

## CHAPTER – 2: INVERSE TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS

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### NCERT Important Questions & Answers

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

Ans:

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

We know that the range of principal value of  $\sin^{-1} \theta$  is  $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

$$\therefore \sin \theta = -\frac{1}{2} = \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right) \quad (\because \sin(-\theta) = -\sin \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = -\frac{\pi}{6}, \text{ where } \theta \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right] \Rightarrow \sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{\pi}{6}$$

Hence the principal value of  $\sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$  is  $-\frac{\pi}{6}$

2. Find the principal values of  $\tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{3})$

Ans:

$$\text{Let } \tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{3}) = \theta \Rightarrow \tan \theta = -\sqrt{3}$$

We know that the range of principal value of  $\tan^{-1} \theta$  is  $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

$$\therefore \tan \theta = -\sqrt{3} = -\tan \frac{\pi}{3} = \tan\left(-\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \quad (\because \tan(-\theta) = -\tan \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = -\frac{\pi}{3}, \text{ where } \theta \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right] \Rightarrow \tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{3}) = -\frac{\pi}{3}$$

Hence the principal value of  $\tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{3})$  is  $-\frac{\pi}{3}$

3. Find the principal values of  $\cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$

Ans:

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

We know that the range of principal value of  $\cos^{-1} \theta$  is  $[0, \pi]$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \cos \theta &= -\frac{1}{2} = -\cos \frac{\pi}{3} = \cos\left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \\ &= \cos \frac{2\pi}{3} \quad (\because \cos(\pi - \theta) = -\cos \theta) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}, \text{ where } \theta \in [0, \pi] \Rightarrow \cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

Hence the principal value of  $\cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$  is  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

**4. Find the principal values of  $\cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$**

**Ans:**

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

We know that the range of principal value of  $\cos^{-1} \theta$  is  $[0, \pi]$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = -\cos \frac{\pi}{4} = \cos\left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \cos \frac{3\pi}{4} \quad (\because \cos(\pi - \theta) = -\cos \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{3\pi}{4}, \text{ where } \theta \in [0, \pi] \Rightarrow \cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

Hence the principal value of  $\cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$  is  $\frac{3\pi}{4}$

**5. Find the principal values of  $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(-\sqrt{2})$**

**Ans:**

$$\text{Let } \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(-\sqrt{2}) = \theta \Rightarrow \operatorname{cosec} \theta = -\sqrt{2}$$

We know that the range of principal value of  $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1} \theta$  is  $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right] - \{0\}$

$$\therefore \operatorname{cosec} \theta = -\sqrt{2} = -\operatorname{cosec} \frac{\pi}{4} = \operatorname{cosec}\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \quad (\because \operatorname{cosec}(-\theta) = -\operatorname{cosec} \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = -\frac{\pi}{4}, \text{ where } \theta \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right] - \{0\} \Rightarrow \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(-\sqrt{2}) = -\frac{\pi}{4}$$

Hence the principal value of  $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(-\sqrt{2})$  is  $-\frac{\pi}{4}$

**6. Find the values of  $\tan^{-1}(1) + \cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + \sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$**

**Ans:**

$$\text{Let } \tan^{-1}(1) = x \Rightarrow \tan x = 1 = \tan \frac{\pi}{4} \Rightarrow x = \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ where } x \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$$

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

$$\text{Let } \cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = y \Rightarrow \cos y = -\frac{1}{2} = -\cos \frac{\pi}{3} = \cos\left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \cos \frac{2\pi}{3} \quad (\because \cos(\pi - \theta) = -\cos \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{2\pi}{3} \text{ where } y \in [0, \pi]$$

$$\text{Let } \sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = z \Rightarrow \sin z = -\frac{1}{2} = -\sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right) \Rightarrow z = -\frac{\pi}{6} \text{ where } z \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$$

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

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

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

**Ans:**

Let  $\sin^{-1}x = \theta \Rightarrow x = \sin\theta$ , then

We know that  $\sin 3\theta = 3\sin\theta - 4\sin^3\theta$

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

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

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

**Ans:**

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

$$LHS = \tan^{-1}\frac{2}{11} + \tan^{-1}\frac{7}{24} = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{2}{11} + \frac{7}{24}}{1 - \frac{2}{11} \cdot \frac{7}{24}}\right) \quad \left(\because \tan^{-1}x + \tan^{-1}y = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x+y}{1-x.y}\right)\right)$$

$$= \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{48+77}{264}}{1 - \frac{14}{264}}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{125}{264}}{\frac{264-14}{264}}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{125}{264}}{\frac{250}{264}}\right) = \tan^{-1}\frac{125}{250} = \tan^{-1}\frac{1}{2} = RHS$$

