



Vocabulary: Sum and Difference Identities for Sine and Cosine



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- Identity – an equation that is true for all values.
 - A *trigonometric identity* is an equation involving trigonometric functions that is true for all possible angles.
 - The *sum and difference identities for sine* are:
 - $\sin (\alpha + \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta$
 - $\sin (\alpha - \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \sin \beta$
 - The *sum and difference identities for cosine* are:
 - $\cos (\alpha + \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \sin \beta$
 - $\cos (\alpha - \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta$

