

Answer on Question #70274 – Math – Trigonometry

Question

$$\sin(2A) + \sin(4A) = \cos(A) + \cos(3A)$$

Solution

Method 1

$$\sin(2A) - \cos(A) = \cos(3A) - \sin(4A)$$

$$-2\sin(-2A/2 - A/2 + \pi/4) \sin(-2A/2 + A/2 + \pi/4) = -(-2\sin(-4A/2 - 3A/2 + \pi/4) \sin(-4A/2 + 3A/2 + \pi/4))$$

$$\sin(-3A/2 + \pi/4) \sin(-A/2 + \pi/4) = -\sin(-7A/2 + \pi/4) \sin(-A/2 + \pi/4)$$

$$\sin(-A/2 + \pi/4) (\sin(-3A/2 + \pi/4) + \sin(-7A/2 + \pi/4)) = 0$$

$$1) \sin(-A/2 + \pi/4) = 0$$

$$-A/2 + \pi/4 = n\pi$$

$$A = 2(\pi/4 - n\pi) = \pi/2 - 2n\pi = (1-4n)\pi/2$$

$$2) \sin(-3A/2 + \pi/4) + \sin(-7A/2 + \pi/4) = 0$$

$$2\sin((-3A/2 + \pi/4 - 7A/2 + \pi/4)/2) \cos((-3A/2 + \pi/4 + 7A/2 - \pi/4)/2) = 0$$

$$2\sin(-5A/2 + \pi/4) \cos(A) = 0$$

$$-5A/2 + \pi/4 = n\pi \text{ or } A = \pi/2 + n\pi$$

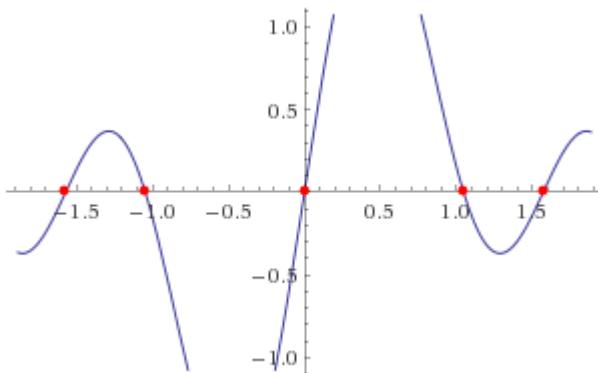
$$A = 2/5(\pi/4 - n\pi) \text{ or } A = \pi/2 + n\pi$$

$$A = \pi/10 - 2n\pi/5 \text{ or } A = \pi/2 + n\pi$$

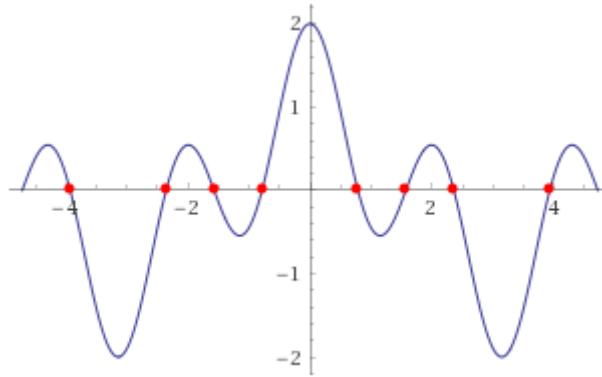
$$A = (1-4n)\pi/10 \text{ or } A = (2n+1)\pi/2$$

Method 2

$$y(A) = \sin(2A) + \sin(4A)$$



$$y(A) = \cos(A) + \cos(3A)$$



LHS:

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(2A) + \sin(4A) &= \sin(2A) + \sin(2(2A)) = \\ &= \sin(2A) + 2\sin(2A)\cos(2A) = \sin(2A)(1+2\cos(2A)) = 2\sin A \cos A (1+2\cos(2A)) = \\ &= 2\cos A (\sin A + 2\cos(2A)) = 2\cos A (\sin A + 2(1-2\sin^2 A) \sin A) = \\ &= 2\cos A (\sin A + 2\sin A - 4(\sin A)^3) = 2\cos A \sin(3A) \end{aligned}$$

RHS:

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(A) + \cos(3A) &= \cos A + 4\cos^3 A - 3\cos A = \\ &= 4\cos^3 A - 2\cos A = 2\cos A (2\cos^2 A - 1) = 2\cos A \cos(2A) \end{aligned}$$

LHS=RHS, so

$$2\cos A \sin(3A) = 2\cos A \cos(2A)$$

$$\text{If } \cos A = 0 \text{ then } A = -\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } \cos A \neq 0 \text{ then we can divide by } \cos A \\ \sin(3A) = \cos(2A) = \sin(\pi/2 - 2A) \end{aligned}$$

Let's find the corresponding A:

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(2A+A) &= \cos(2A) \\ \sin(2A)\cos A + \cos(2A)\sin A &= \cos(2A) \\ 2\sin A \cos^2 A + (1-2\sin^2 A)\sin A &= \cos(2A) \\ 2\sin A (1-\sin^2 A) + \sin A - 2\sin^3 A &= \cos(2A) \\ 2\sin A - 2\sin^3 A + \sin A - 2\sin^3 A &= \cos(2A) \end{aligned}$$

As you can see

$$\sin(3A) = \cos(2A)$$

$$3\sin A - 4\sin^3 A = 1 - 2\sin^2 A$$

$$-4\sin^3 A + 2\sin^2 A + 3\sin A - 1 = 0$$

$$\sin A = t$$

$$-(t-1)(4t^2 + 2t - 1) = 0$$

$$D = 2^2 - 4 * 4 * (-1) = 20$$

$$t = \frac{-2 \pm 2\sqrt{5}}{2 * 4} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{4}$$

$$\sin A = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{4}$$

$$\sin A = \frac{-1 - \sqrt{5}}{4} \Rightarrow A = -\left(-\frac{3\pi}{10}\right) + n\pi \text{ or } A = \left(-\frac{3\pi}{10}\right) + n\pi$$

$$\sin A = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{5}}{4} \Rightarrow A = -\frac{\pi}{10} + n\pi \text{ or } A = \frac{\pi}{10} + n\pi$$

Answer: $A = \frac{3\pi}{10} + n\pi$, $A = -\frac{3\pi}{10} + n\pi$, $A = -\frac{\pi}{10} + n\pi$, $A = \frac{\pi}{10} + n\pi$, $A = -\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi$