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Using the Unit Circle Reference Angles - Step-by-Step Lesson

Find the exact values of sin t for the given real number.

 $t = 7\Pi/4$ 



## **Explanation**:

In each part we begin by finding the reference angle corresponding to the given real number t.

We find that an angle of t =  $7\Pi/4$  radian determines a point P( $7\Pi/4$ ) in the fourth quadrant and has the reference angle t' =  $\Pi/4$  radians.

After adjusting the signs of the coordinates of  $P(\Pi/4) = (\sqrt{2}/2, \sqrt{2}/2)$  to obtain the fourth quadrant point  $P(7\Pi/4) = = (\sqrt{2}/2, -\sqrt{2}/2)$ , we find that

 $\sin \frac{7\pi}{4} = -\sin \frac{\pi}{4} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$  and  $\cos \frac{7\pi}{4} = \cos \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ 

