

Exercise 2.1

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Find the principal values of the following:

1. $\sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$

2. $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$

3. $\operatorname{Cosec}^{-1}(2)$

4. $\tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{3})$

5. $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)$

6. $\tan^{-1}(-1)$

7. $\sec^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$

8. $\cot^{-1}(\sqrt{3})$

9. $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$

10. $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(-\sqrt{2})$

Solution 1: Consider $y = \sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$

Solve the above equation, we have

$$\sin y = -1/2$$

We know that $\sin \pi/6 = 1/2$

$$\text{So, } \sin y = -\sin \pi/6$$

$$\sin y = \sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$

Since range of principle value of \sin^{-1} is $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

Principle value of $\sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$ is $-\pi/6$.

Solution 2:

Let $y = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$

$\cos y = \cos \pi/6$ (as $\cos \pi/6 = \sqrt{3}/2$)

$y = \pi/6$

Since range of principle value of \cos^{-1} is $[0, \pi]$

Therefore, Principle value of $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$ is $\pi/6$

Solution 3: $\operatorname{Cosec}^{-1}(2)$

Let $y = \operatorname{Cosec}^{-1}(2)$

$\operatorname{Cosec} y = 2$

We know that, $\operatorname{cosec} \pi/6 = 2$

So $\operatorname{Cosec} y = \operatorname{cosec} \pi/6$

Since range of principle value of $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}$ is $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

Therefore, Principle value of $\operatorname{Cosec}^{-1}(2)$ is $\pi/6$.

Solution 4: $\tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{3})$

Let $y = \tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{3})$

$$\tan y = -\tan \pi/3$$

$$\text{or } \tan y = \tan (-\pi/3)$$

Since range of principle value of \tan^{-1} is $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

Therefore, Principle value of $\tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{3})$ is $-\pi/3$.

Solution 5: $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)$

$$y = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)$$

$$\cos y = -1/2$$

$$\cos y = -\cos \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\cos y = \cos(\pi - \pi/3) = \cos (2\pi/3)$$

Since principle value of \cos^{-1} is $[0, \pi]$

Therefore, Principle value of $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)$ is $2\pi/3$.

Solution 6: $\tan^{-1}(-1)$

$$\text{Let } y = \tan^{-1}(-1)$$

$$\tan (y) = -1$$

$$\tan y = -\tan \pi/4$$

$$\tan y = \tan \left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

Since principle value of \tan^{-1} is $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

Therefore, Principle value of $\tan^{-1}(-1)$ is $-\pi/4$.

$$\sec^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

Solution 7:

$$y = \sec^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

$$\sec y = 2/\sqrt{3}$$

$$\sec y = \sec \frac{\pi}{6}$$

Since principle value of \sec^{-1} is $[0, \pi]$

Therefore, Principle value of $\sec^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$ is $\pi/6$

$$\cot^{-1}(\sqrt{3})$$

Solution 8:

$$y = \cot^{-1}(\sqrt{3})$$

$$\cot y = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\cot y = \pi/6$$

Since principle value of \cot^{-1} is $[0, \pi]$

Therefore, Principle value of $\cot^{-1}(\sqrt{3})$ is $\pi/6$.

$$\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

Solution 9:

$$\text{Let } y = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

$$\cos y = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\cos y = -\cos \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\cos y = \cos \left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = \cos \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

Since principle value of \cos^{-1} is $[0, \pi]$

Therefore, Principle value of $\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$ is $3\pi/4$.

Solution 10. $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(-\sqrt{2})$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{cosec} y &= -\sqrt{2} \\ \cos y &= \cos \frac{-\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Since principle value of $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}$ is $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right]$

Therefore, Principle value of $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(-\sqrt{2})$ is $-\pi/4$

Find the values of the following:

11. $\tan^{-1}(1) + \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{2} + \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{2}$

12. $\cos^{-1} \frac{1}{2} + 2 \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{2}$

13. If $\sin^{-1} x = y$, then

(A) $0 \leq y \leq \pi$

(B) $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

(C) $0 < y < \pi$

(D) $-\frac{\pi}{2} < y < \frac{\pi}{2}$

14. $\tan^{-1}(\sqrt{3}) - \sec^{-1}(-2)$ is equal to

(A) π

(B) $-\pi/3$

(C) $\pi/3$

(D) $2\pi/3$

Solution 11.

