

IB Math 1

Double and Half Angle Identities

1. Rewrite $\sin 2\theta$ using $\sin(x+y) = \sin x \cos y + \sin y \cos x$.

$$\sin(\theta+\theta) = \sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta + \sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta$$

$$\sin 2\theta = 2(\sin \theta \cos \theta)$$

$$\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

2. Rewrite $\cos 2\theta$ using $\cos(x+y) = \cos x \cos y - \sin x \sin y$.

$$\cos 2\theta =$$

$$\cos(\theta+\theta) =$$

$$\cos \theta \cos \theta - \sin \theta \sin \theta$$

$$\boxed{\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta}$$

$$\cos^2 \theta - (1 - \cos^2 \theta)$$

$$\boxed{2\cos^2 \theta - 1}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{(1 - \sin^2 \theta) - \sin^2 \theta}{1 - 2\sin^2 \theta}}$$

3. Rewrite $\tan 2\theta$ using $\tan(x+y) = \frac{\tan x + \tan y}{1 - \tan x \tan y}$.

$$\begin{aligned}\tan(\theta + \theta) &= \frac{\tan \theta + \tan \theta}{1 - \tan \theta \tan \theta} \\ &= \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}\end{aligned}$$

4. Rewrite $\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$ using $\cos 2x = 1 - 2\sin^2 x$.

$$\cos(2 \cdot \frac{\theta}{2}) = 1 - 2\sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$\cos \theta = 1 - 2\sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$2\sin^2\frac{\theta}{2} + \cos \theta = 1$$

$$2\sin^2\frac{\theta}{2} = 1 - \cos \theta$$

$$\sin^2\frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2}$$

$$\sin\frac{\theta}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2}}$$

Thinking required to choose + or -

You can go through the same steps for $\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$ using $\cos 2x = 2\cos^2 x - 1$.

Double Angle Identities

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

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

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

$$\cos 2x = 2 \cos^2 x - 1$$

$$\tan 2x = \frac{2 \tan x}{1 - \tan^2 x}$$

Half Angle Identities

$$\sin \frac{x}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos x}{2}}$$

$$\tan \frac{x}{2} = \frac{1 - \cos x}{\sin x}$$

$$\cos \frac{x}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 + \cos x}{2}}$$

$$\tan \frac{x}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos x}{1 + \cos x}}$$

$$\tan \frac{x}{2} = \frac{\sin x}{1 + \cos x}$$

Try This!

5. Given $\sin \theta = \frac{3}{5}$ and $\cos \theta = -\frac{4}{5}$,

find $\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$, $\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$, and $\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$

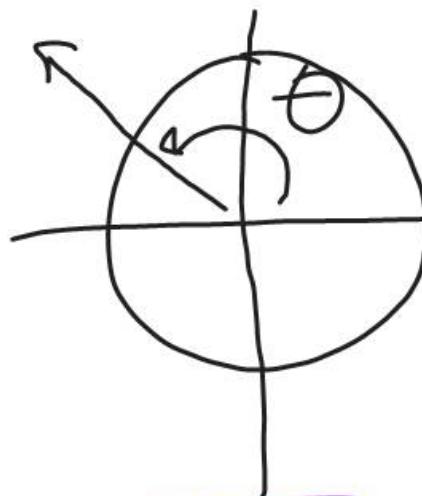
$$\sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1-\cos \theta}{2}}$$

QI \Rightarrow

$$= + \sqrt{\frac{1 - \left(-\frac{4}{5}\right)}{2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{9}{10}}$$

$$\boxed{\sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{3\sqrt{10}}{10}}$$



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$$\frac{\pi}{2} < \theta < \pi$$

$$\frac{\pi}{4} < \frac{\theta}{2} < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$\frac{\theta}{2}$ in QI

$$\cos \frac{\theta}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1+\cos \theta}{2}}$$

QI \Rightarrow

$$= + \sqrt{\frac{1 - \frac{4}{5}}{2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{1}{10}}$$

$$\boxed{\cos \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{10}}{10}}$$

$$\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

$$= \frac{1 - \left(-\frac{4}{5}\right)}{\frac{3}{5}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{9}{5}}{\frac{3}{5}} = 3$$

$$\boxed{\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = 3}$$

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