

Double Angle Formulae

$$\sin 2\theta \equiv 2\sin\theta\cos\theta$$

$$\cos 2\theta \equiv \cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta$$

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$$\cos 2\theta \equiv \cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta$$

$$\cos 2\theta \equiv \cos^2\theta - (1 - \cos^2\theta)$$

$$\cos 2\theta \equiv 2\cos^2\theta - 1$$

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$$\cos 2\theta \equiv \cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta$$

$$\cos 2\theta \equiv 1 - \sin^2\theta - \sin^2\theta$$

$$\cos 2\theta \equiv 1 - 2\sin^2\theta$$