

# SOLUTION COUNTING

Q find the number of solution of

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ in } [0, 2\pi]$$

2 Solution

$$(ii) [0, 4\pi] \rightarrow [0, 2\pi] \cup [2\pi, 4\pi] \rightarrow 4$$

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 $(2)$                        $(2)$

$$[0, 2\pi] \rightarrow 1 \text{ cycle}$$

$$[0, 4\pi] \rightarrow 2 \text{ cycles}$$

$$1 \text{ cycles} \rightarrow 2 \text{ solutions}$$

$$2 \text{ cycles} \rightarrow 4 \text{ solutions}$$

$$(iii) [0, 100\pi] \rightarrow 50 \text{ cycles}$$

$$50 \text{ cycles} \rightarrow 100 \text{ solutions}$$

Q find number of solution of

$$\cos x = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad \text{in } [0, 50\pi]$$

$$[0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \underline{2 \text{ solutions}}$$

$$\underline{25 \text{ cycles}} \rightarrow 50 = 25 \times 2$$

Solutions

Q Number of solutions of

$$\sin x = 1 \quad \text{in } [0, 10\pi]$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \text{in } (0, 2\pi)$$

5 cycles

1 cycle  $\rightarrow$  1 solution

5 cycles  $\rightarrow 5 \times 1 = 5$  solutions.

(ii)  $[0, 11\pi]$

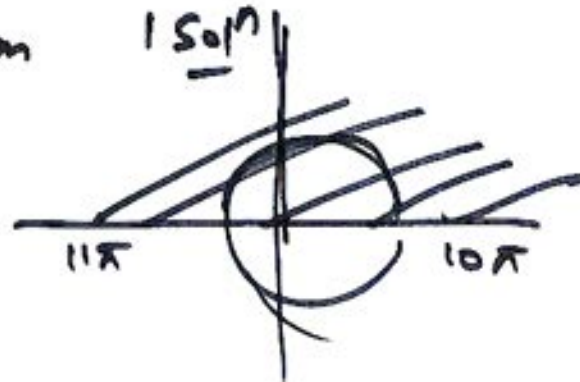
$$(ii) \quad [0, 11\pi] = [0, 10\pi] \cup \{10\pi, 11\pi\}$$

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5 solutions

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1 solution



$$\underline{\text{Total} = 6}$$

Q Number of solutions

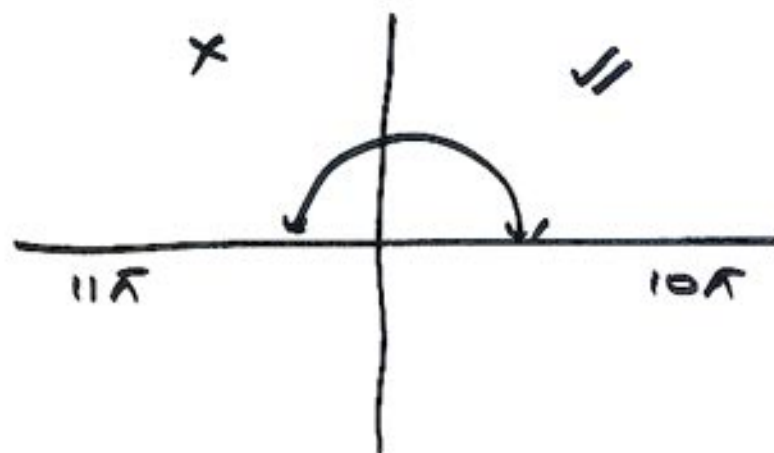
of  $\cos x = \frac{1}{2}$  in  $[0, 11\pi]$

$$[0, 11\pi] = [0, 10\pi] \cup \underline{\underline{[10\pi, 11\pi]}}$$

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5 cycles

$[0, 2\pi] \rightarrow 2$  solutions

5 cycles  $\rightarrow 10$  solutions



$$\cos x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$(10\pi, 11\pi) \rightarrow 1 \text{ solution}$

$$10 + 1 = 11 \text{ solutions}$$



Q Number of solutions of

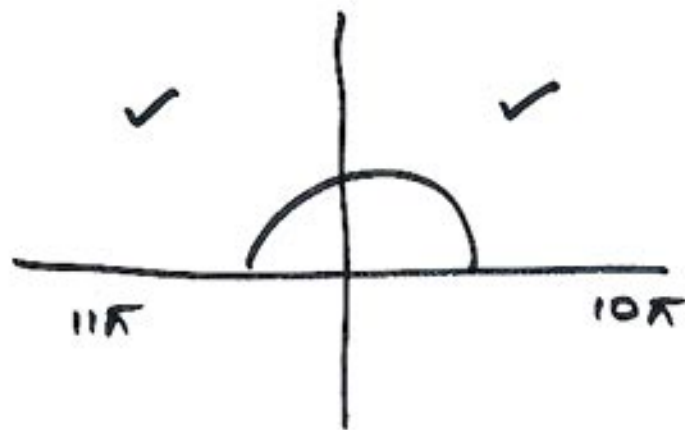
$$\checkmark \sin x = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{in } [0, 11\pi]$$

