

### APPLICATIONS OF DE MOIVRE'S THEOREM:

#### 1) Expansion of $\sin n\theta, \cos n\theta$ in powers of $\sin \theta, \cos \theta$ :

By De Moivre's theorem  $\cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \cos^n \theta + {}^nC_1 \cos^{n-1} \theta \cdot i \sin \theta + {}^nC_2 \cos^{n-2} \theta \cdot (i \sin \theta)^2 + {}^nC_3 \cos^{n-3} \theta (i \sin \theta)^3 + \dots \\ &= (\cos^n \theta - {}^nC_2 \cos^{n-2} \theta \sin^2 \theta + \dots) \\ &\quad + i({}^nC_1 \cos^{n-1} \theta \sin \theta - {}^nC_3 \cos^{n-3} \theta \sin^3 \theta + \dots) \end{aligned}$$

Comparing real imaginary part on both sides

$$\cos n\theta = \cos^n \theta - {}^nC_2 \cos^{n-2} \theta \sin^2 \theta + \dots$$

$$\sin n\theta = {}^nC_1 \cos^{n-1} \theta \sin \theta - {}^nC_3 \cos^{n-3} \theta \sin^3 \theta + \dots$$

#### SOME SOLVED EXAMPLES:

1. Using De Moivre's Theorem, prove that,  $\cos 3\theta = \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta$  and  $\sin 3\theta = 3 \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta - \sin^3 \theta$

**Solution:** By De Moivre's theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} \cos 3\theta + i \sin 3\theta &= (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^3 \\ &= (\cos \theta)^3 + 3(\cos \theta)^2(i \sin \theta) + 3 \cos \theta (i \sin \theta)^2 + (i \sin \theta)^3 \\ &= \cos^3 \theta + i3 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta - 3 \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta - i \sin^3 \theta \\ &= (\cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta) + i(3 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta - \sin^3 \theta) \end{aligned}$$

Equating real and imaginary parts

$$\cos 3\theta = \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta \quad \text{and} \quad \sin 3\theta = 3 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta - \sin^3 \theta$$

2. Using De Moivre's Theorem express  $\sin 3\theta, \cos 3\theta, \tan 3\theta$  in terms of powers of  $\sin \theta, \cos \theta, \tan \theta$  respty.

**Solution:** continue as example (1) and obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sin 3\theta &= 3 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta - \sin^3 \theta \\ &= 3(1 - \sin^2 \theta) \sin \theta - \sin^3 \theta \\ &= 3 \sin \theta - 3 \sin^3 \theta - \sin^3 \theta \\ &= 3 \sin \theta - 4 \sin^3 \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \cos 3\theta &= \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta \\
 &= \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta (1 - \cos^2 \theta) \\
 &= \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta + 3 \cos^3 \theta \\
 &= 4 \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\tan 3\theta = \frac{\sin 3\theta}{\cos 3\theta} = \frac{3 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta - \sin^3 \theta}{\cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta}$$

Dividing the numerator and denominator by  $\cos^3 \theta$

$$\tan 3\theta = \frac{(3 \tan \theta - \tan^3 \theta)}{(1 - 3 \tan^2 \theta)}$$

3. Show that, (i)  $\sin 5\theta = 5 \sin \theta - 20 \sin^3 \theta + 16 \sin^5 \theta$   
 (ii)  $\cos 5\theta = 5 \cos \theta - 20 \cos^3 \theta + 16 \cos^5 \theta$

**Solution:** By De Moivre's Theorem,  $(\cos 5\theta + i \sin 5\theta) = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^5$   
 $= \cos^5 \theta + 5 \cos^4 \theta (i \sin \theta) + 10 \cos^3 \theta (i \sin \theta)^2 + 10 \cos^2 \theta (i \sin \theta)^3$   
 $+ 5 \cos \theta (i \sin \theta)^4 + (i \sin \theta)^5 \dots$  Using Binomial Theorem  
 $= \cos^5 \theta + i 5 \cos^4 \theta \sin \theta - 10 \cos^3 \theta \sin^2 \theta + i 10 \cos^2 \theta \sin^3 \theta +$   
 $5 \cos \theta \sin^4 \theta + i \sin^5 \theta$   
 $= (\cos^5 \theta - 10 \cos^3 \theta \sin^2 \theta + 5 \cos \theta \sin^4 \theta)$   
 $+ i(5 \cos^4 \theta \sin \theta - 10 \cos^2 \theta \sin^3 \theta + \sin^5 \theta)$

Equating real and imaginary parts  $\cos 5\theta = \cos^5 \theta -$   
 $10 \cos^3 \theta \sin^2 \theta + 5 \cos \theta \sin^4 \theta$

$$\sin 5\theta = 5 \cos^4 \theta \sin \theta - 10 \cos^2 \theta \sin^3 \theta + \sin^5 \theta$$

