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Exercise A, Question 1

Question:

A student makes the mistake of thinking that $\sin (A + B) \equiv \sin A + \sin B$.
Choose non-zero values of A and B to show that this statement is not true for all values of A and B .

Solution:

Example: Take $A = 30^\circ$, $B = 60^\circ$

$$\sin A = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin B = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\sin A + \sin B \neq 1$$

$$\text{but } \sin (A + B) = \sin 90^\circ = 1 .$$

This proves that $\sin (A + B) = \sin A + \sin B$ is *not* true for all values. There will be many values of A and B for which it is true, e.g. $A = -30^\circ$ and $B = +30^\circ$, and that is the danger of trying to prove a statement by taking particular examples. To prove a statement requires a sound argument; to disprove only requires one example.

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Exercise A, Question 2

Question:

Using the expansion of $\cos (A - B)$ with $A = B = \theta$, show that $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta \equiv 1$.

Solution:

$$\cos (A - B) \equiv \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B$$

$$\text{Set } A = \theta, B = \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos (\theta - \theta) \equiv \cos \theta \cos \theta + \sin \theta \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 0 \equiv \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\text{So } \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta \equiv 1 \quad (\text{since } \cos 0 = 1)$$

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Exercise A, Question 3

Question:

(a) Use the expansion of $\sin (A - B)$ to show that $\sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \right) = \cos \theta$.

(b) Use the expansion of $\cos (A - B)$ to show that $\cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \right) = \sin \theta$.

Solution:

(a) $\sin (A - B) \equiv \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B$

Set $A = \frac{\pi}{2}$, $B = \theta$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \right) \equiv \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \cos \theta - \cos \frac{\pi}{2} \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \right) \equiv \cos \theta \quad (\text{since } \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = 1, \cos \frac{\pi}{2} = 0)$$

(b) $\cos (A - B) \equiv \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B$

Set $A = \frac{\pi}{2}$, $B = \theta$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \right) \equiv \cos \frac{\pi}{2} \cos \theta + \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \right) \equiv \sin \theta \quad (\text{since } \cos \frac{\pi}{2} = 0, \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = 1)$$

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Exercise A, Question 4

Question:

Express the following as a single sine, cosine or tangent:

(a) $\sin 15^\circ \cos 20^\circ + \cos 15^\circ \sin 20^\circ$

(b) $\sin 58^\circ \cos 23^\circ - \cos 58^\circ \sin 23^\circ$

(c) $\cos 130^\circ \cos 80^\circ - \sin 130^\circ \sin 80^\circ$

(d) $\frac{\tan 76^\circ - \tan 45^\circ}{1 + \tan 76^\circ \tan 45^\circ}$

(e) $\cos 2\theta \cos \theta + \sin 2\theta \sin \theta$

(f) $\cos 4\theta \cos 3\theta - \sin 4\theta \sin 3\theta$

(g) $\sin \frac{1}{2}\theta \cos 2\frac{1}{2}\theta + \cos \frac{1}{2}\theta \sin 2\frac{1}{2}\theta$

(h) $\frac{\tan 2\theta + \tan 3\theta}{1 - \tan 2\theta \tan 3\theta}$

(i) $\sin (A + B) \cos B - \cos (A + B) \sin B$

(j) $\cos \left(\frac{3x + 2y}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{3x - 2y}{2} \right) - \sin \left(\frac{3x + 2y}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{3x - 2y}{2} \right)$

Solution:

(a) Using $\sin (A + B) \equiv \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$

$$\sin 15^\circ \cos 20^\circ + \cos 15^\circ \sin 20^\circ \equiv \sin (15^\circ + 20^\circ) \equiv \sin 35^\circ$$

(b) Using $\sin (A - B) \equiv \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B$

$$\sin 58^\circ \cos 23^\circ - \cos 58^\circ \sin 23^\circ \equiv \sin (58^\circ - 23^\circ) \equiv \sin 35^\circ$$

(c) Using $\cos (A + B) \equiv \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B$

$$\cos 130^\circ \cos 80^\circ - \sin 130^\circ \sin 80^\circ \equiv \cos (130^\circ + 80^\circ) \equiv \cos 210^\circ$$

(d) Using $\tan (A - B) \equiv \frac{\tan A - \tan B}{1 + \tan A \tan B}$

$$\frac{\tan 76^\circ - \tan 45^\circ}{1 + \tan 76^\circ \tan 45^\circ} \equiv \tan (76^\circ - 45^\circ) \equiv \tan 31^\circ$$

(e) Using $\cos (A - B) \equiv \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B$
 $\cos 2\theta \cos \theta + \sin 2\theta \sin \theta \equiv \cos (2\theta - \theta) \equiv \cos \theta$

(f) Using $\cos (A + B) \equiv \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B$
 $\cos 4\theta \cos 3\theta - \sin 4\theta \sin 3\theta \equiv \cos (4\theta + 3\theta) \equiv \cos 7\theta$

(g) Using $\sin (A + B) \equiv \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$
 $\sin \frac{1}{2}\theta \cos 2\frac{1}{2}\theta + \cos \frac{1}{2}\theta \sin 2\frac{1}{2}\theta \equiv \sin \left(\frac{1}{2}\theta + 2\frac{1}{2}\theta \right) \equiv \sin 3\theta$

(h) Using $\tan (A + B) \equiv \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B}$

$$\frac{\tan 2\theta + \tan 3\theta}{1 - \tan 2\theta \tan 3\theta} \equiv \tan (2\theta + 3\theta) \equiv \tan 5\theta$$

(i) Using $\sin (P - Q) \equiv \sin P \cos Q - \cos P \sin Q$
 $\sin (A + B) \cos B - \cos (A + B) \sin B \equiv \sin [(A + B) - B] \equiv \sin A$

(j) Using $\cos (A + B) \equiv \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B$
 $\cos \left(\frac{3x + 2y}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{3x - 2y}{2} \right) - \sin \left(\frac{3x + 2y}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{3x - 2y}{2} \right)$
 $\equiv \cos \left[\left(\frac{3x + 2y}{2} \right) + \left(\frac{3x - 2y}{2} \right) \right] \equiv \cos \left(\frac{6x}{2} \right) \equiv \cos 3x$

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Exercise A, Question 5

Question:

Calculate, without using your calculator, the exact value of:

(a) $\sin 30^\circ \cos 60^\circ + \cos 30^\circ \sin 60^\circ$

(b) $\cos 110^\circ \cos 20^\circ + \sin 110^\circ \sin 20^\circ$

(c) $\sin 33^\circ \cos 27^\circ + \cos 33^\circ \sin 27^\circ$

(d) $\cos \frac{\pi}{8} \cos \frac{\pi}{8} - \sin \frac{\pi}{8} \sin \frac{\pi}{8}$

(e) $\sin 60^\circ \cos 15^\circ - \cos 60^\circ \sin 15^\circ$

(f) $\cos 70^\circ (\cos 50^\circ - \tan 70^\circ \sin 50^\circ)$

(g) $\frac{\tan 45^\circ + \tan 15^\circ}{1 - \tan 45^\circ \tan 15^\circ}$

(h) $\frac{1 - \tan 15^\circ}{1 + \tan 15^\circ}$

(i) $\frac{\tan \left(\frac{7\pi}{12} \right) - \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \right)}{1 + \tan \left(\frac{7\pi}{12} \right) \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \right)}$

(j) $\sqrt{3} \cos 15^\circ - \sin 15^\circ$

Solution:

(a) Using $\sin (A + B)$ expansion

$$\sin 30^\circ \cos 60^\circ + \cos 30^\circ \sin 60^\circ = \sin (30 + 60)^\circ = \sin 90^\circ = 1$$

(b) $\cos 110^\circ \cos 20^\circ + \sin 110^\circ \sin 20^\circ = \cos (110 - 20)^\circ = \cos 90^\circ = 0$

(c) $\sin 33^\circ \cos 27^\circ + \cos 33^\circ \sin 27^\circ = \sin (33 + 27)^\circ = \sin 60^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

(d) $\cos \frac{\pi}{8} \cos \frac{\pi}{8} - \sin \frac{\pi}{8} \sin \frac{\pi}{8} = \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{8} + \frac{\pi}{8} \right) = \cos \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

(e) $\sin 60^\circ \cos 15^\circ - \cos 60^\circ \sin 15^\circ = \sin (60 - 15)^\circ = \sin 45^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(f)} \quad & \cos 70^\circ \cos 50^\circ - \cos 70^\circ \tan 70^\circ \sin 50^\circ \\ & = \cos 70^\circ \cos 50^\circ - \sin 70^\circ \sin 50^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\cos \theta \times \tan \theta = \cancel{\cos \theta} \times \frac{\sin \theta}{\cancel{\cos \theta}} = \sin \theta \right) \\ & = \cos (70 + 50) \\ & = \cos 120^\circ \\ & = -\cos 60^\circ = -\frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(g)} \quad \frac{\tan 45^\circ + \tan 15^\circ}{1 - \tan 45^\circ \tan 15^\circ} = \tan (45 + 15)^\circ = \tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(h)} \quad & \frac{1 - \tan 15^\circ}{1 + \tan 15^\circ} = \frac{\tan 45^\circ - \tan 15^\circ}{1 + \tan 45^\circ \tan 15^\circ} \quad (\text{using } \tan 45^\circ = 1) \\ & = \tan (45 - 15)^\circ = \tan 30^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(i)} \quad \frac{\tan \left(\frac{7\pi}{12} \right) - \tan \left(\frac{1}{3}\pi \right)}{1 + \tan \left(\frac{7\pi}{12} \right) \tan \left(\frac{1}{3}\pi \right)} = \tan \left(\frac{7\pi}{12} - \frac{\pi}{3} \right) = \tan \frac{3\pi}{12} = \tan \frac{\pi}{4} = 1$$

(j) This is very similar to part (e) but you need to rewrite it as $2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cos 15^\circ - \frac{1}{2} \sin 15^\circ \right)$ to appreciate it!

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{3} \cos 15^\circ - \sin 15^\circ \equiv 2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cos 15^\circ - \frac{1}{2} \sin 15^\circ \right) \\ & \equiv 2 (\sin 60^\circ \cos 15^\circ - \cos 60^\circ \sin 15^\circ) \\ & \equiv 2 \sin (60 - 15)^\circ \\ & \equiv 2 \sin 45^\circ \\ & = \sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise A, Question 6

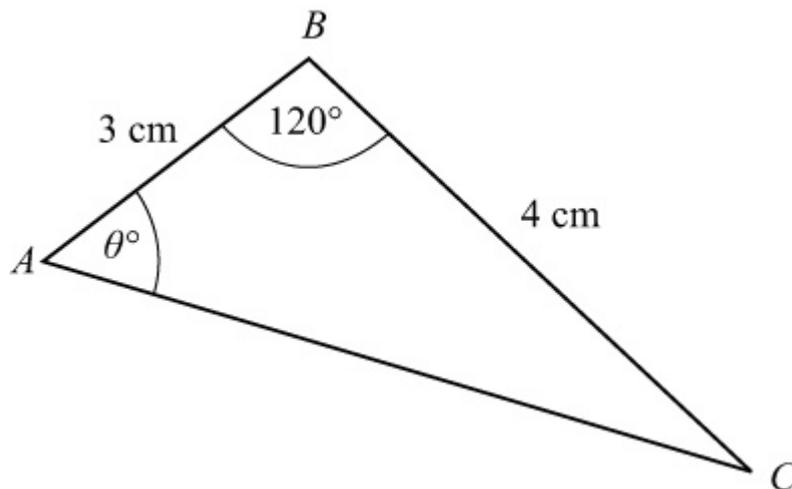
Question:

Triangle ABC is such that $AB = 3$ cm, $BC = 4$ cm, $\angle ABC = 120^\circ$ and $\angle BAC = \theta^\circ$.

(a) Write down, in terms of θ , an expression for $\angle ACB$.

(b) Using the sine rule, or otherwise, show that $\tan \theta^\circ = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{5}$.

Solution:



(a) $\angle ACB = 180^\circ - 120^\circ - \theta^\circ = (60 - \theta)^\circ$

(b) Using sine rule: $\frac{\sin C}{c} = \frac{\sin A}{a}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin(60 - \theta)^\circ}{3} = \frac{\sin \theta^\circ}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \sin(60 - \theta)^\circ = 3 \sin \theta^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \sin 60^\circ \cos \theta^\circ - 4 \cos 60^\circ \sin \theta^\circ = 3 \sin \theta^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sqrt{3} \cos \theta^\circ - 2 \sin \theta^\circ = 3 \sin \theta^\circ \quad \left(\sin 60^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 \sin \theta^\circ = 2\sqrt{3} \cos \theta^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin \theta^\circ}{\cos \theta^\circ} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta^\circ = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{5}$$

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Exercise A, Question 7

Question:

Prove the identities

$$(a) \sin (A + 60^\circ) + \sin (A - 60^\circ) \equiv \sin A$$

$$(b) \frac{\cos A}{\sin B} - \frac{\sin A}{\cos B} \equiv \frac{\cos (A + B)}{\sin B \cos B}$$

$$(c) \frac{\sin (x + y)}{\cos x \cos y} \equiv \tan x + \tan y$$

$$(d) \frac{\cos (x + y)}{\sin x \sin y} + 1 \equiv \cot x \cot y$$

$$(e) \cos \left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{3} \right) + \sqrt{3} \sin \theta \equiv \sin \left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

$$(f) \cot (A + B) \equiv \frac{\cot A \cot B - 1}{\cot A + \cot B}$$

$$(g) \sin^2 (45 + \theta)^\circ + \sin^2 (45 - \theta)^\circ \equiv 1$$

$$(h) \cos (A + B) \cos (A - B) \equiv \cos^2 A - \sin^2 B$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \text{ L.H.S.} &\equiv \sin (A + 60^\circ) + \sin (A - 60^\circ) \\ &\equiv \sin A \cos 60^\circ + \cos A \sin 60^\circ + \sin A \cos 60^\circ - \cos A \sin 60^\circ \\ &\equiv 2 \sin A \cos 60^\circ \\ &\equiv \sin A \quad \left(\text{since } \cos 60^\circ = \frac{1}{2} \right) \\ &\equiv \text{ R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \text{ L.H.S.} &\equiv \frac{\cos A}{\sin B} - \frac{\sin A}{\cos B} \\ &\equiv \frac{\cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B}{\sin B \cos B} \\ &\equiv \frac{\cos (A + B)}{\sin B \cos B} \\ &\equiv \text{ R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

$$(c) \text{ L.H.S.} \equiv \frac{\sin (x + y)}{\cos x \cos y}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\equiv \frac{\sin x \cos y + \cos x \sin y}{\cos x \cos y} \\
&\equiv \frac{\sin x \cos y}{\cos x \cos y} + \frac{\cos x \sin y}{\cos x \cos y} \\
&\equiv \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} + \frac{\sin y}{\cos y} \\
&\equiv \tan x + \tan y \\
&\equiv \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(d) L.H.S.} &\equiv \frac{\cos(x+y)}{\sin x \sin y} + 1 \\
&\equiv \frac{\cos(x+y) + \sin x \sin y}{\sin x \sin y} \\
&\equiv \frac{\cos x \cos y - \sin x \sin y + \sin x \sin y}{\sin x \sin y} \\
&\equiv \frac{\cos x \cos y}{\sin x \sin y} \\
&\equiv \cot x \cot y \\
&\equiv \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(e) L.H.S.} &\equiv \cos\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{3}\right) + \sqrt{3} \sin \theta \\
&\equiv \cos \theta \cos \frac{\pi}{3} - \sin \theta \sin \frac{\pi}{3} + \sqrt{3} \sin \theta \\
&\equiv \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin \theta + \sqrt{3} \sin \theta \\
&\equiv \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin \theta + \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta \\
&\equiv \sin \theta \cos \frac{\pi}{6} + \cos \theta \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \quad \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{2} \right) \\
&\equiv \sin\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \quad [\sin(A+B)] \\
&\equiv \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

(f)

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{R.H.S.} &\equiv \frac{\cot A \cot B - 1}{\cot A + \cot B} \\
&\equiv \frac{\frac{1}{\tan A} \times \frac{1}{\tan B} - 1}{\frac{1}{\tan A} + \frac{1}{\tan B}} \\
&\equiv \frac{1 - \tan A \tan B}{\frac{\tan A \tan B}{\tan B - \tan A}} \\
&\equiv \frac{1 - \tan A \tan B}{\tan A \tan B} \times \frac{\tan A \tan B}{\tan A + \tan B} \\
&\equiv \frac{1 - \tan A \tan B}{\tan A + \tan B} \\
&\equiv \frac{1}{\frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B}} \\
&\equiv \frac{1}{\tan(A + B)} \\
&\equiv \cot(A + B) \\
&\equiv \text{L.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

(g) L.H.S. $\equiv \sin^2 (45 + \theta)^\circ + \sin^2 (45 - \theta)^\circ$
 $\equiv (\sin 45^\circ \cos \theta^\circ + \cos 45^\circ \sin \theta^\circ)^2 + (\sin 45^\circ \cos \theta^\circ - \cos 45^\circ \sin \theta^\circ)^2$
As $\sin 45^\circ = \cos 45^\circ$ it is easier to take out as a common factor.
 $\equiv (\sin 45^\circ)^2 [(\cos \theta^\circ + \sin \theta^\circ)^2 + (\cos \theta^\circ - \sin \theta^\circ)^2]$
 $\equiv \frac{1}{2} \left(\cos^2 \theta^\circ + 2 \sin \theta^\circ \cos \theta^\circ + \sin^2 \theta^\circ + \cos^2 \theta^\circ - 2 \sin \theta^\circ \cos \theta^\circ + \sin^2 \theta^\circ \right)$
 $\equiv \frac{1}{2} \left[2 \left(\sin^2 \theta^\circ + \cos^2 \theta^\circ \right) \right]$
 $\equiv \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \quad (\sin^2 \theta^\circ + \cos^2 \theta^\circ \equiv 1)$
 $\equiv 1$
 $\equiv \text{R.H.S.}$

Alternatively:

as $\sin (90^\circ - x^\circ) \equiv \cos x^\circ$,

if $x = 45^\circ + \theta^\circ$ then $\sin (45^\circ - \theta^\circ) \equiv \cos (45^\circ + \theta^\circ)$

and original L.H.S. becomes $\sin^2 (45 + \theta)^\circ + \cos^2 (45 + \theta)^\circ$

which is identically = 1

(h) L.H.S. $\equiv \cos (A + B) \cos (A - B)$
 $\equiv (\cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B) (\cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B)$
 $\equiv \cos^2 A \cos^2 B - \sin^2 A \sin^2 B$

$$\begin{aligned} &\equiv \cos^2 A (1 - \sin^2 B) - (1 - \cos^2 A) \sin^2 B \\ &\equiv \cos^2 A - \cos^2 A \sin^2 B - \sin^2 B + \cos^2 A \sin^2 B \\ &\equiv \cos^2 A - \sin^2 B \\ &\equiv \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise A, Question 8

Question:

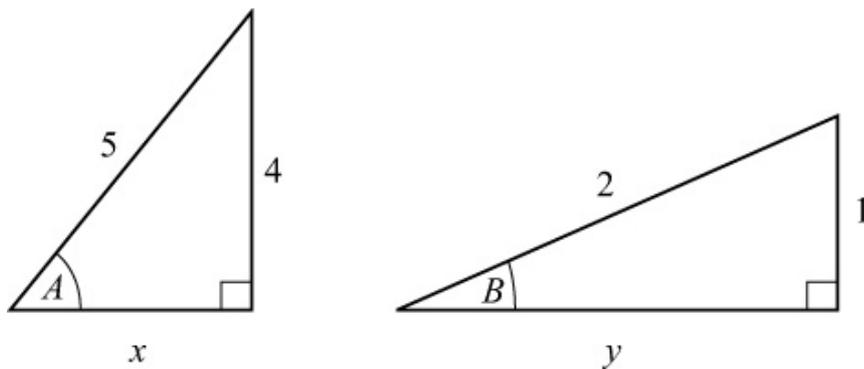
Given that $\sin A = \frac{4}{5}$ and $\sin B = \frac{1}{2}$, where A and B are both acute angles, calculate the exact values of

(a) $\sin (A + B)$

(b) $\cos (A - B)$

(c) $\sec (A - B)$

Solution:



Using Pythagoras' theorem $x = 3$ and $y = \sqrt{3}$

$$(a) \sin (A + B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B = \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{4\sqrt{3} + 3}{10}$$

$$(b) \cos (A - B) = \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B = \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3\sqrt{3} + 4}{10}$$

$$(c) \sec (A - B) = \frac{1}{\cos (A - B)} = \frac{10}{3\sqrt{3} + 4}$$

$$= \frac{10(3\sqrt{3} - 4)}{(3\sqrt{3} + 4)(3\sqrt{3} - 4)}$$

$$= \frac{10(3\sqrt{3} - 4)}{27 - 16}$$

$$= \frac{10(3\sqrt{3} - 4)}{11}$$

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Exercise A, Question 9

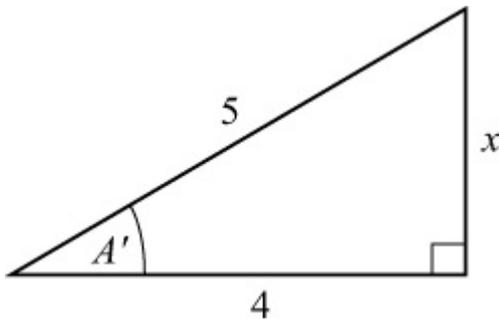
Question:

Given that $\cos A = -\frac{4}{5}$, and A is an obtuse angle measured in radians, find the exact value of

- (a) $\sin A$
- (b) $\cos(\pi + A)$
- (c) $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + A\right)$
- (d) $\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + A\right)$

Solution:

Draw a right-angled triangle where $\cos A' = \frac{4}{5}$



Using Pythagoras' theorem $x = 3$

So $\sin A' = \frac{3}{5}$, $\tan A' = \frac{3}{4}$

(a) As A is in the 2nd quadrant, $\sin A = \sin A'$

$$\sin A = \frac{3}{5}$$

(b) $\cos(\pi + A) = \cos \pi \cos A - \sin \pi \sin A = -\cos A$ ($\cos \pi = -1$, $\sin \pi = 0$)

$$\cos (\pi + A) = + \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c) } \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{3} + A \right) &= \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \cos A + \cos \frac{\pi}{3} \sin A \\ &= \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) \left(-\frac{4}{5} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) \\ &= \frac{3 - 4\sqrt{3}}{10} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(d) As } A \text{ is in 2nd quadrant, } \tan A = -\tan A' = -\frac{3}{4}$$

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

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Exercise A, Question 10

Question:

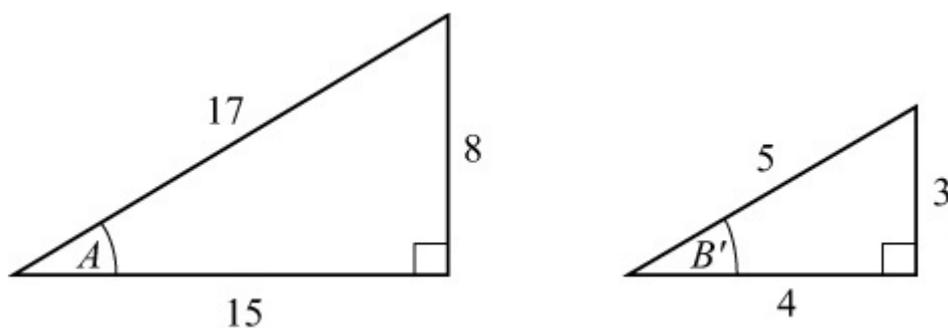
Given that $\sin A = \frac{8}{17}$, where A is acute, and $\cos B = -\frac{4}{5}$, where B is obtuse, calculate the exact value of

(a) $\sin (A - B)$

(b) $\cos (A - B)$

(c) $\cot (A - B)$

Solution:



$$\sin B = \sin B', \tan B = -\tan B'$$

By Pythagoras' theorem, the remaining sides are 15 and 3.

$$\text{So } \sin A = \frac{8}{17}, \cos A = \frac{15}{17}, \tan A = \frac{8}{15}$$

$$\text{and } \sin B = \frac{3}{5}, \cos B = -\frac{4}{5}, \tan B = -\frac{3}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) } \sin (A - B) &= \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B \\ &= \left(\frac{8}{17} \right) \left(-\frac{4}{5} \right) - \left(\frac{15}{17} \right) \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) \\ &= \frac{-32 - 45}{85} = -\frac{77}{85} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) } \cos (A - B) &= \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B \\ &= \left(\frac{15}{17} \right) \left(-\frac{4}{5} \right) + \left(\frac{8}{17} \right) \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{-60 + 24}{85} = -\frac{36}{85}$$

$$(c) \tan(A - B) = \frac{\tan A - \tan B}{1 + \tan A \tan B} = \frac{\frac{8}{15} - \frac{3}{4}}{1 + \frac{8}{15} \cdot \frac{3}{4}} = \frac{\frac{32}{60} - \frac{45}{60}}{1 + \frac{24}{60}} = \frac{-\frac{13}{60}}{\frac{36}{60}} = -\frac{13}{36}$$

$$\text{So } \cot(A - B) = \frac{1}{\tan(A - B)} = -\frac{36}{13}$$

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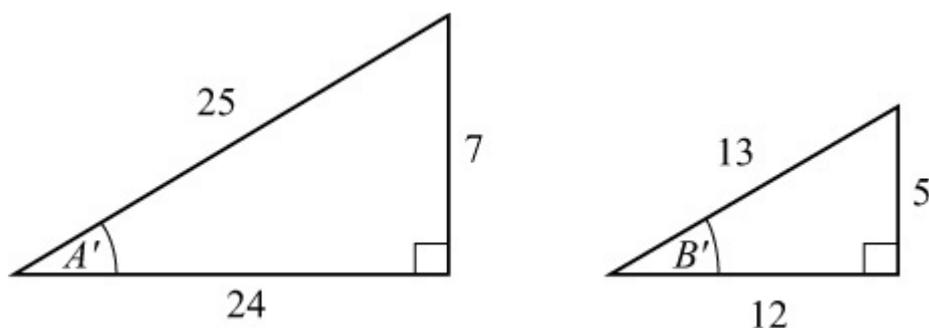
Exercise A, Question 11

Question:

Given that $\tan A = \frac{7}{24}$, where A is reflex, and $\sin B = \frac{5}{13}$, where B is obtuse, calculate the exact value of

- (a) $\sin (A + B)$
 (b) $\tan (A - B)$
 (c) $\operatorname{cosec} (A + B)$

Solution:



Using Pythagoras' theorem, the remaining sides are 25 and 12.

