

INVERSE TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS

Exercise 2.2

Question 1:

Prove that $3\sin^{-1}x = \sin^{-1}(3x - 4x^3)$, $x \in \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right]$.

Answer 1:

Let $\sin^{-1}x = \theta$, then $x = \sin \theta$. We have,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS} &= \sin^{-1}(3x - 4x^3) = \sin^{-1}(3\sin \theta - 4\sin^3 \theta) \\ &= \sin^{-1}(\sin 3\theta) = 3\theta = 3\sin^{-1}x = \text{LHS} \end{aligned}$$

Question 2:

Prove that $3\cos^{-1}x = \cos^{-1}(4x^3 - 3x)$, $x \in \left[\frac{1}{2}, 1\right]$.

Answer 2:

Let $\cos^{-1}x = \theta$, then $x = \cos \theta$. We have,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS} &= \cos^{-1}(4x^3 - 3x) = \cos^{-1}(4\cos^3 \theta - 3\cos \theta) \\ &= \cos^{-1}(\cos 3\theta) = 3\theta = 3\cos^{-1}x = \text{LHS} \end{aligned}$$

Question 3:

Prove that $\tan^{-1} \frac{2}{11} + \tan^{-1} \frac{7}{24} = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2}$

Answer 3:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= \tan^{-1} \frac{2}{11} + \tan^{-1} \frac{7}{24} \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{2}{11} + \frac{7}{24}}{1 - \frac{2}{11} \times \frac{7}{24}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{48 + 77}{11 \times 24}}{\frac{11 \times 24 - 14}{11 \times 24}} \right) \\ &= \tan^{-1} \frac{48 + 77}{264 - 14} = \tan^{-1} \frac{125}{251} = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2} = \text{RHS} \end{aligned}$$

Question 4:

Prove that $2\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{7} = \tan^{-1} \frac{31}{17}$

Answer 4:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= 2\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{7} \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{2 \times \frac{1}{2}}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2} \right] + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{7} = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{7} \\ &= \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{7} = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{4}{3} + \frac{1}{7}}{1 - \frac{4}{3} \times \frac{1}{7}} \right) \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{28 + 3}{3 \times 7}}{\frac{3 \times 7 - 4}{3 \times 7}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \frac{28 + 3}{21 - 4} = \tan^{-1} \frac{31}{17} = \text{RHS} \end{aligned}$$

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Question 5:

Write the function $\tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}-1}{x}$, $x \neq 0$, in the simplest form.

Answer 5:

Given function $\tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}-1}{x}$

Let $x = \tan \theta$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}-1}{x} &= \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{1+\tan^2\theta}-1}{\tan \theta} \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sec \theta - 1}{\tan \theta} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \right) \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} x \end{aligned}$$

Question 6:

Write the function $\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2-1}}$, $|x| > 1$, in the simplest form.

Answer 6:

Given function $\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2-1}}$

Let $x = \operatorname{cosec} \theta$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2-1}} &= \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta - 1}} \\ &= \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\cot \theta} = \tan^{-1} \tan \theta = \theta = \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} - \sec^{-1} x \end{aligned}$$

Question 7:

Write the function $\tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{\frac{1-\cos x}{1+\cos x}} \right)$, $x < \pi$, in the simplest form.

Answer 7:

The given function is $\tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{\frac{1-\cos x}{1+\cos x}} \right)$, Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{\frac{1-\cos x}{1+\cos x}} \right) &= \tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{\frac{2 \sin^2 \frac{x}{2}}{2 \cos^2 \frac{x}{2}}} \right) \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{\tan^2 \frac{x}{2}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\tan \frac{x}{2} \right) = \frac{x}{2} \end{aligned}$$

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Question 8:

Write the function $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\cos x - \sin x}{\cos x + \sin x} \right)$, $0 < x < \pi$, in the simplest form.

Answer 8:

The given function is $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\cos x - \sin x}{\cos x + \sin x} \right)$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\cos x - \sin x}{\cos x + \sin x} \right) &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1 - \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}}{1 + \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1 - \tan x}{1 + \tan x} \right) \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1 - \tan x}{1 + 1 \cdot \tan x} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\tan \frac{\pi}{4} - \tan x}{1 + \tan \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \tan x} \right) \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left[\tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x \right) \right] = \frac{\pi}{4} - x \end{aligned}$$

Question 9:

Write the function $\tan^{-1} \frac{x}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}$, $|x| < a$, in the simplest form.

Answer 9:

The given function is $\tan^{-1} \frac{x}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}$.

Let $x = a \sin \theta$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{a \sin \theta}{\sqrt{a^2 - a^2 \sin^2 \theta}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{a \sin \theta}{a \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta}} \right) \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{a \sin \theta}{a \cos \theta} \right) = \tan^{-1} (\tan \theta) = \theta = \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{a} \end{aligned}$$

Question 10:

Write the function in $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3a^2x - x^3}{a^3 - 3ax^2} \right)$, $a > 0$; $\frac{-a}{\sqrt{3}} \leq x \leq \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}$, the simplest form.

