

$$\cos \frac{3\pi}{8} = \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{8} \right) = \sin \frac{\pi}{8}$$

$$\cos \frac{7\pi}{8} = -\cos \frac{\pi}{8}$$

$$\cos \frac{5\pi}{8} = -\cos \frac{3\pi}{8}$$

$$\cos^4 \frac{\pi}{8} + \cos^4 \frac{3\pi}{8} + \cos^4 \frac{5\pi}{8} + \cos^4 \frac{7\pi}{8} =$$

$$= \cos^4 \frac{\pi}{8} + \sin^4 \frac{\pi}{8} + \sin^4 \frac{\pi}{8} + \cos^4 \frac{\pi}{8} =$$

$$= 2 \left(\cos^4 \frac{\pi}{8} + \sin^4 \frac{\pi}{8} \right) = 2 \left(\left(\cos^2 \frac{\pi}{8} + \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{8} \right)^2 - 2 \cos^2 \frac{\pi}{8} \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{8} \right) =$$

$$= 2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = 2 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$