$$\begin{aligned} & \tan^{-1}(1) + \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right) + \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right) \\ &= \tan^{-1} \tan \frac{\pi}{4} + \cos^{-1}\left(-\cos \frac{\pi}{3}\right) + \sin^{-1}\left(-\sin \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{4} + \cos\left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) + \sin^{-1} \sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{2\pi}{3} - \frac{\pi}{6} \\ &= \frac{3\pi + 8\pi - 2\pi}{12} \\ &= \frac{9\pi}{12} = \frac{3\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 12:

Let $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = x$. Then, $\cos x = \frac{1}{2} = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$

$$\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Let $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = y$. Then, $\sin y = \frac{1}{2} = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right)$

$$\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 2\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) &= \frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{2\pi}{6} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi}{3} \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{3}\end{aligned}$$

Solution 13: Option (B) is correct.

Given $\sin^{-1} x = y$,

The range of the principle value of \sin^{-1} is $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

Therefore, $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

Solution 14:

Option (B) is correct.

$$\tan^{-1}(\sqrt{3}) - \sec^{-1}(-2) = \tan^{-1}(\tan \pi/3) - \sec^{-1}(-\sec \pi/3)$$

$$= \pi/3 - \sec^{-1}(\sec(\pi - \pi/3))$$

$$= \pi/3 - 2\pi/3 = -\pi/3$$

Exercise 2.2

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Prove the following**1.**

$$3 \sin^{-1} x = \sin^{-1} (3x - 4x^3), x \in \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right]$$

Solution:

$$3 \sin^{-1} x = \sin^{-1} (3x - 4x^3), x \in \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right]$$

(Use identity: $\sin 3\theta = 3 \sin \theta - 4 \sin^3 \theta$)Let $x = \sin \theta$. then

$$\theta = \sin^{-1} x$$

Now, RHS

$$= \sin^{-1} (3x - 4x^3)$$

$$= \sin^{-1} (3 \sin \theta - 4 \sin^3 \theta)$$

$$= \sin^{-1} (\sin 3\theta)$$

$$= 3\theta$$

$$= 3 \sin^{-1} x$$

$$= \text{LHS}$$

Hence Proved

2.

$$3 \cos^{-1} x = \cos^{-1} (4x^3 - 3x), x \in \left[\frac{1}{2}, 1\right]$$

Solution:

$$3 \cos^{-1} x = \cos^{-1} (4x^3 - 3x), x \in \left[\frac{1}{2}, 1 \right]$$

Using identity: $\cos 3\theta = 4 \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta$

Put $x = \cos \theta$

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

Therefore, $\cos 3\theta = 4x^3 - 3x$

RHS:

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

$$= 3\theta$$

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

$$= \text{LHS}$$

Hence Proved.

3.

$$\tan^{-1} \frac{2}{11} + \tan^{-1} \frac{7}{24} = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2}$$

Solution:

$$\tan^{-1} \frac{2}{11} + \tan^{-1} \frac{7}{24} = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2}$$

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

Using identity:

$$\text{LHS} = \tan^{-1} \frac{2}{11} + \tan^{-1} \frac{7}{24}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \frac{\frac{2}{11} + \frac{7}{24}}{1 - \frac{2}{11} \times \frac{7}{24}}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \frac{48+77}{264-14}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} (125/250)$$

$$= \tan^{-1} (1/2)$$

$$= \text{RHS}$$

Hence Proved

4.

$$2 \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{7} = \tan^{-1} \frac{31}{17}$$

Solution:

Use identity: $2 \tan^{-1} x = \tan^{-1} \frac{2x}{1-x^2}$

LHS

$$= 2 \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{7}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \frac{2 \times \frac{1}{2}}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{7}$$

$$= \tan^{-1}(4/3) + \tan^{-1}(1/7)$$

Again using identity:

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

We have,

$$\tan^{-1} \frac{\frac{4}{3} + \frac{1}{7}}{1 - \frac{4}{3} \times \frac{1}{7}}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{28+3}{21-4} \right)$$

$$= \tan^{-1} (31/17)$$

RHS

Write the following functions in the simplest form:

5. $\tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2} - 1}{x}, x \neq 0$

Solution:

Let's say $x = \tan \theta$ then $\theta = \tan^{-1} x$

We get,

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sec \theta - 1}{\tan \theta} \right) \\
 &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \right) \\
 &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}} \right) \\
 &= \tan^{-1} \left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2} \right) = \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} x
 \end{aligned}$$

This is simplest form of the function.

