

Chapter: 2. Inverse trigonometric functions.

Exercise 2.2

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

Solution: Suppose that $x = \sin \theta \Rightarrow \theta = \sin^{-1} x$

We have,

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

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

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

Solution: Let $x = \cos \theta \Rightarrow \cos^{-1} x = \theta$

Consider the right hand side

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

Therefore, $3\cos^{-1} x = \cos^{-1}(4x^3 - 3x)$

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

Solution: Consider the expression $\tan^{-1} \frac{2}{11} + \tan^{-1} \frac{7}{24}$

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

$$\begin{aligned}\tan^{-1} \frac{2}{11} + \tan^{-1} \frac{7}{24} &= \tan^{-1} \frac{\frac{2}{11} + \frac{7}{24}}{1 - \frac{2}{11} \cdot \frac{7}{24}} \\ &= \tan^{-1} \frac{48 + 77}{264 - 14} \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{125}{250} \right) \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\tan^{-1} \frac{2}{11} + \tan^{-1} \frac{7}{24} = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)$

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

Solution:

$$\text{L.H.S} = 2 \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{7}$$

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

$$= \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{3}{4} \right)} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{7}$$

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

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

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

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5. Write the function in the simplest form: $\tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}-1}{x}, x \neq 0$

Solution:

$$\text{Given, } \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}-1}{x}$$

$$\text{Put } x = \tan \theta \Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1} x$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

6. Write the function in the simplest form: $\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2-1}}, |x| > 1$

Solution:

$$\text{Given, } \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2-1}}, |x| > 1$$

$$\text{Put } x = \operatorname{cosec} \theta \Rightarrow \theta = \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x$$

$$\therefore \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta - 1}}$$

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

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

$$= \theta$$

$$= \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x$$

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

7. Write the function in the simplest form: $\tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos x}{1 + \cos x}} \right), x < \pi$

Solution:

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

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

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

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

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

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

8. Write the function in the simple form: $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\cos x - \sin x}{\cos x + \sin x}\right), 0 < x < \pi$

Solution:

$$\text{Given, } \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\cos x - \sin x}{\cos x + \sin x}\right)$$

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

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

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

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

9. Write the function in the simplest form: $\tan^{-1} \frac{x}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}, |x| < a$

Solution:

$$\text{Given, } \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}$$

$$\text{Put } x = a \sin \theta$$

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

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

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

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

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

$$= \theta$$

$$= \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{a}$$

10. Write the function in the simplest form: $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3a^2x - x^3}{a^3 - 3ax^2} \right), a > 0; \frac{-a}{\sqrt{3}} \leq x \leq \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}$

Solution:

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{a} = \tan \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{a}$$

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

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

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

$$= 3\theta$$

$$= 3 \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{a}$$

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

Solution:

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

$$\Rightarrow \sin x = \frac{1}{2} = \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

$$\therefore \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \tan^{-1} \left[2 \cos \left(2 \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] &= \tan^{-1} \left[2 \cos \left(2 \times \frac{\pi}{6} \right) \right] \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left[2 \cos \frac{\pi}{3} \right] \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left[2 \times \frac{1}{2} \right] \\ &= \tan^{-1} 1 \\ &= \frac{\pi}{4}\end{aligned}$$

12. Find the value of $\cot(\tan^{-1} a + \cot^{-1} a)$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Given, } \cot(\tan^{-1} a + \cot^{-1} a) \\ &= \cot\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

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

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Let } x &= \tan \theta \\ \Rightarrow \theta &= \tan^{-1} x \\ \therefore \sin^{-1} \frac{2x}{1+x^2} &= \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta} \right) \\ &= \sin^{-1}(\sin 2\theta) \\ &= 2\theta \\ &= 2 \tan^{-1} x\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } y = \tan \phi$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi = \tan^{-1} y$$

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

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

$$= 2\phi$$

$$= 2 \tan^{-1} y$$

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

$$= \tan \frac{1}{2} [2 \tan^{-1} x + 2 \tan^{-1} y]$$

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

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

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

Solution:

$$\text{Given, } \sin \left(\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{5} + \cos^{-1} x \right) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \left(\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{5} \right) \cos \left(\cos^{-1} x \right) + \cos \left(\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{5} \right) \sin \left(\cos^{-1} x \right) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{5} \times x + \cos \left(\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{5} \right) \sin \left(\cos^{-1} x \right) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{5} + \cos \left(\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{5} \right) \sin \left(\cos^{-1} x \right) = 1 \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

