



Trigonometric Identities Ex 6.1 Q86

Answer :

Given: $\sin \theta + \cos \theta = x$

Squaring the given equation, we have

$$(\sin \theta + \cos \theta)^2 = x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta + 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta + \cos^2 \theta = x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta) + 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = x^2 - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta \cos \theta = \frac{x^2 - 1}{2}$$

Squaring the last equation, we have

$$(\sin \theta \cos \theta)^2 = \frac{(x^2 - 1)^2}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta = \frac{(x^2 - 1)^2}{4}$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^6 \theta + \cos^6 \theta &= (\sin^2 \theta)^3 + (\cos^2 \theta)^3 \\ &= (\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta)^3 - 3 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta (\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta) \\ &= (1)^3 - 3 \frac{(x^2 - 1)^2}{4} (1) \\ &= 1 - 3 \frac{(x^2 - 1)^2}{4} \\ &= \frac{4 - 3(x^2 - 1)^2}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Hence proved.

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