6. $\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}, |x| > 1$

Solution:

Let us consider, $x = \sec \theta$, then $\theta = \sec^{-1} x$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} &= \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sec^2 \theta - 1}} \\
 &= \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tan^2 \theta}} \\
 &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\tan \theta} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$= \tan^{-1} \tan(\pi/2 - \theta)$$

$$= (\pi/2 - \theta)$$

$$= \pi/2 - \sec^{-1} x$$

This is simplest form of the given function.

7. $\tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{\frac{1-\cos x}{1+\cos x}} \right), 0 < x < \pi$

Solution:

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

8. $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\cos x - \sin x}{\cos x + \sin x} \right), -\frac{\pi}{4} < x < \frac{3\pi}{4}$

Solution:

Divide numerator and denominator by $\cos x$, we have

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

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

$$= \tan^{-1} \tan(\pi/4 - x)$$

$$= \pi/4 - x$$

9. $\tan^{-1} \frac{x}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}, |x| < a$

Solution:

Put $x = a \sin \theta$, which implies $\sin \theta = x/a$ and $\theta = \sin^{-1}(x/a)$

Substitute the values into given function, we get

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

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

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

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

$$= \theta$$

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

10. $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3a^2x - x^3}{a^3 - 3ax^2} \right), a > 0; \frac{-a}{\sqrt{3}} < x < \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}$

Solution:

After dividing numerator and denominator by a^3 we have

$$\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3 \left(\frac{x}{a} \right) - \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)^3}{1 - 3 \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)^2} \right)$$

Put $x/a = \tan \theta$ and $\theta = \tan^{-1}(x/a)$

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

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

$$= 3 \theta$$

$$= 3 \tan^{-1}(x/a)$$

Find the values of each of the following:

11. $\tan^{-1} \left[2 \cos \left(2 \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$

Solution:

$$= \tan^{-1} \left[2 \cos \left(2 \sin^{-1} \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right) \right]$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left[2 \cos \left(2 \times \frac{\pi}{6} \right) \right]$$

$$= \tan^{-1} (2 \cos \pi/3)$$

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

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

$$= \tan^{-1} (\tan (\pi/4))$$

$$= \pi/4$$

12. $\cot (\tan^{-1}a + \cot^{-1}a)$

Solution:

$$\cot (\tan^{-1}a + \cot^{-1}a) = \cot \pi/2 = 0$$

Using identity: $\tan^{-1}a + \cot^{-1}a = \pi/2$

13.

$$\tan \frac{1}{2} \left[\sin^{-1} \frac{2x}{1+x^2} + \cos^{-1} \frac{1-y^2}{1+y^2} \right], |x| < 1, y > 0 \text{ and } xy < 1$$

Solution:

Put $x = \tan \theta$ and $y = \tan \phi$, we have

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

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

$$= \tan (1/2) [2\theta + 2\phi]$$

$$= \tan (\theta + \phi)$$

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

$$= (x+y) / (1-xy)$$

14. If $\sin \left(\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{5} + \cos^{-1} x \right) = 1$, then find the value of x.

Solution:

We know that, $\sin 90 \text{ degrees} = \sin \pi/2 = 1$

So, given equation turned as,

$$\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{5} + \cos^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\cos^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2} - \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{5}$$

Using identity: $\sin^{-1} t + \cos^{-1} t = \pi/2$

We have, $\cos^{-1} x = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{5}$

Which implies, the value of x is $1/5$.

15. If $\tan^{-1} \frac{x-1}{x-2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{x+1}{x+2} = \frac{\pi}{4}$, then find the value of x .

Solution:

We have reduced the given equation using below identity:

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

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

or

$$\tan^{-1} \frac{(x-1)(x+2) + (x+1)(x-2)}{(x-2)(x+2) - (x-1)(x+1)} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

or

$$\tan^{-1} \frac{x^2 + 2x - x - 2 + x^2 - 2x + x - 2}{x^2 - 4 - (x^2 - 1)} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{2x^2 - 4}{x^2 - 4 - x^2 + 1} = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$\text{or } (2x^2 - 4)/-3 = 1$$

$$\text{or } 2x^2 = 1$$

$$\text{or } x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

The value of x is either $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ or $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

Find the values of each of the expressions in Exercises 16 to 18.