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

**Ans:**

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

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

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

$$= \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{4}{3} + \frac{1}{7}}{1 - \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{7}}\right) \quad \left(\because \tan^{-1}x + \tan^{-1}y = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x+y}{1-x.y}\right)\right)$$

$$= \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{28+3}{21}}{1 - \frac{4}{21}}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{31}{21}}{\frac{21}{21}}\right) = \tan^{-1}\frac{31}{17} = RHS$$

10. **Simplify :**  $\tan^{-1}\frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}-1}{x}, x \neq 0$

**Ans:**

Let  $x = \tan\theta$ , then  $\theta = \tan^{-1}x$  ..... (i)

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

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \tan^{-1} \frac{\sec \theta - 1}{\tan \theta} = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\frac{1}{\cos \theta} - 1}{\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \right) \\
&= \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}} \right) \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \because 1 - \cos \theta = 2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \\ \text{and } \sin \theta = 2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \end{array} \right] \\
&= \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}}{\cos \frac{\theta}{2}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} x \quad [\text{using (i)}]
\end{aligned}$$

**11. Simplify :**  $\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}, |x| > 1$

**Ans:**

Let  $x = \sec \theta$ , then  $\theta = \sec^{-1} x$  ..... (i)

$$\begin{aligned}
&\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sec^2 \theta - 1}} = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tan^2 \theta}} \\
&= \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\tan \theta} = \tan^{-1} (\cot \theta) = \tan^{-1} \left( \tan \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \right) \right) \quad \left( \because \tan \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \right) = \cot \theta \right) \\
&= \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta = \frac{\pi}{2} - \sec^{-1} x \quad [\text{using (i)}]
\end{aligned}$$

**12. Simplify :**  $\tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\cos x - \sin x}{\cos x + \sin x} \right), 0 < x < \pi$

**Ans:**

$$\begin{aligned}
&\tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\cos x - \sin x}{\cos x + \sin x} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\frac{\cos x}{\cos x} - \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}}{\frac{\cos x}{\cos x} + \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}} \right) \\
&\quad (\text{inside the bracket divide numerator and denominator by } \cos x) \\
&= \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{1 - \tan x}{1 + \tan x} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \tan \left( \frac{\pi}{4} - x \right) \right) \quad \left( \because \tan \left( \frac{\pi}{4} - x \right) = \frac{1 - \tan x}{1 + \tan x} \right) \\
&= \frac{\pi}{4} - x
\end{aligned}$$

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

**Ans:**

$$\begin{aligned}
&\tan \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sin^{-1} \frac{2x}{1+x^2} + \cos^{-1} \frac{1-y^2}{1+y^2} \right], |x| < 1, y > 0 \text{ and } xy < 1 \\
&\quad \left[ \because 2 \tan^{-1} x = \sin^{-1} \frac{2x}{1+x^2} \text{ and } 2 \tan^{-1} y = \cos^{-1} \frac{1-y^2}{1+y^2} \right] \\
&= \tan \frac{1}{2} \left[ (2 \tan^{-1} x + 2 \tan^{-1} y) \right] = \tan \left[ \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2(\tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y) \right] = \tan(\tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y) \\
&= \tan \left( \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{x+y}{1-xy} \right) \right) \quad \left( \because \tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{x+y}{1-xy} \right) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

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

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

Ans:

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

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\frac{x-1}{x-2} + \frac{x+1}{x+2}}{1 - \left(\frac{x-1}{x-2}\right)\left(\frac{x+1}{x+2}\right)} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} \quad \left( \because \tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{x+y}{1-xy} \right) \right)$$

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

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

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

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

15. Find the value of  $\cos^{-1} \left( \cos \frac{7\pi}{6} \right)$ .

Ans:

$$\cos^{-1} \left( \cos \frac{7\pi}{6} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left( \cos \left( 2\pi - \frac{5\pi}{6} \right) \right) \text{ where, } \frac{5\pi}{6} \in [0, \pi]$$

$$\therefore \cos^{-1} \left( \cos \frac{7\pi}{6} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left( \cos \left( \frac{5\pi}{6} \right) \right) = \frac{5\pi}{6} \quad (\because \cos(2\pi - \theta) = \cos \theta)$$

16. Prove that  $\cos^{-1} \frac{12}{13} + \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = \sin^{-1} \frac{56}{65}$

