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Precalculus Unit 8 – 8.2 Homework
Solving Trigonometric Equations using Identities

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

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

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

$$-\sqrt{2} \sin x = 1$$

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

$$x = \frac{5\pi}{4} + 2\pi n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x = \frac{7\pi}{4} + 2\pi n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

2. Solve: $\sin(2x) + \cos x = 0$

$$x = \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}$$

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

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

$$\cos x = 0 \quad \sin x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

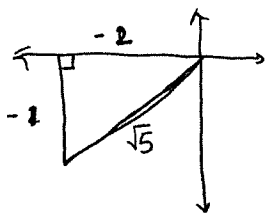
$$x = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2} \quad x = \frac{7\pi}{6}, \frac{11\pi}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x = \frac{7\pi}{6} + 2\pi n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x = \frac{11\pi}{6} + 2\pi n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

3. Use the double angle formulas to find the value of $\sin 2u$, $\cos 2u$, and $\tan 2u$ given $\tan u = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\pi < u < \frac{3\pi}{2}$.



$$\begin{aligned} \sin(2u) &= 2 \sin u \cos u \\ &= 2 \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{5}}\right) \left(\frac{-2}{\sqrt{5}}\right) = \boxed{\frac{4}{5}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(2u) &= \cos^2 u - \sin^2 u \\ &= \left(\frac{-2}{\sqrt{5}}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{5}}\right)^2 = \boxed{\frac{3}{5}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\tan(2u) = \frac{4/5}{3/5} = \boxed{4/3}$$

4. Solve: $\cos(2x) + 6\sin^2(x) = 4$

$$1 - 2\sin^2 x + 6\sin^2 x = 4$$

$$4\sin^2 x = 3$$

$$\sin^2 x = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\sin x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{4\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{3} + \pi n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x = \frac{2\pi}{3} + \pi n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

5. Solve: $\cos(2x) - \cos(6x) = 0$

$$-2\sin\left(\frac{2x+6x}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{2x-6x}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$\sin(4x)\sin(-2x) = 0$$

$$\sin 4x = 0$$

$$4x = 0 + \pi n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{4}n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

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

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

$$2x = 0 + \pi n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{2}n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

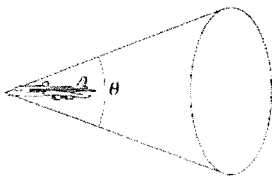
6. Solve: $\sin(2x) + 1 = 0$

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

$$2x = \frac{3\pi}{2} + 2\pi n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x = \frac{3\pi}{4} + \pi n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

7. The mach number M of an airplane is the ratio of its speed to the speed of sound. When an airplane travels faster than the speed of sound, the sound waves form a cone behind the airplane (see figure). The mach number is related to the apex angle θ of the cone by $\sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{M}$.



- a. Find the angle θ that corresponds to a mach number of 1.

$$\sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{1} \quad \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} \rightarrow \theta = \pi = 180^\circ$$

- b. Find the angle θ that corresponds to a mach number of 4.5.

$$\sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{4.5} \quad \frac{\theta}{2} = 12.84^\circ \quad \theta = 25.68^\circ$$

- c. The speed of sound is about 760 miles per hour. Determine the speed of an object having a mach number of 1 and the speed of an object with a mach number of 4.5.

$$\text{Mach } 1 = 760 \text{ mph}$$

$$\text{Mach } 4.5 = 3420 \text{ mph}$$