We have  $\sin 5\theta = 5 \cos^4 \theta \sin \theta - 10 \cos^2 \theta \sin^3 \theta + \sin^5 \theta$   
 $= 5(1 - \sin^2 \theta)^2 \sin \theta - 10(1 - \sin^2 \theta) \sin^3 \theta + \sin^5 \theta$   
 $= 5(1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta + \sin^4 \theta) \sin \theta - 10(1 - \sin^2 \theta) \sin^3 \theta + \sin^5 \theta$   
 $= 5 \sin \theta - 20 \sin^3 \theta + 16 \sin^5 \theta$

And  $\cos 5\theta = \cos^5 \theta - 10 \cos^3 \theta \sin^2 \theta + 5 \cos \theta \sin^4 \theta$   
 $= \cos^5 \theta - 10 \cos^3 \theta (1 - \cos^2 \theta) + 5 \cos \theta (1 - \cos^2 \theta)^2$   
 $= \cos^5 \theta - 10 \cos^3 \theta (1 - \cos^2 \theta) + 5 \cos \theta (1 - 2 \cos^2 \theta + \cos^4 \theta)$   
 $= 5 \cos \theta - 20 \cos^3 \theta + 16 \cos^5 \theta$

4. Show that,  $\frac{\sin 5\theta}{\sin \theta} = 16 \cos^4 \theta - 12 \cos^2 \theta + 1$

**Solution:** From above example (3)

$$\sin 5\theta = 5\cos^4 \theta \sin \theta - 10\cos^2 \theta \sin^3 \theta + \sin^5 \theta$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \frac{\sin 5\theta}{\sin \theta} &= 5\cos^4 \theta - 10\cos^2 \theta \sin^2 \theta + \sin^4 \theta \\ &= 5\cos^4 \theta - 10\cos^2 \theta (1 - \cos^2 \theta) + (1 - \cos^2 \theta)^2 \\ &= 5\cos^4 \theta - 10\cos^2 \theta + 10\cos^4 \theta + 1 - 2\cos^2 \theta + \cos^4 \theta \\ &= 16 \cos^4 \theta - 12 \cos^2 \theta + 1\end{aligned}$$

5. Use De Moivre's Theorem to show that  $\tan 5\theta = \frac{5 \tan \theta - 10 \tan^3 \theta + \tan^5 \theta}{1 - 10 \tan^2 \theta + 5 \tan^4 \theta}$  and hence deduce that  $5 \tan^4 \frac{\pi}{10} - 10 \tan^2 \frac{\pi}{10} + 1 = 0$

**Solution:** From above example (3)

$$\cos 5\theta = \cos^5 \theta - 10 \cos^3 \theta \sin^2 \theta + 5 \cos \theta \sin^4 \theta$$

$$\sin 5\theta = 5 \cos^4 \theta \sin \theta - 10 \cos^2 \theta \sin^3 \theta + \sin^5 \theta$$

$$\therefore \tan 5\theta = \frac{\sin 5\theta}{\cos 5\theta} = \frac{5 \cos^4 \theta \sin \theta - 10 \cos^2 \theta \sin^3 \theta + \sin^5 \theta}{\cos^5 \theta - 10 \cos^3 \theta \sin^2 \theta + 5 \cos \theta \sin^4 \theta}$$

Dividing the numerator and denominator by  $\cos^5 \theta$

$$\tan 5\theta = \frac{\tan \theta - 10 \tan^3 \theta + \tan^5 \theta}{1 - 10 \tan^2 \theta + 5 \tan^4 \theta} \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{Now, Put } \theta = \frac{\pi}{10}.$$

Then  $\tan 5\theta = \tan \frac{\pi}{2} = \infty$  and hence the denominator in (1) must be zero.

$$\therefore 5 \tan^4 \frac{\pi}{10} - 10 \tan^2 \frac{\pi}{10} + 1 = 0.$$

6. If  $\sin 6\theta = a \cos^5 \theta \sin \theta + b \cos^3 \theta \sin^3 \theta + c \cos \theta \sin^5 \theta$ ,  
find the values of a, b, c.

**Solution:** By De Moivre's Theorem  $\cos 6\theta + i \sin 6\theta = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^6$   

$$= (\cos \theta)^6 + 6(\cos \theta)^5(i \sin \theta) + 15(\cos \theta)^4(i \sin \theta)^2 + 20(\cos \theta)^3(i \sin \theta)^3$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & +15(\cos \theta)^2(i \sin \theta)^4 + 6(\cos \theta)^1(i \sin \theta)^5 + (i \sin \theta)^6 \\
 & = \cos^6 \theta + i6 \cos^5 \theta \sin \theta - 15 \cos^4 \theta \sin^2 \theta - i20 \cos^3 \theta \sin^3 \theta + 15 \cos^2 \theta \sin^4 \theta \\
 & \quad + i6 \cos \theta \sin^5 \theta - \sin^6 \theta \\
 & = (\cos^6 \theta - 15 \cos^4 \theta \sin^2 \theta + 15 \cos^2 \theta \sin^4 \theta - \sin^6 \theta) \\
 & \quad + i(6 \cos^5 \theta \sin \theta - 20 \cos^3 \theta \sin^3 \theta + 6 \cos \theta \sin^5 \theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