Ans:

$$\text{Given } \cos^{-1} \frac{12}{13} + \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = \sin^{-1} \frac{56}{65}$$

$$\text{Let } \cos^{-1} \frac{12}{13} = x \Rightarrow \cos x = \frac{12}{13}$$

$$\therefore \sin x = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 x} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{12}{13}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{25}{169}} = \frac{5}{13}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sin^{-1} \frac{5}{13}$$

$$LHS = \cos^{-1} \frac{12}{13} + \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = \sin^{-1} \frac{5}{13} + \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{5}{13} \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2} + \frac{3}{5} \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{5}{13}\right)^2} \right) \quad \left[ \because \sin^{-1} x + \sin^{-1} y = \sin^{-1} \left( x\sqrt{1-y^2} + y\sqrt{1-x^2} \right) \right] \\
&= \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{5}{13} \sqrt{\frac{16}{25}} + \frac{3}{5} \sqrt{\frac{144}{169}} \right) = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{5}{13} \times \frac{4}{5} + \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{12}{13} \right) \\
&= \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{20}{65} + \frac{36}{65} \right) = \sin^{-1} \frac{56}{65} = RHS
\end{aligned}$$

**17. Prove that**  $\tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16} = \sin^{-1} \frac{5}{13} + \cos^{-1} \frac{3}{5}$

**Ans:**

$$RHS = \sin^{-1} \frac{5}{13} + \cos^{-1} \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\text{Let } \sin^{-1} \frac{5}{13} = x \Rightarrow \sin x = \frac{5}{13}$$

$$\therefore \cos x = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 x} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{5}{13}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{144}{169}} = \frac{12}{13}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \frac{\frac{5}{13}}{\frac{12}{13}} = \frac{5}{12} \Rightarrow x = \tan^{-1} \frac{5}{12}$$

$$\text{Let } \cos^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = y \Rightarrow \cos y = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\therefore \sin y = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 y} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{16}{25}} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan y = \frac{\sin y}{\cos y} = \frac{\frac{4}{5}}{\frac{3}{5}} = \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow y = \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3}$$

then the equation becomes  $\tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16} = x + y$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16} = \tan^{-1} \frac{5}{12} + \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3}$$

$$RHS = \tan^{-1} \frac{5}{12} + \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3} = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\frac{5}{12} + \frac{4}{3}}{1 - \frac{5}{12} \cdot \frac{4}{3}} \right) \quad \left( \because \tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{x+y}{1-x.y} \right) \right)$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\frac{15+48}{36}}{1 - \frac{20}{36}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\frac{63}{36}}{\frac{36}{36}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{63}{36} \right) = LHS$$

**18. Prove that**  $\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{5} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{7} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{3} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{8} = \frac{\pi}{4}$

**Ans:**

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

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{7}}{1 - \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{7}} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{8}}{1 - \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{8}} \right) \quad \left( \because \tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{x+y}{1-x.y} \right) \right) \\
&= \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{7+5}{1-\frac{1}{35}} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{8+3}{1-\frac{1}{24}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{12}{\frac{35}{30}} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{11}{\frac{24}{23}} \right) \\
&= \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{12}{34} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{11}{23} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{6}{17} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{11}{23} \right) \\
&= \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\frac{6}{17} + \frac{11}{23}}{1 - \frac{6}{17} \cdot \frac{11}{23}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\frac{138+187}{391}}{1 - \frac{66}{391}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\frac{325}{391}}{\frac{325}{391}} \right) = \tan^{-1}(1) = \frac{\pi}{4} = RHS
\end{aligned}$$

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

**Ans:**

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

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

$= \cot^{-1} \left( \frac{\sqrt{1+\sin x} + \sqrt{1-\sin x}}{\sqrt{1+\sin x} - \sqrt{1-\sin x}} \times \frac{\sqrt{1+\sin x} + \sqrt{1-\sin x}}{\sqrt{1+\sin x} + \sqrt{1-\sin x}} \right)$  (by rationalizing the denominator)

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

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

$= \cot^{-1} \left( \frac{2\cos^2 \frac{x}{2}}{2\sin \frac{x}{2} \cos \frac{x}{2}} \right) \quad \left( \because 1+\cos x = 2\cos^2 \frac{x}{2} \text{ and } \sin x = 2\sin \frac{x}{2} \cos \frac{x}{2} \right)$

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

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

**Ans:**

Let  $x = \cos y \Rightarrow y = \cos^{-1} x$

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

$$\left( \because 1 + \cos y = 2 \cos^2 \frac{y}{2} \text{ and } 1 - \cos y = 2 \sin^2 \frac{y}{2} \right)$$

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

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

**21. Solve for x:**  $\tan^{-1} \frac{1-x}{1+x} = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} x, (x > 0)$

**Ans:**

Given  $\tan^{-1} \frac{1-x}{1+x} = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} x, (x > 0)$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$\left[ \because x > 0 \text{ given, so we do not take } x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

**22. Solve for x:**  $2 \tan^{-1}(\cos x) = \tan^{-1}(2 \cos ecx)$

**Ans:**

Given  $2 \tan^{-1}(\cos x) = \tan^{-1}(2 \cos ecx)$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{2 \cos x}{1 - \cos^2 x} \right) = \tan^{-1}(2 \cos ecx) \quad \left[ \because 2 \tan^{-1} x = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right) \right]$$

