



8.3 Sum & Difference Identities for Cosine

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Find the exact values (leave in terms of π) of the following sums or differences.

1. $\frac{3\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{3}$

2. $\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{3}$

3. $\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{6}$

Express each given angle as $\alpha + \beta$ or $\alpha - \beta$, where $\cos \alpha$ and $\cos \beta$ are known exactly.

4. 75°

5. 165°

6. $\frac{\pi}{12}$

7. $\frac{5\pi}{12}$

Use appropriate identities to find the exact value of each expression. You can use a unit circle.

8. $\cos(15^\circ)$

9. $\cos(105^\circ)$

10. $\cos(165^\circ)$

11. $\cos\left(\frac{13\pi}{12}\right)$

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

13. $\cos\left(\frac{-5\pi}{12}\right)$

Simplify each expression by using the appropriate identities. Do not use a calculator.

14. $\cos(23^\circ)\cos(67^\circ) + \sin(23^\circ)\sin(67^\circ)$

15. $\cos(34^\circ)\cos(13^\circ) + \sin(34^\circ)\sin(13^\circ)$

16. $\cos(5)\cos(6) - \sin(5)\sin(6)$

17. $\cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right)$

18. $\cos(3y)\cos(y) - \sin(3y)\sin(y)$

Solve each problem

19. Find the exact value of $\cos(\alpha + \beta)$ if $\sin \alpha = \frac{3}{5}$ and $\sin \beta = \frac{5}{13}$, with α in quadrant II and β in quadrant I.

20. Find the exact value of $\cos(\alpha - \beta)$ if $\sin \alpha = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ and $\cos \beta = \frac{-\sqrt{2}}{2}$, with α in quadrant I and β in quadrant II.

21. Find the exact value of $\cos(\alpha - \beta)$ if $\sin \alpha = \frac{7}{25}$ and $\cos \beta = \frac{-24}{25}$, with α in quadrant II and β in quadrant III.

Match each expression with an equivalent expression from a-d. Show your work using the cofunction identities!!!

Original Questions	WORK	Answer	Matching Letter
22. $\sin(20^\circ)$			
23. $\cos(90^\circ)$			
24. $\sec\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right)$			
25. $\sin\left(\frac{5\pi}{12}\right)$			

a) $\csc\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$

b) $\cos(70^\circ)$

c) $\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right)$

d) $\sin(0^\circ)$

Simplify each expression by applying the odd/even identities, cofunction identities, and cosine of a sum or difference identities. Do not use a calculator. SHOW WORK!

26. $\cos(10^\circ)\cos(20^\circ) + \sin(-10^\circ)\cos(70^\circ)$

27. $\sin(85^\circ)\sin(40^\circ) + \sin(-5^\circ)\sin(-50^\circ)$

Write each expression as a function with α alone. Use the cofunction identities or sum and difference identities. Remember the angle is negative in the cofunction identities.

$$28. \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \alpha\right)$$

$$29. \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \alpha\right)$$

$$30. \sin(90^\circ - (90^\circ - \alpha))$$

$$31. \cos(180^\circ - \alpha)$$

Verify that each equation is an identity.

$$32. \cos\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \cos x \tan x$$

$$33. \frac{\cos(x + y)}{\cos x \cos y} = 1 - \tan x \tan y$$

$$34. \cos(2x) = \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x \quad \text{Hint: } 2x = x + x$$

$$35. \frac{\csc\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right)}{\tan(-\theta)} = -\csc \theta$$

Simplify.

$$36. \frac{\csc x}{\sec x} \cdot \frac{\csc x}{\sec x}$$

$$37. (1 - \sin x)(1 + \sin x)$$