Equating imaginary parts,  $\sin 6\theta = 6 \cos^5 \theta \sin \theta - 20 \cos^3 \theta \sin^3 \theta + 6 \cos \theta \sin^5 \theta$

Comparing with  $\sin 6\theta = a \cos^5 \theta \sin \theta + b \cos^3 \theta \sin^3 \theta + c \cos \theta \sin^5 \theta$

we get,  $a = 6, b = -20, c = 6$

7. Prove that,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \cos 8\theta &= \cos^8 \theta - 28 \cos^6 \theta \sin^2 \theta + 70 \cos^4 \theta \sin^4 \theta - 28 \cos^2 \theta \sin^6 \theta + \sin^8 \theta \\
 \sin 8\theta &= 8 \cos^7 \theta \sin \theta - 56 \cos^5 \theta \sin^3 \theta + 56 \cos^3 \theta \sin^5 \theta - 8 \cos \theta \sin^7 \theta.
 \end{aligned}$$

**Solution:** By De Moivre's Theorem  $\cos 8\theta + i \sin 8\theta = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^8$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (\cos \theta)^8 + 8(\cos \theta)^7(i \sin \theta) + 28(\cos \theta)^6(i \sin \theta)^2 + 56(\cos \theta)^5(i \sin \theta)^3 \\
 & \quad + 70(\cos \theta)^4(i \sin \theta)^4 + 56(\cos \theta)^3(i \sin \theta)^5 + 28(\cos \theta)^2(i \sin \theta)^6 \\
 & \quad + 8(\cos \theta)(i \sin \theta)^7 + (i \sin \theta)^8 \\
 &= \cos^8 \theta + i \cos^7 \theta \sin \theta - 28 \cos^6 \theta \sin^2 \theta - i56 \cos^5 \theta \sin^3 \theta + 28 \cos^4 \theta \sin^4 \theta \\
 & \quad + i56 \cos^3 \theta \sin^5 \theta - 28 \cos^2 \theta \sin^6 \theta - i8 \cos \theta \sin^7 \theta + \sin^8 \theta \\
 &= (\cos^8 \theta - 28 \cos^6 \theta \sin^2 \theta + 70 \cos^4 \theta \sin^4 \theta - 28 \cos^2 \theta \sin^6 \theta + \sin^8 \theta) \\
 & \quad + i(8 \cos^7 \theta \sin \theta - 56 \cos^5 \theta \sin^3 \theta + 56 \cos^3 \theta \sin^5 \theta - 8 \cos \theta \sin^7 \theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

Equating real and imaginary parts

$$\begin{aligned}
 \cos 8\theta &= \cos^8 \theta - 28 \cos^6 \theta \sin^2 \theta + 70 \cos^4 \theta \sin^4 \theta - 28 \cos^2 \theta \sin^6 \theta + \sin^8 \theta \\
 \sin 8\theta &= 8 \cos^7 \theta \sin \theta - 56 \cos^5 \theta \sin^3 \theta + 56 \cos^3 \theta \sin^5 \theta - 8 \cos \theta \sin^7 \theta.
 \end{aligned}$$

8. Using De Moivre's theorem prove that,

$$2(1 + \cos 8\theta) = (x^4 - 4x^2 + 2)^2 \text{ where } x = 2 \cos \theta.$$

**Solution:**  $2(1 + \cos 8\theta) = 2(2\cos^2 4\theta) = (2\cos 4\theta)^2 \dots\dots\dots(1)$

To find  $\cos 4\theta$  in powers of  $\cos \theta$ ,

$$\text{Consider } (\cos 4\theta + i \sin 4\theta) = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^4$$

$$= \cos^4 \theta + 4 \cos^3 \theta i \sin \theta + 6 \cos^2 \theta i^2 \sin^2 \theta + 4 \cos \theta i^3 \sin^3 \theta + i^4 \sin^4 \theta$$

$$= (\cos^4 \theta - 6 \cos^2 \theta \sin^2 \theta + \sin^4 \theta) + i(4 \cos^3 \theta \sin \theta - 4 \cos \theta \sin^3 \theta)$$

