

5.4 Multiple Angle Identities

I. Double-Angle Identities

$$\text{A.) } \sin(2u) = 2 \sin u \cos u$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{B.) } \cos(2u) &= \cos^2 u - \sin^2 u \\ &= 2 \cos^2 u - 1 \\ &= 1 - 2 \sin^2 u \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{C.) } \tan(2u) = \frac{2 \tan u}{1 - \tan^2 u}$$

II. Power-Reducing Identities

$$\text{A.) } \sin^2 u = \frac{1 - \cos(2u)}{2}$$

$$\text{B.) } \cos^2 u = \frac{1 + \cos(2u)}{2}$$

$$\text{C.) } \tan^2 u = \frac{1 - \cos(2u)}{1 + \cos(2u)}$$

III. Half-Angle Identities

$$\begin{aligned} \text{A.) } \sin\left(\frac{u}{2}\right) &= \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos u}{2}} \\ \text{B.) } \cos\left(\frac{u}{2}\right) &= \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 + \cos u}{2}} \\ \text{C.) } \tan\left(\frac{u}{2}\right) &= \begin{cases} \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos u}{1 + \cos u}} \\ \frac{1 - \cos u}{\sin u} \\ \frac{\sin u}{1 + \cos u} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

IV. Examples

Derive all the multiple angle identities.

$$\cos 2u = \cos^2 u - \sin^2 u$$

$$\cos(u + u) =$$

$$\cos u \cos u - \sin u \sin u =$$

$$\cos^2 u - \sin^2 u = \cos^2 u - \sin^2 u$$

Solve the following equation on $[0, 2\pi)$. Give exact answers.

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

$$\sin 2x - \cos 3x = 0$$

$$2 \sin x \cos x - (\cos(2x + x)) = 0$$

$$2 \sin x \cos x - (\cos 2x \cos x - \sin 2x \sin x) = 0$$

$$2 \sin x \cos x - \cos 2x \cos x + \sin 2x \sin x = 0$$

$$2 \sin x \cos x - (1 - 2 \sin^2 x) \cos x + 2 \sin^2 x \cos x = 0$$

$$\cos x (2 \sin x - 1 + 2 \sin^2 x + 2 \sin^2 x) = 0$$

$$\cos x (4 \sin^2 x + 2 \sin x - 1) = 0$$

$$\cos x = 0 \text{ or } (4 \sin^2 x + 2 \sin x - 1) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

$$\sin x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4(4)(-1)}}{2(4)}$$

$$\sin x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{20}}{8}$$

$$\sin x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{4}$$

$$x = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{4} \right)$$