As A is in the 3rd quadrant ($\tan A$ is +ve, and A is reflex),

$$\sin A = -\sin A', \cos A = -\cos A'$$

$$\text{So } \sin A = -\frac{7}{25}, \cos A = -\frac{24}{25}, \tan A = \frac{7}{24}$$

As B is in the 2nd quadrant,

$$\cos B = -\cos B', \tan B = -\tan B'$$

$$\text{So } \sin B = \frac{5}{13}, \cos B = -\frac{12}{13}, \tan B = -\frac{5}{12}$$

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \sin (A + B) &= \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B \\ &= \left(-\frac{7}{25} \right) \left(-\frac{12}{13} \right) + \left(-\frac{24}{25} \right) \left(\frac{5}{13} \right) \\ &= \frac{84 - 120}{325} = -\frac{36}{325} \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) \tan (A - B) = \frac{\tan A - \tan B}{1 + \tan A \tan B} = \frac{\frac{7}{24} + \frac{5}{12}}{1 - \left(\frac{7}{24}\right)\left(\frac{5}{12}\right)} = \frac{\frac{17}{24}}{\frac{253}{288}} = \frac{204}{253}$$

$$(c) \operatorname{cosec} (A + B) = \frac{1}{\sin (A + B)} = -\frac{325}{36}$$

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Exercise A, Question 12

Question:

Write the following as a single trigonometric function, assuming that θ is measured in radians:

(a) $\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta$

(b) $2 \sin 4\theta \cos 4\theta$

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

(d) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\sin \theta + \cos \theta)$

Solution:

(a) $\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta = \cos \theta \cos \theta - \sin \theta \sin \theta = \cos (\theta + \theta) = \cos 2\theta$

(b) $2 \sin 4\theta \cos 4\theta = \sin 4\theta \cos 4\theta + \sin 4\theta \cos 4\theta$
 $= \sin 4\theta \cos 4\theta + \cos 4\theta \sin 4\theta$
 $= \sin (4\theta + 4\theta)$
 $= \sin 8\theta$

(c) $\frac{1 + \tan \theta}{1 - \tan \theta} = \frac{\tan \frac{\pi}{4} + \tan \theta}{1 - \tan \frac{\pi}{4} \tan \theta} \quad (\text{as } \tan \frac{\pi}{4} = 1)$
 $= \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \theta \right)$

(d) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta = \sin \theta \cos \frac{\pi}{4} + \cos \theta \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \quad (\text{as } \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \cos \frac{\pi}{4} = \sin \frac{\pi}{4})$
 $= \sin \left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$

[**Note:** (d) could be $\cos \left(\theta - \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$]

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Exercise A, Question 13

Question:

Solve, in the interval $0^\circ \leq \theta < 360^\circ$, the following equations. Give answers to the nearest 0.1° .

(a) $3 \cos \theta = 2 \sin (\theta + 60^\circ)$

(b) $\sin (\theta + 30^\circ) + 2 \sin \theta = 0$

(c) $\cos (\theta + 25^\circ) + \sin (\theta + 65^\circ) = 1$

(d) $\cos \theta = \cos (\theta + 60^\circ)$

(e) $\tan (\theta - 45^\circ) = 6 \tan \theta$

(f) $\sin \theta + \cos \theta = 1$

Solution:

(a) $3 \cos \theta = 2 \sin (\theta + 60^\circ)$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \cos \theta = 2 (\sin \theta \cos 60^\circ + \cos \theta \sin 60^\circ)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \cos \theta = 2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin \theta + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cos \theta \right) = \sin \theta + \sqrt{3} \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow (3 - \sqrt{3}) \cos \theta = \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = 3 - \sqrt{3} \quad \left(\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \right)$$

As $\tan \theta$ is +ve, θ is in 1st and 3rd quadrants.

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} (3 - \sqrt{3}), 180^\circ + \tan^{-1} (3 - \sqrt{3}) = 51.7^\circ, 231.7^\circ$$

(b) $\sin (\theta + 30^\circ) + 2 \sin \theta = 0$

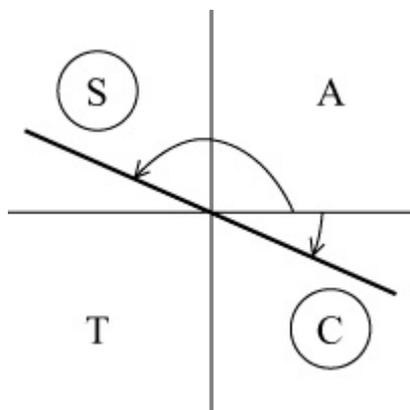
$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta \cos 30^\circ + \cos \theta \sin 30^\circ + 2 \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin \theta + \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta + 2 \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (4 + \sqrt{3}) \sin \theta = -\cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = -\frac{1}{4 + \sqrt{3}}$$

As $\tan \theta$ is -ve, θ is in the 2nd and 4th quadrants.



$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(-\frac{1}{4 + \sqrt{3}} \right) + 180^\circ, \tan^{-1} \left(-\frac{1}{4 + \sqrt{3}} \right) + 360^\circ$$

$$= 170.1^\circ, 350.1^\circ.$$

$$(c) \cos(\theta + 25^\circ) + \sin(\theta + 65^\circ) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta \cos 25^\circ - \sin\theta \sin 25^\circ + \sin\theta \cos 65^\circ + \cos\theta \sin 65^\circ = 1$$

As $\sin(90 - x)^\circ = \cos x^\circ$ and $\cos(90 - x)^\circ = \sin x^\circ$

$$\cos 25^\circ = \sin 65^\circ \text{ and } \sin 25^\circ = \cos 65^\circ$$

$$\text{So } \cos\theta \sin 65^\circ - \sin\theta \cos 65^\circ + \sin\theta \cos 65^\circ + \cos\theta \sin 65^\circ = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos\theta \sin 65^\circ = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta = \frac{1}{2 \sin 65^\circ} = 0.55169$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}(0.55169), 360^\circ - \cos^{-1}(0.55169) = 56.5^\circ, 303.5^\circ$$

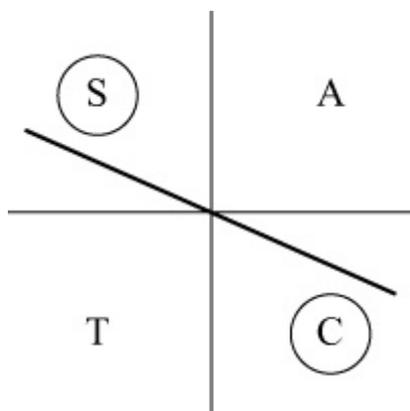
$$(d) \cos\theta = \cos(\theta + 60^\circ)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta = \cos\theta \cos 60^\circ - \sin\theta \sin 60^\circ = \frac{1}{2} \cos\theta - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta = -\sqrt{3} \sin\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan\theta = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \left(\tan\theta = \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} \right)$$

θ is in the 2nd and 4th quadrants.



$\tan^{-1} \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right)$ is not in given interval.

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) + 180^\circ, \tan^{-1} \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) + 360^\circ = 150^\circ, 330^\circ$$

(e) $\tan(\theta - 45^\circ) = 6 \tan \theta$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tan \theta - \tan 45^\circ}{1 + \tan \theta \tan 45^\circ} = 6 \tan \theta$$

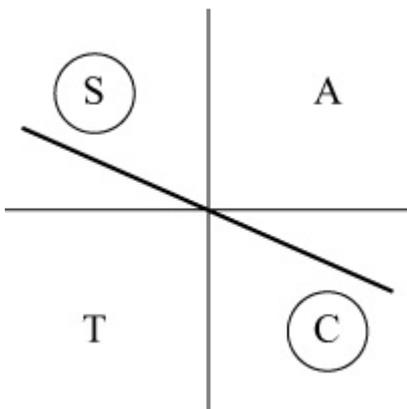
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tan \theta - 1}{1 + \tan \theta} = 6 \tan \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta - 1 = 6 \tan \theta + 6 \tan^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 \tan^2 \theta + 5 \tan \theta + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3 \tan \theta + 1)(2 \tan \theta + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ or } \tan \theta = -\frac{1}{2}$$



$$\tan \theta = -\frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1} \left(-\frac{1}{3} \right) + 180^\circ, \tan^{-1} \left(-\frac{1}{3} \right) + 360^\circ = 161.6^\circ, 341.6^\circ$$

$$\tan \theta = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) + 180^\circ, \tan^{-1} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) + 360^\circ = 153.4^\circ, 333.4^\circ$$

Set of solutions: $153.4^\circ, 161.6^\circ, 333.4^\circ, 341.6^\circ$

(f) $\sin \theta + \cos \theta = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 45^\circ \sin \theta + \sin 45^\circ \cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin (\theta + 45^\circ) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta + 45^\circ = 45^\circ, 135^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 0^\circ, 90^\circ$$

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Exercise A, Question 14

Question:

(a) Solve the equation $\cos \theta \cos 30^\circ - \sin \theta \sin 30^\circ = 0.5$, for $0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$.

(b) Hence write down, in the same interval, the solutions of $\sqrt{3} \cos \theta - \sin \theta = 1$.

Solution:

$$(a) \cos \theta \cos 30^\circ - \sin \theta \sin 30^\circ = 0.5$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos(\theta + 30^\circ) = 0.5$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta + 30^\circ = 60^\circ, 300^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 30^\circ, 270^\circ$$

$$(b) \cos \theta \cos 30^\circ - \sin \theta \sin 30^\circ \equiv \cos \theta \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \sin \theta \times \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{So } \cos \theta \cos 30^\circ - \sin \theta \sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2}$$

is identical to $\sqrt{3} \cos \theta - \sin \theta = 1$

Solutions are same as (a), i.e. $30^\circ, 270^\circ$

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Exercise A, Question 15

Question:

- (a) Express $\tan (45 + 30)^\circ$ in terms of $\tan 45^\circ$ and $\tan 30^\circ$.
- (b) Hence show that $\tan 75^\circ = 2 + \sqrt{3}$.

Solution:

$$(a) \tan (45 + 30)^\circ = \frac{\tan 45^\circ + \tan 30^\circ}{1 - \tan 45^\circ \tan 30^\circ}$$

(b)

$$\tan 75^\circ = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}{1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{\sqrt{3} - 1}$$

$$= \frac{(\sqrt{3} + 1)(\sqrt{3} + 1)}{(\sqrt{3} - 1)(\sqrt{3} + 1)}$$

$$= \frac{4 + 2\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$= 2 + \sqrt{3}$$

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Exercise A, Question 16

Question:

Show that $\sec 105^\circ = -\sqrt{2}(1 + \sqrt{3})$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(60 + 45)^\circ &= \cos 60^\circ \cos 45^\circ - \sin 60^\circ \sin 45^\circ \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &= \frac{1 - \sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{2}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{So } \sec 105^\circ &= \frac{1}{\cos 105^\circ} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{1 - \sqrt{3}} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{2}(1 + \sqrt{3})}{(1 - \sqrt{3})(1 + \sqrt{3})} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{2}(1 + \sqrt{3})}{-2} \\ &= -\sqrt{2}(1 + \sqrt{3})\end{aligned}$$

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Exercise A, Question 17

Question:

Calculate the exact values of

(a) $\cos 15^\circ$

(b) $\sin 75^\circ$

(c) $\sin (120 + 45)^\circ$

(d) $\tan 165^\circ$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) } \cos 15^\circ &= \cos (45 - 30)^\circ \\ &= \cos 45^\circ \cos 30^\circ + \sin 45^\circ \sin 30^\circ \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} (\sqrt{3} + 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) } \sin 75^\circ &= \sin (45 + 30)^\circ \\ &= \sin 45^\circ \cos 30^\circ + \cos 45^\circ \sin 30^\circ \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} (\sqrt{3} + 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$[\sin 75^\circ = \cos (90 - 75^\circ) = \cos 15^\circ]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c) } \sin (120 + 45)^\circ &= \sin 120^\circ \cos 45^\circ + \cos 120^\circ \sin 45^\circ \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} (\sqrt{3} - 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(d) } \tan 165^\circ &= \tan (120 + 45)^\circ = \frac{\tan 120^\circ + \tan 45^\circ}{1 - \tan 120^\circ \tan 45^\circ} \quad (\tan 120^\circ \\ &= -\sqrt{3}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{-\sqrt{3}+1}{1+\sqrt{3}} \\ &= \frac{(-\sqrt{3}+1)(\sqrt{3}-1)}{(\sqrt{3}+1)(\sqrt{3}-1)} \\ &= \frac{-4+2\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ &= -2 + \sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise A, Question 18

Question:

- (a) Given that $3 \sin (x - y) - \sin (x + y) = 0$, show that $\tan x = 2 \tan y$.
- (b) Solve $3 \sin (x - 45^\circ) - \sin (x + 45^\circ) = 0$, for $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a) } & 3 \sin (x - y) - \sin (x + y) = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow 3 \sin x \cos y - 3 \cos x \sin y - \sin x \cos y - \cos x \sin y = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow 2 \sin x \cos y = 4 \cos x \sin y \\
 & \Rightarrow \frac{2 \sin x \cos y}{\cos x \cos y} = \frac{4 \cos x \sin y}{\cos x \cos y} \\
 & \Rightarrow \frac{2 \sin x}{\cos x} = \frac{4 \sin y}{\cos y} \\
 & \Rightarrow 2 \tan x = 4 \tan y
 \end{aligned}$$

So $\tan x = 2 \tan y$

$$\text{(b) Put } y = 45^\circ \Rightarrow \tan x = 2$$

$$\text{So } x = \tan^{-1} 2, 180^\circ + \tan^{-1} 2 = 63.4^\circ, 243.4^\circ$$

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Exercise A, Question 19

Question:

Given that $\sin x (\cos y + 2 \sin y) = \cos x (2 \cos y - \sin y)$, find the value of $\tan (x + y)$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\sin x (\cos y + 2 \sin y) &= \cos x (2 \cos y - \sin y) \\ \Rightarrow \sin x \cos y + 2 \sin x \sin y &= 2 \cos x \cos y - \cos x \sin y \\ \Rightarrow \sin x \cos y + \cos x \sin y &= 2 (\cos x \cos y - \sin x \sin y) \\ \Rightarrow \sin (x + y) &= 2 \cos (x + y) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\sin (x + y)}{\cos (x + y)} &= 2 \\ \Rightarrow \tan (x + y) &= 2\end{aligned}$$

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Exercise A, Question 20

Question:

Given that $\tan (x - y) = 3$, express $\tan y$ in terms of $\tan x$.

Solution:

As $\tan (x - y) = 3$

$$\text{so } \frac{\tan x - \tan y}{1 + \tan x \tan y} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x - \tan y = 3 + 3 \tan x \tan y$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \tan x \tan y + \tan y = \tan x - 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan y (3 \tan x + 1) = \tan x - 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan y = \frac{\tan x - 3}{3 \tan x + 1}$$

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Exercise A, Question 21

Question:

In each of the following, calculate the exact value of $\tan x^\circ$.

$$(a) \tan (x - 45)^\circ = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$(b) \sin (x - 60)^\circ = 3 \cos (x + 30)^\circ$$

$$(c) \tan (x - 60)^\circ = 2$$

Solution:

$$(a) \tan (x - 45)^\circ = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tan x^\circ - \tan 45^\circ}{1 + \tan x^\circ \tan 45^\circ} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \tan x^\circ - 4 = 1 + \tan x^\circ \quad (\tan 45^\circ = 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \tan x^\circ = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x^\circ = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$(b) \sin (x - 60)^\circ = 3 \cos (x + 30)^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x^\circ \cos 60^\circ - \cos x^\circ \sin 60^\circ = 3 \cos x^\circ \cos 30^\circ - 3 \sin x^\circ \sin 30^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x^\circ \times \frac{1}{2} - \cos x^\circ \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = 3 \cos x^\circ \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - 3 \sin x^\circ \times \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \sin x^\circ = 4 \sqrt{3} \cos x^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin x^\circ}{\cos x^\circ} = \frac{4 \sqrt{3}}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x^\circ = \sqrt{3}$$

$$(c) \tan (x - 60)^\circ = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tan x^\circ - \tan 60^\circ}{1 + \tan x^\circ \tan 60^\circ} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tan x^\circ - \sqrt{3}}{1 + \sqrt{3} \tan x^\circ} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x^\circ - \sqrt{3} = 2 + 2\sqrt{3} \tan x^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\sqrt{3} - 1) \tan x^\circ = - (2 + \sqrt{3})$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x^\circ = - \frac{(2 + \sqrt{3})}{2\sqrt{3} - 1} = - \frac{(2 + \sqrt{3})(2\sqrt{3} + 1)}{(2\sqrt{3} - 1)(2\sqrt{3} + 1)} = - \frac{8 + 5\sqrt{3}}{11}$$

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Exercise A, Question 22

Question:

Given that $\tan A^\circ = \frac{1}{5}$ and $\tan B^\circ = \frac{2}{3}$, calculate, without using your calculator, the value of $A + B$,

- (a) where A and B are both acute,
 (b) where A is reflex and B is acute.

Solution:

$$(a) \tan (A^\circ + B^\circ) = \frac{\tan A^\circ + \tan B^\circ}{1 - \tan A^\circ \tan B^\circ}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{5} + \frac{2}{3}}{1 - \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{2}{3}} = \frac{\frac{13}{15}}{\frac{15-2}{15}} = \frac{13}{13} = 1$$

As $\tan (A + B)^\circ$ is +ve, $A + B$ is in the 1st or 3rd quadrants, but as they are both acute $A + B$ cannot be in the 3rd quadrant.

$$\text{So } (A + B)^\circ = \tan^{-1} 1 = 45^\circ$$

i.e. $A + B = 45$

(b) A is reflex but $\tan A^\circ$ is +ve, so A is in 3rd quadrant,

$$\text{i.e. } 180^\circ < A^\circ < 270^\circ$$

$$\text{and } 0^\circ < B^\circ < 90^\circ$$

$(A + B)^\circ$ must be in the 3rd quadrant as $\tan (A + B)^\circ$ is +ve.

$$\text{So } A + B = 225$$

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Exercise A, Question 23

Question:

Given that $\cos y = \sin (x + y)$, show that $\tan y = \sec x - \tan x$.

Solution:

$$\cos y = \sin (x + y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos y = \sin x \cos y + \cos x \sin y$$

Divide throughout by $\cos x \cos y$

$$\frac{\cancel{\cos y}^1}{\cancel{\cos x} \cancel{\cos y}} = \frac{\sin x \cancel{\cos y}}{\cancel{\cos x} \cancel{\cos y}} + \frac{\cancel{\cos x} \sin y}{\cancel{\cos x} \cancel{\cos y}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sec x = \tan x + \tan y$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan y = \sec x - \tan x$$

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Exercise A, Question 24

Question:

Given that $\cot A = \frac{1}{4}$ and $\cot (A + B) = 2$, find the value of $\cot B$.

Solution:

$$\cot (A + B) = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan (A + B) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B} = \frac{1}{2}$$

But as $\cot A = \frac{1}{4}$, then $\tan A = 4$.

$$\text{So } \frac{4 + \tan B}{1 - 4 \tan B} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 + 2 \tan B = 1 - 4 \tan B$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 \tan B = -7$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan B = -\frac{7}{6}$$

$$\text{So } \cot B = \frac{1}{\tan B} = -\frac{6}{7}$$

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Exercise A, Question 25

Question:

Given that $\tan \left(x + \frac{\pi}{3} \right) = \frac{1}{2}$, show that $\tan x = 8 - 5\sqrt{3}$.

Solution:

$$\tan \left(x + \frac{\pi}{3} \right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tan x + \tan \frac{\pi}{3}}{1 - \tan x \tan \frac{\pi}{3}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tan x + \sqrt{3}}{1 - \sqrt{3} \tan x} = \frac{1}{2} \quad \left(\tan \frac{\pi}{3} = \sqrt{3} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \tan x + 2\sqrt{3} = 1 - \sqrt{3} \tan x$$

$$\Rightarrow (2 + \sqrt{3}) \tan x = 1 - 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = \frac{1 - 2\sqrt{3}}{2 + \sqrt{3}} = \frac{(1 - 2\sqrt{3})(2 - \sqrt{3})}{(2 + \sqrt{3})(2 - \sqrt{3})} = \frac{2 - 4\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{3} + 6}{1} = 8 - 5\sqrt{3}$$

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Exercise B, Question 1

Question:

Write the following expressions as a single trigonometric ratio:

(a) $2 \sin 10^\circ \cos 10^\circ$

(b) $1 - 2 \sin^2 25^\circ$

(c) $\cos^2 40^\circ - \sin^2 40^\circ$

(d) $\frac{2 \tan 5^\circ}{1 - \tan^2 5^\circ}$

(e) $\frac{1}{2 \sin \left(24 \frac{1}{2} \right)^\circ \cos \left(24 \frac{1}{2} \right)^\circ}$

(f) $6 \cos^2 30^\circ - 3$

(g) $\frac{\sin 8^\circ}{\sec 8^\circ}$

(h) $\cos^2 \frac{\pi}{16} - \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{16}$

Solution:

(a) $2 \sin 10^\circ \cos 10^\circ = \sin 20^\circ$ (using $2 \sin A \cos A \equiv \sin 2A$)

(b) $1 - 2 \sin^2 25^\circ = \cos 50^\circ$ (using $\cos 2A \equiv 1 - 2 \sin^2 A$)

(c) $\cos^2 40^\circ - \sin^2 40^\circ = \cos 80^\circ$ (using $\cos 2A \equiv \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A$)

(d) $\frac{2 \tan 5^\circ}{1 - \tan^2 5^\circ} = \tan 10^\circ$ (using $\tan 2A \equiv \frac{2 \tan A}{1 - \tan^2 A}$)

$$(e) \frac{1}{2 \sin \left(24 \frac{1}{2} \right)^\circ \cos \left(24 \frac{1}{2} \right)^\circ} = \frac{1}{\sin 49^\circ} = \operatorname{cosec} 49^\circ$$

$$(f) 6 \cos^2 30^\circ - 3 = 3 (2 \cos^2 30^\circ - 1) = 3 \cos 60^\circ$$

$$(g) \frac{\sin 8^\circ}{\sec 8^\circ} = \sin 8^\circ \cos 8^\circ = \frac{1}{2} (2 \sin 8^\circ \cos 8^\circ) = \frac{1}{2} \sin 16^\circ$$

$$(h) \cos^2 \frac{\pi}{16} - \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{16} = \cos \frac{2\pi}{16} = \cos \frac{\pi}{8}$$

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Exercise B, Question 2

Question:

Without using your calculator find the exact values of:

(a) $2 \sin \left(22 \frac{1}{2} \right)^\circ \cos \left(22 \frac{1}{2} \right)^\circ$

(b) $2 \cos^2 15^\circ - 1$

(c) $(\sin 75^\circ - \cos 75^\circ)^2$

(d) $\frac{2 \tan \frac{\pi}{8}}{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\pi}{8}}$

Solution:

(a) $2 \sin \left(22 \frac{1}{2} \right)^\circ \cos \left(22 \frac{1}{2} \right)^\circ = \sin 2 \times 22 \frac{1}{2}^\circ = \sin 45^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

(b) $2 \cos^2 15^\circ - 1 = \cos (2 \times 15^\circ) = \cos 30^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

(c) $(\sin 75^\circ - \cos 75^\circ)^2 = \sin^2 75^\circ + \cos^2 75^\circ - 2 \sin 75^\circ \cos 75^\circ$
 $= 1 - \sin (2 \times 75^\circ) \quad (\sin^2 75^\circ + \cos^2 75^\circ = 1)$
 $= 1 - \sin 150^\circ$
 $= 1 - \frac{1}{2}$
 $= \frac{1}{2}$

(d) $\frac{2 \tan \frac{\pi}{8}}{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\pi}{8}} = \tan \left(2 \times \frac{\pi}{8} \right) = \tan \frac{\pi}{4} = 1$

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Exercise B, Question 3

Question:

Write the following in their simplest form, involving only one trigonometric function:

(a) $\cos^2 3\theta - \sin^2 3\theta$

(b) $6 \sin 2\theta \cos 2\theta$

(c) $\frac{2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}$

(d) $2 - 4 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$

(e) $\sqrt{1 + \cos 2\theta}$

(f) $\sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta$

(g) $4 \sin \theta \cos \theta \cos 2\theta$

(h) $\frac{\tan \theta}{\sec^2 \theta - 2}$

(i) $\sin^4 \theta - 2 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta + \cos^4 \theta$

Solution:

(a) $\cos^2 3\theta - \sin^2 3\theta = \cos (2 \times 3\theta) = \cos 6\theta$

(b) $6 \sin 2\theta \cos 2\theta = 3 (2 \sin 2\theta \cos 2\theta) = 3 \sin (2 \times 2\theta) = 3 \sin 4\theta$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(d)} \quad 2 - 4 \sin^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \theta \right) &= 2 \left[1 - 2 \sin^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \theta \right) \right] = 2 \cos \left(2 \times \frac{1}{2} \theta \right) \\ &= 2 \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(e)} \quad \sqrt{1 + \cos 2\theta} = \sqrt{1 + (2 \cos^2 \theta - 1)} = \sqrt{2 \cos^2 \theta} = \sqrt{2} \cos \theta$$

$$\text{(f)} \quad \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4} (4 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta) = \frac{1}{4} (2 \sin \theta \cos \theta)^2 = \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2\theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(g)} \quad 4 \sin \theta \cos \theta \cos 2\theta &= 2 (2 \sin \theta \cos \theta) \cos 2\theta \\ &= 2 \sin 2\theta \cos 2\theta \\ &= \sin 4\theta \quad (\sin 2A = 2 \sin A \cos A \text{ with } A = 2\theta) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(h)} \quad \frac{\tan \theta}{\sec^2 \theta - 2} &= \frac{\tan \theta}{(1 + \tan^2 \theta) - 2} \\ &= \frac{\tan \theta}{\tan^2 \theta - 1} \\ &= - \frac{\tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} \\ &= - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} \right) \\ &= - \frac{1}{2} \tan 2\theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(i)} \quad \cos^4 \theta - 2 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta + \sin^4 \theta = (\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta)^2 = \cos^2 2\theta$$

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Exercise B, Question 4

Question:

Given that $\cos x = \frac{1}{4}$, find the exact value of $\cos 2x$.