Equating real Parts,  $\cos 4\theta = \cos^4 \theta - 6 \cos^2 \theta \sin^2 \theta + \sin^4 \theta$

$$= \cos^4 \theta - 6 \cos^2 \theta (1 - \cos^2 \theta) + (1 - \cos^2 \theta)^2$$

$$= \cos^4 \theta - 6 \cos^2 \theta + 6 \cos^4 \theta + 1 - 2 \cos^2 \theta + \cos^4 \theta$$

$$= 8 \cos^4 \theta - 8 \cos^2 \theta + 1$$

$\therefore 2 \cos 4\theta = 16 \cos^4 \theta - 16 \cos^2 \theta + 2$  Putting this value in (1)

$$2(1 + \cos 8\theta) = (16 \cos^4 \theta - 16 \cos^2 \theta + 2)^2$$

$$= [(2 \cos \theta)^4 - 4(2 \cos \theta)^2 + 2]^2$$

$$= (x^4 - 4x^2 + 2)^2 \quad \text{where } x = 2 \cos \theta$$

9. Prove that  $\frac{1+\cos 9A}{1+\cos A} = [16 \cos^4 A - 8 \cos^3 A - 12 \cos^2 A + 4 \cos A + 1]^2$

**Solution:**  $\frac{1+\cos 9A}{1+\cos A} = \frac{2 \cos^2(\frac{9A}{2})}{2 \cos^2(\frac{A}{2})} = \left[ \frac{\cos(\frac{9A}{2})}{\cos(\frac{A}{2})} \right]^2$

$$= \left( \frac{2 \cos(\frac{9A}{2}) \sin(\frac{A}{2})}{2 \cos(\frac{A}{2}) \sin(\frac{A}{2})} \right)^2 = \left[ \frac{\sin(\frac{9A}{2} + \frac{A}{2}) - \sin(\frac{9A}{2} - \frac{A}{2})}{\sin A} \right]^2$$

$$= \left( \frac{\sin(5A) - \sin(4A)}{\sin A} \right)^2 \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

By De Moivre's Theorem,  $(\cos 5\theta + i \sin 5\theta) = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^5$

$$= \cos^5 \theta + 5 \cos^4 \theta (i \sin \theta) + 10 \cos^3 \theta (i \sin \theta)^2 + 10 \cos^2 \theta (i \sin \theta)^3$$

$$+ 5 \cos \theta (i \sin \theta)^4 + (i \sin \theta)^5 \quad \dots\dots\dots \text{Using Binomial Theorem}$$

$$\cos^5 \theta + i 5 \cos^4 \theta \sin \theta - 10 \cos^3 \theta \sin^2 \theta - i 10 \cos^2 \theta \sin^3 \theta + 5 \cos \theta \sin^4 \theta + i \sin^5 \theta$$

$$= (\cos^5 \theta - 10 \cos^3 \theta \sin^2 \theta + 5 \cos \theta \sin^4 \theta) + i(5 \cos^4 \theta \sin \theta - 10 \cos^2 \theta \sin^3 \theta + \sin^5 \theta)$$

Equating imaginary parts

$$\sin 5\theta = 5 \cos^4 \theta \sin \theta - 10 \cos^2 \theta \sin^3 \theta + \sin^5 \theta \quad \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

Consider  $(\cos 4\theta + i \sin 4\theta) = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^4$

$$= \cos^4 \theta + 4 \cos^3 \theta i \sin \theta + 6 \cos^2 \theta i^2 \sin^2 \theta + 4 \cos \theta i^3 \sin^3 \theta + i^4 \sin^4 \theta$$

$$= (\cos^4 \theta - 6 \cos^2 \theta \sin^2 \theta + \sin^4 \theta) + i(4 \cos^3 \theta \sin \theta - 4 \cos \theta \sin^3 \theta)$$

Equating imaginary parts

$$\sin 4\theta = 4 \cos^3 \theta \sin \theta - 4 \cos \theta \sin^3 \theta \quad \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

Put (2) & (3) in (1) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1+\cos 9A}{1+\cos A} &= \left[ \frac{(5 \cos^4 A \sin A - 10 \cos^2 A \sin^3 A + \sin^5 A) - (4 \cos^3 A \sin A - 4 \cos A \sin^3 A)}{\sin A} \right]^2 \\ &= (5 \cos^2 A - 10 \cos^2 A \sin^2 A + \sin^4 A - 4 \cos^2 A + 4 \cos A \sin^2 A)^2 \\ &= [5 \cos^2 A - 10 \cos^2 A (1 - \cos^2 A) + (1 - \cos^2 A)^2 - 4 \cos^3 A + 4 \cos A (1 - \cos^2 A)]^2 \\ &= [5 \cos^2 A - 10 \cos^2 A + 10 \cos^4 A + 1 - 2 \cos^2 A + \cos^4 A - 4 \cos^3 A + 4 \cos A - 4 \cos^3 A]^2 \\ &= (16 \cos^4 A - 8 \cos^3 A - 12 \cos^2 A + 4 \cos A + 1)^2 \end{aligned}$$

