

Math 112: #21 A/B/C/D/E/F

- A) Use the identity $\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta$, along with known values of sine and cosine for special angles, to obtain the exact value, simplified to a single fraction, for

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \frac{5\pi}{12} &= \sin \left(\frac{2\pi}{12} + \frac{3\pi}{12} \right) = \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{6} + \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \\ &= \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} + \cos \frac{\pi}{6} \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} = \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{6}}{4}} \end{aligned}$$

- B) Use the identity $\sin(\alpha - \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \sin \beta$, along with known values of sine and cosine for special angles, to obtain the exact value, simplified to a single fraction, for

$$\begin{aligned} \sin 15^\circ &= \sin (45^\circ - 30^\circ) \\ &= \sin 45^\circ \cos 30^\circ - \cos 45^\circ \sin 30^\circ \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} = \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}{4}} \end{aligned}$$

- C) Use the identity $\cos(\alpha + \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \sin \beta$, along with known values of sine and cosine for special angles, to obtain the exact value, simplified to a single fraction, for

$$\begin{aligned} \cos 75^\circ &= \cos (30^\circ + 45^\circ) \\ &= \cos 30^\circ \cos 45^\circ - \sin 30^\circ \sin 45^\circ \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}{4}} \end{aligned}$$

D) Use the identity $\cos(\alpha - \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta$, along with known values of sine and cosine for special angles, to obtain the exact value, simplified to a single fraction, for

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \frac{\pi}{12} &= \cos \left(\frac{4\pi}{12} - \frac{3\pi}{12} \right) = \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \\ &= \cos \frac{\pi}{3} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} + \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{6}}{4} \end{aligned}$$

E) Use the identity $\tan(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta}{1 - \tan \alpha \tan \beta}$, along with known values of tangent for special angles, to obtain the exact value, simplified to a single fraction, for

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \frac{5\pi}{12} &= \tan \left(\frac{2\pi}{12} + \frac{3\pi}{12} \right) = \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{6} + \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \\ &= \frac{\tan \frac{\pi}{6} + \tan \frac{\pi}{4}}{1 - \tan \frac{\pi}{6} \tan \frac{\pi}{4}} = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} + 1}{1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \cdot 1} \\ &= \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{3}}{\frac{1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}}{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{3 - \sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{3 + \sqrt{3}}{3 + \sqrt{3}} = \frac{3\sqrt{3} + 3 + 9 + 3\sqrt{3}}{9 - 3} = \frac{12 + 6\sqrt{3}}{6} = 2 + \sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

F) Use the identity $\tan(\alpha - \beta) = \frac{\tan \alpha - \tan \beta}{1 + \tan \alpha \tan \beta}$, along with known values of tangent for special angles, to obtain the exact value, simplified to a single fraction, for

$$\begin{aligned} \tan 15^\circ &= \tan (45^\circ - 30^\circ) \\ &= \frac{\tan 45^\circ - \tan 30^\circ}{1 + \tan 45^\circ \tan 30^\circ} = \frac{1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}}{1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}} \cdot \frac{3}{3} = \frac{3 - \sqrt{3}}{3 + \sqrt{3}} \\ &= \frac{3 - \sqrt{3}}{3 + \sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{3 - \sqrt{3}}{3 - \sqrt{3}} = \frac{9 - 3\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{3} + 3}{9 - 3} = \frac{12 - 6\sqrt{3}}{6} = 2 - \sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$