Solution:

$$\cos 2x = 2\cos^2 x - 1 = 2 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^2 - 1 = \frac{1}{8} - 1 = -\frac{7}{8}$$

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Exercise B, Question 5

Question:

Find the possible values of $\sin \theta$ when $\cos 2\theta = \frac{23}{25}$.

Solution:

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

$$\text{So } \frac{23}{25} = 1 - 2\sin^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin^2 \theta = 1 - \frac{23}{25} = \frac{2}{25}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{25}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \pm \frac{1}{5}$$

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Exercise B, Question 6

Question:

Given that $\cos x + \sin x = m$ and $\cos x - \sin x = n$, where m and n are constants, write down, in terms of m and n , the value of $\cos 2x$.

Solution:

$$\cos x + \sin x = m$$

$$\cos x - \sin x = n$$

Multiply the equations:

$$(\cos x + \sin x)(\cos x - \sin x) = mn$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x = mn$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2x = mn$$

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Exercise B, Question 7

Question:

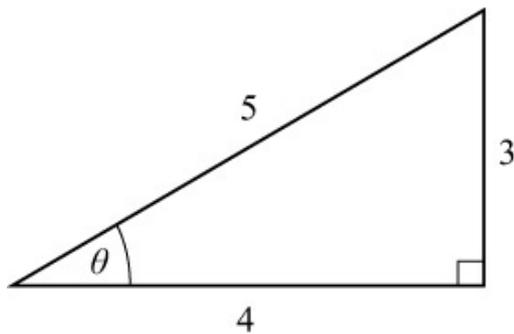
Given that $\tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$, and that θ is acute:

(a) Find the exact value of

- (i) $\tan 2\theta$
- (ii) $\sin 2\theta$
- (iii) $\cos 2\theta$

(b) Deduce the value of $\sin 4\theta$.

Solution:



The hypotenuse is 5,

so $\sin \theta = \frac{3}{5}$, $\cos \theta = \frac{4}{5}$, $\tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$

$$(a) (i) \tan 2\theta = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} = \frac{\frac{3}{2}}{1 - \frac{9}{16}} = \frac{\frac{3}{2}}{\frac{7}{16}} = \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{16}{7} = \frac{24}{7}$$

$$(ii) \sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = 2 \times \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{4}{5} = \frac{24}{25}$$

$$(iii) \cos 2\theta = \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta = \frac{16}{25} - \frac{9}{25} = \frac{7}{25}$$

$$(b) \sin 4\theta = 2 \sin 2\theta \cos 2\theta = 2 \times \frac{24}{25} \times \frac{7}{25} = \frac{336}{625}$$

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Exercise B, Question 8

Question:

Given that $\cos A = -\frac{1}{3}$, and that A is obtuse:

(a) Find the exact value of

(i) $\cos 2A$

(ii) $\sin A$

(iii) $\operatorname{cosec} 2A$

(b) Show that $\tan 2A = \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{7}$.

Solution:

$$(a) (i) \cos 2A = 2 \cos^2 A - 1 = 2 \left(-\frac{1}{3} \right)^2 - 1 = \frac{2}{9} - 1 = -\frac{7}{9}$$

$$(ii) \cos 2A = 1 - 2 \sin^2 A$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{7}{9} = 1 - 2 \sin^2 A$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sin^2 A = 1 + \frac{7}{9} = \frac{16}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 A = \frac{8}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin A = \pm \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} \quad (\sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2})$$

but A is in 2nd quadrant $\Rightarrow \sin A$ is +ve.

$$\text{So } \sin A = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}$$

$$(iii) \operatorname{cosec} 2A = \frac{1}{\sin 2A} = \frac{1}{2 \sin A \cos A} = \frac{1}{2 \times \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} \times \left(-\frac{1}{3} \right)} = -\frac{9}{4\sqrt{2}} = -\frac{9\sqrt{2}}{8}$$

$$(b) \tan 2A = \frac{\sin 2A}{\cos 2A} = \frac{-\frac{4\sqrt{2}}{9}}{-\frac{7}{9}} = \frac{-4\sqrt{2}}{9} \times \frac{-9}{7} = \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{7}$$

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Exercise B, Question 9

Question:

Given that $\pi < \theta < \frac{3\pi}{2}$, find the value of $\tan \frac{\theta}{2}$ when $\tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$.

Solution:

$$\text{Using } \tan \theta = \frac{2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 3 - 3 \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = 8 \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + 8 \tan \frac{\theta}{2} - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(3 \tan \frac{\theta}{2} - 1 \right) \left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2} + 3 \right) = 0$$

$$\text{so } \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ or } \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = -3$$

$$\text{but } \pi < \theta < \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{so } \frac{\pi}{2} < \frac{\theta}{2} < \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

i.e. $\frac{\theta}{2}$ is in the 2nd quadrant

So $\tan \frac{\theta}{2}$ is -ve.

$$\Rightarrow \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = -3$$

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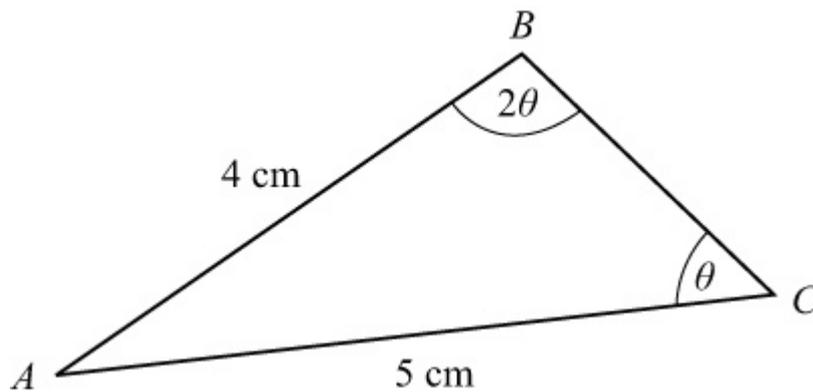
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Exercise B, Question 10

Question:

In $\triangle ABC$, $AB = 4$ cm, $AC = 5$ cm, $\angle ABC = 2\theta$ and $\angle ACB = \theta$. Find the value of θ , giving your answer, in degrees, to 1 decimal place.

Solution:



Using sine rule with $\frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin 2\theta}{5} = \frac{\sin \theta}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{5} = \frac{\sin \theta}{4}$$

Cancel $\sin \theta$ as $\theta \neq 0^\circ$ or 180°

$$\text{So } 2 \cos \theta = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{5}{8}$$

$$\text{So } \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{5}{8} = 51.3^\circ$$

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Exercise B, Question 11

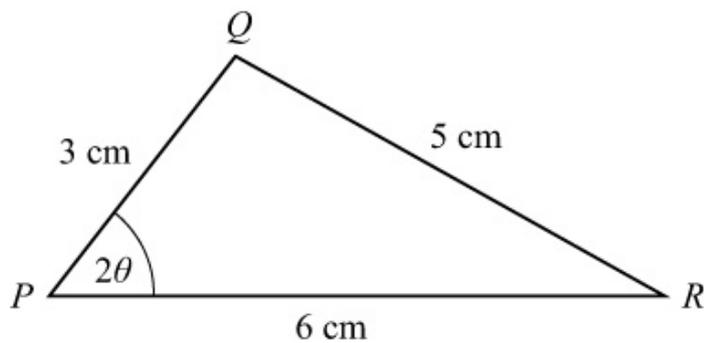
Question:

In $\triangle PQR$, $PQ = 3$ cm, $PR = 6$ cm, $QR = 5$ cm and $\angle QPR = 2\theta$.

(a) Use the cosine rule to show that $\cos 2\theta = \frac{5}{9}$.

(b) Hence find the exact value of $\sin \theta$.

Solution:



(a) Using cosine rule with $\cos P = \frac{q^2 + r^2 - p^2}{2qr}$

$$\cos 2\theta = \frac{36 + 9 - 25}{2 \times 6 \times 3} = \frac{20}{36} = \frac{5}{9}$$

(b) Using $\cos 2\theta = 1 - 2\sin^2 \theta$

$$\frac{5}{9} = 1 - 2\sin^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin^2 \theta = 1 - \frac{5}{9} = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta = \frac{2}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}$$

but $\sin \theta$ cannot be negative for θ in a triangle

$$\text{so } \sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}$$

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Exercise B, Question 12

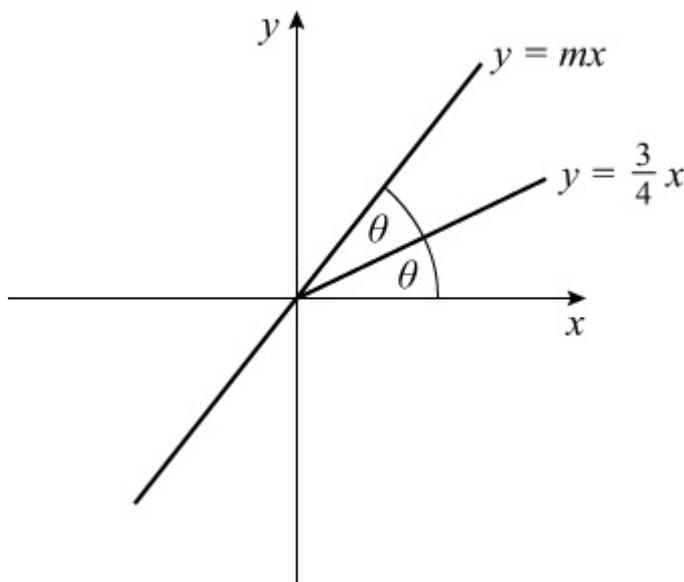
Question:

The line l , with equation $y = \frac{3}{4}x$, bisects the angle between the x -axis and the line $y = mx$, $m > 0$. Given that the scales on each axis are the same, and that l makes an angle θ with the x -axis,

(a) write down the value of $\tan \theta$.

(b) Show that $m = \frac{24}{7}$.

Solution:



(a) The gradient of line l is $\frac{3}{4}$, which is $\tan \theta$.

$$\text{So } \tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$$

(b) The gradient of $y = mx$ is m , and as $y = \frac{3}{4}x$ bisects the angle between $y = mx$ and x -axis

$$m = \tan 2\theta = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} = \frac{2 \times \frac{3}{4}}{1 - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2} = \frac{\frac{3}{2}}{\frac{7}{16}} = \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{16}{7} = \frac{24}{7}$$

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Exercise C, Question 1

Question:

Prove the following identities:

$$(a) \frac{\cos 2A}{\cos A + \sin A} \equiv \cos A - \sin A$$

$$(b) \frac{\sin B}{\sin A} - \frac{\cos B}{\cos A} \equiv 2 \operatorname{cosec} 2A \sin (B - A)$$

$$(c) \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{\sin 2\theta} \equiv \tan \theta$$

$$(d) \frac{\sec^2 \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} \equiv \sec 2\theta$$

$$(e) 2 (\sin^3 \theta \cos \theta + \cos^3 \theta \sin \theta) \equiv \sin 2\theta$$

$$(f) \frac{\sin 3\theta}{\sin \theta} - \frac{\cos 3\theta}{\cos \theta} \equiv 2$$

$$(g) \operatorname{cosec} \theta - 2 \cot 2\theta \cos \theta \equiv 2 \sin \theta$$

$$(h) \frac{\sec \theta - 1}{\sec \theta + 1} \equiv \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$(i) \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x \right) \equiv \frac{1 - \sin 2x}{\cos 2x}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \text{ L.H.S.} &\equiv \frac{\cos 2A}{\cos A + \sin A} \\ &\equiv \frac{\cos^2 A - \sin^2 A}{\cos A + \sin A} \\ &\equiv \frac{(\cos A + \sin A)(\cos A - \sin A)}{\cos A + \sin A} \\ &\equiv \cos A - \sin A \equiv \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \text{ L.H.S.} &\equiv \frac{\sin B}{\sin A} - \frac{\cos B}{\cos A} \\ &\equiv \frac{\sin B \cos A - \cos B \sin A}{\sin A \cos A} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\equiv \frac{\sin(B-A)}{\frac{1}{2}(2\sin A \cos A)} \\
&\equiv \frac{2\sin(B-A)}{\sin 2A} \\
&\equiv 2 \operatorname{cosec} 2A \sin(B-A) \equiv \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(c) L.H.S.} &\equiv \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{\sin 2\theta} \\
&\equiv \frac{1 - (1 - 2\sin^2 \theta)}{2\sin \theta \cos \theta} \\
&\equiv \frac{2\sin^2 \theta}{2\sin \theta \cos \theta} \\
&\equiv \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \\
&\equiv \tan \theta \equiv \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(d) L.H.S.} &\equiv \frac{\sec^2 \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} \\
&\equiv \frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta (1 - \tan^2 \theta)} \\
&\equiv \frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta} \quad \left(\text{as } \tan^2 \theta = \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta}\right) \\
&\equiv \frac{1}{\cos 2\theta} \\
&\equiv \sec 2\theta \equiv \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(e) L.H.S.} &\equiv 2(\sin^3 \theta \cos \theta + \cos^3 \theta \sin \theta) \\
&\equiv 2\sin \theta \cos \theta (\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta) \\
&\equiv \sin 2\theta \quad (\text{since } \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta \equiv 1) \\
&\equiv \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(f) L.H.S.} &\equiv \frac{\sin 3\theta}{\sin \theta} - \frac{\cos 3\theta}{\cos \theta} \\
&\equiv \frac{\sin 3\theta \cos \theta - \cos 3\theta \sin \theta}{\sin \theta \cos \theta} \\
&\equiv \frac{\sin(3\theta - \theta)}{\frac{1}{2}\sin 2\theta}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\equiv \frac{\sin 2\theta}{\frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta} \\ &\equiv 2 \equiv \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

(g) L.H.S. $\equiv \operatorname{cosec} \theta - 2 \cot 2\theta \cos \theta$

$$\begin{aligned} &\equiv \operatorname{cosec} \theta - 2 \frac{\cos 2\theta}{\sin 2\theta} \cos \theta \\ &\equiv \operatorname{cosec} \theta - \frac{2 \cos 2\theta \cos \theta}{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta} \\ &\equiv \frac{1}{\sin \theta} - \frac{\cos 2\theta}{\sin \theta} \\ &\equiv \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{\sin \theta} \\ &\equiv \frac{1 - (1 - 2\sin^2 \theta)}{\sin \theta} \\ &\equiv \frac{2\sin^2 \theta}{\sin \theta} \\ &\equiv 2 \sin \theta \equiv \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

(h)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &\equiv \frac{\sec \theta - 1}{\sec \theta + 1} \\ &\equiv \frac{\frac{1}{\cos \theta} - 1}{\frac{1}{\cos \theta} + 1} \\ &\equiv \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{1 + \cos \theta} \\ &\equiv \frac{1 - \left(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{1 + \left(2\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 1\right)} \\ &\equiv \frac{2\sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{2\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} \\ &\equiv \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \equiv \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

(i)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{L.H.S.} &\equiv \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x\right) \\
 &\equiv \frac{\tan\frac{\pi}{4} - \tan x}{1 + \tan\frac{\pi}{4} \tan x} \\
 &\equiv \frac{1 - \tan x}{1 + \tan x} \\
 &\equiv \frac{1 - \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}}{1 + \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}} \\
 &\equiv \frac{\cos x - \sin x}{\cos x + \sin x}
 \end{aligned}$$

Multiply 'top and bottom' by $\cos x - \sin x$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\equiv \frac{\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x - 2 \sin x \cos x}{\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x} \\
 &\equiv \frac{1 - \sin 2x}{\cos 2x} \equiv \text{R.H.S.}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise C, Question 2

Question:

- (a) Show that $\tan \theta + \cot \theta \equiv 2 \operatorname{cosec} 2\theta$.
- (b) Hence find the value of $\tan 75^\circ + \cot 75^\circ$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a) L.H.S.} &\equiv \tan \theta + \cot \theta \\
 &\equiv \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \\
 &\equiv \frac{\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta}{\sin \theta \cos \theta} \\
 &\equiv \frac{2}{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta} \quad (\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta \equiv 1) \\
 &\equiv \frac{2}{\sin 2\theta} \\
 &\equiv 2 \operatorname{cosec} 2\theta \equiv \text{R.H.S.}
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Use $\theta = 75^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow \tan 75^\circ + \cot 75^\circ = 2 \operatorname{cosec} 150^\circ = 2 \times \frac{1}{\sin 150^\circ} = 2 \times \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} = 4$$

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Exercise C, Question 3

Question:

Solve the following equations, in the interval shown in brackets. Give answers to 1 decimal place where appropriate.

(a) $\sin 2\theta = \sin \theta \quad \{ 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi \}$

(b) $\cos 2\theta = 1 - \cos \theta \quad \{ -180^\circ < \theta \leq 180^\circ \}$

(c) $3 \cos 2\theta = 2 \cos^2 \theta \quad \{ 0 \leq \theta < 360^\circ \}$

(d) $\sin 4\theta = \cos 2\theta \quad \{ 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi \}$

(e) $2 \tan 2y \tan y = 3 \quad \{ 0 \leq y < 360^\circ \}$

(f) $3 \cos \theta - \sin \frac{\theta}{2} - 1 = 0 \quad \left\{ 0 \leq \theta < 720^\circ \right\}$

(g) $\cos^2 \theta - \sin 2\theta = \sin^2 \theta \quad \{ 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi \}$

(h) $2 \sin \theta = \sec \theta \quad \{ 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi \}$

(i) $2 \sin 2\theta = 3 \tan \theta \quad \{ 0 \leq \theta < 360^\circ \}$

(j) $2 \tan \theta = \sqrt{3} (1 - \tan \theta) (1 + \tan \theta) \quad \{ 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi \}$

(k) $5 \sin 2\theta + 4 \sin \theta = 0 \quad \{ -180^\circ < \theta \leq 180^\circ \}$

(l) $\sin^2 \theta = 2 \sin 2\theta \quad \{ -180^\circ < \theta \leq 180^\circ \}$

(m) $4 \tan \theta = \tan 2\theta \quad \{ 0 \leq \theta < 360^\circ \}$

Solution:

(a) $\sin 2\theta = \sin \theta, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta - \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta (2 \cos \theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = 0 \text{ or } \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

Solution set: $0, \frac{\pi}{3}, \pi, \frac{5\pi}{3}, 2\pi$

$$(b) \cos 2\theta = 1 - \cos \theta, -180^\circ < \theta \leq 180^\circ$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2\cos^2 \theta + \cos \theta - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{17}}{4}$$

$$\text{As } \frac{-1 - \sqrt{17}}{4} < -1, \cos \theta = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{17}}{4}$$

As $\cos \theta$ is +ve, θ is in 1st and 4th quadrants.

$$\text{Calculator solution is } \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{-1 + \sqrt{17}}{4} \right) = 38.7^\circ.$$

Solutions are $\pm 38.7^\circ$

$$(c) 3\cos 2\theta = 2\cos^2 \theta, 0 \leq \theta < 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(2\cos^2 \theta - 1) = 2\cos^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 6\cos^2 \theta - 3 = 2\cos^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\cos^2 \theta = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 \theta = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

θ will be in all four quadrants.