10. Prove that  $\frac{1-\cos 9A}{1-\cos A} = [16 \cos^4 A + 8 \cos^3 A - 12 \cos^2 A - 4 \cos A + 1]^2$

**Solution:** 
$$\frac{1-\cos 9A}{1-\cos A} = \frac{2 \sin^2\left(\frac{9A}{2}\right)}{2 \sin^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)} = \left( \frac{\sin\left(\frac{9A}{2}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{2 \sin\left(\frac{9A}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}{2 \sin\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)} \right)^2 =$$

$$\left[ \frac{\sin\left(\frac{9A}{2} + \frac{A}{2}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{9A}{2} - \frac{A}{2}\right)}{\sin A} \right]^2$$

$$= \left( \frac{\sin(5A) + \sin(4A)}{\sin A} \right)^2 \quad \text{Continue as above example}$$

### SOME PRACTICE PROBLEMS

- Using De Moivre's Theorem prove that,  
 $\cos 4\theta = \cos^4 \theta - 6 \cos^2 \theta \sin^2 \theta + \sin^4 \theta$  and  
 $\sin 4\theta = 4 \cos^3 \theta \sin \theta - 4 \cos \theta \sin^3 \theta$
- Prove that,  $\frac{\sin 6\theta}{\sin 2\theta} = 16 \cos^4 \theta - 16 \cos^2 \theta + 3$
- If  $\cos 6\theta = a \cos^6 \theta + b \cos^4 \theta \sin^2 \theta + c \cos^2 \theta \sin^4 \theta + d \sin^6 \theta$ , find a, b, c, d.
- Express  $\sin 7\theta$  and  $\cos 7\theta$  in terms of powers of  $\sin \theta$  and  $\cos \theta$ .
- Prove that,  $\frac{\sin 7\theta}{\sin \theta} = 7 - 56 \sin^2 \theta + 112 \sin^4 \theta - 64 \sin^6 \theta$
- Show that  $\tan 7\theta = \frac{7 \tan \theta - 35 \tan^3 \theta + 21 \tan^5 \theta - \tan^7 \theta}{1 - 21 \tan^2 \theta + 35 \tan^4 \theta - 7 \tan^6 \theta}$ .
- Express  $\tan 7\theta$  in terms of powers of  $\tan \theta$

Hence deduce  $7 \tan^6 \frac{\pi}{14} - 35 \tan^4 \frac{\pi}{14} + 21 \tan^2 \frac{\pi}{14} - 1 = 0$

8. Prove that  $\frac{1+\cos 7\theta}{1+\cos \theta} = (x^3 - x^2 - 2x + 1)^2$  where  $x = 2 \cos \theta$

9. Prove that  $\frac{1-\cos 7\theta}{1-\cos \theta} = (x^3 + x^2 - 2x - 1)^2$  where  $x = 2 \cos \theta$

**Expansion of  $\sin^n \theta, \cos^n \theta$  in term of  $\sin n \theta, \cos n \theta$  (n is a + ve integer):**

Let  $x = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta = e^{i\theta} \quad \therefore \frac{1}{x} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta = e^{-i\theta}$

Hence  $x + \frac{1}{x} = 2 \cos \theta$  and  $x - \frac{1}{x} = 2i \sin \theta$

Again,  $x^n = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n = \cos n \theta + i \sin n \theta = e^{in\theta}$

$\frac{1}{x^n} = (\cos \theta - i \sin \theta)^n = \cos n \theta - i \sin n \theta = e^{-in\theta}$

$x^n + \frac{1}{x^n} = 2 \cos n \theta$  and  $x^n - \frac{1}{x^n} = 2i \sin n \theta$

To expand  $\cos^n \theta$ , write  $\cos^n \theta = \frac{1}{2^n} \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^n$

To expand  $\sin^n \theta$ , write  $\sin^n \theta = \frac{1}{(2i)^n} \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^n$  and expand R.H.S. using binomial expansion  $(x + a)^n = x^n + {}^nC_1 x^{n-1} a + {}^nC_2 x^{n-2} a^2 + \dots + a^n$

### SOME SOLVED EXAMPLES:

1. Show that  $\sin^5 \theta = \frac{1}{16} (\sin 5\theta - 5 \sin 3\theta + 10 \sin \theta)$

**Solution:** Let  $x = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ , then  $\frac{1}{x} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$

$\therefore x + \frac{1}{x} = 2 \cos \theta$  and  $x - \frac{1}{x} = 2i \sin \theta$  .....(1)

$x^n = \cos n \theta + i \sin n \theta$  and  $\frac{1}{x^n} = \cos n \theta - i \sin n \theta$

$\therefore x^n + \frac{1}{x^n} = 2 \cos n \theta$  and  $x^n - \frac{1}{x^n} = 2i \sin n \theta$  .....(2)

