

# Trigonometry

## Single Correct Answer Type

1.  $\sec h^{-1}(\sin \theta) =$

A)  $\log \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$

B)  $\log \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$

C)  $\log \cos \frac{\theta}{2}$

D)  $\log \cot \frac{\theta}{2}$

Key. 4

Sol. 
$$\begin{aligned}\log_e \left[ \frac{1 + \sqrt{\cos^2 \theta}}{\sin \theta} \right] \\ = \log_e \cot \theta / 2\end{aligned}$$

2. The value of the expression  $\operatorname{sech}^2(\operatorname{Tanh}^{-1}(1/2)) + \operatorname{cosech}^2(\operatorname{coth}^{-1} 3)$  is

A)  $\frac{35}{9}$

B)  $\frac{43}{4}$

C)  $\frac{35}{4}$

D)  $\frac{43}{9}$

Key. 3

Sol. Conceptual

3. If  $x = \log \left[ \cot \left( \frac{\pi}{4} + \theta \right) \right]$  then  $\sinh x =$

1)  $\tan 2\theta$

2)  $\cot 2\theta$

3)  $-\tan 2\theta$

4)  $-\cot 2\theta$

Key. 3

Sol.  $x = \log [\cot(\pi/4 + \theta)]$

$$= \log \left[ \frac{\cos \theta - \sin \theta}{\cos \theta + \sin \theta} \right] \Rightarrow e^x = \frac{\cos \theta - \sin \theta}{\cos \theta + \sin \theta}$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{-4 \cos \theta \sin \theta}{\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta} \right] = \frac{-\sin 2\theta}{\cos 2\theta} = -\tan 2\theta$$

4. If  $\operatorname{Sinh}^{-1} 2x = 2 \operatorname{Cosh}^{-1} y$ , then

1)  $x^2 + y^2 = x^4$

2)  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$

3)  $x^2 + y^2 = y^4$

4)  $x^2 = y^2$

Key. 3

Sol.  $\operatorname{sinh}^{-1} 2x = 2 \operatorname{cosh}^{-1} y$

$$2x = \operatorname{sinh}(2 \operatorname{cosh}^{-1} y) = 2 \operatorname{sinh}(\operatorname{cosh}^{-1} y) \operatorname{cosh}(\operatorname{cosh}^{-1} y)$$

$$= 2 \operatorname{sinh}(\operatorname{sinh}^{-1}(\sqrt{y^2 - 1} \times y))$$

$$2x = 2y\sqrt{y^2 - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = y^4$$

5. AB is a vertical pole with B at the ground level and A at the top. A man finds that the angle of elevation of the point A from a certain point C on the ground is  $60^\circ$ . He moves away from the pole along the line BC to a point D such that CD = 7 m. From D the angle of elevation of the point A is  $45^\circ$ . Then the height of the pole is

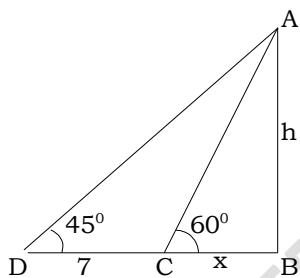
1)  $\frac{7\sqrt{3}}{2}(\sqrt{3}+1)m$     2)  $\frac{7\sqrt{3}}{2}(\sqrt{3}-1)m$     3)  $\frac{7\sqrt{3}}{2}\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+1}m$     4)  $\frac{7\sqrt{3}}{2}\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}-1}m$

Key. 1

Sol.  $x = h \cot 60^\circ = h / \sqrt{3}$

$$x + 7 = h \cot 45^\circ \Rightarrow h = h - h / \sqrt{3} = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow h = \frac{7\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}-1}$$

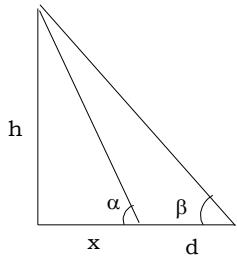


6. The angle of elevation of an object from a point P on the level ground is  $\alpha$ . Moving d metres on the ground towards the object, the angle of elevation is found to be  $\beta$ . Then the height (in metres) of the object is

1) $d \tan \alpha$	2) $d \cot \beta$
3) $\frac{d}{\cot \alpha + \cot \beta}$	4) $\frac{d}{\cot \alpha - \cot \beta}$

Key. 4

Sol.  $\tan \alpha = \frac{h}{x+d}$   
 $\Rightarrow x+d = h \cot \alpha$   
 $\tan \beta = \frac{h}{x} \Rightarrow x = h \cot \beta$   
 $x+d-x = h[\cot \alpha - \cot \beta]$   
 $h = \frac{d}{\cot \alpha - \cot \beta}$



7. The angle of elevation of a cloud from a point  $h$  m above the surface of a lake is  $\theta$  and the angle of depression of its reflection in the lake is  $\varphi$ . The height of the cloud is

$$1) \frac{h \sin(\varphi + \theta)}{\sin(\varphi - \theta)} \quad 2) \frac{h \sin(\varphi - \theta)}{\sin(\varphi + \theta)} \quad 3) \frac{h \sin(\theta + \varphi)}{\sin(\theta - \varphi)} \quad 4) \frac{h \sin(\theta - \varphi)}{\sin(\theta + \varphi)}$$

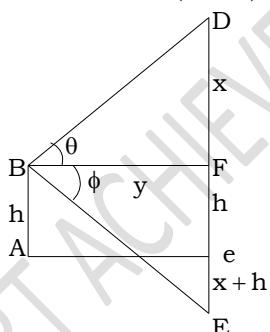
Key. 1

$$\text{Sol. } \tan\theta = \frac{x}{y}$$

$$\tan\phi = \frac{2h + x}{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{2h}{\cot \theta \cdot \tan \phi - 1}$$

$$CD = h + x = \frac{h \sin(\phi + \theta)}{\sin(\phi - \theta)}$$



8. If  $\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{y}{2}\right) = \tan^3\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{x}{2}\right)$ , then  $\sin x\left(\frac{3 + \sin^2 x}{1 + 3\sin^2 x}\right)$  equals

(A)  $\cos y$   
 (C)  $\sin 2y$

(B)  $\sin y$   
(D) 0

Key. B

$$\text{Sol. } \frac{1 + \tan \frac{y}{2}}{1 - \tan \frac{y}{2}} = \left( \frac{1 + \tan \frac{x}{2}}{1 - \tan \frac{x}{2}} \right)^3$$

Square both sides, we get

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

Using componendo and dividendo

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

9. If  $x = \sin \frac{2\pi}{7} + \sin \frac{4\pi}{7} + \sin \frac{8\pi}{7}$  and  $y = \cos \frac{2\pi}{7} + \cos \frac{4\pi}{7} + \cos \frac{8\pi}{7}$  then  $x^2 + y^2 =$

A. 1

B. 2

C. 3

D. 4

KEY. B

SOL.  $x^2 + y^2 = 3 + 2 \left( \cos \frac{2\pi}{7} + \cos \frac{4\pi}{7} + \cos \frac{6\pi}{7} \right) = 2$

10. If  $0 < A < B < \pi$ ,  $\sin A - \sin B = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ ,  $\cos A - \cos B = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$  then  $A+B=$

