

SCQ (Single Correct Type) :

1. The value of $\sin^{-1}(\cos 2) - \cos^{-1}(\sin 2) + \tan^{-1}(\cot 4) - \cot^{-1}(\tan 4) + \sec^{-1}(\operatorname{cosec} 6) - \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(\sec 6)$ is
 (A) 0 (B) 3π (C) $8 - 3\pi$ (D) $5\pi - 16$

Ans. (D)

Sol. Given expression = $\left\{\frac{\pi}{2} - \cos^{-1}(\cos 2)\right\} - \left\{\frac{\pi}{2} - \sin^{-1}(\sin 2)\right\}$
 $+ \left\{\frac{\pi}{2} - \cot^{-1}(\cot 4)\right\} - \left\{\frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1}(\tan 4)\right\} + \left\{\frac{\pi}{2} - \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(\operatorname{cosec} 6)\right\} - \left\{\frac{\pi}{2} - \sec^{-1}(\sec 6)\right\}$
 $= \sin^{-1}(\sin 2) - \cos^{-1}(\cos 2) + \tan^{-1}(\tan 4) - \cot^{-1}(\cot 4) + \sec^{-1}(\sec 6) - \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(\operatorname{cosec} 6)$
 $= (\pi - 2) - 2 + (4 - \pi) - (4 - \pi) + (2\pi - 6) - (6 - 2\pi) = \pi - 4 + 4\pi - 12 = 5\pi - 16.]$

2. Let $\alpha = \cot^{-1}\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$, $\beta = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ and $\gamma = \sec^{-1}\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$, then the correct order sequence is

(A) $\alpha < \gamma < \beta$ (B) $\beta < \alpha < \gamma$ (C) $\gamma < \beta < \alpha$ (D) $\alpha < \beta < \gamma$

Ans. (D)

Sol. As $\frac{\pi}{3} > 1 \Rightarrow \cot^{-1}\frac{\pi}{3} < \cot^{-1}1 = \frac{\pi}{4} \Rightarrow \cot^{-1}\frac{\pi}{3} < \frac{\pi}{4} = 0.7856$ (i)

As $\frac{\pi}{4} > \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow \sin^{-1}\frac{\pi}{4} > \sin^{-1}\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\pi}{4} \Rightarrow \sin^{-1}\frac{\pi}{4} > \frac{\pi}{4} = 0.7856$ (ii)

As $\frac{2\pi}{3} > 2 \Rightarrow \sec^{-1}\frac{2\pi}{3} > \sec^{-1}2 = \frac{\pi}{3} \Rightarrow \sec^{-1}\frac{2\pi}{3} > \frac{\pi}{3} = 1.0476$ (iii)

Clearly $\alpha < \beta < \gamma$.]

3. Let $f(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} (\sin^{-1}[x] + \tan^{-1}[x] + \cot^{-1}[x])$ where $[x]$ denotes greatest integer less than or equal to x . If A and B denote the domain and range of $f(x)$ respectively, then the number of integers in $(A \cup B)$, is

(A) 1 (B) 2 (C) 3 (D) 4

Ans. (D)

Sol. For domain of $f(x)$, we must have $-1 \leq [x] \leq 1 \Rightarrow -1 \leq x < 2$, so set $A = [-1, 2)$

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \left(\sin^{-1}[x] + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \quad \left(\text{As } \tan^{-1}[x] + \cot^{-1}[x] = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \forall x \in A \right)$$

So, set $B = \{0, 1, 2\}$ = Range of $f(x)$

Now $A \cup B = [-1, 2) \cup \{0, 1, 2\} = [-1, 2]$

Hence number of integers in $(A \cup B) = 4$ Ans.

4. The radii of the escribed circles of $\triangle ABC$ are r_a , r_b and r_c respectively.

If $r_a + r_b = 3R$ and $r_b + r_c = 2R$, then the smallest angle of the triangle is

- (A) $\tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2}-1)$ (B) $\frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{3})$ (C) $\frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2}+1)$ (D) $\tan^{-1}(2-\sqrt{3})$

Ans. (B)

Sol. We have $r_a + r_b = 3R \Rightarrow \frac{\Delta}{s-a} + \frac{\Delta}{s-b} = 3R = \frac{3abc}{4\Delta} \left(R = \frac{abc}{4\Delta} \right)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\Delta(s-b+s-a)}{(s-a)(s-b)} = \frac{3abc}{4\Delta} \Rightarrow \frac{c\Delta}{(s-a)(s-b)} = \frac{3abc}{4\Delta} \Rightarrow \frac{\Delta^2}{(s-a)(s-b)} = \frac{3ab}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4s(s-c) = 3ab \Rightarrow (a+b+c)(a+b-c) = 3ab$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+b)^2 - c^2 = 3ab \Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 - c^2 = ab$$