Solution set: $30^\circ, 150^\circ, 210^\circ, 330^\circ$

$$(d) \sin 4\theta = \cos 2\theta, 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2\theta (2\sin 2\theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2\theta = 0 \text{ or } \sin 2\theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\cos 2\theta = 0 \text{ in } 0 \leq 2\theta \leq 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

$$\sin 2\theta = \frac{1}{2} \text{ in } 0 \leq 2\theta \leq 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6} \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{12}, \frac{5\pi}{12}$$

Solution set: $\frac{\pi}{12}, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{12}, \frac{3\pi}{4}$

(e) $2 \tan 2y \tan y = 3, 0 \leq y < 360^\circ$

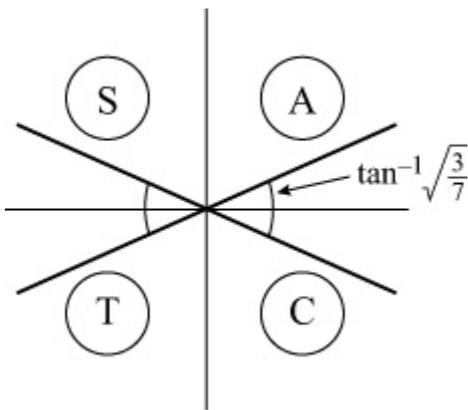
$$\Rightarrow \frac{4 \tan y}{1 - \tan^2 y} \tan y = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \tan^2 y = 3 - 3 \tan^2 y$$

$$\Rightarrow 7 \tan^2 y = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^2 y = \frac{3}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan y = \pm \sqrt{\frac{3}{7}}$$



y is in all four quadrants.

$$y = \tan^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{3}{7}}, 180^\circ + \tan^{-1} \left(-\sqrt{\frac{3}{7}} \right), 180^\circ + \tan^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{3}{7}}, 360^\circ$$

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

$$y = 33.2^\circ, 146.8^\circ, 213.2^\circ, 326.8^\circ$$

(f) $3 \cos \theta - \sin \frac{\theta}{2} - 1 = 0, 0 \leq \theta \leq 720^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \left(1 - 2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right) - \sin \frac{\theta}{2} - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + \sin \frac{\theta}{2} - 2 = 0$$

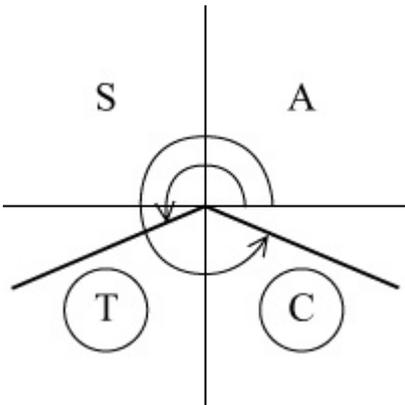
$$\Rightarrow \left(3 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} + 2 \right) \left(2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} - 1 \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \frac{\theta}{2} = -\frac{2}{3} \text{ or } \sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ in } 0 \leq \frac{\theta}{2} \leq 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\theta}{2} = 30^\circ, 150^\circ \Rightarrow \theta = 60^\circ, 300^\circ$$

$$\sin \frac{\theta}{2} = -\frac{2}{3} \text{ in } 0 \leq \frac{\theta}{2} \leq 360^\circ$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{\theta}{2} = 180^\circ - \sin^{-1} \left(-\frac{2}{3} \right), 360^\circ + \sin^{-1} \left(-\frac{2}{3} \right) = 221.8^\circ,$$

318.2°

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 443.6^\circ, 636.4^\circ$$

Solution set: $60^\circ, 300^\circ, 443.6^\circ, 636.4^\circ$

$$(g) \cos^2 \theta - \sin 2\theta = \sin^2 \theta, 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \tan 2\theta = 1 \quad (\text{divide both sides by } \cos 2\theta)$$

$$\tan 2\theta = 1 \text{ in } 0 \leq 2\theta \leq 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{5\pi}{8}$$

$$(h) 2 \sin \theta = \sec \theta, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 2\theta = 1$$

$$\sin 2\theta = 1 \text{ in } 0 \leq 2\theta \leq 4\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{2} \quad (\text{see graph})$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}$$

$$(i) 2 \sin 2\theta = 3 \tan \theta, 0 \leq \theta < 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \sin \theta \cos \theta = \frac{3 \sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta = 3 \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta (4 \cos^2 \theta - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = 0 \text{ or } \cos^2 \theta = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\sin \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = 0^\circ, 180^\circ$$

$$\cos^2 \theta = \frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = 30^\circ, 150^\circ, 210^\circ, 330^\circ$$

Solution set: $0^\circ, 30^\circ, 150^\circ, 180^\circ, 210^\circ, 330^\circ$

$$(j) 2 \tan \theta = \sqrt{3} (1 - \tan \theta) (1 + \tan \theta), 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

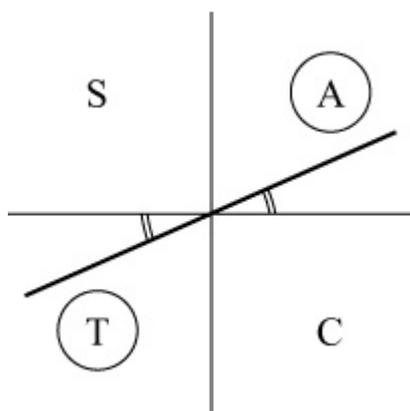
$$\Rightarrow 2 \tan \theta = \sqrt{3} (1 - \tan^2 \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3} \tan^2 \theta + 2 \tan \theta - \sqrt{3} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{3} \tan \theta - 1) (\tan \theta + \sqrt{3}) = 0$$

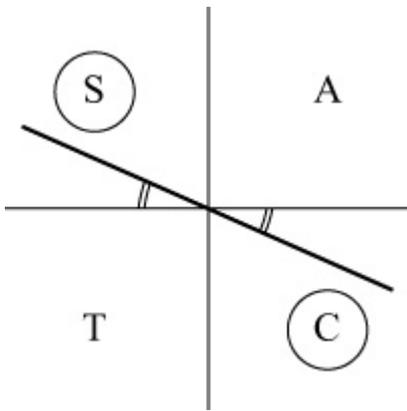
$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ or } \tan \theta = -\sqrt{3}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$



$$\Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \pi + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{7\pi}{6}$$

$$\tan \theta = -\sqrt{3}, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$



$$\Rightarrow \theta = \pi + \tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{3}), 2\pi + \tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{3}) = \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}$$

Solution set: $\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{7\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{3}$

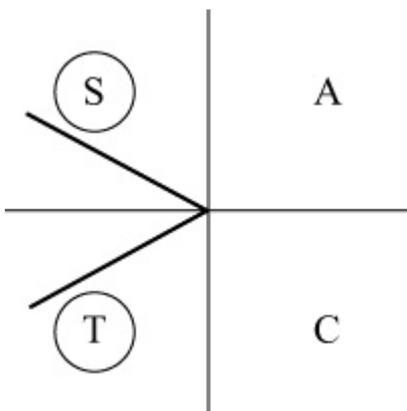
(k) $5 \sin 2\theta + 4 \sin \theta = 0, -180^\circ < \theta \leq 180^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow 10 \sin \theta \cos \theta + 4 \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sin \theta (5 \cos \theta + 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = 0 \text{ or } \cos \theta = -\frac{2}{5}$$

$\sin \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = 0^\circ, 180^\circ$ (from graph)



Calculator value for $\cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{2}{5}\right)$ is 113.6°

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \pm 113.6^\circ$$

Solution set: $-113.6^\circ, 0^\circ, 113.6^\circ, 180^\circ$

(l) $\sin^2 \theta = 2 \sin 2\theta, -180^\circ < \theta \leq 180^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta = 4 \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

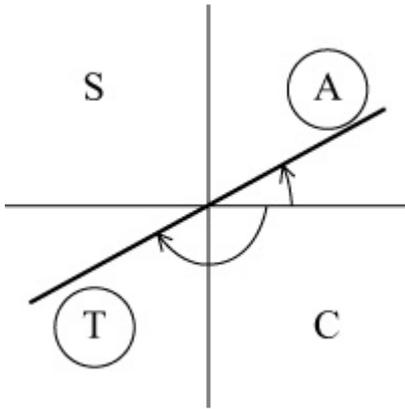
$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta (\sin \theta - 4 \cos \theta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = 0 \text{ or } \sin \theta = 4 \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = 0 \text{ or } \tan \theta = 4$$

$$\sin \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = 0^\circ, 180^\circ$$

$$\tan \theta = 4 \Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1} 4, -180^\circ + \tan^{-1} 4 = 76.0^\circ, -104.0^\circ$$



Solution set: $-104.0^\circ, 0^\circ, 76.0^\circ, 180^\circ$

$$(m) 4 \tan \theta = \tan 2\theta, 0 \leq \theta < 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \tan \theta = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \tan \theta (1 - \tan^2 \theta) = \tan \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta (2 - 2 \tan^2 \theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta (1 - 2 \tan^2 \theta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = 0 \text{ or } \tan \theta = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\tan \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = 0^\circ, 180^\circ$$

$$\tan \theta = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow \theta = 35.3^\circ, 144.7^\circ, 215.3^\circ, 324.7^\circ$$

Solution set: $0^\circ, 35.3^\circ, 144.7^\circ, 180^\circ, 215.3^\circ, 324.7^\circ$

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Exercise C, Question 4

Question:

Given that $p = 2 \cos \theta$ and $q = \cos 2\theta$, express q in terms of p .

Solution:

$$p = 2 \cos \theta \quad \Rightarrow \quad \cos \theta = \frac{p}{2}$$

$$\cos 2\theta = q$$

Using $\cos 2\theta = 2 \cos^2 \theta - 1$

$$q = 2 \left(\frac{p}{2} \right)^2 - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad q = \frac{p^2}{2} - 1$$

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Exercise C, Question 5

Question:

Eliminate θ from the following pairs of equations:

(a) $x = \cos^2 \theta$, $y = 1 - \cos 2\theta$

(b) $x = \tan \theta$, $y = \cot 2\theta$

(c) $x = \sin \theta$, $y = \sin 2\theta$

(d) $x = 3 \cos 2\theta + 1$, $y = 2 \sin \theta$

Solution:

(a) $\cos^2 \theta = x$, $\cos 2\theta = 1 - y$

Using $\cos 2\theta = 2 \cos^2 \theta - 1$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - y = 2x - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 2 - 2x = 2(1 - x) \quad (\text{any form})$$

(b) $y = \cot 2\theta \Rightarrow \tan 2\theta = \frac{1}{y}$

$x = \tan \theta$

Using $\tan 2\theta = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2xy = 1 - x^2 \quad (\text{any form})$$

(c) $x = \sin \theta$, $y = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$

$$\Rightarrow y = 2x \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{y}{2x}$$

Using $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta \equiv 1$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{y^2}{4x^2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^4 + y^2 = 4x^2 \text{ or } y^2 = 4x^2(1 - x^2) \quad (\text{any form})$$

$$(d) x = 3 \cos 2\theta + 1 \Rightarrow \cos 2\theta = \frac{x-1}{3}$$

$$y = 2 \sin \theta \Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{y}{2}$$

$$\text{Using } \cos 2\theta = 1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2(x-1) = 6 - 3y^2 \quad (\times 6)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y^2 = 6 - 2(x-1) = 8 - 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = \frac{2(4-x)}{3} \quad (\text{any form})$$

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Exercise C, Question 6

Question:

(a) Prove that $(\cos 2\theta - \sin 2\theta)^2 \equiv 1 - \sin 4\theta$.

(b) Use the result to solve, for $0 \leq \theta < \pi$, the equation $\cos 2\theta - \sin 2\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$.

Give your answers in terms of π .

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) L.H.S.} &\equiv (\cos 2\theta - \sin 2\theta)^2 \\ &\equiv \cos^2 2\theta - 2\sin 2\theta \cos 2\theta + \sin^2 2\theta \\ &\equiv (\cos^2 2\theta + \sin^2 2\theta) - (2\sin 2\theta \cos 2\theta) \\ &\equiv 1 - \sin 4\theta \quad (\sin^2 A + \cos^2 A \equiv 1, \sin 2A \equiv 2\sin A \cos A) \\ &\equiv \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(b) You can use } (\cos 2\theta - \sin 2\theta)^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{but this also solves } \cos 2\theta - \sin 2\theta = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

so you need to check your final answers.

$$\text{As } (\cos 2\theta - \sin 2\theta)^2 \equiv 1 - \sin 4\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = 1 - \sin 4\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 4\theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$0 \leq \theta < \pi, \text{ so } 0 \leq 4\theta < 4\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{13\pi}{6}, \frac{17\pi}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{24}, \frac{5\pi}{24}, \frac{13\pi}{24}, \frac{17\pi}{24}$$

$$\text{Checking these values in } \cos 2\theta - \sin 2\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{eliminates } \frac{5\pi}{24}, \frac{13\pi}{24} \text{ which apply to } \cos 2\theta - \sin 2\theta = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{Solutions are } \frac{\pi}{24}, \frac{17\pi}{24}$$

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Exercise C, Question 7

Question:

(a) Show that:

$$(i) \sin \theta \equiv \frac{2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 + \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

$$(ii) \cos \theta \equiv \frac{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 + \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

(b) By writing the following equations as quadratics in $\tan \frac{\theta}{2}$, solve, in the

interval $0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$:

(i) $\sin \theta + 2 \cos \theta = 1$ (ii) $3 \cos \theta - 4 \sin \theta = 2$

Give answers to 1 decimal place.

Solution:

$$(a) (i) \text{ R.H.S.} \equiv \frac{2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 + \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

$$\equiv \frac{2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}{\sec^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

$$\equiv \frac{2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2}}{\cos \frac{\theta}{2}} \times \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\equiv 2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\equiv \sin \theta \quad (\sin 2A = 2 \sin A \cos A)$$

$$\equiv \text{L.H.S.}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) R.H.S.} &\equiv \frac{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 + \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} \\
 &\equiv \frac{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{\sec^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} \\
 &\equiv \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \left(1 - \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \\
 &\equiv \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \quad \left(\tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{\sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} \right) \\
 &\equiv \cos \theta \quad (\cos 2A = \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A) \\
 &\equiv \text{L.H.S.}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Let $\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = t$

(i) $\sin \theta + 2 \cos \theta = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2t}{1+t^2} + \frac{2(1-t^2)}{1+t^2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2t + 2 - 2t^2 = 1 + t^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 3t^2 - 2t - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3t + 1)(t - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ or } \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = 1 \quad 0 \leq \frac{\theta}{2} \leq 180^\circ$$

$$\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{\theta}{2} = 45^\circ \Rightarrow \theta = 90^\circ$$

$$\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = -\frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{\theta}{2} = 161.56^\circ \Rightarrow \theta = 323.1^\circ$$

Solution set: $90^\circ, 323.1^\circ$

(ii) $3 \cos \theta - 4 \sin \theta = 2$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3(1-t^2)}{1+t^2} - \frac{4 \times 2t}{1+t^2} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(1-t^2) - 8t = 2(1+t^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 5t^2 + 8t - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{84}}{10}$$

$$\text{For } \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{-8 + \sqrt{84}}{10} \quad 0 \leq \frac{\theta}{2} \leq 180^\circ$$

$$\frac{\theta}{2} = 6.65^\circ \quad \Rightarrow \quad \theta = 13.3^\circ$$

$$\text{For } \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{-8 - \sqrt{84}}{10} \quad 0 \leq \frac{\theta}{2} \leq 180^\circ$$

$$\frac{\theta}{2} = 120.2^\circ \quad \Rightarrow \quad \theta = 240.4^\circ$$

Solution set: $13.3^\circ, 240.4^\circ$

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Exercise C, Question 8

Question:

(a) Using $\cos 2A \equiv 2\cos^2 A - 1 \equiv 1 - 2\sin^2 A$, show that:

(i) $\cos^2 \frac{x}{2} \equiv \frac{1 + \cos x}{2}$

(ii) $\sin^2 \frac{x}{2} \equiv \frac{1 - \cos x}{2}$

(b) Given that $\cos \theta = 0.6$, and that θ is acute, write down the values of:

(i) $\cos \frac{\theta}{2}$

(ii) $\sin \frac{\theta}{2}$

(iii) $\tan \frac{\theta}{2}$

(c) Show that $\cos^4 \frac{A}{2} \equiv \frac{1}{8} (3 + 4\cos A + \cos 2A)$

Solution:

(a) (i) Using $\cos 2A \equiv 2\cos^2 A - 1$ with $A = \frac{x}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \cos x \equiv 2\cos^2 \frac{x}{2} - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\cos^2 \frac{x}{2} \equiv 1 + \cos x$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 \frac{x}{2} \equiv \frac{1 + \cos x}{2}$$

(ii) Using $\cos 2A \equiv 1 - 2\sin^2 A$

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

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

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

(b) Given that $\cos \theta = 0.6$ and θ acute

$$(i) \text{ using (a) (i) } \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1.6}{2} = 0.8 = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5} \quad (\text{as } \frac{\theta}{2} \text{ acute})$$

$$(ii) \text{ using (a) (ii) } \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{0.4}{2} = 0.2 = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{5}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}$$

$$(iii) \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}}{\cos \frac{\theta}{2}} = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}}{\frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \times \frac{5}{2\sqrt{5}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

(c) Using (a) (i) and squaring

$$\cos^4 \frac{A}{2} = \left(\frac{1 + \cos A}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{1 + 2\cos A + \cos^2 A}{4}$$

but using (a) (i) again

$$\cos^2 A = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos 2A)$$

$$\text{So } \cos^4 \frac{A}{2} = \frac{1 + 2\cos A + \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos 2A)}{4} = \frac{2 + 4\cos A + 1 + \cos 2A}{8} =$$

$$\frac{3 + 4\cos A + \cos 2A}{8}$$

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Exercise C, Question 9

Question:

(a) Show that $3 \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x \equiv 1 + 2 \cos 2x$.

(b) Hence sketch, for $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$, the graph of $y = 3 \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x$, showing the coordinates of points where the curve meets the axes.

Solution:

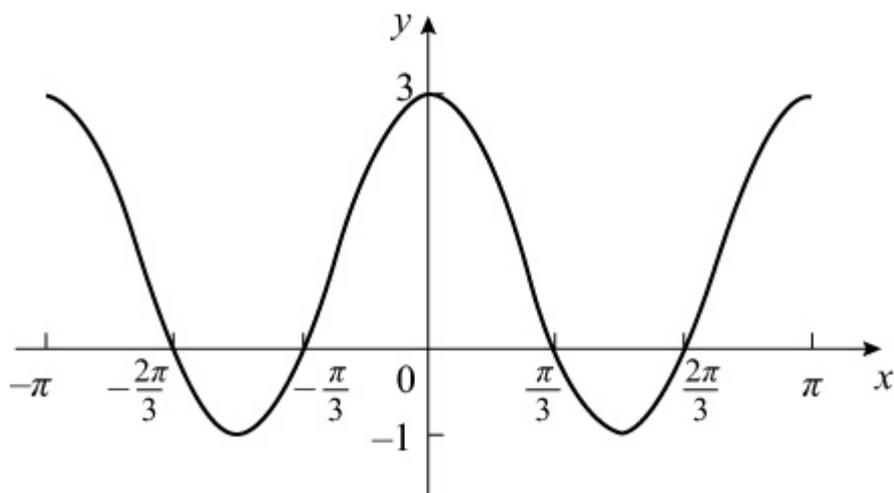
$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a) R.H.S.} &\equiv 1 + 2 \cos 2x \\
 &\equiv 1 + 2 (\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x) \\
 &\equiv 1 + 2 \cos^2 x - 2 \sin^2 x \\
 &\equiv \cos^2 x + \sin^2 x + 2 \cos^2 x - 2 \sin^2 x \quad (\text{using} \\
 &\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x \equiv 1) \\
 &\equiv 3 \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x \\
 &\equiv \text{L.H.S.}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(b) } y = 3 \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x$$

is the same as $y = 1 + 2 \cos 2x$

Using your work on transformations this curve is the result of

- (i) stretching $y = \cos x$ by scale factor $\frac{1}{2}$ in the x direction, then
- (ii) stretching the result by scale factor 2 in the y direction, then
- (iii) translating by 1 in the +ve y direction.

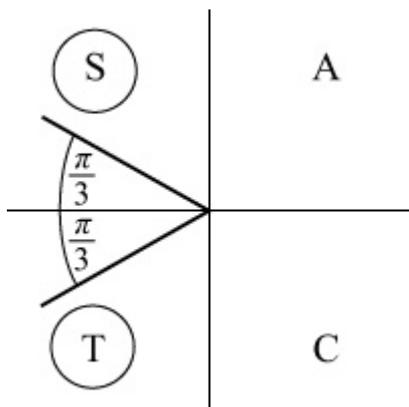


The curve crosses y -axis at $(0, 3)$.

It crosses x -axis where $y = 0$

i.e. where $1 + 2\cos 2x = 0 \quad -\pi \leq x \leq \pi$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2x = -\frac{1}{2} \quad -2\pi \leq 2x \leq 2\pi$$



$$\text{So } 2x = -\frac{4\pi}{3}, -\frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{4\pi}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{2\pi}{3}, -\frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

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Exercise C, Question 10

Question:

(a) Express $2 \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 4 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$ in the form $a \cos \theta + b$, where a and b are constants.

(b) Hence solve $2 \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 4 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = -3$, in the interval $0 \leq \theta < 360^\circ$, giving answers to 1 decimal place.

Solution:

$$(a) \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1 + \cos \theta}{2}, \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2}$$

$$\text{So } 2 \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 4 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = (1 + \cos \theta) - 2(1 - \cos \theta) = 3 \cos \theta - 1$$

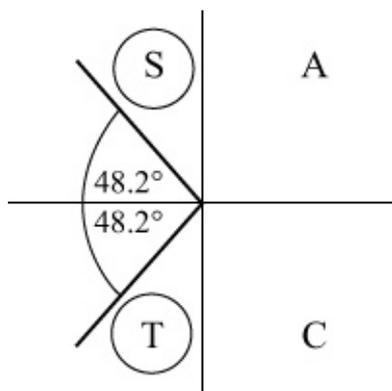
(b) Hence solve $3 \cos \theta - 1 = -3$, $0 \leq \theta < 360^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \cos \theta = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = -\frac{2}{3}$$

As $\cos \theta$ is $-ve$, θ is in 2nd and 3rd quadrants.

Calculator value is $\cos^{-1} \left(-\frac{2}{3} \right) = 131.8^\circ$



Solutions are 131.8° , $360^\circ - 131.8^\circ = 228.2^\circ$

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Exercise C, Question 11

Question:

(a) Use the identity $\sin^2 A + \cos^2 A \equiv 1$ to show that $\sin^4 A + \cos^4 A \equiv \frac{1}{2} (2 - \sin^2 2A)$.

(b) Deduce that $\sin^4 A + \cos^4 A \equiv \frac{1}{4} (3 + \cos 4A)$.

(c) Hence solve $8 \sin^4 \theta + 8 \cos^4 \theta = 7$, for $0 < \theta < \pi$.

Solution:

(a) As $\sin^2 A + \cos^2 A \equiv 1$

so $(\sin^2 A + \cos^2 A)^2 \equiv 1$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^4 A + \cos^4 A + 2 \sin^2 A \cos^2 A \equiv 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^4 A + \cos^4 A \equiv 1 - 2 \sin^2 A \cos^2 A$$

$$\equiv 1 - \frac{1}{2} (4 \sin^2 A \cos^2 A)$$

$$\equiv 1 - \frac{1}{2} \left[(2 \sin A \cos A)^2 \right]$$

$$\equiv 1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 2A$$

$$\equiv \frac{1}{2} (2 - \sin^2 2A)$$

(b) As $\cos 2A \equiv 1 - 2 \sin^2 A$

so $\cos 4A \equiv 1 - 2 \sin^2 2A$

so $\sin^2 2A \equiv \frac{1 - \cos 4A}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{from (a) } \sin^4 A + \cos^4 A \equiv \frac{1}{2} \left(2 - \frac{1 - \cos 4A}{2} \right) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{4 - 1 + \cos 4A}{2} \right)$$

$$\equiv \frac{1}{4} (3 + \cos 4A)$$

(c) Using part (b)

$$8 \sin^4 \theta + 8 \cos^4 \theta = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 \times \frac{1}{4} (3 + \cos 4\theta) = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 + \cos 4\theta = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 4\theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

Solve $\cos 4\theta = \frac{1}{2}$ in $0 < 4\theta < 4\pi$

$$\Rightarrow 4\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}, \frac{7\pi}{3}, \frac{11\pi}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{12}, \frac{5\pi}{12}, \frac{7\pi}{12}, \frac{11\pi}{12}$$

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Exercise C, Question 12

Question:

- (a) By expanding $\cos(2A + A)$ show that $\cos 3A \equiv 4\cos^3 A - 3\cos A$.
- (b) Hence solve $8\cos^3 \theta - 6\cos \theta - 1 = 0$, for $\{0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ\}$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a) } \cos(2A + A) &\equiv \cos 2A \cos A - \sin 2A \sin A \\
 &\equiv (2\cos^2 A - 1) \cos A - (2\sin A \cos A) \sin A \\
 &\equiv 2\cos^3 A - \cos A - 2\sin^2 A \cos A \\
 &\equiv 2\cos^3 A - \cos A - 2(1 - \cos^2 A) \cos A \\
 &\equiv 2\cos^3 A - \cos A - 2\cos A + 2\cos^3 A \\
 &\equiv 4\cos^3 A - 3\cos A
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(b) } 8\cos^3 \theta - 6\cos \theta - 1 &= 0 \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ \\
 \Rightarrow 2(4\cos^3 \theta - 3\cos \theta) - 1 &= 0 \\
 \Rightarrow 2\cos 3\theta - 1 &= 0 \quad [\text{using part (a)}] \\
 \Rightarrow \cos 3\theta &= \frac{1}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Solve } \cos 3\theta = \frac{1}{2} \text{ in } 0 \leq 3\theta \leq 1080^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\theta = 60^\circ, 300^\circ, 420^\circ, 660^\circ, 780^\circ, 1020^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 20^\circ, 100^\circ, 140^\circ, 220^\circ, 260^\circ, 340^\circ$$

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Exercise C, Question 13

Question:

(a) Show that $\tan 3\theta \equiv \frac{3 \tan \theta - \tan^3 \theta}{1 - 3 \tan^2 \theta}$.

(b) Given that θ is acute such that $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{3}$, show that $\tan 3\theta = \frac{10\sqrt{2}}{23}$.

Solution:

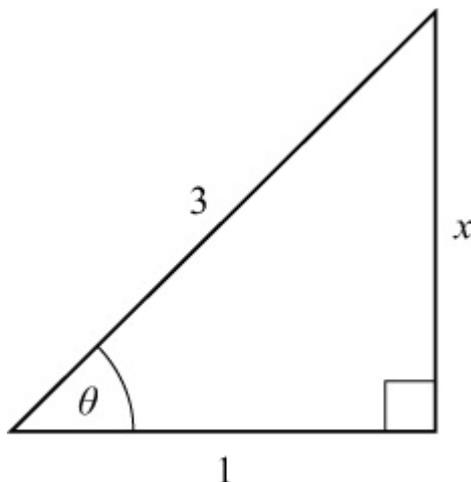
$$(a) \tan 3\theta \equiv \tan (2\theta + \theta) \equiv \frac{\tan 2\theta + \tan \theta}{1 - \tan 2\theta \tan \theta}$$

$$\text{Numerator} = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} + \tan \theta \equiv \frac{2 \tan \theta + \tan \theta - \tan^3 \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} \equiv \frac{3 \tan \theta - \tan^3 \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}$$

$$\text{Denominator} = 1 - \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} \tan \theta \equiv \frac{1 - \tan^2 \theta - 2 \tan^2 \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} \equiv \frac{1 - 3 \tan^2 \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}$$

$$\text{So } \tan 3\theta \equiv \frac{3 \tan \theta - \tan^3 \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} \times \frac{1 - \tan^2 \theta}{1 - 3 \tan^2 \theta} \equiv \frac{3 \tan \theta - \tan^3 \theta}{1 - 3 \tan^2 \theta}$$

(b) Draw a right-angled triangle.



