

Solution
Class 12 - Mathematics
Inverse Trigonometric functions
Section A

1. $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} \right)$

Put $x = a \sin \theta$

$$\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{a \sin \theta}{\sqrt{a^2 - a^2 \sin^2 \theta}} \right)$$

$$\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{a \sin \theta}{\sqrt{a^2 (1 - \sin^2 \theta)}} \right)$$

$$\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{a \sin \theta}{a \cos \theta} \right)$$

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

$$= \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)$$

2. Let $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(-\sqrt{2}) = \theta$

$$\operatorname{cosec} \theta = -\sqrt{2}$$

$$\theta \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right] - \{0\}$$

$$\operatorname{cosec} \theta = \operatorname{cosec} \left(-\frac{\pi}{4} \right)$$

$$\theta = -\frac{\pi}{4}$$

Principal value is $-\frac{\pi}{4}$

3. Given expression is: $\tan \left(\frac{\sin^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} x}{2} \right)$, when $x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \left(\frac{\sin^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} x}{2} \right) = \tan \left(\frac{\sin^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \cos^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}{2} \right) \text{ Now, we know that } \sin^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\therefore \tan \left(\frac{\sin^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} x}{2} \right) = \tan \frac{\pi}{4} = 1$$

4. Using this formula $\cot^{-1}(-x) = \pi - \cot^{-1}(x)$, we have

The value of $\cot^{-1}(-x)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ in term of $\cot^{-1} x$ as $\pi - \cot^{-1}(x)$.

5. As $\sec^{-1}(\sec x) = x$

Provided $x \in [0, \pi] - \left\{ \frac{\pi}{2} \right\}$

$$\therefore \text{we can write } \sec^{-1} \sec \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \right) \text{ as } \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Section B

6. Let $\cos^{-1} \frac{5}{13} = y$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^{-1} \frac{5}{13} = y \text{ where } y \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2} \right]$$

$$\text{To find : } \sin \left(\cos^{-1} \frac{5}{13} \right) = \sin y$$

$$\text{As } \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin y = \pm \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 y}$$

$$\text{As } y \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin y = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin y = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{5}{13} \right)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin y = \sqrt{1 - \frac{25}{169}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin y = \sqrt{\frac{144}{169}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin y = \frac{12}{13}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \left[\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{5}{13} \right) \right] = \frac{12}{13}$$

Hence proved.

7. We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \tan^{-1} \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{1-\cos x}{1+\cos x}} \right\} \\
 &= \tan^{-1} \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{2 \sin^2 \frac{x}{2}}{2 \cos^2 \frac{x}{2}}} \right\} \\
 &= \tan^{-1} \left\{ \sqrt{\tan^2 \frac{x}{2}} \right\} \\
 &= \tan^{-1} \left\{ \left| \tan \frac{x}{2} \right| \right\} \\
 &= \begin{cases} \tan^{-1} \left(-\tan \frac{x}{2} \right), & \text{if } -\pi < x < 0 \\ \tan^{-1} \left(\tan \frac{x}{2} \right), & \text{if } 0 \leq x < \pi \end{cases} \\
 &= \begin{cases} \tan^{-1} \left\{ \tan \left(-\frac{x}{2} \right) \right\} = -\frac{x}{2}, & \text{if } -\pi < x < 0 \\ \tan^{-1} \left\{ \tan \frac{x}{2} \right\} = \frac{x}{2}, & \text{if } 0 < x < \pi \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

8. According to question, we have

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

9. We have, $\sin x - \cos^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{6}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Rightarrow \sin^{-1} x - \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \sin^{-1} x \right) = \frac{\pi}{6} \\
 &\Rightarrow 2 \sin^{-1} x - \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{\pi}{6} \Rightarrow 2 \sin^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{6} \Rightarrow 2 \sin^{-1} x = \frac{3\pi + \pi}{6} \\
 &\Rightarrow \sin^{-1} x = \frac{4\pi}{6 \times 2} \Rightarrow \sin^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{3} \\
 &\Rightarrow x = \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \\
 &\Rightarrow x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