$\therefore (2i \sin \theta)^5 = \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^5$  from (1)

$$= x^5 - 5x^4 \cdot \frac{1}{x} + 10x^3 \cdot \frac{1}{x^2} - 10x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{x^3} + 5x \cdot \frac{1}{x^4} - \frac{1}{x^5}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= x^5 - 5x^3 + 10x - 10\frac{1}{x} + 5\frac{1}{x^3} - \frac{1}{x^5} \\
 32 i^5 \sin^5 \theta &= \left(x^5 - \frac{1}{x^5}\right) - 5\left(x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3}\right) + 10\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) \\
 \therefore 32 i \sin^5 \theta &= 2 i \sin 5 \theta - 5(2i \sin 3\theta) + 10(2i \sin \theta) \quad \text{from (2)} \\
 \therefore \sin^5 \theta &= \frac{1}{16}(\sin 5\theta - 5 \sin 3\theta + 10 \sin \theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

2. Using De Moivre's Theorem prove that,  $\cos^6 \theta + \sin^6 \theta = \frac{1}{8}(3 \cos 4 \theta + 5)$

**Solution:** Let  $x = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ , then  $\frac{1}{x} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$

$$\therefore x + \frac{1}{x} = 2 \cos \theta \quad \text{and} \quad x - \frac{1}{x} = 2 i \sin \theta \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$x^n = \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{x^n} = \cos n\theta - i \sin n\theta$$

$$\therefore x^n + \frac{1}{x^n} = 2 \cos n\theta \quad \text{and} \quad x^n - \frac{1}{x^n} = 2 i \sin n\theta \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$$(2 \cos \theta)^6 = \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^6 \quad \text{from (1)}$$

$$= x^6 + 6x^5 \cdot \frac{1}{x} + 15x^4 \cdot \frac{1}{x^2} + 20x^3 \cdot \frac{1}{x^3} + 15x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{x^4} + 6x \cdot \frac{1}{x^5} + \frac{1}{x^6}$$

$$2^6 \cos^6 \theta = x^6 + 6x^4 + 15x^2 + 20 + 15 \cdot \frac{1}{x^2} + 6 \cdot \frac{1}{x^4} + \frac{1}{x^6} \quad \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

$$(2 i \sin \theta)^6 = \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^6 \quad \text{from (1)}$$

$$= x^6 - 6x^5 \cdot \frac{1}{x} + 15x^4 \cdot \frac{1}{x^2} - 20x^3 \cdot \frac{1}{x^3} + 15x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{x^4} - 6x \cdot \frac{1}{x^5} + \frac{1}{x^6}$$

$$-2^6 \sin^6 \theta = x^6 - 6x^4 + 15x^2 - 20 + 15 \cdot \frac{1}{x^2} - 6 \cdot \frac{1}{x^4} + \frac{1}{x^6}$$

$$\therefore 2^6 \sin^6 \theta = -x^6 + 6x^4 - 15x^2 + 20 - 15 \cdot \frac{1}{x^2} + 6 \cdot \frac{1}{x^4} - \frac{1}{x^6} \quad \dots\dots\dots(4)$$

$$\text{Adding (3) and (4)} \quad 2^6(\cos^6 \theta + \sin^6 \theta) = 12x^4 + 40 + 12 \cdot \frac{1}{x^4}$$

$$2^6(\cos^6 \theta + \sin^6 \theta) = 4 \left[ 3 \left( x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} \right) + 10 \right]$$

$$\therefore \cos^6 \theta + \sin^6 \theta = \frac{1}{16} \left[ 3 \left( x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} \right) + 10 \right]$$

$$\therefore \cos^6 \theta + \sin^6 \theta = \frac{1}{16} [6 \cos 4\theta + 10] \quad \text{from (2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} [3 \cos 4\theta + 5]$$



3. Expand  $\sin^7 \theta$  in a series of sines of multiples of  $\theta$

**Solution:** Let  $x = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta \quad \therefore \frac{1}{x} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$

$$\therefore x + \frac{1}{x} = 2 \cos \theta \quad \text{and} \quad x - \frac{1}{x} = 2i \sin \theta \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$x^n = \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{x^n} = \cos n\theta - i \sin n\theta$$

$$\therefore x^n + \frac{1}{x^n} = 2 \cos n\theta \quad \text{and} \quad x^n - \frac{1}{x^n} = 2i \sin n\theta \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$$(2i \sin \theta)^7 = \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^7 \quad \text{from (1)}$$

$$= x^7 - 7x^6 \cdot \frac{1}{x} + 21x^5 \cdot \frac{1}{x^2} - 35x^4 \cdot \frac{1}{x^3} + 35x^3 \cdot \frac{1}{x^4} - 21x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{x^5} + 7x \cdot \frac{1}{x^6} - \frac{1}{x^7}$$

$$= x^7 - 7x^5 + 21x^3 - 35x + \frac{35}{x} - \frac{21}{x^3} + \frac{7}{x^5} - \frac{1}{x^7}$$

$$= \left(x^7 - \frac{1}{x^7}\right) - 7\left(x^5 - \frac{1}{x^5}\right) + 21\left(x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3}\right) - 35\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$-2^7 i \sin^7 \theta = 2i \sin 7\theta - 7 \cdot (2i \sin 5\theta) + 21 \cdot (2i \sin 3\theta) - 35 \cdot (2i \sin \theta) \quad \text{from (2)}$$

$$\therefore -2^6 \sin^7 \theta = \sin 7\theta - 7 \sin 5\theta + 21 \sin 3\theta - 35 \sin \theta$$

$$\therefore \sin^7 \theta = -\frac{1}{2^6} (\sin 7\theta - 7 \sin 5\theta + 21 \sin 3\theta - 35 \sin \theta)$$