Using Pythagoras' theorem

$$x^2 = 9 - 1 = 8$$

$$\text{So } x = 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{So } \tan \theta = 2\sqrt{2}$$

Using part (a)

$$\tan 3\theta = \frac{3(2\sqrt{2}) - (2\sqrt{2})^3}{1 - 3(2\sqrt{2})^2} = \frac{6\sqrt{2} - 16\sqrt{2}}{1 - 24} = \frac{-10\sqrt{2}}{-23} = \frac{10\sqrt{2}}{23}$$

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Exercise D, Question 1

Question:

Given that $5 \sin \theta + 12 \cos \theta \equiv R \sin (\theta + \alpha)$, find the value of R , $R > 0$, and the value of $\tan \alpha$.

Solution:

$$5 \sin \theta + 12 \cos \theta \equiv R \sin \theta \cos \alpha + R \cos \theta \sin \alpha$$

$$\text{Comparing } \sin \theta : \quad R \cos \alpha = 5$$

$$\text{Comparing } \cos \theta \quad R \sin \alpha = 12$$

Divide the equations:

$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{\cos \alpha} = \frac{12}{5} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \tan \alpha = 2 \frac{2}{5}$$

Square and add the equations:

$$R^2 \cos^2 \alpha + R^2 \sin^2 \alpha = 5^2 + 12^2$$

$$R^2 (\cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha) = 13^2$$

$$R = 13$$

$$\text{since } \cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha \equiv 1$$

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Exercise D, Question 2

Question:

Given that $\sqrt{3} \sin \theta + \sqrt{6} \cos \theta \equiv 3 \cos (\theta - \alpha)$, where $0 < \alpha < 90^\circ$, find the value of α to the nearest 0.1° .

Solution:

$$\sqrt{3} \sin \theta + \sqrt{6} \cos \theta \equiv 3 \cos \theta \cos \alpha + 3 \sin \theta \sin \alpha$$

Comparing $\sin \theta$: $\sqrt{3} = 3 \sin \alpha$ ①

Comparing $\cos \theta$: $\sqrt{6} = 3 \cos \alpha$ ②

Divide ① by ②:

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

So $\alpha = 35.3^\circ$

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Exercise D, Question 3

Question:

Given that $2 \sin \theta - \sqrt{5} \cos \theta \equiv -3 \cos (\theta + \alpha)$, where $0 < \alpha < 90^\circ$, find the value of α to the nearest 0.1° .

Solution:

$$2 \sin \theta - \sqrt{5} \cos \theta \equiv -3 \cos \theta \cos \alpha + 3 \sin \theta \sin \alpha$$

$$\text{Comparing } \sin \theta : \quad 2 = 3 \sin \alpha \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{Comparing } \cos \theta : \quad + \sqrt{5} = + 3 \cos \alpha \quad \textcircled{2}$$

Divide $\textcircled{1}$ by $\textcircled{2}$:

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\text{So } \alpha = 41.8^\circ$$

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Exercise D, Question 4

Question:

Show that:

$$(a) \cos \theta + \sin \theta \equiv \sqrt{2} \sin \left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$$

$$(b) \sqrt{3} \sin 2\theta - \cos 2\theta \equiv 2 \sin \left(2\theta - \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \text{ R.H.S.} &\equiv \sqrt{2} \sin \left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \\ &\equiv \sqrt{2} \left(\sin \theta \cos \frac{\pi}{4} + \cos \theta \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \\ &\equiv \sqrt{2} \left(\sin \theta \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \cos \theta \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \\ &\equiv \sin \theta + \cos \theta \\ &\equiv \text{L.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \text{ R.H.S.} &\equiv 2 \sin \left(2\theta - \frac{\pi}{6} \right) \\ &\equiv 2 \left(\sin 2\theta \cos \frac{\pi}{6} - \cos 2\theta \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right) \\ &\equiv 2 \left(\sin 2\theta \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \cos 2\theta \times \frac{1}{2} \right) \\ &\equiv \sqrt{3} \sin 2\theta - \cos 2\theta \\ &\equiv \text{L.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise D, Question 5

Question:

Prove that $\cos 2\theta - \sqrt{3} \sin 2\theta \equiv 2 \cos \left(2\theta + \frac{\pi}{3} \right) \equiv -2 \sin \left(2\theta - \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$.

Solution:

Let $\cos 2\theta - \sqrt{3} \sin 2\theta \equiv R \cos (2\theta + \alpha) \equiv R \cos 2\theta \cos \alpha - R \sin 2\theta \sin \alpha$

Compare $\cos 2\theta$: $R \cos \alpha = 1$ ①

Compare $\sin 2\theta$: $R \sin \alpha = \sqrt{3}$ ②

Divide ② by ①:

$$\tan \alpha = \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Square and add equations:

$$R^2 = 1 + 3 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow R = 2$$

So $\cos 2\theta - \sqrt{3} \sin 2\theta \equiv 2 \cos \left(2\theta + \frac{\pi}{3} \right)$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \left(2\theta + \frac{\pi}{3} \right) &\equiv \cos 2\theta \cos \frac{\pi}{3} - \sin 2\theta \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \\ &\equiv \cos 2\theta \times \frac{1}{2} - \sin 2\theta \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ &\equiv \cos 2\theta \sin \frac{\pi}{6} - \sin 2\theta \cos \frac{\pi}{6} \\ &\equiv - \left(\sin 2\theta \cos \frac{\pi}{6} - \cos 2\theta \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right) \\ &\equiv - \sin \left(2\theta - \frac{\pi}{6} \right) \end{aligned}$$

So $\cos 2\theta - \sqrt{3} \sin 2\theta \equiv 2 \cos \left(2\theta + \frac{\pi}{3} \right) \equiv -2 \sin \left(2\theta - \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$

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Exercise D, Question 6

Question:

Give all angles to the nearest 0.1° and non-exact values of R in surd form.
Find the value of R , where $R > 0$, and the value of α , where $0 < \alpha < 90^\circ$, in each of the following cases:

(a) $\sin \theta + 3 \cos \theta \equiv R \sin (\theta + \alpha)$

(b) $3 \sin \theta - 4 \cos \theta \equiv R \sin (\theta - \alpha)$

(c) $2 \cos \theta + 7 \sin \theta \equiv R \cos (\theta - \alpha)$

(d) $\cos 2\theta - 2 \sin 2\theta \equiv R \cos (2\theta + \alpha)$

Solution:

(a) $\sin \theta + 3 \cos \theta \equiv R \sin \theta \cos \alpha + R \cos \theta \sin \alpha$

Compare $\sin \theta$: $R \cos \alpha = 1$ ①

Compare $\cos \theta$: $R \sin \alpha = 3$ ②

Dividing ② by ①:

$$\tan \alpha = 3 \Rightarrow \alpha = 71.6^\circ$$

Square and add equations:

$$R^2 = 3^2 + 1^2 \Rightarrow R = \sqrt{10}$$

(b) $3 \sin \theta - 4 \cos \theta \equiv R \sin \theta \cos \alpha - R \cos \theta \sin \alpha$

Compare $\sin \theta$: $R \cos \alpha = 3$ ①

Compare $\cos \theta$: $R \sin \alpha = 4$ ②

Divide ② by ①:

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow \alpha = 53.1^\circ$$

Square and add equations:

$$R^2 = 3^2 + 4^2 \Rightarrow R = 5$$

(c) $2 \cos \theta + 7 \sin \theta \equiv R \cos \theta \cos \alpha + R \sin \theta \sin \alpha$

Compare $\cos \theta$: $R \cos \alpha = 2$ ①

Compare $\sin \theta$: $R \sin \alpha = 7$ ②

Divide ② by ①:

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{7}{2} \Rightarrow \alpha = 74.1^\circ$$

Square and add equations:

$$R^2 = 2^2 + 7^2 = 53 \Rightarrow R = \sqrt{53}$$

$$(d) \cos 2\theta - 2 \sin 2\theta \equiv R \cos 2\theta \cos \alpha - R \sin 2\theta \sin \alpha$$

$$\text{Compare } \cos 2\theta : \quad R \cos \alpha = 1 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{Compare } \sin 2\theta : \quad R \sin \alpha = 2 \quad \textcircled{2}$$

Divide ② by ①:

$$\tan \alpha = 2 \Rightarrow \alpha = 63.4^\circ$$

Square and add equations:

$$R^2 = 1^2 + 2^2 = 5 \Rightarrow R = \sqrt{5}$$

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Exercise D, Question 7

Question:

(a) Show that $\cos \theta - \sqrt{3} \sin \theta$ can be written in the form $R \cos (\theta + \alpha)$, with $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$.

(b) Hence sketch the graph of $y = \cos \theta - \sqrt{3} \sin \theta$, $0 < \theta < 2\pi$, giving the coordinates of points of intersection with the axes.

Solution:

(a) Let $\cos \theta - \sqrt{3} \sin \theta \equiv R \cos (\theta + \alpha) \equiv R \cos \theta \cos \alpha - R \sin \theta \sin \alpha$

Compare $\cos \theta$: $R \cos \alpha = 1$ ①

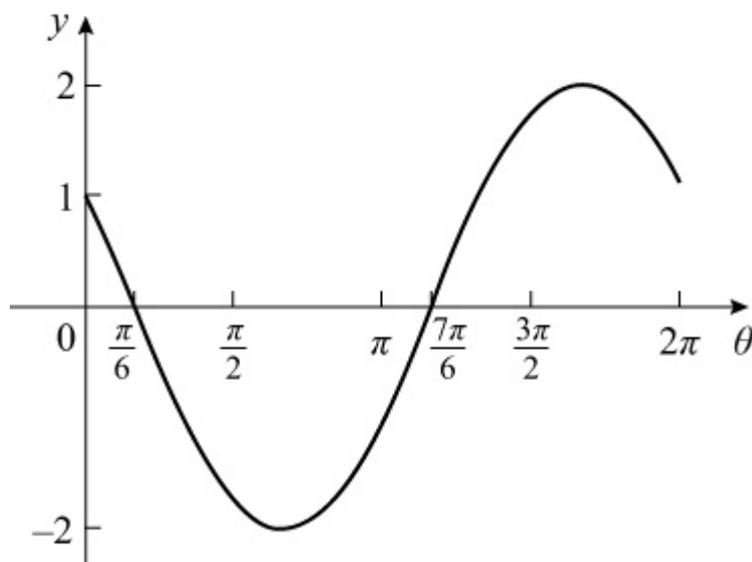
Compare $\sin \theta$: $R \sin \alpha = \sqrt{3}$ ②

Divide ② by ①: $\tan \alpha = \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{\pi}{3}$

Square and add: $R^2 = 1 + 3 = 4 \Rightarrow R = 2$

So $\cos \theta - \sqrt{3} \sin \theta \equiv 2 \cos \left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{3} \right)$

(b) This is the graph of $y = \cos \theta$, translated by $\frac{\pi}{3}$ to the left and then stretched in the y direction by scale factor 2.



Meets y -axis at $(0, 1)$

Meets x -axis at $\left(\frac{\pi}{6}, 0\right), \left(\frac{7\pi}{6}, 0\right)$

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Exercise D, Question 8

Question:

- (a) Show that $3 \sin 3\theta - 4 \cos 3\theta$ can be written in the form $R \sin (3\theta - \alpha)$, with $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < 90^\circ$.
- (b) Deduce the minimum value of $3 \sin 3\theta - 4 \cos 3\theta$ and work out the smallest positive value of θ (to the nearest 0.1°) at which it occurs.

Solution:

(a) Let $3 \sin 3\theta - 4 \cos 3\theta \equiv R \sin (3\theta - \alpha) \equiv R \sin 3\theta \cos \alpha - R \cos 3\theta \sin \alpha$

Compare $\sin 3\theta$: $R \cos \alpha = 3$ ①

Compare $\cos 3\theta$: $R \sin \alpha = 4$ ②

Divide ② by ①: $\tan \alpha = \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow \alpha = 53.1^\circ$

Square and add: $R^2 = 3^2 + 4^2 \Rightarrow R = 5$

So $3 \sin 3\theta - 4 \cos 3\theta \equiv 5 \sin (3\theta - 53.1^\circ)$

(b) Minimum value occurs when $\sin (3\theta - 53.1^\circ) = -1$

So minimum value is -5

To find smallest +ve value of θ solve $\sin (3\theta - 53.1^\circ) = -1$

So $3\theta - 53.1^\circ = 270^\circ$

$\Rightarrow 3\theta = 323.1^\circ$

$\Rightarrow \theta = 107.7^\circ$

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Exercise D, Question 9

Question:

(a) Show that $\cos 2\theta + \sin 2\theta$ can be written in the form $R \sin (2\theta + \alpha)$, with $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$.

(b) Hence solve, in the interval $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$, the equation $\cos 2\theta + \sin 2\theta = 1$, giving your answers as rational multiples of π .

Solution:

(a) Let $\cos 2\theta + \sin 2\theta \equiv R \sin (2\theta + \alpha) \equiv R \sin 2\theta \cos \alpha + R \cos 2\theta \sin \alpha$

Compare $\cos 2\theta$: $R \sin \alpha = 1$ ①

Compare $\sin 2\theta$: $R \cos \alpha = 1$ ②

Divide ① by ②: $\tan \alpha = 1 \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{\pi}{4}$

Square and add: $R^2 = 1^2 + 1^2 = 2 \Rightarrow R = \sqrt{2}$

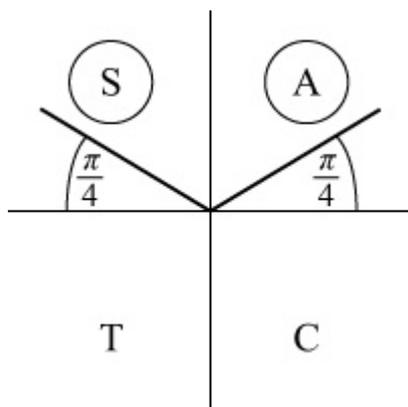
So $\cos 2\theta + \sin 2\theta \equiv \sqrt{2} \sin \left(2\theta + \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$

(b) Solve $\sqrt{2} \sin \left(2\theta + \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = 1, 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$

so $\sin \left(2\theta + \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{\pi}{4} \leq 2\theta + \frac{\pi}{4} < \frac{17\pi}{4}$

As $\sin \left(2\theta + \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$ is +ve, $\left(2\theta + \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$ is in 1st and 2nd quadrants.

Calculator value is $\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\pi}{4}$



$$\text{So } 2\theta + \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{9\pi}{4}, \frac{11\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\theta = 0, \frac{\pi}{2}, 2\pi, \frac{5\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 0, \frac{\pi}{4}, \pi, \frac{5\pi}{4}$$

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Exercise D, Question 10

Question:

- (a) Express $7 \cos \theta - 24 \sin \theta$ in the form $R \cos (\theta + \alpha)$, with $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < 90^\circ$. Give α to the nearest 0.1° .
- (b) The graph of $y = 7 \cos \theta - 24 \sin \theta$ meets the y-axis at P. State the coordinates of P.
- (c) Write down the maximum and minimum values of $7 \cos \theta - 24 \sin \theta$.
- (d) Deduce the number of solutions, in the interval $0 < \theta < 360^\circ$, of the following equations:
- (i) $7 \cos \theta - 24 \sin \theta = 15$
(ii) $7 \cos \theta - 24 \sin \theta = 26$
(iii) $7 \cos \theta - 24 \sin \theta = -25$

Solution:

(a) Let $7 \cos \theta - 24 \sin \theta \equiv R \cos (\theta + \alpha) \equiv R \cos \theta \cos \alpha - R \sin \theta \sin \alpha$

Compare $\cos \theta$: $R \cos \alpha = 7$ ①

Compare $\sin \theta$: $R \sin \alpha = 24$ ②

Divide ② by ①: $\tan \alpha = \frac{24}{7} \Rightarrow \alpha = 73.7^\circ$

Square and add: $R^2 = 24^2 + 7^2 \Rightarrow R = 25$

So $7 \cos \theta - 24 \sin \theta \equiv 25 \cos (\theta + 73.7^\circ)$

(b) Graph meets y-axis where $\theta = 0$,

i.e. $y = 7 \cos 0^\circ - 24 \sin 0^\circ = 7$

so coordinates are $(0, 7)$

(c) Maximum value of $25 \cos (\theta + 73.7^\circ)$ is when $\cos (\theta + 73.7^\circ) = 1$

So maximum is 25

Minimum value is $25 (-1) = -25$

(d) (i) The line $y = 15$ will meet the graph twice in $0 < \theta < 360^\circ$, so there are 2 solutions.

(ii) As the maximum value is 25 it can never be 26, so there are 0 solutions.

(iii) As -25 is a minimum, line $y = -25$ only meets curve once, so only 1 solution.

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Exercise D, Question 11

Question:

- (a) Express $5 \sin^2 \theta - 3 \cos^2 \theta + 6 \sin \theta \cos \theta$ in the form $a \sin 2\theta + b \cos 2\theta + c$, where a , b and c are constants.
- (b) Hence find the maximum and minimum values of $5 \sin^2 \theta - 3 \cos^2 \theta + 6 \sin \theta \cos \theta$.

Solution:

(a) As $\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2}$ and $\cos^2 \theta = \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } 5 \sin^2 \theta - 3 \cos^2 \theta + 6 \sin \theta \cos \theta & \\ \equiv 5 \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2} - 3 \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2} + 3 (2 \sin \theta \cos \theta) & \\ \equiv \frac{5}{2} - \frac{5}{2} \cos 2\theta - \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \cos 2\theta + 3 \sin 2\theta & \\ \equiv 1 - 4 \cos 2\theta + 3 \sin 2\theta & \end{aligned}$$

(b) Write $3 \sin 2\theta - 4 \cos 2\theta$ in the form $R \sin (2\theta - \alpha)$

The maximum value of $R \sin (2\theta - \alpha)$ is R

The minimum value of $R \sin (2\theta - \alpha)$ is $-R$

You know that $R^2 = 3^2 + 4^2$ so $R = 5$

So maximum value of $1 - 4 \cos 2\theta + 3 \sin 2\theta$ is $1 + 5 = 6$

and minimum value of $1 - 4 \cos 2\theta + 3 \sin 2\theta$ is $1 - 5 = -4$

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Exercise D, Question 12

Question:

Solve the following equations, in the interval given in brackets. Give all angles to the nearest 0.1° .

(a) $6 \sin x + 8 \cos x = 5 \sqrt{3} \quad [0, 360^\circ]$

(b) $2 \cos 3\theta - 3 \sin 3\theta = -1 \quad [0, 90^\circ]$

(c) $8 \cos \theta + 15 \sin \theta = 10 \quad [0, 360^\circ]$

(d) $5 \sin \frac{x}{2} - 12 \cos \frac{x}{2} = -6.5 \quad [-360^\circ, 360^\circ]$

Solution:

(a) Write $6 \sin x + 8 \cos x$ in the form $R \sin (x + \alpha)$, where $R > 0$, $0 < \alpha < 90^\circ$
so $6 \sin x + 8 \cos x \equiv R \sin x \cos \alpha + R \cos x \sin \alpha$

Compare $\sin x$: $R \cos \alpha = 6$ ①

Compare $\cos x$: $R \sin \alpha = 8$ ②

Divide ② by ①: $\tan \alpha = \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow \alpha = 53.13^\circ$

$$R^2 = 6^2 + 8^2 \Rightarrow R = 10$$

So $6 \sin x + 8 \cos x \equiv 10 \sin (x + 53.13^\circ)$

Solve $10 \sin (x + 53.13^\circ) = 5 \sqrt{3}$, $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$

so $\sin (x + 53.13^\circ) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow x + 53.13^\circ = 60^\circ, 120^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 6.9^\circ, 66.9^\circ$$

(b) Let $2 \cos 3\theta - 3 \sin 3\theta \equiv R \cos (3\theta + \alpha) \equiv R \cos 3\theta \cos \alpha - R \sin 3\theta \sin \alpha$

Compare $\cos 3\theta$: $R \cos \alpha = 2$ ①

Compare $\sin 3\theta$: $R \sin \alpha = 3$ ②

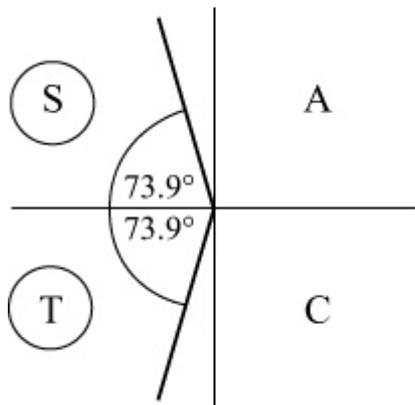
Divide ② by ①: $\tan \alpha = \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow \alpha = 56.31^\circ$

$$R^2 = 2^2 + 3^2 \Rightarrow R = \sqrt{13}$$

Solve $\sqrt{13} \cos (3\theta + 56.31^\circ) = -1$, $0 \leq \theta \leq 90^\circ$

so $\cos (3\theta + 56.31^\circ) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}$ for

$$56.31^\circ \leq 3\theta + 56.31^\circ \leq 326.31^\circ$$



$$\Rightarrow 3\theta + 56.31^\circ = 106.1^\circ, 253.9^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\theta = 49.8^\circ, 197.6^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 16.6^\circ, 65.9^\circ$$

(c) Let $8 \cos \theta + 15 \sin \theta \equiv R \cos (\theta - \alpha) \equiv R \cos \theta \cos \alpha + R \sin \theta \sin \alpha$

Compare $\cos \theta$: $R \cos \alpha = 8$ ①

Compare $\sin \theta$: $R \sin \alpha = 15$ ②

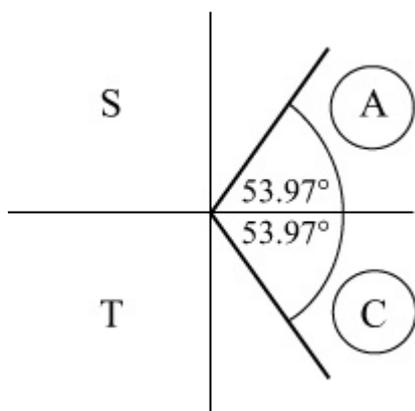
Divide ② by ①: $\tan \alpha = \frac{15}{8} \Rightarrow \alpha = 61.93^\circ$

$$R^2 = 8^2 + 15^2 \Rightarrow R = 17$$

Solve $17 \cos (\theta - 61.93^\circ) = 10, 0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

so $\cos \left(\theta - 61.93^\circ \right) = \frac{10}{17}, -61.93^\circ \leq \theta - 61.93^\circ \leq 298.1^\circ$

$$\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{10}{17} \right) = 53.97^\circ$$



So $\theta - 61.93^\circ = -53.97^\circ, +53.97^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 8.0^\circ, 115.9^\circ$$

$$(d) \text{ Let } 5 \sin \frac{x}{2} - 12 \cos \frac{x}{2} \equiv R \sin \left(\frac{x}{2} - \alpha \right) \equiv R \sin \frac{x}{2} \cos \alpha - R \cos \frac{x}{2} \sin \alpha$$

$$\text{Compare } \sin \frac{x}{2} : \quad R \cos \alpha = 5 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{Compare } \cos \frac{x}{2} : \quad R \sin \alpha = 12 \quad \textcircled{2}$$

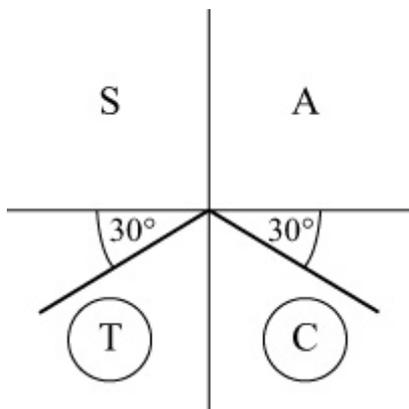
$$\text{Divide } \textcircled{2} \text{ by } \textcircled{1}: \quad \tan \alpha = \frac{12}{5} \Rightarrow \alpha = 67.38^\circ$$

$$R = 13$$

$$\text{Solve } 13 \sin \left(\frac{x}{2} - 67.38^\circ \right) = -6.5, \quad -360^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$$

$$\text{so } \sin \left(\frac{x}{2} - 67.38^\circ \right) = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad -247.4^\circ \leq$$

$$\frac{x}{2} - 67.4^\circ \leq 112.6^\circ$$



From quadrant diagram:

$$\frac{x}{2} - 67.4^\circ = -150^\circ, -30^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{2} = -82.6^\circ, 37.4^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -165.2^\circ, 74.8^\circ$$

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Exercise D, Question 13

Question:

Solve the following equations, in the interval given in brackets. Give all angles to the nearest 0.1° .