A.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

B.  $\frac{5\pi}{6}$

C.  $\pi$

D.  $\frac{4\pi}{3}$

KEY. D

SOL.  $(\sin A - \sin B)^2 + (\cos A - \cos B)^2 = 2 \Rightarrow B = A + \frac{\pi}{2}$  and  $A = \frac{5\pi}{12}$

11.  $\cot \frac{7\pi}{6} + 2 \cot \frac{3\pi}{8} + \cot \frac{15\pi}{16} =$

A. -4

B. 4

C. 1

D. 0

KEY. A

SOL.  $\tan \frac{\pi}{16} - \cot \frac{\pi}{16} + 2 \cot \left( \frac{3\pi}{8} \right) = -2 \cot \frac{\pi}{8} + 2 \tan \frac{\pi}{6} = -4$

12.  $\tan \frac{4\pi}{5} - \tan \frac{2\pi}{15} + \sqrt{3} \tan \frac{4\pi}{5} \tan \frac{2\pi}{15} =$

A.  $\sqrt{3}$

B.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

C.  $-\sqrt{3}$

D.  $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

KEY. C

SOL.  $\tan A - \tan B - \tan A \tan B \tan(A-B) = \tan(A-B)$

13. If  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$  are in A.P. Whose common difference is  $\alpha$ , then the value of

- $$\sin \alpha [\sec x_1 \sec x_2 + \sec x_2 \sec x_3 + \dots + \sec x_{n-1} \sec x_n] =$$
- A.  $\frac{\sin n\alpha}{\cos x_n \cos x_1}$       B.  $\frac{\sin(n-1)\alpha}{\cos x_n \cos x_1}$       C.  $\frac{\sin(n+1)\alpha}{\cos x_n \cos x_1}$       D.  $\frac{\cos(n-1)\alpha}{\cos x_n \cos x_1}$

KEY. B

$$\text{SOL. } = \frac{\sin(x_2 - x_1)}{\cos x_1 \cos x_2} + \frac{\sin(x_3 - x_2)}{\cos x_2 \cos x_3} + \dots + \frac{\sin(x_n - x_{n-1})}{\cos x_{n-1} \cos x_n}$$

$$= \tan x_2 - \tan x_1 + \tan x_3 - \tan x_2 + \dots + \tan x_n - \tan x_{n-1}$$

$$= \tan x_n - \tan x_1 = \frac{\sin(x_n - x_1)}{\cos x_n \cos x_1} = \frac{\sin(n-1)\alpha}{\cos x_n \cos x_1}$$

14. If  $a \sin^2 x + b \cos^2 x = c, b \sin^2 y + a \cos^2 y = d$  and  $a \tan x = b \tan y$  then  $\frac{a^2}{b^2} =$

- A.  $\frac{(a-d)(c-a)}{(b-c)(d-b)}$       B.  $\frac{(a+d)(c+a)}{(b+c)(d+b)}$       C.  $\frac{(a-d)(b-a)}{(a-c)(c-b)}$       D.  $\frac{(d-a)(c-a)}{(b-c)(d-b)}$

KEY. A

$$\text{SOL. } a \tan^2 x + b = c(1 + \tan^2 x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^2 x = \left( \frac{c-b}{a-c} \right), \tan^2 y = \left( \frac{d-a}{b-d} \right)$$

$$\frac{a^2}{b^2} = \frac{\tan^2 y}{\tan^2 x} = \frac{(a-d)(c-a)}{(b-c)(d-b)}$$

15. If  $\cos^3 x \sin 2x = \sum_{r=0}^n a_r \sin(rx), \forall x \in R$  then

- A.  $n=5, a_1 = \frac{1}{2}$       B.  $n=5, a_1 = \frac{1}{4}$       C.  $n=5, a_2 = \frac{1}{8}$       D.  $n=5, a_2 = \frac{1}{4}$

KEY. B

$$\text{SOL. } \cos^3 x \sin 2x = \cos^2 x \cdot \cos x \sin 2x$$

$$= \left( \frac{1-\cos 2x}{2} \right) \left( \frac{2 \sin 2x \cos x}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{4} (1-\cos 2x)(\sin 3x + \sin x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} [\sin 3x + \sin x - \frac{1}{2}(2 \sin 3x \cos 2x) - \frac{1}{2}(2 \cos 2x \sin x)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} [\sin 3x + \sin x - \frac{1}{2}(\sin 5x + \sin x) - \frac{1}{2}(\sin 3x - \sin x)] = \frac{1}{4} [\sin x + \frac{1}{2} \sin 3x - \frac{1}{2} \sin 5x]$$

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{4}; a_3 = \frac{1}{8}; n = 5$$

16. If,  $\cos \theta = \frac{a \cos \phi + b}{a + b \cos \phi}$  then  $\tan \theta / 2$  is equal to

A.  $\sqrt{\left(\frac{a-b}{a+b}\right)} \tan(\phi/2)$       B.  $\sqrt{\left(\frac{a+b}{a-b}\right)} \cos(\phi/2)$       C.  $\sqrt{\left(\frac{a-b}{a+b}\right)} \sin(\phi/2)$       D. none of these

Key. A

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

$$= \sqrt{\frac{1 - \left(\frac{a \cos \phi + b}{a + b \cos \phi}\right)}{1 + \left(\frac{a \cos \phi + b}{a + b \cos \phi}\right)}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{(a-b)(1-\cos \phi)}{(a+b)(1+\cos \phi)}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{(a-b)}{(a+b)}} \tan(\phi/2)$$

17. If in a triangle ABC,  $\cos 3A + \cos 3B + \cos 3C = 1$ , then one angle must be exactly equal to

A.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$       B.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$       C.  $\pi$       D.  $\frac{\pi}{6}$

Key. B

Sol.  $\therefore \cos 3A + \cos 3B + \cos 3C = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 3A + \cos 3B + \cos 3C - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 3A + \cos 3B + \cos 3C + \cos 3\pi = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos\left(\frac{3A+3B}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3A-3B}{2}\right) + 2 \cos\left(\frac{3\pi+3C}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3\pi-3C}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos\left(\frac{3\pi-3C}{2}\right) \left\{ \cos\left(\frac{3A-3B}{2}\right) + \cos\left(\frac{3\pi+3C}{2}\right) \right\} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - \frac{3C}{2}\right) 2 \cos\left(\frac{3\pi+3C+3A-3B}{4}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{3\pi+3C-3A+3B}{4}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - \frac{3C}{2}\right)2\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - \frac{3B}{2}\right).\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - \frac{3A}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -4\sin\left(\frac{3A}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{3B}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{3C}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\left(\frac{3A}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{3B}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{3C}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{3A}{2} = \pi \text{ or } \frac{3B}{2} = \pi \text{ or } \frac{3C}{2} = \pi$$

$$\therefore A = \frac{2\pi}{3} \text{ or } B = \frac{2\pi}{3} \text{ or } C = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