Answer 10:

The given function is $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3a^2x - x^3}{a^3 - 3ax^2} \right)$

Let $x = a \tan \theta$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3a^2x - x^3}{a^3 - 3ax^2} \right) &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3a^2 \cdot a \tan \theta - a^3 \tan^3 \theta}{a^3 - 3a \cdot a^2 \tan^2 \theta} \right) \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3a^3 \tan \theta - a^3 \tan^3 \theta}{a^3 - 3a^3 \tan^2 \theta} \right) \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3 \tan \theta - \tan^3 \theta}{1 - 3 \tan^2 \theta} \right) \\ &= \tan^{-1} (\tan 3\theta) = 3\theta \\ &= 3 \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{a} \end{aligned}$$

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Question 11:

Find the value of $\tan^{-1} \left[2\cos \left(2\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$

Answer 11:

The given function is $\tan^{-1} \left[2\cos \left(2\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \tan^{-1} \left[2\cos \left(2\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] &= \tan^{-1} \left[2\cos \left(2\sin^{-1} \left(\sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right) \right) \right] \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left[2\cos \left(2 \times \frac{\pi}{6} \right) \right] = \tan^{-1} \left[2\cos \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \right) \right] = \tan^{-1} \left[2 \times \frac{1}{2} \right] \\ &= \tan^{-1} [1] = \frac{\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Question 12:

Find the value of $\cot(\tan^{-1}a + \cot^{-1}a)$.

Answer 12:

The given function is $\cot(\tan^{-1}a + \cot^{-1}a)$.

$$\therefore \cot(\tan^{-1}a + \cot^{-1}a) = \cot \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right) = 0 \quad \left[\text{as } \tan^{-1}x + \cot^{-1}x = \frac{\pi}{2} \right]$$

Question 13:

Find the value of $\tan \frac{1}{2} \left[\sin^{-1} \frac{2x}{1+x^2} + \cos^{-1} \frac{1-y^2}{1+y^2} \right]$, $|x| < 1$, $y > 0$ and $xy < 1$.

Answer 13:

The given function is $\tan \frac{1}{2} \left[\sin^{-1} \frac{2x}{1+x^2} + \cos^{-1} \frac{1-y^2}{1+y^2} \right]$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \tan \frac{1}{2} \left[\sin^{-1} \frac{2x}{1+x^2} + \cos^{-1} \frac{1-y^2}{1+y^2} \right] \\ &= \tan \frac{1}{2} [2\tan^{-1}x + 2\tan^{-1}y] \quad \left[\text{as } 2\tan^{-1}x = \sin^{-1} \frac{2x}{1+x^2} = \cos^{-1} \frac{1-x^2}{1+x^2} \right] \\ &= \tan \frac{1}{2} [2(\tan^{-1}x + \tan^{-1}y)] = \tan[\tan^{-1}x + \tan^{-1}y] \\ &= \tan \left[\tan^{-1} \frac{x+y}{1-xy} \right] = \frac{x+y}{1-xy} \end{aligned}$$

Question 14:

If $\sin \left(\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{5} + \cos^{-1}x \right) = 1$, then find the value of x .

Answer 14:

Since, $\sin \left(\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{5} + \cos^{-1}x \right) = 1$

$$\therefore \left(\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{5} + \cos^{-1}x \right) = \sin^{-1}1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{5} + \cos^{-1}x \right) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{5} = \sin^{-1}x \quad \left[\text{as } \sin^{-1}x + \cos^{-1}x = \frac{\pi}{2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{5}$$

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Question 15:

If $\tan^{-1} \frac{x-1}{x-2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{x+1}{x+2} = \frac{\pi}{4}$, then find the value of x .

Answer 15:

Given that $\tan^{-1} \frac{x-1}{x-2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{x+1}{x+2} = \frac{\pi}{4}$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{x-1}{x-2} + \frac{x+1}{x+2}}{1 - \frac{x-1}{x-2} \times \frac{x+1}{x+2}} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} \quad \left[\text{as } \tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x+y}{1-xy} \right) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{x-1}{x-2} + \frac{x+1}{x+2}}{1 - \frac{x-1}{x-2} \times \frac{x+1}{x+2}} = \tan \frac{\pi}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{\left[\frac{(x-1)(x+2) + (x-2)(x+1)}{(x-2)(x+2)} \right]}{\left[\frac{(x-2)(x+2) - (x-1)(x+1)}{(x-2)(x+2)} \right]} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 2x - x - 2 + x^2 + x - 2x - 2}{x^2 - 4 - (x^2 - 1)} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{2x^2 - 4}{-3} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 4 = -3 \Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Question 16:

Find the values of $\sin^{-1} \left(\sin \frac{2\pi}{3} \right)$.

Answer 16:

Given that $\sin^{-1} \left(\sin \frac{2\pi}{3} \right)$.

We know that $\sin^{-1}(\sin x) = x$ if $x \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right]$, which is the principal value branch of $\sin^{-1}x$.

$$\therefore \sin^{-1} \left(\sin \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) = \sin^{-1} \left(\sin \left\{ \pi - \frac{\pi}{3} \right\} \right) = \sin^{-1} \left(\sin \frac{\pi}{3} \right) = \frac{\pi}{3} \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right]$$

$$\text{Hence, } \sin^{-1} \left(\sin \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Question 17:

Find the values of $\tan^{-1} \left(\tan \frac{3\pi}{4} \right)$.

