

7.4 Double Angle and Half Angle Identities
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Double Angle Identities:

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

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

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

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

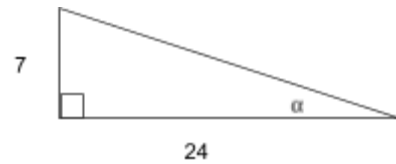
$$\tan 2x = \frac{2 \tan x}{1 - \tan^2 x}$$

1. Use the figure to find the exact value of:

a. $\sin 2\alpha$

b. $\cos 2\alpha$

c. $\tan 2\alpha$



2. If $\cot \theta = 3$, and θ lies in quadrant III, find $\cos 2\theta$

3. If $\sin \theta = \frac{15}{17}$, and θ lies in quadrant II, find $\tan 2\theta$.

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4. Write each expression as the sine, cosine, or tangent of a double angle. Then find the exact value of the expression.

a. $1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{\pi}{12}$

c. $2 \sin 22.5^\circ \cos 22.5^\circ$

b. $\cos^2 105^\circ - \sin^2 105^\circ$

d. $\frac{2 \tan \frac{\pi}{8}}{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\pi}{8}}$

5. Verify each identity:

a. $\sin 2\theta = \frac{2 \cot \theta}{1 + \cot^2 \theta}$

b. $(\sin \theta - \cos \theta)^2 = 1 - \sin 2\theta$

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Half Angle Identities:

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

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

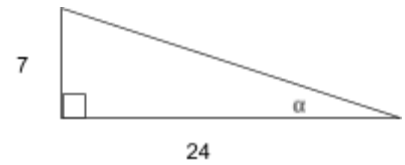
$$\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \cos \theta} = \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

6. Use the figure to find the exact value of:

a. $\sin \frac{\alpha}{2}$

b. $\cos \frac{\alpha}{2}$

c. $\tan \frac{\alpha}{2}$



7. Use a half angle formula to find the exact value of each expression.

a. $\cos 22.5^\circ$

b. $\sin 105^\circ$

c. $\tan 112.5^\circ$

d. $\tan \frac{3\pi}{8}$

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8. $\tan \alpha = \frac{8}{15}$, α lies in quadrant III. Find:

a. $\sin \frac{\alpha}{2}$

b. $\cos \frac{\alpha}{2}$

c. $\tan \frac{\alpha}{2}$

9. Verify the identity: $\tan \frac{\alpha}{2} = \frac{\tan \alpha}{\sec \alpha + 1}$