

Trigonometric identities

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \boxed{a \pm b} & & \boxed{2a} \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \left. \begin{array}{l} \sin(a \pm b) = \sin a \cos b \pm \sin b \cos a \\ \cos(a \pm b) = \cos a \cos b \mp \sin a \sin b \\ \tan(a \pm b) = \frac{\tan a \pm \tan b}{1 \mp \tan a \tan b} \\ \cot(a \pm b) = \frac{\cot a \cot b \mp 1}{\cot b \pm \cot a} \quad (**) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow & & \begin{array}{l} \sin(2a) = 2 \sin a \cos a \\ \cos(2a) = \cos^2 a - \sin^2 a = 2 \cos^2 a - 1 = 1 - 2 \sin^2 a \\ \tan(2a) = \frac{2 \tan a}{1 - \tan^2 a} \\ \cot(2a) = \frac{\cot^2 a - 1}{2 \cot a} \end{array}
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► $\sin(a + b) \sin(a - b) = \sin^2 a - \sin^2 b$
 ► $\cos(a + b) \cos(a - b) = \cos^2 a - \sin^2 b$

$$\boxed{3a} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \sin(3a) = -4 \sin^3 a + 3 \sin a \\ \cos(3a) = +4 \cos^3 a - 3 \cos a \end{array} \quad \tan(3a) = \frac{3 \tan a - \tan^3 a}{1 - 3 \tan^2 a}$$

In terms of

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \boxed{\cos 2a} & & \boxed{\tan(a/2)} \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \sin^2 a = \frac{1 - \cos(2a)}{2} & \cos^2 a = \frac{1 + \cos(2a)}{2} & \sin a = \frac{2 \tan(a/2)}{1 + \tan^2(a/2)} \quad \cos a = \frac{1 - \tan^2(a/2)}{1 + \tan^2(a/2)} \\
 \tan^2 a = \frac{1 - \cos(2a)}{1 + \cos(2a)} & \cot^2 a = \frac{1 + \cos(2a)}{1 - \cos(2a)} & \tan a = \frac{2 \tan(a/2)}{1 - \tan^2(a/2)} \quad \cot a = \frac{1 - \tan^2(a/2)}{2 \tan(a/2)}
 \end{array}$$

Transformation to

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \boxed{\text{sum}} & & \boxed{\text{product}} \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \left. \begin{array}{l} 2 \sin a \cos b = \sin(a - b) + \sin(a + b) \\ 2 \cos a \cos b = \cos(a - b) + \cos(a + b) \\ 2 \sin a \sin b = \cos(a - b) - \cos(a + b) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow & & \begin{array}{l} \sin a \pm \sin b = 2 \sin \frac{a \pm b}{2} \cos \frac{a \mp b}{2} \\ \cos a + \cos b = 2 \cos \frac{a + b}{2} \cos \frac{a - b}{2} \\ \cos a - \cos b = 2 \sin \frac{a + b}{2} \sin \frac{b - a}{2} \quad (**) \\ \tan a \pm \tan b = \frac{\sin(a \pm b)}{\cos a \cos b} \\ \cot a \pm \cot b = \frac{\sin(b \mp a)}{\sin a \sin b} \quad (**) \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

Also note the factorizations:

► $1 \pm \sin a = \sin(\pi/2) \pm \sin a = 2 \sin \frac{(\pi/2) \pm a}{2} \cos \frac{(\pi/2) \mp a}{2}$
 ► $\sin a \pm \cos b = \sin a \pm \sin(\pi/2 - b) = 2 \sin \frac{a \pm (\pi/2 - b)}{2} \cos \frac{a \mp (\pi/2 - b)}{2}$
 ► $1 + \cos a = 2 \cos^2(a/2)$
 ► $1 - \cos a = 2 \sin^2(a/2)$