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

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



$$\Rightarrow \cot x = 1 \Rightarrow \cot x = \cot \frac{\pi}{4} \Rightarrow x = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

**23. Solve for x:**  $\sin^{-1}(1-x) - 2\sin^{-1}x = \frac{\pi}{2}$

**Ans:**

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

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \cos(2\sin^{-1}x) = 1-x \quad \left[ \because \cos(-x) = \cos x \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - 2\sin^2(\sin^{-1}x) = 1-x \quad \left[ \because \cos 2x = 1 - 2\sin^2 x \right]$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 1 - 2x^2 = 1-x \Rightarrow 2x^2 - x = 0$$

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

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

But  $x = \frac{1}{2}$  does not satisfy the given equation, so  $x = 0$ .

**24. Simplify:**  $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x-y}{x+y}\right)$

**Ans:**

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1}1 = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

**25. Express**  $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\cos x}{1-\sin x}\right)$ ,  $-\frac{\pi}{2} < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$  **in the simplest form.**

**Ans:**

Given  $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\cos x}{1-\sin x}\right)$ ,  $-\frac{\pi}{2} < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$

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

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

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

**26. Simplify :**  $\cot^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}, |x| > 1$

**Ans:**

Let  $x = \sec \theta$ , then  $\theta = \sec^{-1} x$  ..... (i)

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

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

**27. Prove that**  $\sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} - \sin^{-1} \frac{8}{17} = \cos^{-1} \frac{84}{85}$

**Ans:**

Let  $\sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = x$  and  $\sin^{-1} \frac{8}{17} = y$

Therefore  $\sin x = \frac{3}{5}$  and  $\sin y = \frac{8}{17}$

Now,  $\cos x = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 x} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{9}{25}} = \frac{4}{5}$

and  $\cos y = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 y} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{8}{17}\right)^2} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{64}{289}} = \frac{15}{17}$

We have  $\cos(x - y) = \cos x \cos y + \sin x \sin y = \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{15}{17} + \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{8}{17} = \frac{60}{85} + \frac{24}{85} = \frac{84}{85}$

$$\Rightarrow x - y = \cos^{-1} \frac{84}{85}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} - \sin^{-1} \frac{8}{17} = \cos^{-1} \frac{84}{85}$$

**28. Prove that**  $\sin^{-1} \frac{12}{13} + \cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5} + \tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16} = \pi$

**Ans:**

Let  $\sin^{-1} \frac{12}{13} = x$ ,  $\cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5} = y$  and  $\tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16} = z$

Then  $\sin x = \frac{12}{13}$ ,  $\cos y = \frac{4}{5}$  and  $\tan z = \frac{63}{16}$

Now,  $\cos x = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 x} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{12}{13}\right)^2} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{144}{169}} = \frac{5}{13}$

and  $\sin y = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 y} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{16}{25}} = \frac{3}{5}$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \frac{\frac{12}{13}}{\frac{5}{13}} = \frac{12}{5} \quad \text{and} \quad \tan y = \frac{\sin y}{\cos y} = \frac{\frac{3}{5}}{\frac{4}{5}} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\tan(x+y) = \frac{\tan x + \tan y}{1 - \tan x \cdot \tan y} = \frac{\frac{12}{5} + \frac{3}{4}}{1 - \frac{12}{5} \cdot \frac{3}{4}} = \frac{\frac{48+15}{20}}{1 - \frac{36}{20}} = \frac{\frac{63}{20}}{-\frac{16}{20}} = -\frac{63}{16} = -\tan z$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan(x+y) = -\tan z = \tan(-z) = \tan(\pi - z)$$

$$\Rightarrow x+y = \pi - z$$

$$\Rightarrow x+y+z = \pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^{-1} \frac{12}{13} + \cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5} + \tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16} = \pi$$

**29. Simplify:**  $\tan^{-1} \left( \frac{a \cos x - b \sin x}{b \cos x + a \sin x} \right)$ , if  $\frac{a}{b} \tan x > -1$

**Ans:**

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

**30. Solve:**  $\tan^{-1} 2x + \tan^{-1} 3x = \frac{\pi}{4}$

**Ans:**

$$\text{Given } \tan^{-1} 2x + \tan^{-1} 3x = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{2x+3x}{1-2x \cdot 3x} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} \quad \left( \because \tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{x+y}{1-xy} \right) \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{5x}{1-6x^2} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{5x}{1-6x^2} = \tan \frac{\pi}{4} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x^2 + 5x - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow (6x-1)(x+1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{6} \quad \text{or} \quad x = -1$$

Since  $x = -1$  does not satisfy the equation, as the L.H.S. of the equation becomes negative,

$x = \frac{1}{6}$  is the only solution of the given equation.