18. The value of  $\sum_{r=0}^{10} \cos^3 \frac{\pi r}{3}$  is equal to

(A)  $\frac{-9}{2}$

(B)  $\frac{-7}{2}$

(C)  $\frac{-9}{8}$

(D)  $\frac{-1}{8}$

Key. D

Sol.  $I = \sum_{r=0}^{10} \frac{1}{4} \left( \cos 3 \frac{\pi r}{3} + 3 \cos \frac{\pi r}{3} \right)$

$$= \sum_{r=0}^{10} \frac{1}{4} \left( \cos \pi r + 3 \cos \frac{\pi r}{3} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} (I_1 + I_2)$$

$$\therefore I_1 = \sum_{r=0}^{10} \cos \pi r = 1 - 1 + 1 - 1 + \dots - 1 + 1 = 1$$

$$I_2 = 3 \sum_{r=0}^{10} \cos \frac{\pi r}{3} = \frac{3 \cos \left( \frac{10\pi}{3} \right) \sin \frac{11\pi}{3}}{\sin \frac{\pi}{6}} = -\frac{1 \times 3}{2} = -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \frac{1}{4} \left( 1 - \frac{3}{2} \right) = -\frac{1}{8}$$

19. The number of distinct real roots of the equation  $\tan x = mx, m > 1$  in the interval  $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

is

A) 1

B) 2

C) 3

D) 0

Key. C

Sol. Conceptual

20. Let  $P(x_1, y_1)$  and  $Q(x_2, y_2)$  be two points in the XY-Plane whose co-ordinates satisfy the equation  $\cot^2(x+y) + \tan^2(x+y) + y^2 + 2y - 1 = 0$ . The minimum distance between P and Q is

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

Key. B

Sol.  $[\cot(x+y) - \tan(x+y)]^2 + (y+1)^2 = 0$   
 $\therefore \tan^2(x+y) = 1$  and  $y = -1$

21. If  $\alpha$  is the angle which each side of a regular polygon of n sides subtends at its centre then  $1 + \cos \alpha + \cos 2\alpha + \cos 3\alpha + \dots + \cos(n-1)\alpha$  is equal to

(a) n      (b) 0      (c) 1      (d)  $n-1$

Key. B

Sol.  $\cos \alpha + \cos(\alpha + \beta) + \dots + \cos(\alpha + (n-1)\beta) = \frac{\sin \frac{nB}{2}}{\sin \frac{B}{2}} \sin \left( \alpha + \frac{(n-1)\beta}{2} \right)$

22. If  $\angle C = 90^\circ$  in  $\triangle ABC$ , then  $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{a}{b+c}\right) + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{b}{c+a}\right)$  is equal to

a)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$       b)  $\frac{\pi}{4}$       c)  $\frac{\pi}{3}$       d)  $\pi$

Ans. b

Sol.  $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{c+a}}{1 - \frac{a}{b+c} \cdot \frac{b}{c+a}}\right)$  as  $\frac{ab}{(b+c)(c+a)} < 1$

But in right angled  $\triangle ABC$

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

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

23. In a  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{\Delta}$  is always

a)  $\geq 6\sqrt{3}$       b)  $\geq 4\sqrt{3}$       c)  $\geq 8\sqrt{3}$       d)  $\geq 12\sqrt{3}$

Ans. b

Sol.  $\frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{\Delta} \geq 4\sqrt{3}$  : use the fact that  $\Delta \leq \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{12\sqrt{3}}$

24. In triangle ABC, the value of the expression  $\sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r a^r b^{n-r} \cos(rB - (n-r)A)$  is equal to  
 a)  $C^n$       b) Zero      c)  $a^n$       d)  $b^n$

Ans. a

Sol. It is the expansion of  $(a \cos B + b \cos A)^n = C^n$ 

25. Total number of solution of  $2^{\cos x} = |\sin x|$  in  $[-2\pi, 5\pi]$  is equal to  
 a) 12      b) 14      c) 16      d) 15

Ans. b

Sol. Draw the graphs of both. Total intersection points are 14.

26. If  $2\sec 2\alpha = \tan \beta + \cot \beta$ , then one positive value of  $\alpha + \beta$  is

- a)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$       b)  $\frac{\pi}{4}$       c)  $\frac{\pi}{3}$       d) 0

Ans. b

$$\text{Sol. } 2\sec 2\alpha = \left( \frac{1}{\sin \beta \cos \beta} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\alpha = \frac{\pi}{2} - 2\beta \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

27. If in a triangle  $\frac{s-a}{11} = \frac{s-b}{12} = \frac{s-c}{13}$  and  $\lambda \tan^2(A/2) = 455$ , then  $\lambda$  must be

- a) 1155      b) 1551      c) 5511      d) 1515

Ans. a

$$\text{Sol. } \frac{s-a}{11} = \frac{s-b}{12} = \frac{s-c}{13} = \frac{s}{36} \text{ calculate } \tan^2(A/2) = \frac{13}{33}$$

$$\lambda = 1155$$

28. The value of  $\sin^3 10^\circ + \sin^3 50^\circ - \sin^3 70^\circ$  is equal to

- a)  $-\frac{3}{2}$       b)  $\frac{3}{4}$       c)  $-\frac{3}{4}$       d)  $-\frac{3}{8}$

Ans. d

Sol. We have  $\sin^3 10^\circ + \sin^3 50^\circ - \sin^3 70^\circ$ 

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{4} \left[ (3\sin 10^\circ - \sin 30^\circ) + (3\sin 50^\circ - \sin 150^\circ) - (3\sin 70^\circ - \sin 120^\circ) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[ 3(\sin 10^\circ + \sin 50^\circ - \sin 70^\circ) - \frac{3}{2} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[ 3(\sin 10^\circ - 2\cos 60^\circ \cdot \sin 10^\circ) - \frac{3}{2} \right] = -\frac{3}{8} \end{aligned}$$

29. If  $\tan(\alpha - \beta) = \frac{\sin 2\beta}{3 - \cos 2\beta}$ , then  
 a)  $\tan \alpha = 2 \tan \beta$       b)  $\tan \beta = 2 \tan \alpha$       c)  $2 \tan \alpha = 3 \tan \beta$       d)  $3 \tan \alpha = 2 \tan \beta$

Ans. a

Sol. We have  $\frac{\sin 2\beta}{3 - \cos 2\beta} = \frac{2 \sin \beta \cdot \cos \beta}{2 - 2 \cos 2\beta + 1 + \cos 2\beta}$   
 $= \frac{2 \sin \beta \cdot \cos \beta}{4 \sin^2 \beta + 2 \cos^2 \beta} = \frac{\tan \beta}{1 + 2 \tan^2 \beta} = \frac{2 \tan \beta - \tan \beta}{1 + 2 \tan^2 \beta}$   
 $= \tan(\alpha - \beta) = \frac{\tan \alpha - \tan \beta}{1 + \tan \alpha \cdot \tan \beta} = \frac{2 \tan \beta - \tan \beta}{1 + 2 \tan^2 \beta}$   
 $\therefore \tan \alpha = 2 \tan \beta$

30. In a triangle ABC, if angle C is obtuse and angles A and B are given by roots of the equation  $\tan^2 x + p \tan x + q = 0$ , then the value of q is  
 a) greater than 1      b) less than 1      c) equal to 1      d) 0

Ans. b

Sol. We have  $A + B = \pi - C$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \tan(A + B) = -\tan C \\ &= \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \cdot \tan B} > 0 \quad [\because \tan A > 0, \tan B > 0, \tan C < 0] \\ &= \tan A \cdot \tan B < 1 \Rightarrow q < 1 \end{aligned}$$