$$\Rightarrow c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - ab$$

*Note: Angles A, C, B are in A.P.
can be converted into more than one*

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C = a^2 + b^2 - ab \quad (\text{As } c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos C = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \angle C = 60^\circ \quad \dots(1)$$

|||ly from $r_b + r_c = 2R$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\Delta}{s-b} + \frac{\Delta}{s-c} = 2R \Rightarrow \frac{\Delta(2s-b-c)}{(s-b)(s-c)} = \frac{2abc}{4\Delta} \Rightarrow \frac{2\Delta^2}{(s-b)(s-c)} = bc$$

$$\Rightarrow 2s(s-a) = bc \Rightarrow (b+c+a)(b+c-a) = 2bc \Rightarrow (b+c)^2 - a^2 = 2bc$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 + c^2 = a^2 \Rightarrow \angle A = 90^\circ \Rightarrow \angle B = 30^\circ]$$

5. If $\cos^{-1} \frac{x}{a} - \sin^{-1} \frac{y}{b} = \theta$ ($a, b \neq 0$), then the maximum value of $b^2x^2 + a^2y^2 + 2abxy \sin \theta$ equals

- (A) ab (B) $(a+b)^2$ (C) $2(a+b)^2$ (D) a^2b^2

Ans. (D)

Sol. We have $\cos^{-1} \frac{x}{a} + \cos^{-1} \frac{y}{b} = \frac{\pi}{2} + \theta \Rightarrow \frac{xy}{ab} - \sqrt{1-\frac{x^2}{a^2}} \sqrt{1-\frac{y^2}{b^2}} = -\sin \theta$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{xy}{ab} + \sin \theta = \sqrt{1-\frac{x^2}{a^2}} \sqrt{1-\frac{y^2}{b^2}}$$

On squaring both the sides, we get

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2y^2}{a^2b^2} + \sin^2 \theta + \frac{2xy}{ab} \sin \theta = 1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{x^2y^2}{a^2b^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2x^2 + a^2y^2 + 2abxy \sin \theta = a^2b^2 \cos^2 \theta \leq a^2b^2]$$

6. In $\triangle ABC$, the bisector of the angle A meets the side BC at D and the circumscribed circle at E, then DE equals

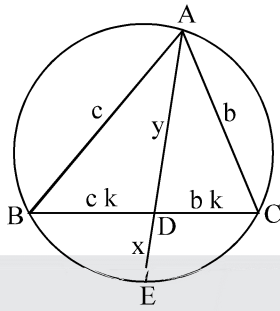
- (A) $\frac{a^2 \sec \frac{A}{2}}{2(b+c)}$ (B) $\frac{a^2 \sin \frac{A}{2}}{2(b+c)}$ (C) $\frac{a^2 \cos \frac{A}{2}}{2(b+c)}$ (D) $\frac{a^2 \operatorname{cosec} \frac{A}{2}}{2(b+c)}$

Ans. (A)

Sol. We have $ck + bk = a \Rightarrow k = \frac{a}{b+c}$

$$\text{Also } xy = bck^2$$

$$x \left(\frac{2bc \cos \frac{A}{2}}{b+c} \right) = \frac{bc}{(b+c)^2} a^2$$



$$\text{Hence } x = \frac{a^2 \sec \frac{A}{2}}{2(b+c)} = DE$$

7. If $[\cos^{-1} x] + [\cot^{-1} x] = 0$, where $[.]$ denotes the greatest integer function, then the complete set of values of x is

(A) $(\cos 1, 1]$ (B) $(\cos 1, \cot 1)$ (C) $(\cot 1, 1]$ (D) $[0, \cot 1)$

Ans. (C)

Sol. $[\cos^{-1} x] \geq 0 \forall x \in [-1, 1]$ and $[\cot^{-1} x] \geq 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\text{Hence } [\cos^{-1} x] + [\cot^{-1} x] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [\cos^{-1} x] = [\cot^{-1} x] = 0$$

$$\text{If } [\cos^{-1} x] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [\cos 1, 1]$$

$$\text{If } [\cot^{-1} x] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (\cot 1, \infty) \Rightarrow x \in (\cot 1, 1)$$

8. $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (0, \pi/2]$ and $f(x) = \cos^{-1}(x^2 - ax + a + 1)$ is surjective then $a \in$

$$(A) \left\{ \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}, \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right\}$$

$$(B) \left\{ \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}, \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right\}$$

$$(C) \left(-\infty, \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right) \cup \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, \infty \right)$$

(D) None of these

Ans. (A)

Sol. $D = 0$

9. In a $\triangle ABC$, if $b^2 = c^2 = 1999a^2$, then $\frac{\cot B + \cot C}{\cot A}$ is equal to_____.

$$(A) \frac{1}{999}$$

$$(B) \frac{1}{1999}$$

$$(C) 999$$

$$(D) 1999$$

Ans. (D)

Sol. $b^2 + c^2 = 1999a^2 \Rightarrow b^2 + c^2 - a^2 = 1998a^2$

$$\frac{\cot B + \cot C}{\cot A} = \frac{\sin(B+C)}{\sin C \sin B \times \frac{\cos A}{\sin A}} = \frac{\sin^2 A}{\sin B \sin C \cos A}$$

$$= \left(\frac{a^2}{bc} \right) \left(\frac{2bc}{b^2 + c^2 - a^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2a^2}{1998a^2} = \frac{1}{999}$$

10. If $2a \cos B = c$ in a $\triangle ABC$ with sides a, b, c then $\tan \frac{A}{2} \left(\tan \frac{A}{2} + 2 \tan \frac{C}{2} \right)$ is equal to _____.