10. We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tan^{-1} x - \cot^{-1} x &= \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\
 \Rightarrow \tan^{-1} x - \cot^{-1} x &= \frac{\pi}{6} \dots (i)
 \end{aligned}$$

We know that

$$\tan^{-1} x + \cot^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2} \dots (ii)$$

Adding (i) and (ii), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 2 \tan^{-1} x &= \frac{2\pi}{3} \\
 \Rightarrow \tan^{-1} x &= \frac{\pi}{3} \Rightarrow x = \tan \frac{\pi}{3} = \sqrt{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

Section C

11. Here we need to find the value of x .

Now, given equation is $\tan^{-1} x + 2 \cot^{-1} x = \frac{2\pi}{3}$.

Therefore, the given equation can be written as $\tan^{-1} x + 2 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) = \frac{2\pi}{3}$

$[\because \cot^{-1} x = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{x}, x > 0]$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \times \frac{1}{x}}{1 - \frac{1}{x^2}} \right) = \frac{2\pi}{3} \left[\because 2 \tan^{-1} x = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right); -1 < x < 1 \right]$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x + \frac{2x}{x^2-1}}{1 - \frac{2x^2}{x^2-1}} \right) = \frac{2\pi}{3} \left[\because \tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x+y}{1-xy} \right); xy < 1 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^3-x+2x}{x^2-1-2x^2} = \tan \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2+x}{-1-x^2} = \tan \left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{3} \right) \Rightarrow \frac{x^2+x}{-(1+x^2)} = -\tan \frac{\pi}{3} \left[\because \tan(\pi - \theta) = -\tan \theta \right]$$

$$\therefore \frac{x(1+x^2)}{-(1+x^2)} = -\sqrt{3} \left[\because \tan \frac{\pi}{3} = \sqrt{3} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{3}$$

12. Put $x = \tan \theta$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1}(x)$$

$$\tan^{-1} \{ \sqrt{1 + \tan^2 \theta} - \tan \theta \}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \{ \sqrt{\sec^2 \theta} - \tan \theta \}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \{ \sec \theta - \tan \theta \}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{\cos \theta} - \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \right\}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1 - \sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \right\}$$

$$\sin \theta = 2 \times \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \times \cos \frac{\theta}{2}, \cos \theta = \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}, \text{ using these formula}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 2 \times \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \times \cos \frac{\theta}{2}}{\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} \right\}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\left(\sin \frac{\theta}{2} - \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \right)^2}{\left(\cos \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \times \left(\cos \frac{\theta}{2} + \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \right)} \right\}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\left(\sin \frac{\theta}{2} - \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \right)}{\cos \frac{\theta}{2} + \sin \frac{\theta}{2}} \right\}$$

Dividing by $\cos \frac{\theta}{2}$ we get

$$= \tan^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\left(\frac{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}}{\cos \frac{\theta}{2}} - \frac{\cos \frac{\theta}{2}}{\cos \frac{\theta}{2}} \right)}{\left(\frac{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}}{\cos \frac{\theta}{2}} + \frac{\cos \frac{\theta}{2}}{\cos \frac{\theta}{2}} \right)} \right\}$$

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

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

$$\tan(x-y) = \frac{\tan x - \tan y}{1 + \tan x \tan y}$$

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

$$= \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\theta}{2}$$

From 1 we get

$$= \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{2}.$$

Therefore, the simplification of given equation is $\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{2}$.

13. To solve this we use substitution

$$\text{Let } \cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5} = x \text{ and } \tan^{-1} \frac{2}{3} = y$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos x = \frac{4}{5} \text{ and } \tan y = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{where } x, y \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2} \right]$$

Now, LHS is reduced to: $\tan(x+y)$

$$\Rightarrow \tan(x+y) = \frac{\tan x + \tan y}{1 - \tan x \tan y} \text{ ..equation (i)}$$

$$\text{As } \tan x = \sqrt{\sec^2 x - 1} \text{ where } x \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\cos^2 x} - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = \sqrt{\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^2 - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = \sqrt{\frac{9}{16}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = \frac{3}{4}$$

Now putting the values of $\tan x$ and $\tan y$ in equation (i)