16. $\sin^{-1}(\sin(\frac{2\pi}{3}))$

Solution:

Given expression is $\sin^{-1}(\sin(\frac{2\pi}{3}))$

First split $\frac{2\pi}{3}$ as $\frac{(3\pi-\pi)}{3}$ or $\pi - \frac{\pi}{3}$

After substituting in given we get,

$$\sin^{-1}(\sin(\frac{2\pi}{3})) = \sin^{-1}(\sin(\pi - \frac{\pi}{3})) = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Therefore, the value of $\sin^{-1}(\sin(\frac{2\pi}{3}))$ is $\frac{\pi}{3}$

17. $\tan^{-1}(\tan(\frac{3\pi}{4}))$

Solution:

Given expression is $\tan^{-1}(\tan(\frac{3\pi}{4}))$

First split $\frac{3\pi}{4}$ as $\frac{(4\pi-\pi)}{4}$ or $\pi - \frac{\pi}{4}$

After substituting in given we get,

$$\tan^{-1}(\tan(\frac{3\pi}{4})) = \tan^{-1}(\tan(\pi - \frac{\pi}{4})) = -\frac{\pi}{4}$$

The value of $\tan^{-1}(\tan(\frac{3\pi}{4}))$ is $-\frac{\pi}{4}$.

18. $\tan(\sin^{-1}(\frac{3}{5})) + \cot^{-1}(\frac{3}{2})$

Solution:

Given expression is $\tan(\sin^{-1}(\frac{3}{5})) + \cot^{-1}(\frac{3}{2})$

Putting, $\sin^{-1}(\frac{3}{5}) = x$ and $\cot^{-1}(\frac{3}{2}) = y$

Or $\sin(x) = 3/5$ and $\cot y = 3/2$

Now, $\sin(x) = 3/5 \Rightarrow \cos x = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 x} = 4/5$ and $\sec x = 5/4$

(using identities: $\cos x = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 x}$ and $\sec x = 1/\cos x$)

Again, $\tan x = \sqrt{\sec^2 x - 1} = \sqrt{\frac{25}{16} - 1} = \frac{3}{4}$ and $\tan y = 1/\cot(y) = 2/3$

Now, we can write given expression as,

$$\tan(\sin^{-1}(\frac{3}{5}) + \cot^{-1}(\frac{3}{2})) = \tan(x + y)$$

$$= \frac{\tan x + \tan y}{1 - \tan x \tan y} = \frac{\frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{3}}{1 - \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{2}{3}}$$

$$= 17/6$$

19. $\cos^{-1}(\cos \frac{7\pi}{6})$ is equal to

- (A) $7\pi/6$ (B) $5\pi/6$ (C) $\pi/3$ (D) $\pi/6$

Solution:

Option (B) is correct.

Explanation:

$$\cos^{-1}(\cos \frac{7\pi}{6}) = \cos^{-1}(\cos (2\pi - \frac{7\pi}{6}))$$

(As $\cos (2\pi - A) = \cos A$)

$$\text{Now } 2\pi - \frac{7\pi}{6} = \frac{12\pi - 7\pi}{6} = \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

20. $\sin\left[\frac{\pi}{3} - \sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\right]$ is equal to

(A) $\frac{1}{2}$ (B) $\frac{1}{3}$ (C) $\frac{1}{4}$ (D) 1

Solution:

Option (D) is correct

Explanation:

First solve for: $\sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$

$$\sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \sin^{-1}\left(-\sin\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \sin^{-1}\left[\sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right)\right]$$

$$= -\pi/6$$

Again,

$$\sin\left[\frac{\pi}{3} - \sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\right]$$

$$= \sin\left[\frac{\pi}{3} - \left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right)\right]$$

$$= \sin\left[\frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi}{6}\right]$$

$$= \sin(\pi/2)$$

$$= 1$$

21. $\tan^{-1} \sqrt{3} - \cot^{-1} (-\sqrt{3})$ is equal to

- (A) π (B) $-\pi/2$ (C) 0 (D) $2\sqrt{3}$

Solution:

Option (B) is correct.