$$[0, 11\pi] = \underline{[0, 10\pi]} \cup \underline{[10\pi, 11\pi]}$$

$$[0, 2\pi] \rightarrow 2 \text{ Solutions}$$

$$5 \text{ cycles} \rightarrow 5 \times 2 = \underline{10 \text{ Solutions}}$$





$$\sin x = \frac{1}{2}$$

2 solutions

$$10 + 2 = 12 \text{ Solutions}$$

### TYPE 1# FACTOR METHOD

Q1 find general solution for  $x$

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

Also find number of solutions from  $[0, 8\pi]$

Sol<sup>n</sup>  $(2 \sin x - \cos x)(1 + \cos x) = 1 - \cos^2 x$

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

$$1 + \cos x = 0$$

$$\cos x = -1 \quad (\pi)$$

$$x = (2n-1)\pi \quad / \quad x = 2n\pi \pm \pi$$

$n \in \mathbb{I}$

$$(ii) \quad 2 \sin x - \cos x = 1 - \cos x$$

$$2 \sin x = 1$$

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{\pi}{6} \quad n \in \mathbb{I}$$

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\cos x = -1$$

$$[0, 2\pi] \rightarrow 2 + 1$$

(3)

$$[0, 8\pi]$$

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$$4 \text{ cycles}$$

$$4 \text{ cycles} \rightarrow 4 \times 3 = 12 \text{ Solutions}$$

Q2 find general value of  $\theta$

$$\cos^2 \theta + 3 \cos \theta + 3 = 0$$

Also find number of solutions from  $[0, 100\pi]$

$$\cos^2 \theta - 1 + 3 \cos \theta + 3 = 0$$

$$\cos^2 \theta + 3 \cos \theta + 2 = 0$$

$$(\cos \theta + 1)(\cos \theta + 2) = 0$$

$$\cos \theta = -1$$

$$\cos \theta = -2$$

$$\sin \theta = -1$$

$$\sin \theta = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \theta = n\pi + (-1)^n \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \\ \theta = 2n\pi - \frac{\pi}{2} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\theta = n\pi + (-1)^n \left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$



$[0, 100\pi] \rightarrow$  50 cycles

$$\sin \theta = -1$$
$$\frac{3\pi}{2}$$

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$[0, 2\pi]$

$\approx$

$$\sin \theta = -\frac{1}{2}$$

3rd, 4th  
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3 Solutions

50 cycles  $\rightarrow$   $50 \times 3 =$  150 Solutions



Q

$$\cos 2\theta - (\sqrt{2}+1)(\cos \theta - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) = 0$$

$$\underline{(2\cos^2 \theta - 1)} - (\sqrt{2}+1) \frac{(\sqrt{2}\cos \theta - 1)}{\sqrt{2}} = 0$$

$$(\sqrt{2}\cos \theta + 1)(\sqrt{2}\cos \theta - 1) - (1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})(\sqrt{2}\cos \theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\underline{(\sqrt{2}\cos \theta - 1)} \underline{(\sqrt{2}\cos \theta + 1 - 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})} = 0$$

$$\sqrt{2} \cos \theta = 1 \Rightarrow$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} =$$

$$\underline{\underline{\quad}}$$

$$\theta = 2n\pi \pm \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\sqrt{2} \cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\theta = 2n\pi \pm \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q \quad \cot x - \cos x &= 1 - \cot x \cos x \\
 1 - \cot x \cos x - \cot x + \cos x &= 0 \\
 (1 + \cos x) - \cot x (1 + \cos x) &= 0 \\
 (1 - \cot x) (1 + \cos x) &= 0 \\
 \cos x = -1 \quad \cot x = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\omega x = 1$$

$$f(x) = 1$$

$$x = n\pi + \frac{\pi}{4}$$

ctx = not defined  
 $x = n\pi$

$$\cos x = -1$$

$$x = 2n\pi \pm \pi \quad \text{or} \quad (2n-1)\pi$$

✗ Rejected

$$Q \quad 2\cos x \cdot \cancel{\cos 2x} = \cancel{\cos 2x}$$

$$\underline{\cos 2x = 0}$$

$$2x = (2n-1)\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$x = (2n-1)\frac{\pi}{4} \checkmark$$

or

$$2x = 2n\pi \pm \pi/2$$

$$x = n\pi \pm \pi/4 \checkmark$$

$$2\cos x = 1$$

$$\cos x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = 2n\pi \pm \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$n \neq ?$$