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

$$\Rightarrow \tan(x+y) = \frac{17}{6}$$

= RHS

14. To prove: $\cos^{-1}(4x^3 - 3x) = 3 \cos^{-1}x$, $\frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1$

Formula used: $\cos 3A = 4 \cos^3 A - 3 \cos A$

we will show LHS = RHS..

$$\text{LHS} = \cos^{-1}(4x^3 - 3x) \dots (i)$$

Let $x = \cos A$ (ii)

Substituting (ii) in (i),

$$\text{LHS} = \cos^{-1}(4 \cos^3 A - 3 \cos A)$$

$$= \cos^{-1}(\cos 3A)$$

$$= 3A$$

From (ii), $A = \cos^{-1} x$,

$$3A = 3 \cos^{-1} x$$

= RHS

Therefore, LHS = RHS

Hence proved

15. $\sin^{-1}(1-x) = \frac{\pi}{2} + 2\sin^{-1}x$

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

$$1-x = \cos(2\sin^{-1}x)$$

$$1-x = \cos 2(\sin^{-1}x) \quad [\cos 2\theta = 1 - 2\sin^2\theta]$$

$$= 1 - 2\sin^2(\sin^{-1}x)$$

$$= 1 - 2[\sin(\sin^{-1}x)]^2$$

$$1-x = 1 - 2x^2$$

$$2x^2 - x = 0$$

$$x(2x-1) = 0$$

$$x = 0, x = \frac{1}{2}$$

Section D

16. $\tan \frac{1}{2} \left[\sin^{-1} \frac{2x}{1+x^2} + \cos^{-1} \frac{1-y^2}{1+y^2} \right]$

Put $x = \tan \theta$, $y = \tan \phi$

$$= \tan \frac{1}{2} \left[\sin^{-1} \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta} + \cos^{-1} \frac{1 - \tan^2 \phi}{1 + \tan^2 \phi} \right]$$

$$= \tan \frac{1}{2} \left[\sin^{-1}(\sin 2\theta) + \cos^{-1}(\cos 2\phi) \right]$$

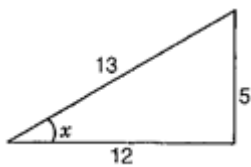
$$= \tan \frac{1}{2} [2\theta + 2\phi]$$

$$= \tan \frac{1}{2} 2(\theta + \phi)$$

$$= \frac{\tan \theta + \tan \phi}{1 - \tan \theta \tan \phi} = \frac{x+y}{1-xy}$$

17. We have,

$$\sin^{-1} \frac{5}{13} + \cos^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = \tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16} \dots (i)$$



Let

$$\sin^{-1} \frac{5}{13} = x$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x = \frac{5}{13}$$

$$\text{And } \cos^2 x = 1 - \sin^2 x$$

$$= 1 - \frac{25}{169} = \frac{144}{169}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos x = \sqrt{\frac{144}{169}} = \frac{12}{13}$$

$$\therefore \tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \frac{\frac{5}{13}}{\frac{12}{13}} = \frac{5}{12} \dots \text{(ii)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = \frac{5}{12} \dots \text{(iii)}$$

Again, Let

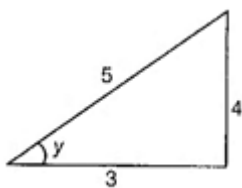
$$\cos^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = y \Rightarrow \cos y = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\therefore \sin y = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 y}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{9}{25}}$$

$$\sin y = \sqrt{\frac{16}{25}} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan y = \frac{\sin y}{\cos y} = \frac{\frac{4}{5}}{\frac{3}{5}} = \frac{4}{3} \dots \text{(iv)}$$



We know that,

$$\tan(x + y) = \frac{\tan x + \tan y}{1 - \tan x \cdot \tan y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan(x + y) = \frac{\frac{5}{12} + \frac{4}{3}}{1 - \frac{5}{12} \cdot \frac{4}{3}} \Rightarrow \tan(x + y) = \frac{\frac{15+48}{36}}{\frac{36-20}{36}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan(x + y) = \frac{\frac{63}{36}}{\frac{16}{36}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan(x + y) = \frac{63}{16}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y = \tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1} \frac{5}{12} + \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3} = \tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16}$$

Hence proved.