Explanation:

$\tan^{-1} \sqrt{3} - \cot^{-1} (-\sqrt{3})$ can be written as

$$= \tan^{-1} \tan \frac{\pi}{3} - \cot^{-1} \left(-\cot \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{3} - \cot^{-1} \left[\cot \left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{6} \right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{3} - \left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

$$= \frac{-3\pi}{6}$$

$$= -\pi/2$$

Miscellaneous Exercise

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Find the value of the following:

1. $\cos^{-1}(\cos \frac{13\pi}{6})$

Solution:

$$\text{First solve for, } \cos \frac{13\pi}{6} = \cos(2\pi + \frac{\pi}{6}) = \cos \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\text{Now: } \cos^{-1}(\cos \frac{13\pi}{6}) = \cos^{-1}(\cos \frac{\pi}{6}) = \frac{\pi}{6} \in [0, \pi]$$

[As $\cos^{-1} \cos(x) = x$ if $x \in [0, \pi]$]

So the value of $\cos^{-1}(\cos \frac{13\pi}{6})$ is $\frac{\pi}{6}$.

2. $\tan^{-1}(\tan \frac{7\pi}{6})$

Solution:

$$\text{First solve for, } \tan \frac{7\pi}{6} = \tan(\pi + \frac{\pi}{6}) = \tan \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\text{Now: } \tan^{-1}(\tan \frac{7\pi}{6}) = \tan^{-1}(\tan \frac{\pi}{6}) = \frac{\pi}{6} \in (-\pi/2, \pi/2)$$

[As $\tan^{-1} \tan(x) = x$ if $x \in (-\pi/2, \pi/2)$]

So the value of $\tan^{-1}(\tan \frac{7\pi}{6})$ is $\frac{\pi}{6}$.

3. Prove that $2 \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = \tan^{-1} \frac{24}{7}$

Solution:**Step 1: Find the value of $\cos x$ and $\tan x$**

$$\text{Let us consider } \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = x, \text{ then } \sin x = 3/5$$

$$\text{So, } \cos x = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 x} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2} = 4/5$$

$$\tan x = \sin x / \cos x = \frac{3}{4}$$

Therefore, $x = \tan^{-1} (3/4)$, substitute the value of x ,

$$\Rightarrow \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{4} \right) \dots\dots(1)$$

Step 2: Solve LHS

$$2 \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = 2 \tan^{-1} \frac{3}{4}$$

Using identity: $2 \tan^{-1} x = \tan^{-1} = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right)$, we get

$$= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \left(\frac{3}{4} \right)}{1 - \left(\frac{3}{4} \right)^2} \right)$$

$$= \tan^{-1} (24/7)$$

$$= \text{RHS}$$

Hence Proved.

4. Prove that $\sin^{-1} \frac{8}{17} + \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = \tan^{-1} \frac{77}{36}$

Solution:

Let $\sin^{-1} \left(\frac{8}{17} \right) = x$ then $\sin x = 8/17$

$$\text{Again, } \cos x = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 x} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{64}{289}} = 15/17$$

$$\text{And } \tan x = \sin x / \cos x = 8/15$$

Again,

Let $\sin^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) = y$ then $\sin y = 3/5$

$$\text{Again, } \cos y = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 y} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{9}{25}} = 4/5$$

$$\text{And } \tan y = \sin y / \cos y = 3/4$$

Solve for $\tan(x + y)$, using below identity,

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

$$= \frac{\frac{8}{15} + \frac{3}{4}}{1 - \frac{8}{15} \times \frac{3}{4}}$$

$$= \frac{32+45}{60-24}$$

$$= 77/36$$

This implies $x + y = \tan^{-1}(77/36)$

Substituting the values back, we have

$$\sin^{-1} \frac{8}{17} + \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = \tan^{-1} \frac{77}{36} \text{ (Proved)}$$

5. Prove that $\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{5} \right) + \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{12}{13} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{33}{65} \right)$

Solution:

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| <p>Let $\cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5} = \theta$</p> <p>$\cos \theta = \frac{4}{5}$</p> <p>$\sin \theta = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta}$</p> <p>$= \sqrt{1 - \frac{16}{25}}$</p> <p>$= \frac{3}{5}$</p> | <p>Let $\cos^{-1} \frac{12}{13} = \phi$</p> <p>$\cos \phi = \frac{12}{13}$</p> <p>$\sin \phi = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \phi}$</p> <p>$= \sqrt{1 - \frac{144}{169}}$</p> <p>$= \frac{5}{13}$</p> |
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Solve the expression, Using identity: $\cos (\theta + \phi) = \cos \theta \cos \phi - \sin \theta \sin \phi$

$$= 4/5 \times 12/13 - 3/5 \times 5/13$$

$$= (48-15)/65$$

$$= 33/65$$

This implies $\cos (\theta + \phi) = 33/65$

$$\text{or } \theta + \phi = \cos^{-1} (33/65)$$

Putting back the value of θ and ϕ , we get

$$\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{5} \right) + \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{12}{13} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{33}{65} \right)$$

Hence Proved.