31. If  $2\sin x - \cos 2x = 1$ , then  $\cos^2 x + \cos^4 x$  is equal to  
 a) 1      b) -1      c)  $-\sqrt{5}$       d)  $\sqrt{5}$

Ans. a

Sol. Given  $2 \sin x + 2 \sin^2 x - 1 = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Or, } \sin^2 x + \sin x - 1 = 0 \\ &\therefore \sin x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1+4}}{2} = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \\ &\Rightarrow \sin^2 x = \frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \Rightarrow \cos^2 x = \frac{\sqrt{5} - 1}{2} \\ &\therefore \cos^2 x (1 + \cos^2 x) = \frac{\sqrt{5} - 1}{2} \times \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{2} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

32. If ABCD is a cyclic quadrilateral such that  $13\cos A + 12 = 0$  and  $3\tan B - 4 = 0$ , then the quadratic equation whose roots are  $\tan C$  and  $\cos D$  is  
 a)  $15x^2 + 60x - 11 = 0$       b)  $60x^2 + 11x - 15 = 0$   
 c)  $11x^2 + 60x - 15 = 0$       d) none of these

Ans. b

Sol. In a cyclic quadrilateral, no angle is greater than  $180^\circ$

$$\text{Here } \cos A = -\frac{12}{13} \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2} < A < \pi \text{ and } 0 < C < \pi/2 \quad (\text{since } A + C = 180^\circ)$$

$$\therefore \tan A = -\frac{5}{12} \Rightarrow \tan C = \frac{5}{12}$$

Also  $\tan B = \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow 0 < B < \frac{\pi}{2}$  and  $\frac{\pi}{2} < D < \pi$  (since  $B + D = 180^\circ$ )

$$\therefore \cos B = \frac{3}{5} \Rightarrow \cos D = -\frac{3}{5}$$

Now, the required equation is

$$x^2 - \left( \frac{5}{12} - \frac{3}{5} \right)x + \left( \frac{5}{12} \right) \left( -\frac{3}{5} \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 60x^2 + 11x - 15 = 0$$

33. If A, B, C are the angles of a triangle such that  $\cot \frac{A}{2} = 3 \tan \frac{C}{2}$ , then sinA, sinB, sinC are in  
 a) A.P      b) G.P      c) H.P      d) none of these

Ans. a

Sol. Given  $\cot \frac{A}{2} \cdot \cot \frac{C}{2} = 3$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \frac{\cos \frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{C}{2}}{\sin \frac{A}{2} \cdot \sin \frac{C}{2}} = 3 \Rightarrow \frac{\cos \frac{A-C}{2}}{\cos \frac{A+C}{2}} = 2 \quad (\text{using componendo and dividendo}) \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{2 \sin \frac{A+C}{2} \cos \frac{A-C}{2}}{2 \sin \frac{A+C}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{A+C}{2}} = 2 \\ &= 2 \sin B = \sin A + \sin C \end{aligned}$$

34. If  $\frac{2 \tan \alpha}{1 + \sec \alpha + \tan \alpha} = \lambda$ , then  $\frac{2 \tan \alpha / 2}{1 + \tan \alpha / 2}$  is equal to  
 a)  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$       b)  $\lambda$       c)  $1 - \lambda$       d)  $1 + \lambda$

Ans. b

Sol. We have  $\frac{2 \tan \alpha}{1 + \sec \alpha + \tan \alpha} = \frac{2 \sin \alpha}{1 + \cos \alpha + \sin \alpha}$   
 $= 2 \frac{2 \tan \alpha / 2}{(1 + \tan^2 \alpha / 2) + (1 - \tan^2 \alpha / 2) + 2 \tan \alpha / 2} = \frac{2 \tan \alpha / 2}{1 + \tan \alpha / 2}$

35. In  $\triangle ABC$ , if  $b^2 + c^2 = 2a^2$ , then the value of  $\frac{\cot A}{\cot B + \cot C}$  is  
 a)  $1/2$       b)  $3/2$       c)  $5/2$       d)  $5/3$

Ans. a

$$\text{Sol. } \frac{\cot A}{\cot B + \cot C} = \frac{\frac{R(b^2 + c^2 - a^2)}{abc}}{\frac{R(a^2 + c^2 - b^2)}{abc} + \frac{R(a^2 + b^2 - c^2)}{abc}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

36. If  $0 \leq A, B, C \leq \pi$  and  $A + B + C = \pi$ , then the minimum value of  $\sin 3A + \sin 3B + \sin 3C$  is

a) -2      b)  $-\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$       c) 0      d) none of these

Ans. a

Sol. Since  $A + B + C = \pi$   
 $\Rightarrow$  all of  $\sin 3A, \sin 3B, \sin 3C$  can't be negative  
Let us take  $\sin 3A = -1 \Rightarrow A = \pi/2$   
 $\Rightarrow \sin 3A = -1, \sin 3B = -1$  and  $\sin 3C = 0$

So minimum value is -2.

Let  $\theta \in (0, \pi/4)$  and  $t_1 = (\tan \theta)^{\tan \theta}$ ,

$$t_2 = (\tan \theta)^{\cot \theta}, t_3 = (\cot \theta)^{\tan \theta}, t_4 = (\cot \theta)^{\cot \theta} \text{ then}$$

- a)  $t_1 > t_2 > t_3 > t_4$       b)  $t_4 > t_3 > t_1 > t_2$   
c)  $t_3 > t_1 > t_2 > t_4$       d)  $t_2 > t_3 > t_1 > t_4$

Key. B

$$\text{Sol. } \theta \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

therefore,  $\tan \theta < \cot \theta$

since  $\tan \theta < 1 & \cot \theta > 1$

therefore,  $(\tan \theta)^{\cot \theta} < 1$  and  $(\cot \theta)^{\tan \theta} > 1$

therefore,  $t_4 > t_1$

37. If  $\theta = \frac{2\pi}{7}$  then the value of  $\tan \theta \tan 2\theta + \tan 2\theta \tan 4\theta + \tan 4\theta \tan \theta$  is

- a) -1      b) 0      c)  $\frac{1}{8}$       d) -7

Key. D

$$\text{Sol. } 7\theta = 2\pi$$

$$\theta + 2\theta + 4\theta = 2\pi$$

$$\cos(\theta + 2\theta + 4\theta) = 1$$

Expanding and dividing with  $\cos \theta \cos 2\theta \cos 4\theta$  we have

$$\tan \theta \tan 2\theta + \tan 2\theta \tan 4\theta + \tan 4\theta \tan \theta = 1 - \frac{1}{\cos \theta \cos 2\theta \cos 4\theta} = 1 - \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)} = -7$$

$$\left( \because \cos \theta \cos 2\theta \cos 4\theta = \frac{\sin 8\theta}{8 \sin \theta} = \frac{1}{8} \right)$$

38. If  $k_1 = \tan 27\theta - \tan \theta$  and  $k_2 = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos 3\theta} + \frac{\sin 3\theta}{\cos 9\theta} + \frac{\sin 9\theta}{\cos 27\theta}$  then  
 a)  $k_1 = 2k_2$       b)  $k_1 = k_2$       c)  $k_1 = -k_2$       d)  $2k_1 = k_2$