Answer 17:

Given that $\tan^{-1} \left(\tan \frac{3\pi}{4} \right)$

We know that $\tan^{-1}(\tan x) = x$ if $x \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$, which is the principal value branch of $\tan^{-1}x$.

$$\therefore \tan^{-1} \left(\tan \frac{3\pi}{4} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\tan \left\{ \pi - \frac{\pi}{4} \right\} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(-\tan \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left(\tan \left\{ -\frac{\pi}{4} \right\} \right) = -\frac{\pi}{4} \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{Hence, } \tan^{-1} \left(\tan \frac{3\pi}{4} \right) = -\frac{\pi}{4}$$

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Question 18:

Find the values of $\tan\left(\sin^{-1}\frac{3}{5} + \cot^{-1}\frac{3}{2}\right)$.

Answer 18:

Given that $\tan\left(\sin^{-1}\frac{3}{5} + \cot^{-1}\frac{3}{2}\right)$

$$\therefore \tan\left(\sin^{-1}\frac{3}{5} + \cot^{-1}\frac{3}{2}\right) = \tan\left(\tan^{-1}\frac{3}{\sqrt{5^2-3^2}} + \tan^{-1}\frac{2}{3}\right)$$
$$\left[as \sin^{-1}\frac{a}{b} = \tan^{-1}\frac{a}{\sqrt{b^2-a^2}} \text{ and } \cot^{-1}\frac{a}{b} = \tan^{-1}\frac{b}{a}\right]$$

$$= \tan\left(\tan^{-1}\frac{3}{4} + \tan^{-1}\frac{2}{3}\right)$$

$$= \tan\left[\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{3}}{1 - \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{2}{3}}\right)\right]$$

$$= \tan\left[\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{9+8}{4 \times 3}}{\frac{4 \times 3 - 3 \times 2}{4 \times 3}}\right)\right]$$

$$= \tan\left(\tan^{-1}\frac{17}{6}\right) = \frac{17}{6}$$

Question 19:

$\cos^{-1}\left(\cos\frac{7\pi}{6}\right)$ is equal to

- (A) $\frac{7\pi}{6}$ (B) $\frac{5\pi}{6}$ (C) $\frac{\pi}{3}$ (D) $\frac{\pi}{6}$

Answer 19:

Given that $\cos^{-1}\left(\cos\frac{7\pi}{6}\right)$

We know that $\cos^{-1}(\cos x) = x$, if $x \in [0, \pi]$, which is the principal value branch of $\cos^{-1}x$.

$$\therefore \cos^{-1}\left(\cos\frac{7\pi}{6}\right)$$

$$= \cos^{-1}\left[\cos\left(2\pi - \frac{5\pi}{6}\right)\right]$$

$$= \cos^{-1}\left(\cos\frac{5\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{5\pi}{6} \in [0, \pi]$$

$$\text{Hence, } \cos^{-1}\left(\cos\frac{7\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

Hence, the option (B) is correct.

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Question 20: $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\right)$ is equal to

- (A) $\frac{1}{2}$ (B) $\frac{1}{3}$ (C) $\frac{1}{4}$ (D) 1

Answer 20:

Given that $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\right)$

We know that the range of the principal value branch of \sin^{-1} is $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\right) \\ &= \sin\left[\frac{\pi}{3} - \sin^{-1}\left(-\sin\frac{\pi}{6}\right)\right] \\ &= \sin\left[\frac{\pi}{3} - \sin^{-1}\left\{\sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right)\right\}\right] \\ &= \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{6}\right) \\ &= \sin\frac{\pi}{2} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\right) = 1$

Hence, the option (D) is correct.

Question 21:

$\tan^{-1}\sqrt{3} - \cot^{-1}(-\sqrt{3})$ is equal to

- (A) π (B) $-\frac{\pi}{2}$ (C) 0 (D) $2\sqrt{3}$

Answer 21:

Given that $\tan^{-1}\sqrt{3} - \cot^{-1}(-\sqrt{3})$

We know that the range of the principal value branch of \tan^{-1} is $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ and \cot^{-1} is $(0, \pi)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \tan^{-1}\sqrt{3} - \cot^{-1}(-\sqrt{3}) \\ &= \tan^{-1}\left(\tan\frac{\pi}{3}\right) - \cot^{-1}\left(-\cot\frac{\pi}{6}\right) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{3} - \cot^{-1}\left[\cot\left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)\right] \\ &= \frac{\pi}{3} - \cot^{-1}\left(\cot\frac{5\pi}{6}\right) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{5\pi}{6} = \frac{2\pi - 5\pi}{6} = -\frac{3\pi}{6} = -\frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\tan^{-1}\sqrt{3} - \cot^{-1}(-\sqrt{3}) = -\frac{\pi}{2}$

Hence, the options (B) is correct.