 8.3. Product-Sum Identities

1. Double-angle identities.
2. Power-reducing identities.
3. Half-angle identities.
4. Product-to-sum and sum-to-product identities.

1.

Identities (Double-angle identities)

- $\sin(2u) = 2 \sin u \cdot \cos u$
- $\cos(2u) = \cos^2 u - \sin^2 u = 1 - 2\sin^2 u$
- $\tan(2u) = \frac{2\tan u}{1 - \tan^2 u}$

Example

$$\cos x = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\sin x > 0$$

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

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

$$\sin^2 x = 1 - \frac{4}{5} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \cos(2x) = 1 - \frac{2}{5} = \frac{3}{5}.$$



2.

Identities (Power-reducing identities)

- $\sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos(2x))$
- $\cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos(2x))$
- $\tan^2 x = \frac{1 - \cos(2x)}{1 + \cos(2x)}$

3.

Identities (Half-angle identities)

- $\sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos x}{2}}$
- $\cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 + \cos x}{2}}$

- $\tan\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \frac{1 - \cos x}{\sin x} = \frac{\sin x}{1 + \cos x}$

Proof.

$$\tan^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \frac{1 - \cos\left(2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right)}{1 + \cos\left(2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right)}$$

$$\tan\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos x}{1 + \cos x}}$$

$$\tan\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{1 - \cos x}{1 + \cos x}\right) \left(\frac{1 - \cos x}{1 - \cos x}\right)}$$

$$\tan\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \pm \frac{|1 - \cos x|^{>0}}{|\sin x|}$$



↑ we need to consider all sign cases here.

$$\tan\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \frac{1 - \cos x}{\sin x}$$



4.

Identities (Product-to-Sum identities)

- $\sin x \cdot \cos y = \frac{1}{2} (\sin(x+y) + \sin(x-y))$
- $\cos x \cdot \sin y = \frac{1}{2} (\sin(x+y) - \sin(x-y))$
- $\sin x \cdot \sin y = \frac{1}{2} (\cos(x-y) - \cos(x+y))$

- $\cos x \cdot \cos y = \frac{1}{2} (\cos(x+y) + \cos(x-y))$

Example

Express $\sin^5 x$ in terms containing only first powers of sine.

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^5 x &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{3 \sin x}{2} - 2 \cos(2x) \sin x + \frac{\cos(4x) \sin x}{2} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{3 \sin x}{2} - 2 \left(\frac{1}{2} (\sin(3x) - \sin(x)) \right) + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} (\sin(5x) - \sin(3x)) \right) \right) = \frac{5}{8} \sin x - \frac{5}{16} \sin(3x) + \\ &+ \frac{1}{16} \sin(5x) \end{aligned}$$



Identities (Sum-to-Product Identities)

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