4. Expand  $\cos^7 \theta$  in a series of cosines of multiples of  $\theta$

**Solution:** Let  $x = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta \quad \therefore \frac{1}{x} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$

$$\therefore x + \frac{1}{x} = 2 \cos \theta \quad \text{and} \quad x - \frac{1}{x} = 2i \sin \theta \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$x^n = \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{x^n} = \cos n\theta - i \sin n\theta$$

$$\therefore x^n + \frac{1}{x^n} = 2 \cos n\theta \quad \text{and} \quad x^n - \frac{1}{x^n} = 2i \sin n\theta \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$$(2 \cos \theta)^7 = \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^7 \quad \dots\dots\dots \text{from (1)}$$

$$= x^7 + 7x^6 \frac{1}{x} + 21x^5 \frac{1}{x^2} + 35x^4 \frac{1}{x^3} + 35x^3 \frac{1}{x^4} + 21x^2 \frac{1}{x^5} + 7x \frac{1}{x^6} + \frac{1}{x^7}$$

$$= x^7 + 7x^5 + 21x^3 + 35x + \frac{35}{x} + \frac{21}{x^3} + \frac{7}{x^5} + \frac{1}{x^7}$$

$$= \left(x^7 + \frac{1}{x^7}\right) + 7\left(x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5}\right) + 21\left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right) + 35\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$\therefore 2^7 \cos^7 \theta = 2 \cos 7\theta + 7(2 \cos 5\theta) + 21(2 \cos 3\theta) + 35(\cos \theta) \quad \text{From (2)}$$

$$\cos^7 \theta = \frac{1}{2^6} [\cos 7\theta + 7 \cos 5\theta + 21 \cos 3\theta + 35 \cos \theta]$$

5. Show that  $2^5 \sin^4 \theta \cos^2 \theta = \cos 6\theta - 2 \cos 4\theta - \cos 2\theta + 2$ .

**Solution:** Let  $x = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta \quad \therefore \frac{1}{x} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$

$$\therefore x + \frac{1}{x} = 2 \cos \theta \quad \text{and} \quad x - \frac{1}{x} = 2i \sin \theta \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$x^n = \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{x^n} = \cos n\theta - i \sin n\theta$$

$$\therefore x^n + \frac{1}{x^n} = 2 \cos n\theta \quad \text{and} \quad x^n - \frac{1}{x^n} = 2i \sin n\theta \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$$(2i \sin \theta)^4 (2 \cos \theta)^4 = \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^4 \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 \quad \text{From (1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore 2^6 \sin^4 \theta \cos^2 \theta &= \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2}\right)^2 \\ &= \left(x^2 - 2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) \left(x^4 - 2 + \frac{1}{x^4}\right) \\ &= x^6 - 2x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 2x^4 + 4 - \frac{2}{x^4} + x^2 - \frac{2}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^6} \\ &= \left(x^6 + \frac{1}{x^6}\right) - 2\left(x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4}\right) - \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) + 4 \\ &= 2 \cos 6\theta - 2(2 \cos 4\theta) - (2 \cos 2\theta) + 4 \quad \text{From (2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore 2^5 \sin^4 \theta \cos^2 \theta = \cos 6\theta - 2 \cos 4\theta - \cos 2\theta + 2$$

6. Prove that  $\cos^5 \theta \sin^3 \theta = -\frac{1}{2^7} [\sin 8\theta + 2 \sin 6\theta - 2 \sin 4\theta - 6 \sin 2\theta]$

