

Probability and random variables assignment

Maharshi Kadeval

1 Q3

1.1. If $\tan^{-1} a + \tan^{-1} b + \tan^{-1} c = \pi$
then prove that $a + b + c = abc$

Now, cross multiplying

Solution:

we are given:

$$\tan^{-1} a + \tan^{-1} b + \tan^{-1} c = \pi \quad (1.1.1)$$

We know that

$$\tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x+y}{1-xy} \right) \quad (1.1.2)$$

$$\tan^{-1} x + \cot^{-1} y = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad (1.1.3)$$

$$\tan^{-1} x = \cot^{-1} \frac{1}{x} \quad (x \neq 0) \quad (1.1.4)$$

(1.1.1) can be re - written as:

$$\tan^{-1} a = \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1} b \right) + \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1} c \right) \quad (1.1.5)$$

using (1.1.2) ,(1.1.3) and (1.1.4) :

$$\therefore \tan^{-1} a = \cot^{-1} b + \cot^{-1} c \quad (1.1.6)$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{b} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{c} \right) \quad (1.1.7)$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}}{1 - \frac{1}{bc}} \right) \quad (1.1.8)$$

$$\therefore a = \frac{\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}}{1 - \frac{1}{bc}} \quad (1.1.9)$$

$$= \frac{\frac{b+c}{bc}}{\frac{bc-1}{bc}} \quad (1.1.10)$$

$$= \frac{b+c}{bc-1} \quad (1.1.11)$$