Key. A

$$\text{Sol. } \tan 3\theta - \tan \theta = \frac{\sin 2\theta}{\cos 3\theta \cos \theta} = \frac{2 \sin \theta}{\cos 3\theta} \quad (1)$$

$$\tan 9\theta - \tan 3\theta = \frac{2 \sin 3\theta}{\cos 9\theta} \quad (2)$$

$$\tan 27\theta - \tan 9\theta = \frac{2 \sin 9\theta}{\cos 27\theta} \quad (3)$$

Adding (1), (2), (3)  $k_1 = 2k_2$

39. If  $\frac{\cos x}{a} = \frac{\cos(x+\theta)}{b} = \frac{\cos(x+2\theta)}{c} = \frac{\cos(x+3\theta)}{d}$  then  $\frac{a+c}{b+d}$  is equal to

- a)  $\frac{a}{d}$       b)  $\frac{c}{b}$   
 c)  $\frac{b}{c}$       d)  $\frac{d}{a}$

Key. C

Sol. For each of the ratio be k

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a+c}{b+d} &= \frac{k \cos x + k \cos(x+2\theta)}{k \cos(x+\theta) + k \cos(x+3\theta)} = \frac{2 \cos(x+\theta) \cos \theta}{2 \cos(x+2\theta) \cos \theta} \\ &= \frac{\cos(x+\theta)}{\cos(x+2\theta)} = \frac{k \cos(x+\theta)}{k \cos(x+2\theta)} = \frac{b}{c} \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow (c)$  is correct.

40. If  $\cos \alpha = \frac{2 \cos \beta - 1}{2 - \cos \beta}$  ( $0 < \alpha, \beta < \pi$ ), then  $\frac{\tan \frac{\alpha}{2}}{\tan \frac{\beta}{2}}$  is equal to

- a) 1      b)  $\sqrt{2}$   
 c)  $\sqrt{3}$       d)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

Key. C

Sol. Take  $\beta = 120^\circ$ , then

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{2 \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right) - 1}{2 - \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right)} = \frac{2}{5/2} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\cos \alpha = -\frac{4}{5} \Rightarrow \tan \alpha = \frac{3}{4}$$

If  $\tan \alpha = -\frac{3}{4}$ , then we get  $\frac{\tan \alpha / 2}{\tan \beta / 2} = \sqrt{3}$  and  $\tan \frac{\alpha}{2} = 3$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{4} = \frac{2 \tan \frac{\alpha}{2}}{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\alpha}{2}} \Rightarrow \tan \frac{\alpha}{2} = 3 \Rightarrow \frac{\tan \frac{\alpha}{2}}{\tan \frac{\beta}{2}} = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} = \sqrt{3}$$



Key. C

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\cos 16 \cos 44}{\sin 16 \cdot \sin 44} - 1 + \frac{\cos 44 \cdot \cos 76}{\sin 44 \cdot \sin 76} - 1 - \frac{\cos 76 \cos 16}{\sin 76 \cdot \sin 16} - 1 + 3 \\ &= \frac{\cos 60}{\sin 16 \cdot \sin 44} + \frac{\cos 120}{\sin 44 \cdot \sin 76} - \frac{\cos 60}{\sin 76 \cdot \sin 16} + 3 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\sin 76 - \sin 16}{\sin 16 \cdot \sin 44 \cdot \sin 76} \right) - \frac{1}{2 \sin 76 \cdot \sin 16} + 3 = 3. \end{aligned}$$

37. The value of  $x$  which satisfies equation  $2\tan^{-1} 2x = \sin^{-1} \frac{4x}{1+4x^2}$  is

a)  $\left[\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$       b)  $\left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2}\right]$     c)  $[-1, 1]$       d)  $\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right]$

Ans. d

$$\text{Sol.} \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq 2\tan^{-1} 2x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

- a) 1      b) 2      c) 0      d) infinite

Ans. b

Sol. Let  $\tan^{-1} x = \theta$ ,  $\theta \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

$$3\theta + \cos^{-1}(\cos 3\theta) = 0$$

$$\cos^{-1}(\cos 3\theta) = -3\theta \Rightarrow -\pi \leq 3\theta \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{\pi}{3} \leq \theta \leq 0$$

$\Rightarrow x \in [-\sqrt{3}, 0]$ , so number of integral solutions is 2.

39. In a triangle ABC, with  $A = \frac{\pi}{7}$ ,  $B = \frac{2\pi}{7}$ ,  $C = \frac{4\pi}{7}$ , then  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$  is (R = circumradius of  $\triangle ABC$ )

a)

$$\text{Ans. } c = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2} = \sqrt{4P^2(\sin^2 A + \sin^2 B + \sin^2 C)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 2R^2(1 - \cos 2A + 1 - \cos 2B + 1 - \cos 2C) = 2R^2 \left[ 3 - \left( \cos \frac{2\pi}{7} + \cos \frac{4\pi}{7} + \cos \frac{8\pi}{7} \right) \right] \\
&= 2R^2 \left[ 3 - \left( \cos \frac{2\pi}{7} + \cos \frac{4\pi}{7} + \cos \frac{6\pi}{7} \right) \right] \\
&= 2R^2 \left[ 3 - \left( 2 \sin \frac{\pi}{7} \cdot \cos \frac{2\pi}{7} + 2 \sin \frac{\pi}{7} \cdot \cos \frac{4\pi}{7} + 2 \sin \frac{\pi}{7} \cdot \cos \frac{6\pi}{7} \right) \frac{1}{2 \sin \frac{\pi}{7}} \right] \\
&= 2R^2 \left[ 3 - \frac{1}{2 \sin \frac{\pi}{7}} \left( \sin \frac{3\pi}{7} - \sin \frac{\pi}{7} + \sin \frac{5\pi}{7} - \sin \frac{3\pi}{7} + \sin \frac{7\pi}{7} - \sin \frac{5\pi}{7} \right) \right] \\
&= 2R^2 \left[ 3 + \frac{1}{2} \right] = 7R^2
\end{aligned}$$

40. For which value of  $x$ ,  $\sin(\cot^{-1}(x+1)) = \cos(\tan^{-1} x)$

a)  $\frac{1}{2}$       b) 0      c) 1      d)  $-\frac{1}{2}$

Ans. d

Sol.

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

41. If the equation  $x^2 + 12 + 3 \sin(a + bx) + 6x = 0$  has atleast one real solution where  $a, b \in [0, 2\pi]$ , then value of  $\cos\theta$  where  $\theta$  is least positive value of  $a + bx$  is

a)  $\pi$       b)  $2\pi$       c) 0      d)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$

Ans. c

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned}
(x+3)^2 + 3 + 3 \sin(a + bx) &= 0 \\
x = -3, \sin(a + bx) &= -1 \\
\Rightarrow \sin(a - 3b) &= -1
\end{aligned}$$

$$a - 3b = (4n-1)\frac{\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$n = 1$$

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

$$\cos(a - 3b) = 0$$

42. In any  $\Delta ABC$ , which is not right angled,  $\sum \cos A \operatorname{cosec} B \operatorname{cosec} C$  is  
 a) constant      b) less than 1      c) greater than 2      d) none of these

Ans. a

$$\text{Sol. } \sum \frac{\cos A}{\sin B \sin C} = \frac{-\sum \cos(B+C)}{\sin B \sin C} = \sum (1 - \cot B \cot C) = 3 - \sum \cot A \cot B = 2$$

43. Range of  $f(x) = \sin^6 x + \cos^6 x$  is

(A)  $[0, 1]$       (B)  $[0, \sqrt{2}]$   
 (C)  $\left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{3}{4} \right]$       (D)  $\left[ \frac{1}{4}, 1 \right]$

**Key.** D

$$\text{Sol. } f(x) = (\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x)^3 - 3\sin^2 x \cos^2 x (\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x) = 1 - \frac{3}{4} \sin^2 2x$$

Range of  $\sin^2 2x$  is [0,1]

Range of  $f(x)$  is  $\left[ \frac{1}{4}, 1 \right]$ .