6. Prove that $\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{12}{13} \right) + \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{56}{65} \right)$

Solution:

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| <p>Let $\cos^{-1} \frac{12}{13} = \theta$</p> <p>So $\cos \theta = \frac{12}{13}$</p> <p>$\sin \theta = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta}$</p> <p>$= \sqrt{1 - \frac{144}{169}}$</p> <p>$= \frac{5}{13}$</p> | <p>Let $\sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = \phi$</p> <p>So $\sin \phi = \frac{3}{5}$</p> <p>$\cos \phi = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \phi}$</p> <p>$= \sqrt{1 - \frac{9}{25}}$</p> <p>$= \frac{4}{5}$</p> |
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Solve the expression, Using identity: $\sin (\theta + \phi) = \sin \theta \cos \phi + \cos \theta \sin \phi$

$$= 12/13 \times 3/5 + 5/13 \times 4/5$$

$$= (20+36)/65$$

$$= 56/65$$

or $\sin(\theta + \phi) = 56/65$

or $\theta + \phi = \sin^{-1} 56/65$

Putting back the value of θ and ϕ , we get

$$\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{12}{13}\right) + \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{56}{65}\right)$$

Hence Proved.

7. Prove that $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{63}{16}\right) = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{13}\right) + \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)$

Solution:

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| <p>Let $\sin^{-1} \frac{5}{13} = \theta$</p> <p>so $\sin \theta = \frac{5}{13}$</p> <p>$\cos \theta = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta}$</p> <p>$= \sqrt{1 - \frac{25}{169}}$</p> <p>$= \frac{12}{13}$</p> <p>$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{5}{12}$</p> | <p>Let $\cos^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = \phi$</p> <p>so $\cos \phi = \frac{3}{5}$</p> <p>$\sin \phi = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \phi}$</p> <p>$= \sqrt{1 - \frac{9}{25}}$</p> <p>$= \frac{4}{5}$</p> <p>$\tan \phi = \frac{\sin \phi}{\cos \phi} = \frac{4}{3}$</p> |
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Solve the expression, Using identity:

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

$$= \frac{\frac{5}{12} + \frac{4}{3}}{1 - \frac{5}{12} \times \frac{4}{3}}$$

$$= 63/16$$

$$(\theta + \phi) = \tan^{-1} (63/16)$$

Putting back the value of θ and ϕ , we get

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

Hence Proved.

8. Prove that $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{7}\right) + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{8}\right) = \frac{\pi}{4}$

Solution:

$$\text{LHS} = (\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{7}\right)) + (\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{8}\right))$$

Solve above expressions, using below identity:

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

$$= \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{7}}{1 - \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{1}{7}}\right) + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{8}}{1 - \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{8}}\right)$$

After simplifying, we have

$$= \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{6}{17}\right) + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{11}{23}\right)$$

Again, applying the formula, we get

$$= \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{6}{17} + \frac{11}{23}}{1 - \frac{6}{17} \times \frac{11}{23}}\right)$$

After simplifying,

$$= \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{325}{325}\right)$$

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

$$= \pi/4$$

9. Prove that $\tan^{-1} \sqrt{x} = \frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1} \frac{1-x}{1+x}$, $x \in (0, 1)$

Solution:

Let $\tan^{-1} \sqrt{x} = \theta$, then $\sqrt{x} = \tan \theta$

Squaring both the sides

$$\tan^2 \theta = x$$

Now, substitute the value of x in $\frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1} \frac{1-x}{1+x}$, we get

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

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

$$= \frac{1}{2} (2\theta)$$

$$= \theta$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \sqrt{x}$$

10. Prove that $\cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1+\sin x} + \sqrt{1-\sin x}}{\sqrt{1+\sin x} - \sqrt{1-\sin x}} \right) = \frac{x}{2}$, $x \in (0, \pi/4)$

Solution:

We can write $1 + \sin x$ as,

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

And

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

LHS:

$$\cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1+\sin x} + \sqrt{1-\sin x}}{\sqrt{1+\sin x} - \sqrt{1-\sin x}} \right)$$

$$= \cot^{-1} \left[\frac{\left(\cos \frac{x}{2} + \sin \frac{x}{2} \right) + \left(\cos \frac{x}{2} - \sin \frac{x}{2} \right)}{\left(\cos \frac{x}{2} + \sin \frac{x}{2} \right) - \left(\cos \frac{x}{2} - \sin \frac{x}{2} \right)} \right]$$

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

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

$$= x/2$$

11. Prove that $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1+x} - \sqrt{1-x}}{\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{1-x}} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1} x, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \leq x \leq 1$

[Hint: Put $x = \cos 2\theta$]

Solution:

Put $x = \cos 2\theta$ so, $\theta = \frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1} x$

$$\text{LHS} = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1+x} - \sqrt{1-x}}{\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{1-x}} \right)$$

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

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

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

Divide each term by $\sqrt{2} \cos \theta$

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

= RHS

Hence proved

12. Prove that $\frac{9\pi}{8} - \frac{9}{4} \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{3} = \frac{9}{4} \sin^{-1} \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}$

Solution:

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{9\pi}{8} - \frac{9}{4} \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{3}$$

$$= \frac{9}{4} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{3} \right)$$

$$= \frac{9}{4} \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{3}$$

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(Using identity: $\sin^{-1} \theta + \cos^{-1} \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$.)

Let $\theta = \cos^{-1} (1/3)$, so $\cos \theta = 1/3$

As

$$\sin \theta = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{9}} = \sqrt{\frac{8}{9}} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}$$

Using equation (1), $\frac{9}{4} \sin^{-1} \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}$

Which is right hand side of the expression.

Solve the following equations:

13. $2\tan^{-1}(\cos x) = \tan^{-1}(2 \operatorname{cosec} x)$

Solution:

$$2 \tan^{-1}(\cos x) = \tan^{-1}(2 \operatorname{cosec} x)$$

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

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

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

$$\cot x = 1$$

$$x = \pi/4$$

14. Solve $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} x, (x > 0)$

Solution:

$$\text{Put } x = \tan \theta$$

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

This implies

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

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

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

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

$$\pi/4 - \theta = \theta/2$$

$$\text{or } 3\theta/2 = \pi/4$$

$$\theta = \pi/6$$

Therefore, $x = \tan \theta = \tan \pi/6 = 1/\sqrt{3}$

15. $\sin(\tan^{-1} x), |x| < 1$ is equal to

(A) $\frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

(B) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

(C) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$

(D) $\frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$

Solution:

Option (D) is correct.

Explanation:

Let $\theta = \tan^{-1} x$ so, $x = \tan \theta$

Again, Let's say

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

This implies,

$$\sin(\tan^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{\sec \theta} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \cot^2 \theta}}$$

$$\text{Put } \cot \theta = \frac{1}{\tan \theta} = \frac{1}{x}$$

Which shows,

$$\sin(\tan^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{x^2}}} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}$$

16. $\sin^{-1}(1-x) - 2 \sin^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ then x is equal to

(A) 0, $\frac{1}{2}$ (B) 1, $\frac{1}{2}$ (C) 0 (D) $\frac{1}{2}$

Solution:

Option (C) is correct.

Explanation:

$$\text{Put } \sin^{-1} x = \theta \quad \text{So, } x = \sin \theta$$

Now,

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

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

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

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

$$1-x = \cos 2\theta$$

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

(As $x = \sin \theta$)

After simplifying, we get

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

$$x = 0 \text{ or } 2x - 1 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \text{ or } x = \frac{1}{2}$$

Equation is not true for $x = \frac{1}{2}$. So the answer is $x = 0$.

17. $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x-y}{x+y}\right)$ is equal to

- (A) $\pi/2$ (B) $\pi/3$ (C) $\pi/4$ (D) $-3\pi/4$

Solution:

Option (C) is correct.

Explanation:

Given expression can be written as,

$$= \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{\frac{x}{y} - \left(\frac{x-y}{x+y} \right)}{1 + \frac{x}{y} \left(\frac{x-y}{x+y} \right)} \right]$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{x(x+y) - y(x-y)}{y(x+y) + x(x-y)} \right]$$

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

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

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

$$= \pi/4$$