(a) $\sin x \cos x = 1 - 2.5 \cos 2x$ $[0 , 360^\circ]$

(b) $\cot \theta + 2 = \operatorname{cosec} \theta$ $[0 < \theta < 360, \theta \neq 180]$

(c) $\sin \theta = 2 \cos \theta - \sec \theta$ $[0 , 180^\circ]$

(d) $\sqrt{2} \cos \left(\theta - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) + \left(\sqrt{3} - 1 \right) \sin \theta = 2$ $[0 , 2\pi]$

Solution:

(a) $\sin x \cos x = 1 - 2.5 \cos 2x, 0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \sin 2x = 1 - 2.5 \cos 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 2x + 5 \cos 2x = 2$$

Let $\sin 2x + 5 \cos 2x \equiv R \sin (2x + \alpha) \equiv R \sin 2x \cos \alpha + R \cos 2x \sin \alpha$

Compare $\sin 2x$: $R \cos \alpha = 1$ ①

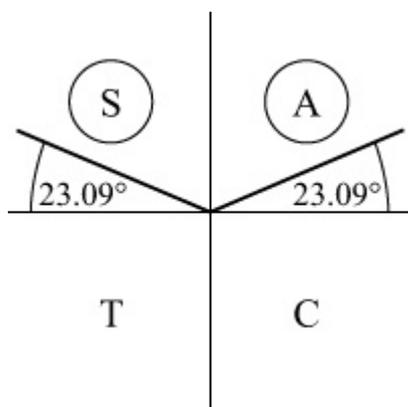
Compare $\cos 2x$: $R \sin \alpha = 5$ ②

Divide ② by ①: $\tan \alpha = 5 \Rightarrow \alpha = \tan^{-1} 5 = 78.7^\circ$

$$R^2 = 5^2 + 1^2 \Rightarrow R = \sqrt{26}$$

Solve $\sqrt{26} \sin (2x + 78.7^\circ) = 2, 0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \left(2x + 78.7^\circ \right) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{26}}, 78.7^\circ \leq 2x + 78.7^\circ \leq 798.7^\circ$$



$$\Rightarrow 2x + 78.7^\circ = 156.9^\circ, 383.1^\circ, 516.9^\circ, 743.1^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 78.2^\circ, 304.4^\circ, 438.2^\circ, 664.4^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 39.1^\circ, 152.2^\circ, 219.1^\circ, 332.2^\circ$$

(b) $\cot \theta + 2 = \operatorname{cosec} \theta, 0 < \theta < 360^\circ, \theta \neq 180^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} + 2 = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \quad (\text{as } \sin \theta \neq 0)$$

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

Let $\cos \theta + 2 \sin \theta \equiv R \cos (\theta - \alpha) \equiv R \cos \theta \cos \alpha + R \sin \theta \sin \alpha$

Compare $\cos \theta$: $R \cos \alpha = 1$ ①

Compare $\sin \theta$: $R \sin \alpha = 2$ ②

Divide ② by ①: $\tan \alpha = 2 \Rightarrow \alpha = 63.43^\circ$

$$R^2 = 2^2 + 1^2 \Rightarrow R = \sqrt{5}$$

Solve $\sqrt{5} \cos (\theta - 63.43^\circ) = 1, 0 < \theta < 360^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow \cos (\theta - 63.43^\circ) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, -63.43^\circ < \theta - 63.43^\circ < 296.6^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta - 63.43^\circ = 63.43^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 126.9^\circ$$

(c) $\sin \theta = 2 \cos \theta - \sec \theta, 0 \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta \cos \theta = 2 \cos^2 \theta - 1 \quad (\times \cos \theta)$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \tan 2\theta = 2, 0 \leq 2\theta \leq 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\theta = \tan^{-1} 2, 180^\circ + \tan^{-1} 2 = 63.43^\circ, 243.43^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 31.7^\circ, 121.7^\circ$$

(d) $\sqrt{2} \cos \left(\theta - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) + (\sqrt{3} - 1) \sin \theta$

$$\equiv \sqrt{2} \left(\cos \theta \cos \frac{\pi}{4} + \sin \theta \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \right) + (\sqrt{3} - 1) \sin \theta$$

$$\equiv \cos \theta + \sin \theta + \sqrt{3} \sin \theta - \sin \theta$$

$$\equiv \cos \theta + \sqrt{3} \sin \theta$$

Let $\cos \theta + \sqrt{3} \sin \theta \equiv R \cos (\theta - \alpha) \equiv R \cos \theta \cos \alpha + R \sin \theta \sin \alpha$

Compare $\cos \theta$: $R \cos \alpha = 1$ ①

Compare $\sin \theta$: $R \sin \alpha = \sqrt{3}$ ②

Divide ② by ①: $\tan \alpha = \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{\pi}{3}$

$$R^2 = (\sqrt{3})^2 + 1^2 \Rightarrow R = 2$$

$$\text{Solve } 2 \cos \left(\theta - \frac{\pi}{3} \right) = 2, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \left(\theta - \frac{\pi}{3} \right) = 1, -\frac{\pi}{3} \leq \theta - \frac{\pi}{3} \leq \frac{5\pi}{3}$$

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

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

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Exercise D, Question 14

Question:

Solve, if possible, in the interval $0 < \theta < 360^\circ$, $\theta \neq 180^\circ$, the equation

$$\frac{4 - 2\sqrt{2}\sin\theta}{1 + \cos\theta} = k \text{ in the case when } k \text{ is equal to:}$$

(a) 4

(b) 2

(c) 1

(d) 0

(e) -1

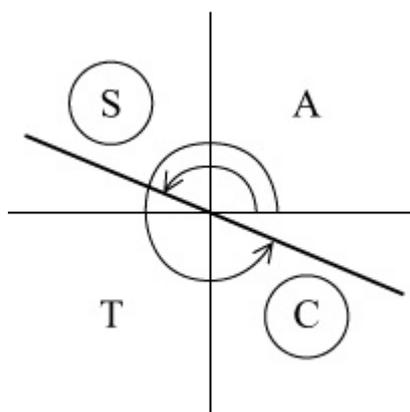
Give all angles to the nearest 0.1° .

Solution:

(a) When $k = 4$, $4 - 2\sqrt{2}\sin\theta = 4 + 4\cos\theta$

$$\Rightarrow -2\sqrt{2}\sin\theta = 4\cos\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan\theta = -\frac{4}{2\sqrt{2}} = -\sqrt{2}$$



$$\theta = 180^\circ + \tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{2}), 360^\circ + \tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{2}) = 125.3^\circ, 305.3^\circ$$

(b) When $k = 2$, $4 - 2\sqrt{2}\sin\theta = 2 + 2\cos\theta$

$$\Rightarrow 2\cos\theta + 2\sqrt{2}\sin\theta = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta + \sqrt{2}\sin\theta = 1$$

Using the 'R formula' L.H.S. $\equiv \sqrt{3}\cos(\theta - 54.74^\circ)$

$$\text{Solve } \sqrt{3} \cos (\theta - 54.74^\circ) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \left(\theta - 54.74^\circ \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta - 54.74^\circ = 54.74^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 109.5^\circ$$

$$(c) \text{ When } k = 1, 4 - 2\sqrt{2} \sin \theta = 1 + \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta + 2\sqrt{2} \sin \theta = 3$$

Using the *R* formula, $\cos \theta + 2\sqrt{2} \sin \theta \equiv 3 \cos (\theta - 70.53^\circ)$

$$\text{Solve } 3 \cos (\theta - 70.53^\circ) = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos (\theta - 70.53^\circ) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta - 70.53^\circ = 0^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 70.5^\circ$$

$$(d) \text{ When } k = 0, 4 - 2\sqrt{2} \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \sqrt{2}$$

No solutions as $-1 \leq \sin \theta \leq 1$

$$(e) \text{ When } k = -1, 4 - 2\sqrt{2} \sin \theta = -1 - \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta - 2\sqrt{2} \sin \theta = -5$$

Using the *R* formula, $\cos \theta - 2\sqrt{2} \sin \theta \equiv 3 \cos (\theta + 70.53^\circ)$

This lies between -3 and $+3$, so there can be no solutions.

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Exercise D, Question 15

Question:

Give all angles to the nearest 0.1° and non-exact values of R in surd form.

A class were asked to solve $3 \cos \theta = 2 - \sin \theta$ for $0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$. One student expressed the equation in the form $R \cos (\theta - \alpha) = 2$, with $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < 90^\circ$, and correctly solved the equation.

(a) Find the values of R and α and hence find her solutions.

Another student decided to square both sides of the equation and then form a quadratic equation in $\sin \theta$.

(b) Show that the correct quadratic equation is $10 \sin^2 \theta - 4 \sin \theta - 5 = 0$.

(c) Solve this equation, for $0 \leq \theta < 360^\circ$.

(d) Explain why not all of the answers satisfy $3 \cos \theta = 2 - \sin \theta$.

Solution:

(a) Let $3 \cos \theta + \sin \theta \equiv R \cos (\theta - \alpha) \equiv R \cos \theta \cos \alpha + R \sin \theta \sin \alpha$

Compare $\cos \theta$: $R \cos \alpha = 3$ ①

Compare $\sin \theta$: $R \sin \alpha = 1$ ②

Divide ② by ①: $\tan \alpha = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \alpha = 18.43^\circ$

$R^2 = 3^2 + 1^2 = 10 \Rightarrow R = \sqrt{10} = 3.16$

Solve $\sqrt{10} \cos (\theta - 18.43^\circ) = 2, 0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow \cos (\theta - 18.43^\circ) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{10}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta - 18.43^\circ = 50.77^\circ, 309.23^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 69.2^\circ, 327.7^\circ$$

(b) Squaring $3 \cos \theta = 2 - \sin \theta$

gives $9 \cos^2 \theta = 4 + \sin^2 \theta - 4 \sin \theta$

$$\Rightarrow 9(1 - \sin^2 \theta) = 4 + \sin^2 \theta - 4 \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 10 \sin^2 \theta - 4 \sin \theta - 5 = 0$$

(c) $10 \sin^2 \theta - 4 \sin \theta - 5 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{216}}{20}$$

For $\sin \theta = \frac{4 + \sqrt{216}}{20}$, $\sin \theta$ is +ve, so θ is in 1st and 2nd quadrants.

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 69.2^\circ, 180^\circ - 69.2^\circ = 69.2^\circ, 110.8^\circ$$

For $\sin \theta = \frac{4 - \sqrt{216}}{20}$, $\sin \theta$ is -ve, so θ is in 3rd and 4th quadrants.

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 180^\circ - (-32.3^\circ), 360^\circ + (-32.3^\circ) = 212.3^\circ, 327.7^\circ$$

So solutions of quadratic in (b) are $69.2^\circ, 110.8^\circ, 212.3^\circ, 327.7^\circ$

(d) In squaring the equation, you are also including the solutions to $3 \cos \theta = -(2 - \sin \theta)$, which when squared produces the same quadratic. The extra two solutions satisfying this equation.

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Exercise E, Question 1

Question:

(a) Show that $\sin(A + B) + \sin(A - B) \equiv 2 \sin A \cos B$.

(b) Deduce that $\sin P + \sin Q \equiv 2 \sin \left(\frac{P+Q}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{P-Q}{2} \right)$.

(c) Use part (a) to express the following as the sum of two sines:

(i) $2 \sin 7\theta \cos 2\theta$

(ii) $2 \sin 12\theta \cos 5\theta$

(d) Use the result in (b) to solve, in the interval $0 \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$, $\sin 3\theta + \sin \theta = 0$.

(e) Prove that $\frac{\sin 7\theta + \sin \theta}{\sin 5\theta + \sin 3\theta} \equiv \frac{\cos 3\theta}{\cos \theta}$.

Solution:

(a) $\sin(A + B) + \sin(A - B) \equiv \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B + \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B$
 $\equiv 2 \sin A \cos B$

(b) Let $P = A + B$ and $Q = A - B$, so $A = \frac{P+Q}{2}$, $B = \frac{P-Q}{2}$

Substitute in (a): $\sin P + \sin Q \equiv 2 \sin \left(\frac{P+Q}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{P-Q}{2} \right)$

(c) (i) $2 \sin 7\theta \cos 2\theta \equiv \sin(7\theta + 2\theta) + \sin(7\theta - 2\theta)$ [from (a)]
 $\equiv \sin 9\theta + \sin 5\theta$

(ii) $2 \sin 12\theta \cos 5\theta \equiv \sin(12\theta + 5\theta) + \sin(12\theta - 5\theta) \equiv \sin 17\theta + \sin 7\theta$

(d) $\sin 3\theta + \sin \theta = 0 \Rightarrow 2 \sin \left(\frac{3\theta + \theta}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{3\theta - \theta}{2} \right) = 0$

so $2 \sin 2\theta \cos \theta = 0$

$\Rightarrow \sin 2\theta = 0$ or $\cos \theta = 0$

$\sin 2\theta = 0$ in $0 \leq 2\theta \leq 360^\circ$

$\Rightarrow 2\theta = 0^\circ, 180^\circ, 360^\circ$

$\Rightarrow \theta = 0^\circ, 90^\circ, 180^\circ$

$\cos \theta = 0$ in $0 \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ \Rightarrow \theta = 90^\circ$

Solution set: $0^\circ, 90^\circ, 180^\circ$

(e)

$$\frac{\sin 7\theta + \sin \theta}{\sin 5\theta + \sin 3\theta} \equiv \frac{\cancel{2} \sin 4\theta \cos 3\theta}{\cancel{2} \sin 4\theta \cos \theta} [\text{using (b)}] \equiv \frac{\cos 3\theta}{\cos \theta}$$

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Exercise E, Question 2

Question:

- (a) Show that $\sin(A + B) - \sin(A - B) \equiv 2 \cos A \sin B$.
- (b) Express the following as the difference of two sines:
- (i) $2 \cos 5x \sin 3x$
- (ii) $\cos 2x \sin x$
- (iii) $6 \cos \frac{3}{2}x \sin \frac{1}{2}x$
- (c) Using the result in (a) show that $\sin P - \sin Q \equiv 2 \cos \left(\frac{P+Q}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{P-Q}{2} \right)$.
- (d) Deduce that $\sin 56^\circ - \sin 34^\circ = \sqrt{2} \sin 11^\circ$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) } \sin(A + B) - \sin(A - B) &\equiv \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B - \\ &\quad (\sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B) \\ &\equiv 2 \cos A \sin B \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(b) (i) } 2 \cos 5x \sin 3x \equiv \sin(5x + 3x) - \sin(5x - 3x) \equiv \sin 8x - \sin 2x$$

$$\text{(ii) } \cos 2x \sin x \equiv \frac{1}{2} [\sin(2x + x) - \sin(2x - x)] \equiv \frac{1}{2} (\sin 3x - \sin x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii) } 6 \cos \frac{3}{2}x \sin \frac{1}{2}x &\equiv 3 \left[\sin \left(\frac{3}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}x \right) - \sin \left(\frac{3}{2}x - \frac{1}{2}x \right) \right] \equiv 3 \\ &\quad (\sin 2x - \sin x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(c) In (a) let } P = A + B \text{ and } Q = A - B, \text{ so } A = \frac{P+Q}{2}, B = \frac{P-Q}{2}$$

$$\text{So } \sin P - \sin Q \equiv 2 \cos \left(\frac{P+Q}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{P-Q}{2} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(d) } \sin 56^\circ - \sin 34^\circ &= 2 \cos \left(\frac{56^\circ + 34^\circ}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{56^\circ - 34^\circ}{2} \right) \\ &= 2 \cos 45^\circ \sin 11^\circ = 2 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin 11^\circ = \sqrt{2} \sin 11^\circ \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise E, Question 3

Question:

(a) Show that $\cos(A + B) + \cos(A - B) \equiv 2 \cos A \cos B$.

(b) Express as a sum of cosines (i) $2 \cos \frac{5\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}$

(ii) $5 \cos 2x \cos 3x$

(c) Show that $\cos P + \cos Q \equiv 2 \cos \left(\frac{P+Q}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{P-Q}{2} \right)$.

(d) Prove that $\frac{\sin 3\theta - \sin \theta}{\cos 3\theta + \cos \theta} \equiv \tan \theta$.

Solution:

(a) $\cos(A + B) + \cos(A - B) \equiv \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B + \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B$
 $\equiv 2 \cos A \cos B$

(b) Hence, using (a),

(i) $2 \cos \frac{5\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \equiv \cos \left(\frac{5\theta}{2} + \frac{\theta}{2} \right) + \cos \left(\frac{5\theta}{2} - \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \equiv \cos 3\theta + \cos 2\theta$

(ii) $5 \cos 2x \cos 3x \equiv \frac{5}{2} (2 \cos 3x \cos 2x)$

$$\equiv \frac{5}{2} [\cos(3x + 2x) + \cos(3x - 2x)] \equiv \frac{5}{2}$$

$(\cos 5x + \cos x)$

(c) In (a) let $P = A + B$, $Q = A - B$, so $A = \frac{P+Q}{2}$, $B = \frac{P-Q}{2}$

So $\cos P + \cos Q \equiv 2 \cos \left(\frac{P+Q}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{P-Q}{2} \right)$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &\equiv \frac{\sin 3\theta - \sin \theta}{\cos 3\theta + \cos \theta} \equiv \frac{\cancel{2} \cos \left(\frac{3\theta + \theta}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{3\theta - \theta}{2} \right)}{\cancel{2} \cos \left(\frac{3\theta + \theta}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{3\theta - \theta}{2} \right)} \\ &\equiv \tan \theta \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise E, Question 4

Question:

- (a) Show that $\cos(A + B) - \cos(A - B) \equiv -2 \sin A \sin B$.
- (b) Hence show that $\cos P - \cos Q \equiv -2 \sin\left(\frac{P+Q}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{P-Q}{2}\right)$.
- (c) Deduce that $\cos 2\theta - 1 \equiv -2 \sin^2 \theta$.
- (d) Solve, in the interval $0 \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$, $\cos 3\theta + \sin 2\theta - \cos \theta = 0$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) } \cos(A + B) - \cos(A - B) &\equiv \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B - (\cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B) \\ &\equiv \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B - \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B \equiv -2 \sin A \sin B \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(b) Let } P = A + B, Q = A - B, \text{ so } A = \frac{P+Q}{2}, B = \frac{P-Q}{2}$$

$$\text{then } \cos P - \cos Q \equiv -2 \sin\left(\frac{P+Q}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{P-Q}{2}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c) Let } P &= 2\theta, Q = 0 \\ \text{then } \cos 2\theta - \cos 0 &\equiv -2 \sin \theta \sin \theta \\ \Rightarrow \cos 2\theta - 1 &\equiv -2 \sin^2 \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(d) As } \cos 3\theta - \cos \theta \equiv -2 \sin\left(\frac{3\theta + \theta}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{3\theta - \theta}{2}\right)$$

$$\cos 3\theta - \cos \theta \equiv -2 \sin 2\theta \sin \theta$$

$$\text{So } \cos 3\theta + \sin 2\theta - \cos \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 2\theta - 2 \sin 2\theta \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 2\theta (1 - 2 \sin \theta) = 0$$

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

$$\text{For } \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}, \theta = 30^\circ, 150^\circ$$

$$\text{For } \sin 2\theta = 0, 2\theta = 0^\circ, 180^\circ, 360^\circ$$

$$\text{So } \theta = 0^\circ, 90^\circ, 180^\circ$$

$$\text{Solution set: } 0^\circ, 30^\circ, 90^\circ, 150^\circ, 180^\circ$$

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Exercise E, Question 5

Question:

Express the following as a sum or difference of sines or cosines:

(a) $2 \sin 8x \cos 2x$

(b) $\cos 5x \cos x$

(c) $3 \sin x \sin 7x$

(d) $\cos 100^\circ \cos 40^\circ$

(e) $10 \cos \frac{3x}{2} \sin \frac{x}{2}$

(f) $2 \sin 30^\circ \cos 10^\circ$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) } 2 \sin 8x \cos 2x &\equiv \sin (8x + 2x) + \sin (8x - 2x) \\ &\equiv \sin 10x + \sin 6x \quad [\text{question 1(a)}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) } \cos 5x \cos x &\equiv \frac{1}{2} (2 \cos 5x \cos x) \quad [\text{question 3(a)}] \\ &\equiv \frac{1}{2} [\cos (5x + x) + \cos (5x - x)] \equiv \frac{1}{2} \\ &\quad (\cos 6x + \cos 4x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c) } 3 \sin x \sin 7x &\equiv -\frac{3}{2} (-2 \sin 7x \sin x) \quad [\text{question 4(a)}] \\ &\equiv -\frac{3}{2} [\cos (7x + x) - \cos (7x - x)] \equiv -\frac{3}{2} \\ &\quad (\cos 8x - \cos 6x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(d) } \cos 100^\circ \cos 40^\circ &\equiv \frac{1}{2} (2 \cos 100^\circ \cos 40^\circ) \\ &\equiv \frac{1}{2} [\cos (100 + 40)^\circ + \cos (100 - 40)^\circ] \equiv \\ &\quad \frac{1}{2} (\cos 140^\circ + \cos 60^\circ) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(e) } 10 \cos \frac{3x}{2} \sin \frac{x}{2} &\equiv 5 \left(2 \cos \frac{3x}{2} \sin \frac{x}{2} \right) \quad [\text{question 2(a)}] \\
 &\equiv 5 \left[\sin \left(\frac{3x}{2} + \frac{x}{2} \right) - \sin \left(\frac{3x}{2} - \frac{x}{2} \right) \right] \equiv 5 \left(\right. \\
 &\quad \left. \sin 2x - \sin x \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(f) } 2 \sin 30^\circ \cos 10^\circ &\equiv \sin (30^\circ + 10^\circ) + \sin (30^\circ - 10^\circ) \\
 &\equiv \sin 40^\circ + \sin 20^\circ
 \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise E, Question 6

Question:

Show, without using a calculator, that $2 \sin 82 \frac{1}{2}^\circ \cos 37 \frac{1}{2}^\circ = \frac{1}{2} \left(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2} \right)$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \sin 82 \frac{1}{2}^\circ \cos 37 \frac{1}{2}^\circ &= \sin \left(82 \frac{1}{2}^\circ + 37 \frac{1}{2}^\circ \right) + \sin \left(82 \frac{1}{2}^\circ - 37 \frac{1}{2}^\circ \right) \\ &= \sin 120^\circ + \sin 45^\circ \\ &= \sin 60^\circ + \sin 45^\circ \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise E, Question 7

Question:

Express, in their simplest form, as a product of sines and/or cosines:

(a) $\sin 12x + \sin 8x$

(b) $\cos (x + 2y) - \cos (2y - x)$

(c) $(\cos 4x + \cos 2x) \sin x$

(d) $\sin 95^\circ - \sin 5^\circ$

(e) $\cos \frac{\pi}{15} + \cos \frac{\pi}{12}$

(f) $\sin 150^\circ + \sin 20^\circ$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) } \sin 12x + \sin 8x &\equiv 2 \sin \left(\frac{12x + 8x}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{12x - 8x}{2} \right) \\ &\equiv 2 \sin 10x \cos 2x \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) } \cos (x + 2y) - \cos (2y - x) &\equiv -2 \sin \left[\frac{(x + 2y) + (2y - x)}{2} \right] \sin \left[\frac{(x + 2y) - (2y - x)}{2} \right] \\ &\equiv -2 \sin 2y \sin x \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c) } \cos 4x + \cos 2x &\equiv 2 \cos \left(\frac{4x + 2x}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{4x - 2x}{2} \right) \\ &\equiv 2 \cos 3x \cos x \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } (\cos 4x + \cos 2x) \sin x &\equiv 2 \cos 3x \cos x \sin x \\ &\equiv \cos 3x (2 \sin x \cos x) \equiv \sin 2x \cos 3x \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(d) } \sin 95^\circ - \sin 5^\circ &\equiv 2 \cos \left(\frac{95^\circ + 5^\circ}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{95^\circ - 5^\circ}{2} \right) \\ &\equiv 2 \cos 50^\circ \sin 45^\circ \equiv \sqrt{2} \cos 50^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(e) } \cos \frac{\pi}{15} + \cos \frac{\pi}{12} &\equiv 2 \cos \left(\frac{\frac{\pi}{15} + \frac{\pi}{12}}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{\frac{\pi}{15} - \frac{\pi}{12}}{2} \right) \\ &\equiv 2 \cos \frac{9\pi}{120} \cos \left(-\frac{\pi}{120} \right) \equiv 2 \cos \frac{9\pi}{120} \cos \frac{\pi}{120} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(f) } \sin 150^\circ + \sin 20^\circ &\equiv 2 \sin \left(\frac{150^\circ + 20^\circ}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{150^\circ - 20^\circ}{2} \right) \\ &\equiv 2 \sin 85^\circ \cos 65^\circ \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise E, Question 8

Question:

Using the identity $\cos P + \cos Q \equiv 2 \cos \left(\frac{P+Q}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{P-Q}{2} \right)$, show that

$$\cos \theta + \cos \left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) + \cos \left(\theta + \frac{4\pi}{3} \right) = 0.$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} & \cos \theta + \cos \left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) + \cos \left(\theta + \frac{4\pi}{3} \right) \\ & \equiv \left[\cos \left(\theta + \frac{4\pi}{3} \right) + \cos \theta \right] + \cos \left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) \\ & \equiv 2 \cos \left[\frac{\left(\theta + \frac{4\pi}{3} \right) + \theta}{2} \right] \cos \left[\frac{\left(\theta + \frac{4\pi}{3} \right) - \theta}{2} \right] + \cos \left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) \\ & \equiv 2 \cos \left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) \cos \frac{2\pi}{3} + \cos \left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) \\ & \equiv 2 \cos \left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) + \cos \left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) \\ & \equiv -\cos \left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) + \cos \left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) \\ & \equiv 0 \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise E, Question 9

Question:

Prove that $\frac{\sin 75^\circ + \sin 15^\circ}{\cos 15^\circ - \cos 75^\circ} = \sqrt{3}$.