**Note:** Certain questions are better done by avoiding derivatives. Derivatives is one of the tools to determine extrema.

44. The maximum value of  $4\sin^2 x + 3\cos^2 x + \sin \frac{x}{2} + \cos \frac{x}{2}$  is

a)  $4 + \sqrt{2}$       b)  $3 + \sqrt{2}$       c) 9      d) 4

## Key. A

**Sol.** Maximum value of  $4\sin^2 x + 3\cos^2 x$  i.e.,  $\sin^2 x + 3$  is 4 and that of  $\sin \frac{x}{2} + \cos \frac{x}{2}$  is

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2}$ , both attained at  $x = \pi/2$ . Hence the given function has maximum value of  $4 + \sqrt{2}$

45. If  $\sin \theta + \sin 2\theta + \sin 3\theta = \sin \alpha$  and  $\cos \theta + \cos 2\theta + \cos 3\theta = \cos \alpha$ , then  $\theta$  is equal to

  - a)  $\frac{\alpha}{2}$
  - b)  $\alpha$
  - c)  $2\alpha$
  - d)  $\frac{\alpha}{6}$

Key. A

$$\text{Sol. } \sin\theta + \sin 3\theta + \sin 2\theta = \sin \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin 2\theta \cos \theta + \sin 2\theta = \sin \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 2\theta(2\cos\theta+1) = \sin\alpha$$

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d)  $\frac{\alpha}{6}$

....(1)

$$\text{Now } \cos \theta + \cos 3\theta + \cos 2\theta = \cos \alpha$$

$$\cos 2\theta(2\cos \theta + 1) = \cos \alpha \quad \dots(2)$$

From (1) and (2),

from  $(\Sigma)$  and  $(\Sigma')$

$$2\theta = \tan \alpha \Rightarrow 2\theta$$

46. If  $\pi < 2\theta < \frac{3\pi}{2}$ , then  $\sqrt{2+\sqrt{2+2\cos 4\theta}}$  equals to  
 a)  $-2\cos \theta$       b)  $-2\sin \theta$       c)  $2\cos \theta$       d)  $2\sin \theta$

Key. D

Sol. 
$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{2+2(1+\cos 4\theta)} &= \sqrt{2+2|\cos 2\theta|} \\ &= \sqrt{2(1-\cos 2\theta)} \\ &= 2|\sin \theta| = 2\sin \theta \text{ as } \frac{\pi}{2} < \theta < \frac{3\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

47.  $\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2(\alpha + 120^\circ) + \cos^2(\alpha - 120^\circ)$  is equal to  
 a)  $\frac{3}{2}$       b) 1      c)  $\frac{1}{2}$       d) 0

Key. A

Sol. 
$$\begin{aligned} \cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2(\alpha + 120^\circ) + \cos^2(\alpha - 120^\circ) \\ &= \cos^2 \alpha + \left\{ \cos(\alpha + 120^\circ) + \cos(\alpha - 120^\circ) \right\}^2 - 2\cos(\alpha + 120^\circ)\cos(\alpha - 120^\circ) \\ &= \cos^2 \alpha + \left\{ 2\cos \alpha \cos 120^\circ \right\}^2 - 2\left\{ \cos^2 \alpha - \sin^2 120^\circ \right\} \\ &= \cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha - 2\cos^2 \alpha + 2\sin^2 120^\circ \\ &= 2\sin^2 120^\circ = 2 \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

# Trigonometry

## Integer Answer Type

1. Let  $f(x) = 0$  be an equation of degree six, having integer coefficients and whose one root is  $2\cos \frac{\pi}{18}$ . Then, the sum of all the roots of  $f^1(x) = 0$ , is

Key. 0

Sol. Let  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{18} \Rightarrow 6\theta = \frac{\pi}{3} \Rightarrow \cos 6\theta = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \Rightarrow 4\cos^3 2\theta - 3\cos 2\theta = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow 8(2\cos^2 \theta - 1)^3 - 6(2\cos^2 \theta - 1) = 1 \text{ let } 2\cos \theta = x \\ & \Rightarrow 8\left(2 \cdot \frac{x^2}{4} - 1\right)^3 - 6\left(2 \cdot \frac{x^2}{4} - 1\right) = 1 \\ & \Rightarrow (x^2 - 2)^3 - 3(x^2 - 2) = 1 \\ & \Rightarrow x^6 - 6x^4 + 9x^2 - 3 = 0 \\ & f^1(x) = 6x(x^4 - 4x^2 + 3) \\ & f^1(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0, \pm 1, \pm \sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

2. If  $\cos \theta + \cos^2 \theta + \cos^3 \theta = 1$  and  $\sin^6 \theta = a + b\sin^2 \theta + c\sin^4 \theta$  then  $a + b + c =$

KEY. 0

SOL.  $\cos \theta(1 + \cos^2 \theta) = \sin^2 \theta$

$$(1 - \sin^2 \theta)[2 - \sin^2 \theta]^2 = \sin^4 \theta$$

$$\sin^6 \theta = 4 - 8\sin^2 \theta + 4\sin^4 \theta$$

$$a = 4, b = -8, c = 4$$

$$a + b + c = 0$$

3. If  $\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos 3\theta} + \frac{\sin 3\theta}{\cos 9\theta} + \frac{\sin 9\theta}{\cos 27\theta} = \frac{1}{A} [\tan B\theta - \tan C\theta]$  then  $(27A - B - 27C) =$

KEY. 0

SOL.  $\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos 3\theta} = \frac{2\sin \theta \cos \theta}{2\cos 3\theta \cos \theta} = \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2\cos 3\theta \cos \theta} = \frac{\sin(3\theta - \theta)}{2\cos 3\theta \cos \theta}$

$$\therefore \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos 3\theta} = \frac{1}{2} [\tan 3\theta - \tan \theta] \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\frac{\sin 3\theta}{\cos 9\theta} = \frac{1}{2} [\tan 9\theta - \tan 3\theta] \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\frac{\sin 9\theta}{\cos 27\theta} = \frac{1}{2} [\tan 27\theta - \tan 9\theta] \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\therefore (1) + (2) + (3) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} [\tan 27\theta - \tan \theta]$$

$$A = 2, B = 27, C = 1$$

$$27A - B - 27C = 0$$

4. If  $\frac{\tan x}{2} = \frac{\tan y}{3} = \frac{\tan z}{5}$  and  $x + y + z = \pi$ ,  $\tan^2 x + \tan^2 y + \tan^2 z = \frac{38}{K}$  then  $K =$

**KEY.** 3

**SOL.**  $\tan x = 2t, \tan y = 3t, \tan z = 5t$

$$\sum \tan x = \pi(\tan x) \Rightarrow t^2 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\tan^2 x + \tan^2 y + \tan^2 z = t^2(4+9+25) = 38t^2, K = 3$$