**Solution:** Let  $x = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta \quad \therefore \frac{1}{x} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$

$$\therefore x + \frac{1}{x} = 2 \cos \theta \quad \text{and} \quad x - \frac{1}{x} = 2i \sin \theta \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$x^n = \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{x^n} = \cos n\theta - i \sin n\theta$$

$$\therefore x^n + \frac{1}{x^n} = 2 \cos n\theta \quad \text{and} \quad x^n - \frac{1}{x^n} = 2i \sin n\theta \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$$(2 \cos \theta)^5 (2i \sin \theta)^3 = \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^5 \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^3$$

$$2^8 i^3 \cos^5 \theta \sin^3 \theta = \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^3$$

$$\begin{aligned}
-2^8 i \cos^5 \theta \sin^3 \theta &= \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2}\right)^3 \\
&= \left(x^2 - 2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) \left(x^6 - 3x^2 + \frac{3}{x^2} - \frac{1}{x^6}\right) \\
&= x^8 - 3x^4 + 3 - \frac{1}{x^4} + 2x^6 - 6x^2 + \frac{6}{x^2} - \frac{2}{x^6} + x^4 - 3 + \frac{3}{x^4} - \frac{1}{x^8} \\
&= \left(x^8 - \frac{1}{x^8}\right) + 2\left(x^6 - \frac{1}{x^6}\right) - 2\left(x^4 - \frac{1}{x^4}\right) - 6\left(x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2}\right) \\
&= (2i \sin 8\theta) + 2(2i \sin 6\theta) - 2(2i \sin 4\theta) - 6(2i \sin 2\theta) \quad \text{From (2)} \\
\therefore -2^7 \cos^5 \theta \sin^3 \theta &= \sin 8\theta + 2 \sin 6\theta - 2 \sin 4\theta - 6 \sin 2\theta \\
\therefore \cos^5 \theta \sin^3 \theta &= -\frac{1}{2^7} [\sin 8\theta + 2 \sin 6\theta - 2 \sin 4\theta - 6 \sin 2\theta]
\end{aligned}$$

7. If  $\sin^4 \theta \cos^3 \theta = a_1 \cos \theta + a_3 \cos 3\theta + a_5 \cos 5\theta + a_7 \cos 7\theta$ ,

Prove that  $a_1 + 9a_3 + 25a_5 + 49a_7 = 0$ .

**Solution:** Let  $x = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta \quad \therefore \frac{1}{x} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$

$$\therefore x + \frac{1}{x} = 2 \cos \theta \quad \text{and} \quad x - \frac{1}{x} = 2i \sin \theta \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$x^n = \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{x^n} = \cos n\theta - i \sin n\theta$$

$$\therefore x^n + \frac{1}{x^n} = 2 \cos n\theta \quad \text{and} \quad x^n - \frac{1}{x^n} = 2i \sin n\theta \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Consider } (2i \sin \theta)^4 (2 \cos \theta)^3 &= \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^4 \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 \\
&= \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 \\
&= \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2}\right)^3 \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) \\
&= \left(x^6 - 3x^2 + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{x^6}\right) \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) \\
&= x^7 - 3x^3 + \frac{3}{x} - \frac{1}{x^5} - x^5 + 3x - \frac{3}{x^3} + \frac{1}{x^7} \\
&= \left(x^7 + \frac{1}{x^7}\right) - \left(x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5}\right) - 3\left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right) + 3\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore (2i \sin \theta)^4 (2 \cos \theta)^3 = 2 \cos 7\theta - 2 \cos 5\theta - 6 \cos 3\theta + 6 \cos \theta \quad \text{from (2)}$$

$$\therefore \sin^4 \theta \cos^3 \theta = \frac{\cos 7\theta}{2^6} - \frac{\cos 5\theta}{2^6} - \frac{3 \cos 3\theta}{2^6} + \frac{3 \cos \theta}{2^6}$$

Comparing this with the given equality,  $a_1 = \frac{3}{2^6}, a_3 = -\frac{3}{2^6}, a_5 = -\frac{1}{2^6}, a_7 = \frac{1}{2^6}$

$$\therefore a_1 + 9a_3 + 25a_5 + 49a_7 = \frac{3}{2^6} - \frac{27}{2^6} - \frac{25}{2^6} + \frac{49}{2^6} = \frac{52-52}{2^6} = 0$$

SOME PRACTICE PROBLEMS:

1. Show that  $\cos^6 \theta = \frac{1}{32} [\cos 6\theta + 6 \cos 4\theta + 15 \cos 2\theta + 10]$
2. Prove that  $\cos^6 \theta - \sin^6 \theta = \frac{1}{16} [\cos 6\theta + 15 \cos 2\theta]$
3. Express  $\sin^8 \theta$  in a series of cosines of multiples of  $\theta$ .
4. Prove that,  $\cos^8 \theta = \frac{1}{2^7} [\cos 8\theta + 8 \cos 6\theta + 28 \cos 4\theta + 56 \cos 2\theta + 35]$
5. Prove that  $\cos^8 \theta + \sin^8 \theta = \frac{1}{64} [\cos 8\theta + 28 \cos 4\theta + 35]$ .
6. Show that  $2^6 \sin^4 \theta \cos^3 \theta = \cos 7\theta - \cos 5\theta - 3 \cos 3\theta + 3 \cos \theta$ .
7. Prove that  $\sin^7 \theta \cos^3 \theta = -\frac{1}{512} [\sin 10\theta - 4 \sin 8\theta + 3 \sin 6\theta + 8 \sin 4\theta - 14 \sin 2\theta]$