Solution:

$$\sin 75^\circ + \sin 15^\circ = 2 \sin \left(\frac{75+15}{2} \right)^\circ \cos \left(\frac{75-15}{2} \right)^\circ = 2 \sin 45^\circ$$

$$\cos 30^\circ$$

$$\cos 15^\circ - \cos 75^\circ = -(\cos 75^\circ - \cos 15^\circ)$$

$$= - \left[-2 \sin \left(\frac{75+15}{2} \right)^\circ \sin \left(\frac{75-15}{2} \right)^\circ \right]$$

$$= 2 \sin 45^\circ \sin 30^\circ$$

$$\text{So } \frac{\sin 75^\circ + \sin 15^\circ}{\cos 15^\circ - \cos 75^\circ} = \frac{2 \sin 45^\circ \cos 30^\circ}{2 \sin 45^\circ \sin 30^\circ} = \cot 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\tan 30^\circ} = \sqrt{3}$$

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Exercise E, Question 10

Question:

Solve the following equations:

(a) $\cos 4x = \cos 2x$, for $0 \leq x \leq 180^\circ$

(b) $\sin 3\theta - \sin \theta = 0$, for $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$

(c) $\sin(x + 20^\circ) + \sin(x - 10^\circ) = \cos 15^\circ$, for $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$

(d) $\sin 3\theta - \sin \theta = \cos 2\theta$, for $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$

Solution:

(a) $\cos 4x - \cos 2x = 0$

$$\Rightarrow -2 \sin\left(\frac{4x+2x}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{4x-2x}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 3x \sin x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 3x = 0 \text{ or } \sin x = 0, 0 \leq x \leq 180^\circ$$

$$\sin x = 0, 0 \leq x \leq 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0^\circ, 180^\circ$$

$$\sin 3x = 0, 0 \leq 3x \leq 540^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x = 0^\circ, 180^\circ, 360^\circ, 540^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0^\circ, 60^\circ, 120^\circ, 180^\circ$$

$$\text{Solution set: } 0^\circ, 60^\circ, 120^\circ, 180^\circ$$

(b) $\sin 3\theta - \sin \theta = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos\left(\frac{3\theta+\theta}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{3\theta-\theta}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos 2\theta \sin \theta = 0, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

$$\sin \theta = 0, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi \Rightarrow \theta = 0, \pi, 2\pi$$

$$\cos 2\theta = 0, 0 \leq 2\theta \leq 4\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{2}, \frac{7\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}$$

Solution set: $0, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \pi, \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}, 2\pi$

$$(c) \sin \left(x + 20^\circ \right) + \sin \left(x - 10^\circ \right) \equiv 2 \sin \left(\frac{x + 20^\circ + x - 10^\circ}{2} \right) \cos \left[\frac{x + 20^\circ - (x - 10^\circ)}{2} \right]$$

$$\equiv 2 \sin (x + 5^\circ) \cos 15^\circ$$

So $\sin (x + 20^\circ) + \sin (x - 10^\circ) = \cos 15^\circ, 0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sin (x + 5^\circ) = 1$$

So $\sin \left(x + 5^\circ \right) = \frac{1}{2}, 5^\circ \leq (x + 5^\circ) \leq 365^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow x + 5^\circ = 30^\circ, 150^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 25^\circ, 145^\circ$$

$$(d) \sin 3\theta - \sin \theta \equiv 2 \cos \left(\frac{3\theta + \theta}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{3\theta - \theta}{2} \right)$$

$$\equiv 2 \cos 2\theta \sin \theta$$

So $\sin 3\theta - \sin \theta = \cos 2\theta$

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

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2\theta (2 \sin \theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2\theta = 0 \text{ or } \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

$$\cos 2\theta = 0, 0 \leq 2\theta \leq 4\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{2}, \frac{7\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}$$

Solution set: $\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}$

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Exercise E, Question 11

Question:

Prove the identities

$$(a) \frac{\sin 7\theta - \sin 3\theta}{\sin \theta \cos \theta} \equiv 4 \cos 5\theta$$

$$(b) \frac{\cos 2\theta + \cos 4\theta}{\sin 2\theta - \sin 4\theta} \equiv -\cot \theta$$

$$(c) \sin^2(x + y) - \sin^2(x - y) \equiv \sin 2x \sin 2y$$

$$(d) \cos x + 2 \cos 3x + \cos 5x \equiv 4 \cos^2 x \cos 3x$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \text{ L.H.S.} &\equiv \frac{\sin 7\theta - \sin 3\theta}{\sin \theta \cos \theta} \\ &\equiv \frac{2 \cos \frac{1}{2}(7\theta + 3\theta) \sin \frac{1}{2}(7\theta - 3\theta)}{\frac{1}{2}(2 \sin \theta \cos \theta)} \\ &\equiv \frac{2 \cos 5\theta \sin 2\theta}{\frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta} \\ &\equiv 4 \cos 5\theta \\ &\equiv \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \text{ L.H.S.} &\equiv \frac{\cos 2\theta + \cos 4\theta}{\sin 2\theta - \sin 4\theta} \\ &\equiv \frac{2 \cos \frac{1}{2}(4\theta + 2\theta) \cos \frac{1}{2}(4\theta - 2\theta)}{2 \cos \frac{1}{2}(2\theta + 4\theta) \sin \frac{1}{2}(2\theta - 4\theta)} \\ &\equiv \frac{2 \cos 3\theta \cos \theta}{2 \cos 3\theta \sin(-\theta)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\equiv \frac{\cos \theta}{-\sin \theta} \quad [\text{as } \sin(-\theta) \equiv -\sin \theta] \\ &\equiv -\cot \theta \\ &\equiv \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c) L.H.S.} &\equiv \sin^2(x+y) - \sin^2(x-y) \\ &\equiv [\sin(x+y) + \sin(x-y)] [\sin(x+y) - \sin(x-y)] \\ &\equiv \left[2 \sin \left(\frac{x+y+x-y}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{x+y-x-y}{2} \right) \right] \left[2 \cos \left(\frac{x+y+x-y}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{x+y-x-y}{2} \right) \right] \\ &\equiv (2 \sin x \cos y) (2 \cos x \sin y) \\ &\equiv (2 \sin x \cos x) (2 \sin y \cos y) \\ &\equiv \sin 2x \sin 2y \\ &\equiv \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(d) L.H.S.} &\equiv \cos x + 2 \cos 3x + \cos 5x \\ &\equiv \cos 5x + \cos x + 2 \cos 3x \\ &\equiv 2 \cos \left(\frac{5x+x}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{5x-x}{2} \right) + 2 \cos 3x \\ &\equiv 2 \cos 3x \cos 2x + 2 \cos 3x \\ &\equiv 2 \cos 3x (\cos 2x + 1) \\ &\equiv 2 \cos 3x (2 \cos^2 x - 1 + 1) \quad (\cos 2x \equiv 2 \cos^2 x - 1) \\ &\equiv 2 \cos 3x \times 2 \cos^2 x \\ &\equiv 4 \cos^2 x \cos 3x \\ &\equiv \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise E, Question 12

Question:

(a) Prove that $\cos \theta + \sin 2\theta - \cos 3\theta \equiv \sin 2\theta (1 + 2 \sin \theta)$.

(b) Hence solve, for $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$, $\cos \theta + \sin 2\theta = \cos 3\theta$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a) L.H.S.} &\equiv \cos \theta + \sin 2\theta - \cos 3\theta \\
 &\equiv - (\cos 3\theta - \cos \theta) + \sin 2\theta \\
 &\equiv - \left[-2 \sin \left(\frac{3\theta + \theta}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{3\theta - \theta}{2} \right) \right] + \sin 2\theta \\
 &\equiv 2 \sin 2\theta \sin \theta + \sin 2\theta \\
 &\equiv \sin 2\theta (2 \sin \theta + 1) \\
 &\equiv \text{R.H.S.}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) So to solve $\cos \theta + \sin 2\theta = \cos 3\theta$

or $\cos \theta + \sin 2\theta - \cos 3\theta = 0$

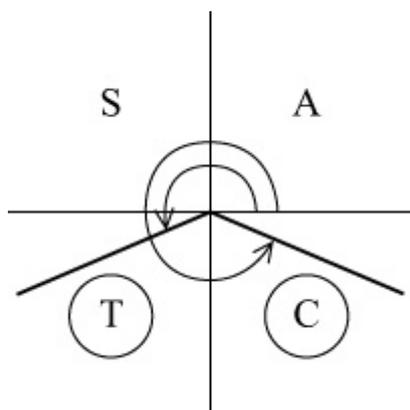
solve $\sin 2\theta (1 + 2 \sin \theta) = 0$ [using (a)]

Either $\sin 2\theta = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2\theta = 0, \pi, 2\pi, 3\pi, 4\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 0, \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}, 2\pi$$

or $\sin \theta = -\frac{1}{2}$



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

$$\frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{7\pi}{6}, \frac{11\pi}{6}$$

Solution set: $0, \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi, \frac{7\pi}{6}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{11\pi}{6}, 2\pi$

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Exercise F, Question 1

Question:

The lines l_1 and l_2 , with equations $y = 2x$ and $3y = x - 1$ respectively, are drawn on the same set of axes. Given that the scales are the same on both axes and that the angles that l_1 and l_2 make with the positive x -axis are A and B respectively,

- (a) write down the value of $\tan A$ and the value of $\tan B$;
- (b) without using your calculator, work out the acute angle between l_1 and l_2 .

Solution:

(a) $\tan A = 2$, $\tan B = \frac{1}{3}$ since $y = \frac{1}{3}x - \frac{1}{3}$

(b) The angle required is $(A - B)$.

$$\text{Using } \tan (A - B) = \frac{\tan A - \tan B}{1 + \tan A \tan B} = \frac{2 - \frac{1}{3}}{1 + 2 \times \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{\frac{5}{3}}{\frac{5}{3}} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow A - B = 45^\circ$$

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Exercise F, Question 2

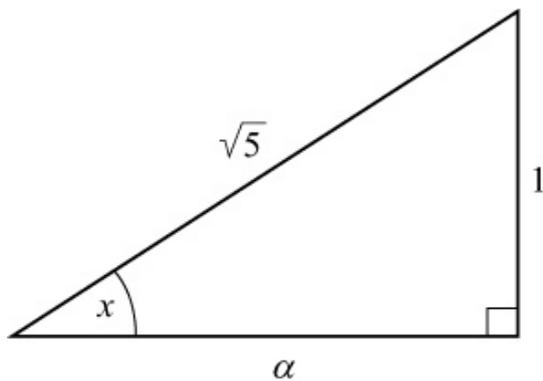
Question:

Given that $\sin x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$ where x is acute, and that $\cos(x - y) = \sin y$, show that $\tan y = \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{2}$.

Solution:

As $\cos(x - y) = \sin y$
 $\cos x \cos y + \sin x \sin y = \sin y$ ①

Draw a right-angled triangle where $\sin x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$



Using Pythagoras' theorem,

$$a^2 = (\sqrt{5})^2 - 1 = 4 \Rightarrow a = 2$$

$$\text{So } \cos x = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

Substitute into ①:

$$\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \cos y + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \sin y = \sin y$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos y + \sin y = \sqrt{5} \sin y$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos y = \sin y (\sqrt{5} - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{\sqrt{5} - 1} = \tan y \quad \left(\tan y = \frac{\sin y}{\cos y} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan y = \frac{2(\sqrt{5} + 1)}{(\sqrt{5} - 1)(\sqrt{5} + 1)} = \frac{2(\sqrt{5} + 1)}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{2}$$

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Exercise F, Question 3

Question:

Using $\tan 2\theta = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}$ with an appropriate value of θ ,

(a) show that $\tan \frac{\pi}{8} = \sqrt{2} - 1$.

(b) Use the result in (a) to find the exact value of $\tan \frac{3\pi}{8}$.

Solution:

(a) Using $\tan 2\theta = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}$ with $\theta = \frac{\pi}{8}$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{2 \tan \frac{\pi}{8}}{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\pi}{8}}$$

Let $t = \tan \frac{\pi}{8}$

So $1 = \frac{2t}{1 - t^2}$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - t^2 = 2t$$

$$\Rightarrow t^2 + 2t - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{8}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm 2\sqrt{2}}{2} = -1 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

As $\frac{\pi}{8}$ is acute, $\tan \frac{\pi}{8}$ is +ve, so $\tan \frac{\pi}{8} = \sqrt{2} - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) } \tan \frac{3\pi}{8} &= \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{8} \right) = \frac{\tan \frac{\pi}{4} + \tan \frac{\pi}{8}}{1 - \tan \frac{\pi}{4} \tan \frac{\pi}{8}} \\ &= \frac{1 + (\sqrt{2} - 1)}{1 - (\sqrt{2} - 1)} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2 - \sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}(2 + \sqrt{2})}{(2 - \sqrt{2})(2 + \sqrt{2})} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \sqrt{2} + 1$$

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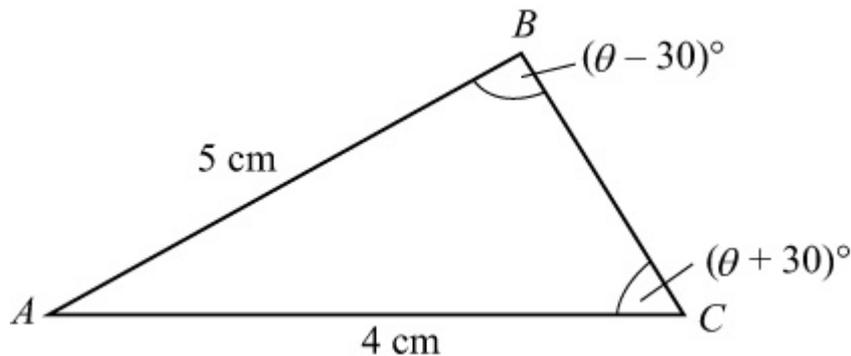
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Exercise F, Question 4

Question:

In $\triangle ABC$, $AB = 5$ cm and $AC = 4$ cm, $\angle ABC = (\theta - 30)^\circ$ and $\angle ACB = (\theta + 30)^\circ$. Using the sine rule, show that $\tan \theta = 3\sqrt{3}$.

Solution:



Using $\frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin(\theta - 30)^\circ}{4} = \frac{\sin(\theta + 30)^\circ}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 \sin(\theta - 30)^\circ = 4 \sin(\theta + 30)^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 5(\sin \theta \cos 30^\circ - \cos \theta \sin 30^\circ) = 4(\sin \theta \cos 30^\circ + \cos \theta \sin 30^\circ)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta \cos 30^\circ = 9 \cos \theta \sin 30^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = 9 \frac{\sin 30^\circ}{\cos 30^\circ} = 9 \tan 30^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = 9 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} = 3\sqrt{3}$$

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Exercise F, Question 5

Question:

Two of the angles, A and B , in $\triangle ABC$ are such that $\tan A = \frac{3}{4}$, $\tan B = \frac{5}{12}$.

(a) Find the exact value of

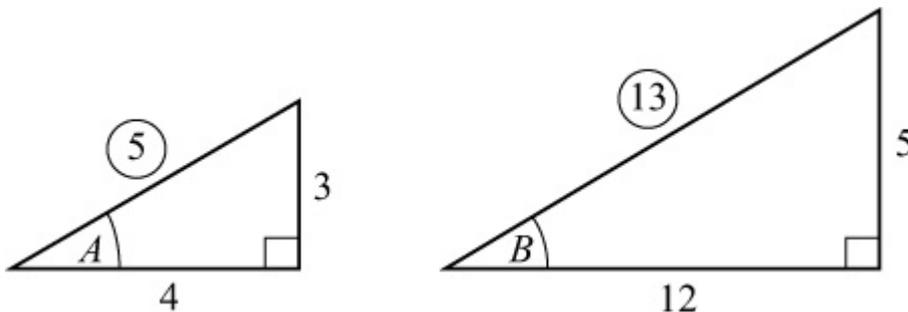
(i) $\sin (A + B)$

(ii) $\tan 2B$

(b) By writing C as $180^\circ - (A + B)$, show that $\cos C = -\frac{33}{65}$.

Solution:

(a) Draw right-angled triangles.



$$\sin A = \frac{3}{5}, \cos A = \frac{4}{5} \quad \sin B = \frac{5}{13}, \cos B = \frac{12}{13}$$

(i) $\sin (A + B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$

$$= \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{12}{13} + \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{5}{13} = \frac{56}{65}$$

(ii) $\tan 2B = \frac{2 \tan B}{1 - \tan^2 B} = \frac{2 \times \frac{5}{12}}{1 - \left(\frac{5}{12} \right)^2} = \frac{\frac{5}{6}}{\frac{119}{144}} = \frac{5}{6} \times \frac{144}{119} = \frac{120}{119}$

(b) $\cos C = \cos [180^\circ - (A + B)] = -\cos (A + B)$

$$= - (\cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B) = - \left(\frac{4}{5} \times \frac{12}{13} - \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{5}{13} \right)$$

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Exercise F, Question 6

Question:

Show that

$$(a) \sec \theta \operatorname{cosec} \theta \equiv 2 \operatorname{cosec} 2\theta$$

$$(b) \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{1 + \cos 2x} \equiv \sec^2 x - 1$$

$$(c) \cot \theta - 2 \cot 2\theta \equiv \tan \theta$$

$$(d) \cos^4 2\theta - \sin^4 2\theta \equiv \cos 4\theta$$

$$(e) \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + x \right) - \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x \right) \equiv 2 \tan 2x$$

$$(f) \sin(x + y) \sin(x - y) \equiv \cos^2 y - \cos^2 x$$

$$(g) 1 + 2 \cos 2\theta + \cos 4\theta \equiv 4 \cos^2 \theta \cos 2\theta$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \text{L.H.S.} &\equiv \sec \theta \operatorname{cosec} \theta \\ &\equiv \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \times \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \\ &\equiv \frac{2}{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta} \\ &\equiv \frac{2}{\sin 2\theta} \\ &\equiv 2 \operatorname{cosec} 2\theta \\ &\equiv \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \text{L.H.S.} &\equiv \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{1 + \cos 2x} \\ &\equiv \frac{1 - (1 - 2 \sin^2 x)}{1 + (2 \cos^2 x - 1)} \\ &\equiv \frac{2 \sin^2 x}{2 \cos^2 x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\equiv \tan^2 x \\
&\equiv \sec^2 x - 1 \quad (1 + \tan^2 x \equiv \sec^2 x) \\
&\equiv \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(c) L.H.S.} &\equiv \cot \theta - 2 \cot 2\theta \\
&\equiv \frac{1}{\tan \theta} - \frac{2}{\tan 2\theta} \\
&\equiv \frac{1}{\tan \theta} - \frac{2(1 - \tan^2 \theta)}{2 \tan \theta} \\
&\equiv \frac{1 - 1 + \tan^2 \theta}{\tan \theta} \\
&\equiv \frac{\tan^2 \theta}{\tan \theta} \\
&\equiv \tan \theta \\
&\equiv \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(d) L.H.S.} &\equiv \cos^4 2\theta - \sin^4 2\theta \\
&\equiv (\cos^2 2\theta + \sin^2 2\theta) (\cos^2 2\theta - \sin^2 2\theta) \\
&\equiv (1) (\cos 4\theta) \quad (\cos^2 A + \sin^2 A \equiv 1, \\
&\cos^2 A - \sin^2 A \equiv \cos 2A) \\
&\equiv \cos 4\theta \\
&\equiv \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(e) L.H.S.} &\equiv \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + x \right) - \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x \right) \\
&\equiv \frac{1 + \tan x}{1 - \tan x} - \frac{1 - \tan x}{1 + \tan x} \\
&\equiv \frac{(1 + \tan x)^2 - (1 - \tan x)^2}{(1 - \tan x)(1 + \tan x)} \\
&\equiv \frac{1 + 2 \tan x + \tan^2 x - (1 - 2 \tan x + \tan^2 x)}{1 - \tan^2 x} \\
&\equiv \frac{4 \tan x}{1 - \tan^2 x} \\
&\equiv 2 \left(\frac{2 \tan x}{1 - \tan^2 x} \right) \\
&\equiv 2 \tan 2x \\
&\equiv \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(f) R.H.S.} \equiv \cos^2 y - \cos^2 x$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\equiv (\cos y + \cos x) (\cos y - \cos x) \\
&\equiv \left[2 \cos \left(\frac{x+y}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{x-y}{2} \right) \right] \left[-2 \sin \left(\frac{x+y}{2} \right) \right. \\
&\sin \left. \left(\frac{y-x}{2} \right) \right] \\
&\equiv \left[2 \cos \left(\frac{x+y}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{x-y}{2} \right) \right] \left[2 \sin \left(\frac{x+y}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{x-y}{2} \right) \right] \\
&\quad [\text{as } \sin(-\theta) = -\sin \theta] \\
&\equiv \left[2 \sin \left(\frac{x+y}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{x+y}{2} \right) \right] \left[2 \sin \left(\frac{x-y}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{x-y}{2} \right) \right] \\
&\equiv \sin 2 \left(\frac{x+y}{2} \right) \sin 2 \left(\frac{x-y}{2} \right) \\
&\equiv \sin(x+y) \sin(x-y) \\
&\equiv \text{L.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(g) L.H.S.} &\equiv 1 + 2 \cos 2\theta + \cos 4\theta \\
&\equiv 1 + 2 \cos 2\theta + (2 \cos^2 2\theta - 1) \\
&\equiv 2 \cos 2\theta + 2 \cos^2 2\theta \\
&\equiv 2 \cos 2\theta (1 + \cos 2\theta) \\
&\equiv 2 \cos 2\theta [1 + (2 \cos^2 \theta - 1)] \\
&\equiv 4 \cos^2 \theta \cos 2\theta \\
&\equiv \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

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Exercise F, Question 7

Question:

The angles x and y are acute angles such that $\sin x = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$ and $\cos y = \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}$

(a) Show that $\cos 2x = -\frac{3}{5}$.

(b) Find the value of $\cos 2y$.

(c) Show without using your calculator, that

(i) $\tan(x + y) = 7$

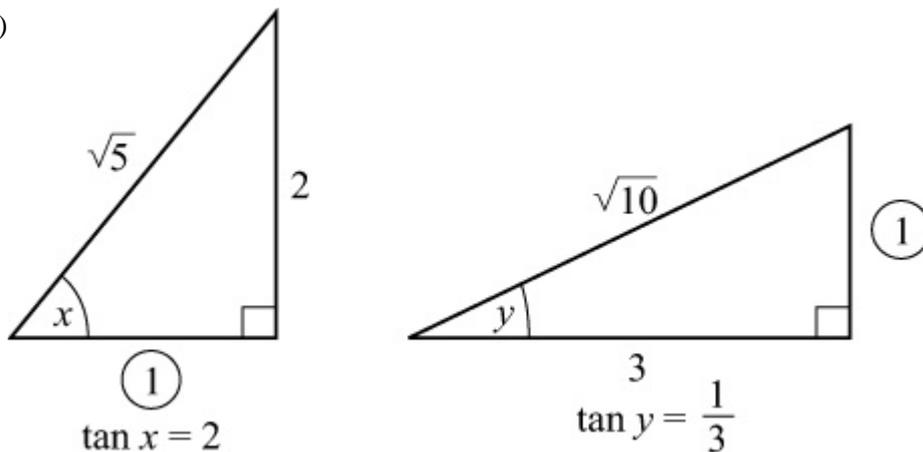
(ii) $x - y = \frac{\pi}{4}$

Solution:

(a) $\cos 2x \equiv 1 - 2\sin^2 x = 1 - 2\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}\right)^2 = 1 - \frac{8}{5} = -\frac{3}{5}$

(b) $\cos 2y \equiv 2\cos^2 y - 1 = 2\left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}\right)^2 - 1 = 2\left(\frac{9}{10}\right) - 1 = \frac{4}{5}$

(c)



(i) $\tan(x + y) = \frac{\tan x + \tan y}{1 - \tan x \tan y} = \frac{2 + \frac{1}{3}}{1 - \frac{2}{3}} = \frac{\frac{7}{3}}{\frac{1}{3}} = 7$

$$(ii) \tan (x - y) = \frac{\tan x - \tan y}{1 + \tan x \tan y} = \frac{\frac{5}{3}}{\frac{5}{3}} = 1$$

As x and y are acute, $x - y = \frac{\pi}{4}$ (it cannot be $\frac{5\pi}{4}$)

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Exercise F, Question 8

Question:

Given that $\sin x \cos y = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\cos x \sin y = \frac{1}{3}$,

(a) show that $\sin (x + y) = 5 \sin (x - y)$.

