

1.4) Trigonometric identities

Worked example

Use de Moivre's theorem to show that

$$\cos 6\theta = 32 \cos^6 \theta - 48 \cos^4 \theta + 18 \cos^2 \theta - 1$$

Your turn

Use de Moivre's theorem to show that

$$\cos 5\theta = 16 \cos^5 \theta - 20 \cos^3 \theta + 5 \cos \theta$$

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Worked example

Use de Moivre's theorem to show that

$$\sin 5\theta = 16 \sin^5 \theta - 20 \sin^3 \theta + 5 \sin \theta$$

Your turn

Use de Moivre's theorem to show that

$$\sin 4\theta = 4 \cos^3 \theta \sin \theta - 4 \cos \theta \sin^3 \theta$$

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Worked example

Use de Moivre's theorem to show that

$$\cos^6 \theta = \frac{1}{32} \cos 6\theta + \frac{3}{16} \cos 4\theta + \frac{15}{32} \cos 2\theta + \frac{5}{16}$$

Your turn

Use de Moivre's theorem to show that

$$\cos^5 \theta = \frac{1}{16} \cos 5\theta + \frac{5}{16} \cos 3\theta + \frac{5}{8} \cos \theta$$

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Worked example

Use de Moivre's theorem to show that

$$\sin^5 \theta = \frac{1}{16} \sin 5\theta - \frac{5}{16} \sin 3\theta + \frac{5}{8} \sin \theta$$

Your turn

Use de Moivre's theorem to show that

$$\sin^4 \theta = \frac{1}{8} \cos 4\theta - \frac{1}{2} \cos 2\theta + \frac{3}{8}$$

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Worked example

Use de Moivre's theorem to show that

$$\sin^5 \theta = \frac{1}{16} \sin 5\theta - \frac{5}{16} \sin 3\theta + \frac{5}{8} \sin \theta$$

Hence find the exact value of

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^5 \theta$$

Your turn

Use de Moivre's theorem to show that

$$\sin^4 \theta = \frac{1}{8} \cos 4\theta - \frac{1}{2} \cos 2\theta + \frac{3}{8}$$

Hence find the exact value of

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^4 \theta$$

$$\frac{3\pi}{16}$$

Worked example

Show that

$$32 \cos^2 \theta \sin^4 \theta = \cos 6\theta - 2 \cos 4\theta - \cos 2\theta + 2$$

Your turn

Show that

$$32 \sin^2 \theta \cos^4 \theta = -\cos 6\theta - 2 \cos 4\theta + \cos 2\theta + 2$$

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Worked example

Show that

$$32 \cos^2 \theta \sin^4 \theta = \cos 6\theta - 2 \cos 4\theta - \cos 2\theta + 2$$

Hence, find the exact value of

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \cos^2 \theta \sin^4 \theta$$

Your turn

Show that

$$32 \sin^2 \theta \cos^4 \theta = -\cos 6\theta - 2 \cos 4\theta + \cos 2\theta + 2$$

Hence, find the exact value of

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sin^2 \theta \cos^4 \theta$$

$$\frac{\pi}{64} + \frac{1}{48}$$

Worked example

Use de Moivre's theorem to show that

$$\cos 5\theta = 16 \cos^5 \theta - 20 \cos^3 \theta + 5 \cos \theta$$

Hence find the distinct solutions of the equation

$16x^5 - 20x^3 + 5x - \frac{1}{2} = 0$, giving your answers to 3 decimal places where necessary.

Your turn

Use de Moivre's theorem to show that

$$\cos 6\theta = 32 \cos^6 \theta - 48 \cos^4 \theta + 18 \cos^2 \theta - 1$$

Hence find the six distinct solutions of the

equation $32x^6 - 48x^4 + 18x^2 - \frac{3}{2} = 0$, giving your answers to 3 decimal places where necessary.

$$x = \pm 0.342, \pm 0.643, \pm 0.985$$

Worked example

Use de Moivre's theorem to show that

$$\cos 5\theta = \cos \theta (16 \cos^4 \theta - 20 \cos^2 \theta + 5)$$

Hence solve for $0 \leq \theta < \pi$

$$\cos 5\theta - \cos \theta \cos 2\theta = 0$$

Your turn

Use de Moivre's theorem to show that

$$\sin 5\theta = \sin \theta (16 \cos^4 \theta - 12 \cos^2 \theta + 1)$$

Hence solve for $0 \leq \theta < \pi$

$$\sin 5\theta + \cos \theta \sin 2\theta = 0$$

$$\theta = 0, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, 1.209 \text{ (3 dp)} \text{ and } 1.932 \text{ (3 dp)}$$