5. If  $\tan \alpha$  is an integral solution of  $4x^2 - 16x + 15 < 0$  and  $\cos \beta$  is the slope of the bisector of the angle in the first quadrant between the x and y axis. Then  $\sin(\alpha + \beta) : \sin(\alpha - \beta) =$

**KEY.** 1

$$\text{SOL. } 4x^2 - 16x + 15 < 0$$

$$4x^2 - 10x - 6x + 15 < 0$$

$$2x(2x - 5) - 3(2x - 5) < 0$$

$$\frac{3}{2} < x < \frac{5}{2} \Rightarrow x = 2$$

$$\tan \alpha = 2; \cos \beta = 1$$

$$\frac{\sin(\alpha + \beta)}{\sin(\alpha - \beta)} = \frac{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta}{\tan \alpha - \tan \beta} = \frac{2+0}{2-0} = 1$$

6. If  $\sin \theta + \sin^2 \theta + \sin^3 \theta = 1$ , then the value of  $\cos^6 \theta - 4\cos^4 \theta + 8\cos^2 \theta$  must be

**Key.** 4

**Sol.** We have,  $\sin \theta(1 + \sin^2 \theta) = 1 - \sin^2 \theta$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta(2 - \cos^2 \theta) = \cos^2 \theta$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^2 \theta (2 - \cos^2 \theta)^2 &= \cos^4 \theta \\ \Rightarrow (1 - \cos^2 \theta)(4 - 4\cos^2 \theta + \cos^4 \theta) &= \cos^4 \theta \\ \Rightarrow -\cos^6 \theta + 5\cos^4 \theta - 8\cos^2 \theta + 4 &= \cos^4 \theta \\ \therefore \cos^6 \theta - 4\cos^4 \theta + 8\cos^2 \theta + 4 &= \cos^4 \theta \end{aligned}$$

7. If  $\alpha = \frac{\pi}{14}$ , then the value of  $(\tan \alpha \tan 2\alpha + \tan 2\alpha \tan 4\alpha + \tan 4\alpha \tan \alpha)$  is

Key. 1

Sol.  $\alpha + 2\alpha + 4\alpha = 7\alpha = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \frac{\pi}{2} &= \tan(\alpha + 2\alpha + 4\alpha) \\ &= \frac{\tan \alpha + \tan 2\alpha + \tan 4\alpha - \tan \alpha \cdot \tan 2\alpha \cdot \tan 4\alpha}{1 - \tan \alpha \cdot \tan 2\alpha - \tan \alpha \cdot \tan 4\alpha - \tan 2\alpha \cdot \tan 4\alpha} \\ \tan \alpha \cdot \tan 2\alpha + \tan 2\alpha \cdot \tan 4\alpha + \tan 4\alpha \cdot \tan \alpha &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

8. In a  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $a = 5$ ,  $b = 4$  and  $\cos(A - B) = \frac{31}{32}$ , then  $c$  must be

Ans. 6

Sol.  $\cos(A - B) = \frac{1 - \tan^2\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right)}{1 + \tan^2\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right)} = \tan\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{63}}$

Use Napier's analogy, we will get  $\cot \frac{C}{2} = \frac{9}{\sqrt{63}}$

Then  $\cos C = \frac{1}{8}$ ,  $c = 6$

9. In a triangle ABC, if  $r_1$ ,  $r_2$ ,  $r_3$  are the ex-radius then  $\frac{bc}{r_1} + \frac{ac}{r_2} + \frac{ab}{r_3} = k \frac{abc}{2\Delta} \left[ \frac{s}{a} + \frac{s}{b} + \frac{s}{c} - 3 \right]$   
then  $k$  is equal to

Ans. 2

Sol.  $r_1 = \frac{\Delta}{s-a}$ ,  $r_2 = \frac{\Delta}{s-b}$ ,  $r_3 = \frac{\Delta}{s-c}$  substitute this value and take abc common

$$\text{L.H.S} = \frac{abc}{\Delta} \left[ \frac{s-a}{a} + \frac{s-b}{b} + \frac{s-c}{c} \right] = \frac{abc}{\Delta} \left[ \sum \frac{s}{a} - 3 \right] \Rightarrow k = 2$$

10. In  $\triangle ABC$ , if I is incentre then  $AI + BI + CI \geq r$  then find  $r$

Ans. 6

Sol.  $AI = r \csc\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)$

$$AI + BI + CI = r \left( \csc\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) + \csc\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) + \csc\left(\frac{C}{2}\right) \right)$$

$$AM \geq GM$$

$$\begin{aligned} \csc\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) + \csc\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) + \csc\left(\frac{C}{2}\right) &\geq \left( \csc\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) + \csc\left(\frac{B}{2}\right) + \csc\left(\frac{C}{2}\right) \right)^{1/3} \\ &\geq 3(8)^{1/3} \geq 6 \end{aligned}$$

11. If  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = \pi$  and  $\tan\left[\frac{\alpha + \beta - \gamma}{4}\right] \tan\left[\frac{\gamma + \alpha - \beta}{4}\right] \tan\left[\frac{\gamma + \beta - \alpha}{4}\right] = 1$  then the value of  $1 + \cos \alpha + \cos \beta + \cos \gamma$  is K - 1 where K is

Key. 1

Sol.  $A = \frac{\beta + \gamma - \alpha}{4}, B = \frac{\gamma + \alpha - \beta}{4}, C = \frac{\alpha + \beta - \gamma}{4}$

$$\Rightarrow \tan A \tan B \tan C = 1$$

$$\frac{\sin A \sin B}{\cos A \cos B} = \frac{1}{\tan C} \Rightarrow \frac{\sin A \sin B - \cos A \cos B}{\sin A \sin B + \cos A \cos B} = \frac{1 - \tan C}{1 + \tan C}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-\cos(A+B)}{\cos(A-B)} = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C\right)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C\right)\cos(A-B) + 2\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C\right)\cos(A+B) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C + A - B\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C - A + B\right) + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C + A + B\right) + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C - A - B\right) = 0 \dots\dots (1)$$

$$A - B - C = \frac{\pi}{4} - \alpha, \quad B - A - C = \frac{\pi}{4} - \beta, \quad C - A - B = \frac{\pi}{4} - \gamma, \quad A + B + C = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$(1) \Rightarrow \cos \alpha + \cos \beta + \cos \gamma + 1 = 0$$

12. The value of  $-2\left(\cos\frac{2\pi}{7} + \cos\frac{4\pi}{7} + \cos\frac{6\pi}{7}\right)$  is

Key. 1

Sol.  $\cos\frac{2\pi}{7} + \cos\frac{4\pi}{7} + \cos\frac{6\pi}{7} = \frac{2\sin\frac{\pi}{7}\cos\frac{2\pi}{7} + 2\sin\frac{\pi}{7}\cos\frac{4\pi}{7} + 2\sin\frac{\pi}{7}\cos\frac{6\pi}{7}}{2\sin\frac{\pi}{7}}$

$$= \frac{\left(\sin\frac{3\pi}{7} - \sin\frac{\pi}{7}\right) + \left(\sin\frac{5\pi}{7} - \sin\frac{3\pi}{7}\right) + \left(\sin\pi - \sin\frac{5\pi}{7}\right)}{2\sin\frac{\pi}{7}} = \frac{\sin\frac{\pi}{7}}{2\sin\frac{\pi}{7}} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