Now, let $\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{5} = y$

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

$$\Rightarrow \sin y = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos y = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2} = \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{2\sqrt{6}}{5} \right)$$

$$\therefore \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{5} = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{2\sqrt{6}}{5} \right) \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

Let $\cos^{-1} x = z$

$$\Rightarrow \cos z = x$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin z = \sqrt{1 - x^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \sin^{-1} \left(\sqrt{1 - x^2} \right)$$

$$\therefore \cos^{-1} = \sin^{-1} \left(\sqrt{1 - x^2} \right) \quad \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

From (1), (2) and (3) we have

$$\frac{x}{5} + \cos \left(\cos^{-1} \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{5} \right) \sin \left(\sin^{-1} \sqrt{1 - x^2} \right) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{5} + \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{5} \sqrt{1 - x^2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 2\sqrt{6} \sqrt{1 - x^2} = 5$$

On squaring both sides, we get

$$(4)(6)(1-x^2) = 25 + x^2 - 10x$$

$$\Rightarrow 24 - 24x^2 = 25 + x^2 - 10x$$

$$\Rightarrow 25x^2 - 10x + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (5x-1)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (5x-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{5}$$

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:

$$\text{Given, } \tan^{-1} \frac{x-1}{x-2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{x+1}{x+2} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{x^2 + x - 2 + x^2 - x - 2}{x^2 - 4 - x^2 + 1} \right] = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{2x^2 - 4}{-3} \right] = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \left[\tan^{-1} \frac{4-2x^2}{3} \right] = \tan \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4-2x^2}{3} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 - 2x^2 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 = 4 - 3 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

16. Find the values of $\sin^{-1}\left(\sin \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$

Solution:

$$\text{Given, } \sin^{-1}\left(\sin \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$$

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

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

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

17. Find the values of $\tan^{-1}\left(\tan \frac{3\pi}{4}\right)$

Solution:

$$\text{Given, } \tan^{-1}\left(\tan \frac{3\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1}\left(\tan \frac{3\pi}{4}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left[-\tan\left(\frac{-3\pi}{4}\right)\right]$$

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

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

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

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

18. Find the values of $\tan \left(\sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} + \cot^{-1} \frac{3}{2} \right)$

Solution:

$$\text{Let } \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = x$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos x = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 x} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sec x = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\therefore \tan x = \sqrt{\sec^2 x - 1} = \sqrt{\frac{25}{16} - 1} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\therefore x = \tan^{-1} \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\therefore \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = \tan^{-1} \frac{3}{4} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Now, } \therefore \cot^{-1} \frac{3}{2} = \tan^{-1} \frac{2}{3} \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\text{Thus, } \tan \left(\sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} + \cot^{-1} \frac{3}{2} \right)$$

$$= \tan \left(\tan^{-1} \frac{3}{4} + \tan^{-1} \frac{2}{3} \right) \quad [\text{using (i) and (ii)}]$$

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

$$= \tan \left(\tan^{-1} \frac{9+8}{12-6} \right)$$

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

19. Find the values of $\cos^{-1} \left(\cos \frac{7\pi}{6} \right)$ is equal to

(A) $\frac{7\pi}{6}$

(B) $\frac{5\pi}{6}$

(C) $\frac{\pi}{3}$

(D) $\frac{\pi}{6}$

Solution:

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

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

$$= \cos^{-1} \left[\cos \frac{5\pi}{6} \right]$$

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

20. Find the values of $\sin \left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \sin^{-1} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \right)$ is equal to

(A) $\frac{1}{2}$

(B) $\frac{1}{3}$

(C) $\frac{1}{4}$

(D) 1

Solution:

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

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

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

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

Range of the principal value of $\sin^{-1} x$ is $\left[\frac{-\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right]$

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

$$\therefore \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \sin^{-1} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \right) = \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

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

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