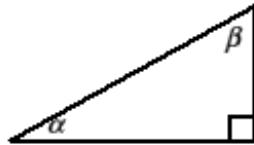




16. If $\alpha < \beta$, how many different values are there among the following expressions?

$$\sin \alpha \sin \beta \quad \sin \alpha \cos \beta \quad \cos \alpha \sin \beta \quad \cos \alpha \cos \beta$$



- A 1 B 2 C 3 D 4 E It depends on the value of α

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16. **C** As $\alpha + \beta = 90^\circ$, $\sin \alpha = \cos \beta$; $\cos \alpha = \sin \beta$. So $\sin \alpha \sin \beta = \sin \alpha \cos \alpha$; $\sin \alpha \cos \beta = \sin^2 \alpha$; $\cos \alpha \sin \beta = \cos^2 \alpha$; $\cos \alpha \cos \beta = \cos \alpha \sin \alpha$. As $\alpha < \beta$, $\alpha \neq 45^\circ$. So $\sin \alpha \neq \cos \alpha$. Thus three of the four expressions have different values.