13. If  $A+B+C=180^\circ$ ,  $\frac{\sin 2A + \sin 2B + \sin 2C}{\sin A + \sin B + \sin C} = k \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}$  then the value of  $k$  is

Key. 8

Sol. From conditional identities we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\sin 2A + \sin 2B + \sin 2C}{\sin A + \sin B + \sin C} &= \frac{4 \sin A \sin B \sin C}{4 \cos(A/2) \cos(B/2) \cos(C/2)} \\ &= 8 \sin(A/2) \sin(B/2) \sin(C/2) \\ \Rightarrow k &= 8\end{aligned}$$

14. If  $A, B$  and  $C$  are the angles of a triangle, then minimum value of

$$\left( \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} + \tan^2 \frac{B}{2} + \tan^2 \frac{C}{2} \right)$$

Key. 1

Sol. We have  $\frac{A}{2} + \frac{B}{2} + \frac{C}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2}$ , so that

$$\begin{aligned}\tan\left(\frac{A}{2} + \frac{B}{2}\right) &= \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{C}{2}\right) \Rightarrow \frac{\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2}}{1 - \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2}} = -\frac{1}{\tan \frac{C}{2}} \\ \Rightarrow \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \tan \frac{A}{2} &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} + \tan^2 \frac{B}{2} + \tan^2 \frac{C}{2} - 1 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum 2 \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} - \sum 2 \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left( \tan \frac{A}{2} - \tan \frac{B}{2} \right)^2 + \left( \tan \frac{B}{2} - \tan \frac{C}{2} \right)^2 + \left( \tan \frac{C}{2} - \tan \frac{A}{2} \right)^2 \right] \geq 0\end{aligned}$$

15. The value of  $\sqrt{3} \csc 20^\circ - \sec 20^\circ$  is

Key. 4

$$\begin{aligned}\text{L.H.S.} &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sin 20^\circ} - \frac{1}{\cos 20^\circ} = \frac{\sqrt{3} \cos 20^\circ - \sin 20^\circ}{\sin 20^\circ \cos 20^\circ} \\ &= \frac{4 \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cos 20^\circ - \frac{1}{2} \sin 20^\circ \right)}{2 \sin 20^\circ \cos 20^\circ} \\ &= 4 \cdot \frac{\sin 60^\circ \cos 20^\circ - \cos 60^\circ \sin 20^\circ}{\sin 40^\circ} = 4 \frac{\sin 40^\circ}{\sin 40^\circ} = 4\end{aligned}$$

16.  $\sin 12^\circ \cdot \sin 48^\circ \cdot \sin 54^\circ = \frac{1}{a}$  then the value of  $a$  is

Key. 8

Sol. Let  $\theta = 12^\circ$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \frac{1}{\sin 72^\circ} \sin 12^\circ \sin 48^\circ \sin 72^\circ \sin 54^\circ$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \frac{\sin 3(12^\circ) \sin 54^\circ}{\sin 72^\circ} = \frac{\sin 36^\circ \sin 54^\circ}{8 \sin 36^\circ \cos 36^\circ} = \frac{\cos 36^\circ}{8 \cos 36^\circ} = \frac{1}{8}$$

17. If  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = \pi$  and  $\tan\left(\frac{\beta + \gamma - \alpha}{4}\right) \tan\left(\frac{\gamma + \alpha - \beta}{4}\right) \tan\left(\frac{\alpha + \beta - \gamma}{4}\right) = 1$  then the value of  $1 + \cos \alpha + \cos \beta + \cos \gamma$  is

Key. 0

Sol. Let  $A = \frac{\beta + \gamma - \alpha}{4}$ ;  $B = \frac{\gamma + \alpha - \beta}{4}$ ;  $C = \frac{\alpha + \beta - \gamma}{4}$

$$\tan A \tan B \tan C = 1$$

$$\text{or } \frac{\sin A \sin B}{\cos A \cos B} = \frac{1}{\tan C} \text{ or } \frac{\sin A \sin B - \cos A \cos B}{\sin A \sin B + \cos A \cos B} = \frac{1 - \tan C}{1 + \tan A}$$

$$\text{or, } -\frac{\cos(A+B)}{\cos(A-B)} = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C\right)}$$

$$\text{or } 2\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C\right)\cos(A-B) + 2\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C\right)\cos(A+B) = 0$$

$$\text{or } \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C + A - B\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C - A + B\right) + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C + A + B\right) + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - C - A - B\right) = 0$$

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$$A - B - C = \frac{\beta + \gamma - \alpha - \gamma - \alpha + \beta - \alpha - \beta + \gamma}{4} = \frac{\beta + \gamma - 3\alpha}{4} = \frac{\pi - 4\alpha}{4} = \frac{\pi}{4} - \alpha$$

$$\text{Similarly } B - A - C = \frac{\pi}{4} - \beta \text{ and } C - A - B = \frac{\pi}{4} - \gamma$$

$$\text{and } C + A + B = \frac{\alpha + \beta + \gamma}{4} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$\therefore$  Equation (1) reduces to,

$$\sin\left\{\frac{\pi}{4} + (A - B - C)\right\} + \sin\left\{\frac{\pi}{4} + (B - C - A)\right\} + \cos\left\{\frac{\pi}{4} - (C - A - B)\right\} + \cos\left\{\frac{\pi}{4} - (C + A + B)\right\} = 0$$

$$\text{or } \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{4} - \alpha\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{4} - \beta\right) + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{4} + \gamma\right) + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 0$$

$$\text{or } \cos \alpha + \cos \beta + \cos \gamma + 1 = 0.$$

18. In an acute angled triangle ABC, minimum value of  $\sum \tan A \tan B$  is

Key. 9

Sol.  $(\tan A \tan B - 1) + (\tan B \tan C - 1) + (\tan C \tan A - 1)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{\tan C} + \frac{\tan B + \tan C}{\tan A} + \frac{\tan C + \tan A}{\tan B}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\tan A}{\tan C} + \frac{\tan C}{\tan A}\right) + \left(\frac{\tan B}{\tan A} + \frac{\tan A}{\tan B}\right) + \left(\frac{\tan C}{\tan B} + \frac{\tan B}{\tan C}\right) \geq 6$$

$$\therefore \sum \tan A \tan B \geq 9$$

19. The value of  $\sum_{r=0}^{10} \cos^3 \frac{r\pi}{3}$  is equal to  $\frac{-a}{b}$  then the value of b is (where g. c. d of (a, b) is 1)

Key. 8

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Sol. } \sum_{r=0}^{10} \cos^3 \frac{r\pi}{3} &= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{r=0}^{10} \left( 3 \cos \frac{r\pi}{3} + \cos r\pi \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[ 3 \left( \cos 0 + \cos \frac{\pi}{3} + \dots + \cos \frac{10\pi}{3} + (1 - 1 + \dots - 1 = 1) \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{3}{4} \left[ \cos \left( \frac{10\pi}{6} \right) \sin \left( \frac{11\pi}{6} \right) \right] + \frac{3}{4} = -\frac{1}{8}.\end{aligned}$$