Given also that $\tan y = k$, express in terms of k :

(b) $\tan x$

(c) $\tan 2x$

Solution:

$$(a) \sin (x + y) \equiv \sin x \cos y + \cos x \sin y = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$5 \sin (x - y) \equiv 5 (\sin x \cos y - \cos x \sin y) = 5 \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right) = 5 \times \frac{1}{6} = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$(b) \frac{\sin x \cos y}{\cos x \sin y} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tan x}{\tan y} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{so } \tan x = \frac{3}{2} \tan y = \frac{3}{2} k$$

$$(c) \tan 2x = \frac{2 \tan x}{1 - \tan^2 x} = \frac{3k}{1 - \frac{9}{4}k^2} \quad \left(= \frac{12k}{4 - 9k^2} \right)$$

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Exercise F, Question 9

Question:

Solve the following equations in the interval given in brackets:

(a) $\sqrt{3} \sin 2\theta + 2 \sin^2 \theta = 1 \quad \{ 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi \}$

(b) $\sin 3\theta \cos 2\theta = \sin 2\theta \cos 3\theta \quad \{ 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi \}$

(c) $\sin(\theta + 40^\circ) + \sin(\theta + 50^\circ) = 0 \quad \{ 0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ \}$

(d) $\sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = 2 \sin \theta \quad \{ 0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ \}$

(e) $2 \sin \theta = 1 + 3 \cos \theta \quad \{ 0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ \}$

(f) $\cos 5\theta = \cos 3\theta \quad \{ 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi \}$

(g) $\cos 2\theta = 5 \sin \theta \quad \{ -\pi \leq \theta \leq \pi \}$.

Solution:

(a) $\sqrt{3} \sin 2\theta = 1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta, 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3} \sin 2\theta = \cos 2\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan 2\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, 0 \leq 2\theta \leq 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \pi + \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{7\pi}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{12}, \frac{7\pi}{12}$$

(b) $\sin 3\theta \cos 2\theta - \cos 3\theta \sin 2\theta = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(3\theta - 2\theta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = 0, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 0, \pi, 2\pi$$

(c) $\sin(\theta + 40^\circ) + \sin(\theta + 50^\circ) = 0, 0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sin \left[\frac{(\theta + 40^\circ) + (\theta + 50^\circ)}{2} \right] \cos \left[\frac{(\theta + 40^\circ) - (\theta + 50^\circ)}{2} \right]$$

$$= 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sin(\theta + 45^\circ) \cos(-5^\circ) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(\theta + 45^\circ) = 0, 45^\circ \leq \theta + 45^\circ \leq 405^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta + 45^\circ = 180^\circ, 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 135^\circ, 315^\circ$$

$$(d) \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = 2 \left(2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \quad \left(\sin \theta = 2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \left(\sin \frac{\theta}{2} - 4 \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \frac{\theta}{2} = 0 \text{ or } \sin \frac{\theta}{2} = 4 \cos \frac{\theta}{2}, \text{ i.e. } \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = 4$$

$$\text{For } \sin \frac{\theta}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\theta}{2} = 0^\circ, 180^\circ \Rightarrow \theta = 0^\circ, 360^\circ$$

$$\text{For } \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = 4 \Rightarrow \frac{\theta}{2} = \tan^{-1} 4 = 75.96^\circ \Rightarrow \theta = 151.9^\circ$$

Solution set: $0^\circ, 151.9^\circ, 360^\circ$

$$(e) 2 \sin \theta - 3 \cos \theta = 1$$

$$\text{Let } 2 \sin \theta - 3 \cos \theta \equiv R \sin(\theta - \alpha) \equiv R \sin \theta \cos \alpha - R \cos \theta \sin \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow R \cos \alpha = 2 \text{ and } R \sin \alpha = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \alpha = \frac{3}{2} \quad (\Rightarrow \alpha = 56.3^\circ), R = \sqrt{13}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{13} \sin(\theta - 56.3^\circ) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(\theta - 56.3^\circ) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta - 56.3^\circ = \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}, 180^\circ - \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}} = 16.1^\circ, 163.9^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 72.4^\circ, 220.2^\circ$$

$$(f) \cos 5\theta - \cos 3\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -2 \sin \left(\frac{5\theta + 3\theta}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{5\theta - 3\theta}{2} \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 4\theta \sin \theta = 0, 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = 0, \pi$$

$$\text{or } \sin 4\theta = 0 \Rightarrow 4\theta = 0, \pi, 2\pi, 3\pi, 4\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 0, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \pi$$

Solution set: $0, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \pi$

(g) $\cos 2\theta = 5 \sin \theta$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta = 5 \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sin^2 \theta + 5 \sin \theta - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{33}}{4}$$

As $-1 \leq \sin \theta \leq 1$, $\sin \theta = \frac{-5 + \sqrt{33}}{4}$

In radian mode: $\theta = 0.187, \pi - 0.187 = 0.187, 2.95$

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Exercise F, Question 10

Question:

The first three terms of an arithmetic series are $\sqrt{3} \cos \theta$, $\sin (\theta - 30^\circ)$ and $\sin \theta$, where θ is acute. Find the value of θ .

Solution:

As the three values are consecutive terms of an arithmetic progression,

$$\sin (\theta - 30^\circ) - \sqrt{3} \cos \theta = \sin \theta - \sin (\theta - 30^\circ)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sin (\theta - 30^\circ) = \sin \theta + \sqrt{3} \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 (\sin \theta \cos 30^\circ - \cos \theta \sin 30^\circ) = \sin \theta + \sqrt{3} \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3} \sin \theta - \cos \theta = \sin \theta + \sqrt{3} \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta (\sqrt{3} - 1) = \cos \theta (\sqrt{3} + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{\sqrt{3} - 1}$$

Calculator value is $\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{\sqrt{3} - 1} = 75^\circ$

No other values as θ is acute.

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Exercise F, Question 11

Question:

Solve, for $0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$, $\cos(\theta + 40^\circ) \cos(\theta - 10^\circ) = 0.5$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 2 \cos(\theta + 40^\circ) \cos(\theta - 10^\circ) &= 1 \\
 \Rightarrow \cos \left[\left(\theta + 40^\circ \right) + \left(\theta - 10^\circ \right) \right] + \cos \left[\left(\theta + 40^\circ \right) \right. \\
 &\left. - \left(\theta - 10^\circ \right) \right] = 1 \\
 \Rightarrow \cos(2\theta + 30^\circ) + \cos 50^\circ &= 1 \\
 \Rightarrow \cos(2\theta + 30^\circ) &= 1 - \cos 50^\circ = 0.3572 \\
 \Rightarrow 2\theta + 30^\circ &= 69.07^\circ, 290.9^\circ, 429.07^\circ, 650.9^\circ \\
 \Rightarrow 2\theta &= 39.07^\circ, 260.9^\circ, 399.07^\circ, 620.9^\circ \\
 \Rightarrow \theta &= 19.5^\circ, 130.5^\circ, 199.5^\circ, 310.5^\circ
 \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise F, Question 12

Question:

Without using calculus, find the maximum and minimum value of the following expressions. In each case give the smallest positive value of θ at which each occurs.

(a) $\sin \theta \cos 10^\circ - \cos \theta \sin 10^\circ$

(b) $\cos 30^\circ \cos \theta - \sin 30^\circ \sin \theta$

(c) $\sin \theta + \cos \theta$

Solution:

(a) $\sin \theta \cos 10^\circ - \cos \theta \sin 10^\circ = \sin (\theta - 10^\circ)$ [$\sin (A - B)$]

Maximum value = + 1 when $\theta - 10^\circ = 90^\circ \Rightarrow \theta = 100^\circ$

Minimum value = - 1 when $\theta - 10^\circ = 270^\circ \Rightarrow \theta = 280^\circ$

(b) $\cos 30^\circ \cos \theta - \sin 30^\circ \sin \theta = \cos (\theta + 30^\circ)$

Maximum value = + 1 when $\theta + 30^\circ = 360^\circ \Rightarrow \theta = 330^\circ$

Minimum value = - 1 when $\theta + 30^\circ = 180^\circ \Rightarrow \theta = 150^\circ$

(c) $\sin \theta + \cos \theta$

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

$$= \sqrt{2} (\sin \theta \cos 45^\circ + \cos \theta \sin 45^\circ)$$

$$= \sqrt{2} \sin (\theta + 45^\circ)$$

Maximum value = $\sqrt{2}$ when $\theta + 45^\circ = 90^\circ \Rightarrow \theta = 45^\circ$

Minimum value = $-\sqrt{2}$ when $\theta + 45^\circ = 270^\circ \Rightarrow \theta = 225^\circ$

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Exercise F, Question 13

Question:

- (a) Express $\sin x - \sqrt{3} \cos x$ in the form $R \sin (x - \alpha)$, with $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < 90^\circ$.
- (b) Hence sketch the graph of $y = \sin x - \sqrt{3} \cos x$ $\{ -360^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ \}$, giving the coordinates of all points of intersection with the axes.

Solution:

(a) Let $\sin x - \sqrt{3} \cos x \equiv R \sin (x - \alpha) \equiv R \sin x \cos \alpha - R \cos x \sin \alpha$
 $R > 0, 0 < \alpha < 90^\circ$

Compare $\sin x$: $R \cos \alpha = 1$ ①

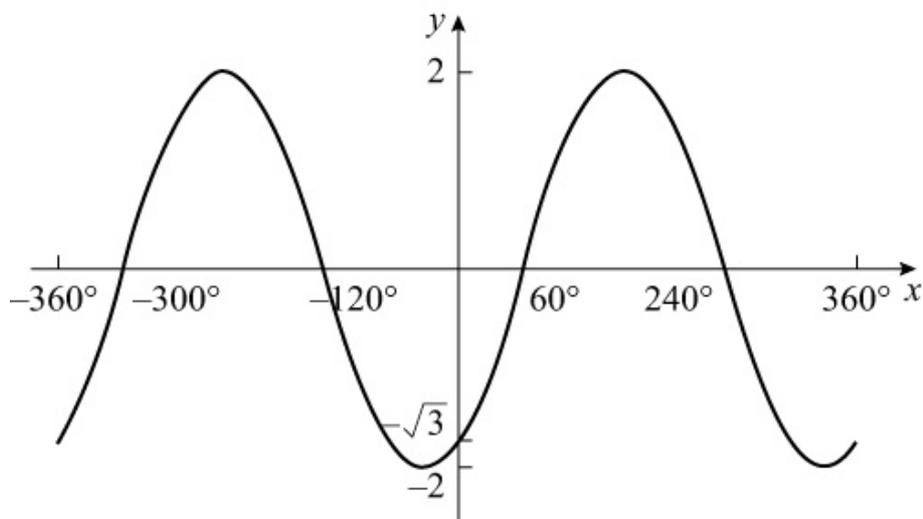
Compare $\cos x$: $R \sin \alpha = \sqrt{3}$ ②

Divide ② by ①: $\tan \alpha = \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow \alpha = 60^\circ$

$R^2 = (\sqrt{3})^2 + 1^2 = 4 \Rightarrow R = 2$

So $\sin x - \sqrt{3} \cos x \equiv 2 \sin (x - 60^\circ)$

- (b) Sketch $y = 2 \sin (x - 60^\circ)$ by first translating $y = \sin x$ by 60° to the right and then stretching the result in the y direction by scale factor 2.



Graph meets y -axis when $x = 0$, i.e. $y = 2 \sin (-60^\circ) = -\sqrt{3}$

Graph meets x -axis when $y = 0$, i.e. $(-300^\circ, 0), (-120^\circ, 0), (60^\circ, 0), (240^\circ, 0)$

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Exercise F, Question 14

Question:

Given that $7 \cos 2\theta + 24 \sin 2\theta \equiv R \cos (2\theta - \alpha)$, where $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$, find:

- (a) the value of R and the value of α , to 2 decimal places
 (b) the maximum value of $14 \cos^2 \theta + 48 \sin \theta \cos \theta$

Solution:

(a) Let $7 \cos 2\theta + 24 \sin 2\theta \equiv R \cos (2\theta - \alpha) \equiv R \cos 2\theta \cos \alpha + R \sin 2\theta \sin \alpha$

$$R > 0, 0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{Compare } \cos 2\theta : \quad R \cos \alpha = 7 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{Compare } \sin 2\theta : \quad R \sin \alpha = 24 \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$\text{Divide } \textcircled{2} \text{ by } \textcircled{1}: \quad \tan \alpha = \frac{24}{7} \Rightarrow \alpha = 1.29 \quad (1.287)$$

$$R^2 = 24^2 + 7^2 \Rightarrow R = 25$$

$$\text{So } 7 \cos 2\theta + 24 \sin 2\theta \equiv 25 \cos (2\theta - 1.29)$$

(b) $14 \cos^2 \theta + 48 \sin \theta \cos \theta$

$$\equiv 14 \left(\frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2} \right) + 24 (2 \sin \theta \cos \theta)$$

$$\equiv 7 (1 + \cos 2\theta) + 24 \sin 2\theta$$

$$\equiv 7 + 7 \cos 2\theta + 24 \sin 2\theta$$

The maximum value of $7 \cos 2\theta + 24 \sin 2\theta$ is 25 [using (a) with $\cos (2\theta - 1.29) = 1$].

$$\text{So maximum value of } 7 + 7 \cos 2\theta + 24 \sin 2\theta = 7 + 25 = 32.$$

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Exercise F, Question 15

Question:

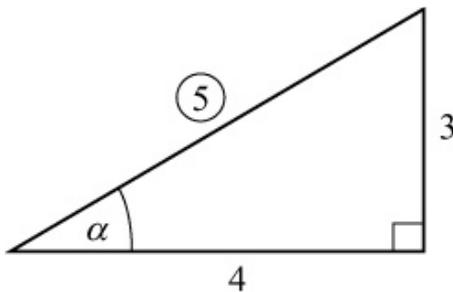
(a) Given that α is acute and $\tan \alpha = \frac{3}{4}$, prove that
 $3 \sin (\theta + \alpha) + 4 \cos (\theta + \alpha) \equiv 5 \cos \theta$

(b) Given that $\sin x = 0.6$ and $\cos x = -0.8$, evaluate $\cos (x + 270)^\circ$ and $\cos (x + 540)^\circ$.

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Solution:

(a) Draw a right-angled triangle and find $\sin \alpha$ and $\cos \alpha$.



$$\Rightarrow \sin \alpha = \frac{3}{5}, \cos \alpha = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } 3 \sin (\theta + \alpha) + 4 \cos (\theta + \alpha) &\equiv 3 (\sin \theta \cos \alpha + \cos \theta \sin \alpha) + 4 (\cos \theta \cos \alpha - \sin \theta \sin \alpha) \\ &\equiv 3 \left(\frac{4}{5} \sin \theta + \frac{3}{5} \cos \theta \right) + 4 \left(\frac{4}{5} \cos \theta - \frac{3}{5} \sin \theta \right) \\ &\equiv \frac{12}{5} \sin \theta + \frac{9}{5} \cos \theta + \frac{16}{5} \cos \theta - \frac{12}{5} \sin \theta \\ &\equiv \frac{25}{5} \cos \theta \\ &\equiv 5 \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) } \cos (x + 270)^\circ &\equiv \cos x^\circ \cos 270^\circ - \sin x^\circ \sin 270^\circ \\ &= (-0.8)(0) - (0.6)(-1) = 0 + 0.6 = 0.6 \\ \cos (x + 540)^\circ &\equiv \cos x^\circ \cos 540^\circ - \sin x^\circ \sin 540^\circ \\ &= (-0.8)(-1) - (0.6)(0) = 0.8 - 0 = 0.8 \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise F, Question 16

Question:

(a) Without using a calculator, find the values of:

(i) $\sin 40^\circ \cos 10^\circ - \cos 40^\circ \sin 10^\circ$

(ii) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos 15^\circ - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin 15^\circ$

(iii) $\frac{1 - \tan 15^\circ}{1 + \tan 15^\circ}$

(b) Find, to 1 decimal place, the values of x , $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$, which satisfy the equation $2 \sin x = \cos (x - 60)$

[E]

Solution:

(a) (i) $\sin 40^\circ \cos 10^\circ - \cos 40^\circ \sin 10^\circ = \sin (40^\circ - 10^\circ) = \sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2}$

(ii) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos 15^\circ - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin 15^\circ$
 $= \cos 45^\circ \cos 15^\circ - \sin 45^\circ \sin 15^\circ = \cos (45^\circ + 15^\circ) = \cos 60^\circ$
 $= \frac{1}{2}$

(iii) $\frac{1 - \tan 15^\circ}{1 + \tan 15^\circ} = \frac{\tan 45^\circ - \tan 15^\circ}{1 + \tan 45^\circ \tan 15^\circ}$
 $= \tan (45^\circ - 15^\circ) = \tan 30^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$

(b) $2 \sin x = \cos (x - 60^\circ)$
 $\Rightarrow 2 \sin x = \cos x \cos 60^\circ + \sin x \sin 60^\circ$
 $\Rightarrow 2 \sin x = \frac{1}{2} \cos x + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin x$
 $\Rightarrow (4 - \sqrt{3}) \sin x = \cos x$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \frac{1}{4 - \sqrt{3}}$
 $\Rightarrow \tan x = \frac{1}{4 - \sqrt{3}}$

$$\text{So } x = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{4 - \sqrt{3}} \right), 180^\circ + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{4 - \sqrt{3}} \right)$$
$$\Rightarrow x = 23.8^\circ, 203.8^\circ$$

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Exercise F, Question 17

Question:

(a) Prove, by counter example, that the statement 'sec (A + B) ≡ sec A + sec B , for all A and B' is false.

(b) Prove that $\tan \theta + \cot \theta \equiv 2 \operatorname{cosec} 2\theta$, $\theta \neq \frac{n\pi}{2}$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

[E]

Solution:

(a) One example is sufficient to disprove a statement.

E.g. $A = 60^\circ$, $B = 0^\circ$

$$\sec (A + B) = \sec (60^\circ + 0^\circ) = \sec 60^\circ = \frac{1}{\cos 60^\circ} = 2$$

$$\sec A = \sec 60^\circ = \frac{1}{\cos 60^\circ} = 2$$

$$\sec B = \sec 0^\circ = \frac{1}{\cos 0^\circ} = 1$$

So $\sec (60^\circ + 0^\circ) \neq \sec 60^\circ + \sec 0^\circ$

$\Rightarrow \sec (A + B) \equiv \sec A + \sec B$ not true for all values of A, B.

(b) L.H.S. $\equiv \tan \theta + \cot \theta$

$$\equiv \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta}{\sin \theta \cos \theta}$$

$$\equiv \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta} \quad (\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta \equiv 1, \sin 2\theta \equiv 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta)$$

$$\equiv \frac{2}{\sin 2\theta}$$

$$\equiv 2 \operatorname{cosec} 2\theta$$

$$\equiv \text{R.H.S.}$$

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Exercise F, Question 18

Question:

Using the formula $\cos(A + B) \equiv \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B$:

(a) Show that $\cos(A - B) - \cos(A + B) \equiv 2 \sin A \sin B$.

(b) Hence show that $\cos 2x - \cos 4x \equiv 2 \sin 3x \sin x$.

(c) Find all solutions in the range $0 \leq x \leq \pi$ of the equation $\cos 2x - \cos 4x = \sin x$ giving all your solutions in multiples of π radians.

[E]

Solution:

(a) $\cos(A + B) \equiv \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B$

$$\Rightarrow \cos(A - B) \equiv \cos A \cos(-B) - \sin A \sin(-B)$$

$$\equiv \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B$$

so $\cos(A + B) - \cos(A - B) \equiv (\cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B) - (\cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B)$

$$\equiv -2 \sin A \sin B$$

(b) Let $A + B = 2x$, $A - B = 4x$

$$\text{Add: } 2A = 6x \Rightarrow A = 3x$$

$$\text{Subtract: } 2B = -2x \Rightarrow B = -x$$

Using (a) $\cos 2x - \cos 4x \equiv -2 \sin 3x \sin(-x) \equiv 2 \sin 3x \sin x$

as $\sin(-x) = -\sin x$

(c) Solve $2 \sin 3x \sin x = \sin x$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x (2 \sin 3x - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x = 0 \text{ or } \sin 3x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0, \pi$$

$$\sin 3x = \frac{1}{2}, 0 \leq 3x \leq 3\pi \Rightarrow 3x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{13\pi}{6}, \frac{17\pi}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{\pi}{18}, \frac{5\pi}{18}, \frac{13\pi}{18}, \frac{17\pi}{18}$$

Solution set: $0, \frac{\pi}{18}, \frac{5\pi}{18}, \frac{13\pi}{18}, \frac{17\pi}{18}, \pi$

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Exercise F, Question 19

Question:

(a) Given that $\cos (x + 30^\circ) = 3 \cos (x - 30^\circ)$, prove that $\tan x = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$.

(b) (i) Prove that $\frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{\sin 2\theta} = \tan \theta$.

(ii) Verify that $\theta = 180^\circ$ is a solution of the equation $\sin 2\theta = 2 - 2 \cos 2\theta$.

(iii) Using the result in part (i), or otherwise, find the two other solutions, $0 < \theta < 360^\circ$, of the equation $\sin 2\theta = 2 - 2 \cos 2\theta$.

[E]

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a) } \cos (x + 30^\circ) &= 3 \cos (x - 30^\circ) \\
 \Rightarrow \cos x \cos 30^\circ - \sin x \sin 30^\circ &= 3 (\cos x \cos 30^\circ + \sin x \sin 30^\circ) \\
 \Rightarrow -2 \cos x \cos 30^\circ &= 4 \sin x \sin 30^\circ \\
 \Rightarrow -2 \cos x \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} &= 4 \sin x \times \frac{1}{2} \\
 \Rightarrow -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} &= \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \\
 \Rightarrow \tan x &= -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(b) (i) L.H.S.} &\equiv \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{\sin 2\theta} \\
 &\equiv \frac{1 - (1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta)}{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta} \\
 &\equiv \frac{2 \sin^2 \theta}{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta} \\
 &\equiv \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \\
 &\equiv \tan \theta
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(ii) L.H.S.} = \sin 360^\circ = 0$$

$$\text{R.H.S.} = 2 - 2 \cos 360^\circ = 2 - 2(1) = 0 \checkmark$$

(iii) Using (i) this is equivalent to solving $\tan \theta = \frac{1}{2}$.

From (i) $1 - \cos 2\theta = \sin 2\theta \tan \theta$

So $\sin 2\theta = 2 - 2 \cos 2\theta \Rightarrow \sin 2\theta = 2 \sin 2\theta \tan \theta$

$\sin 2\theta = 0$ gives $\theta = 180^\circ$, so $\tan \theta = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = 26.6^\circ, 206.6^\circ$

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Exercise F, Question 20

Question:

- (a) Express $1.5 \sin 2x + 2 \cos 2x$ in the form $R \sin (2x + \alpha)$, where $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$, giving your values of R and α to 3 decimal places where appropriate.
- (b) Express $3 \sin x \cos x + 4 \cos^2 x$ in the form $a \sin 2x + b \cos 2x + c$, where a , b and c are constants to be found.
- (c) Hence, using your answer to part (a), deduce the maximum value of $3 \sin x \cos x + 4 \cos^2 x$.

[E]

Solution:

(a) Let $1.5 \sin 2x + 2 \cos 2x \equiv R \sin (2x + \alpha) \equiv R \sin 2x \cos \alpha + R \cos 2x \sin \alpha$

$$R > 0, 0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Compare $\sin 2x$: $R \cos \alpha = 1.5$ ①

Compare $\cos 2x$: $R \sin \alpha = 2$ ②

Divide ② by ①: $\tan \alpha = \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow \alpha = 0.927$

$$R^2 = 2^2 + 1.5^2 \Rightarrow R = 2.5$$

(b) $3 \sin x \cos x + 4 \cos^2 x \equiv \frac{3}{2} (2 \sin x \cos x) + 4 \left(\frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2} \right)$

$$\equiv \frac{3}{2} \sin 2x + 2 + 2 \cos 2x \equiv \frac{3}{2} \sin 2x + 2 \cos 2x + 2$$

(c) From part (a) $\frac{3}{2} \sin 2x + 2 \cos 2x \equiv 2.5 \sin (2x + 0.927)$

So maximum value of $\frac{3}{2} \sin 2x + 2 \cos 2x = 2.5 \times 1 = 2.5$

So maximum value of $3 \sin x \cos x + 4 \cos^2 x = 2.5 + 2 = 4.5$