

$$\sin(a - b) = \sin a \cos b - \cos a \sin b \quad (15)$$

Example 2 Find the exact value of $\sin \frac{13\pi}{12}$.

Solution Express $\frac{13\pi}{12}$ as a sum of numbers whose sines and cosines we know. One possible choice is

$$\frac{13\pi}{12} = \frac{5\pi}{6} + \frac{\pi}{4}.$$

(You may be able to discover this choice more easily by converting to degree measure: $195^\circ = 150^\circ + 45^\circ$.) Using identity (14), we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \frac{13\pi}{12} &= \sin \frac{5\pi}{6} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} + \cos \frac{5\pi}{6} \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{6}}{4} \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

Example 3 Find $\sin(a + b)$ if $\sin a = \frac{3}{5}$, $\sin b = \frac{5}{13}$, $0 < a < \frac{\pi}{2}$, and $\frac{\pi}{2} < b < \pi$.

Solution To use identity (14), we first use identity (7) to find $\cos a$ and $\cos b$.

$$\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 + \cos^2 a = 1 \text{ so } \cos a = \frac{4}{5} \text{ since } 0 < a < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Similarly, $\cos b = -\frac{12}{13}$. Applying identity (14), we have

$$\sin(a + b) = \frac{3}{5}\left(-\frac{12}{13}\right) + \frac{4}{5}\left(\frac{5}{13}\right) = -\frac{16}{65} \quad \blacksquare$$

EXERCISES 3-3

Find the exact value of each trigonometric function.

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| A 1. $\sin 105^\circ$ | 2. $\cos 165^\circ$ | 3. $\sin 15^\circ$ | 4. $\cos 345^\circ$ |
| 5. $\cos 75^\circ$ | 6. $\sin 165^\circ$ | 7. $\cos(-75^\circ)$ | 8. $\sin(-75^\circ)$ |
| 9. $\cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{12}\right)$ | 10. $\sin \frac{5\pi}{12}$ | 11. $\cos \frac{13\pi}{12}$ | 12. $\cos\left(-\frac{5\pi}{12}\right)$ |

Find each of the following if $\sin r = \frac{4}{5}$, $\sin s = -\frac{12}{13}$, $0 < r < \frac{\pi}{2}$, and $\frac{3\pi}{2} < s < 2\pi$.

13. $\cos(r + s)$

14. $\sin(r + s)$

15. $\sin(r - s)$

16. $\cos(r - s)$

Find each of the following if $\cos s = -\frac{3}{5}$, $\cos t = -\frac{15}{17}$, $\frac{\pi}{2} < s < \pi$, and $\pi < t < \frac{3\pi}{2}$.

17. $\sin(s - t)$

18. $\cos(s - t)$

19. $\cos(s + t)$

20. $\sin(s + t)$

21. $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - s\right)$

22. $\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + s\right)$

Prove each identity.

23. $\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - x\right) + \cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} + x\right) = 0$

24. $\sin(\pi + x) + \sin(\pi - x) = 0$

25. Use identity (10) on page 94 to prove that $\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x\right) = \sin x$.

26. Use identity (12) on page 95 to prove that $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x\right) = \cos x$.

B 27. Illustrate the identity in Exercise 23 with a unit-circle diagram in which x is a number between 0 and $\frac{\pi}{2}$.

28. Illustrate the identity in Exercise 24 on a unit-circle diagram in which x is a number between $\frac{\pi}{2}$ and π .

29. Draw a unit-circle diagram illustrating angles of measure $45^\circ - x$ and $45^\circ + x$ for an arbitrarily chosen positive angle x of measure less than 45° . From the diagram, guess a relationship between $\sin(45^\circ - x)$ and $\cos(45^\circ + x)$. Prove this relationship using the formulas of this section.

30. Repeat Exercise 29 for angles of measure $135^\circ - x$ and $135^\circ + x$. Does the relationship that you guessed hold for an arbitrary angle x (for example, one whose measure is not necessarily less than 45°)?

31. Use identity (14) to prove that $\sin(a - b) = \sin a \cos b - \cos a \sin b$.

32. Prove that $\sec\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x\right) = \csc x$.