- (A) 1 (B) 21 (C) $\frac{1}{2}$ (D) $\frac{1}{3}$

Ans. (A)

Sol.

$$2 \sin A \cos B = \sin C$$

$$\sin(A + B) + \sin(A - B) = \sin C$$

Consider $\sin(A - B) = 0$, that is $A = B$ and $C = \pi - 2A$

$$\therefore \frac{C}{2} = \cot A = \frac{1 - \tan^2 \frac{A}{2}}{2 \tan \frac{A}{2}}$$

11. In $\triangle ABC$, if $BC = 1$, $\sin \frac{A}{2} = x_1$, $\sin \frac{B}{2} = x_2$, $\cos \frac{A}{2} = x_3$, and $\cos \frac{B}{2} = x_4$ with

$$\left(\frac{x_1}{x_2} \right)^{2010} - \left(\frac{x_3}{x_4} \right)^{2009} = 0, \text{ then length of AC is equal to } \underline{\hspace{2cm}}.$$

- (A) > 1 (B) < 1 (C) $\frac{1}{2}$ (D) 1

Ans. (D)

Sol.

In given $\triangle ABC$, both $\frac{A}{2}$ and $\frac{B}{2} \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$

$\sin x$, is increasing in $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$ and $\cos x$ is decreasing in $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$

$$\therefore \text{ If } \frac{A}{2} > \frac{B}{2} \Rightarrow \sin \frac{A}{2} > \sin \frac{B}{2} \Rightarrow x_1 > x_2$$

$$\cos \frac{A}{2} < \cos \frac{B}{2} \Rightarrow x_3 < x_4$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{x_1}{x_2} \right)^{2010} \neq \left(\frac{x_3}{x_4} \right)^{2009}$$

Similarly, for $\frac{A}{2} < \frac{B}{2}$

$$\therefore \frac{A}{2} = \frac{B}{2} \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2 \text{ and } \frac{1}{x_3} = \frac{1}{x_4}$$

$$\therefore BC = AC = 1$$

MCQ (One or more than one correct) :

12. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = \cos^{-1}(\{-x\})$ where $\{x\}$ is fractional part function. Then which of the following is/are correct?

- (A) f is many one but not even function.
 (B) Range of f contains two prime numbers.
 (C) f is aperiodic.
 (D) Graph of f does not lie below x -axis.

Ans. (ABD)

Sol. We have $f(x) = \cos^{-1}(-\{-x\})$

$$D_f = \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{As } 0 \leq \{-x\} < 1 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 < -\{-x\} \leq 0$$

$$\text{So } R_f = \left[\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi \right)$$

Clearly, f is neither even nor odd.

But $f(x+1) = f(x) \Rightarrow f$ is periodic with period 1.

13. Which of the following statement(s) is/are **TRUE**?

(A) Domain of $y = \cos^{-1}(e^x)$ is same as range of $y = -\sqrt{-x}$.

(B) Number of elements common in the range of function $y = \tan^{-1}(\operatorname{sgn} x)$ and $y = \cot^{-1}(\operatorname{sgn} x)$ is only 1 (where $\operatorname{sgn} x$ denotes signum function of x .)

(C) The function $y = \operatorname{sgn}(\cot^{-1}x)$ and $y = 1$ are identical functions.

(D) Number of integers in the solution set of $1 < \log_2(\tan^{-1}x) < 2$ is 4.

Ans. (ABC)

Sol. (A) For domain of $y = \cos^{-1}(e^x)$, $0 < e^x \leq 1 \Rightarrow x \leq 0$ or $x \in (-\infty, 0]$

$$\text{For range of } y = -\sqrt{-x}, \quad -y = \sqrt{-x}$$

$$\sqrt{-x} \geq 0 \Rightarrow -y \geq 0 \Rightarrow y \in (-\infty, 0]$$

$\therefore$ Domain of $y = \cos^{-1}(e^x)$ is identical with range of $y = -\sqrt{-x}$.

$$(B) y = \tan^{-1}(\operatorname{sgn} x) = \begin{cases} \tan^{-1}(-1), & \forall x < 0 \\ \tan^{-1} 0, & \text{for } x = 0 \\ \tan^{-1}(1), & \forall x > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Range of } y = \tan^{-1}(\operatorname{sgn} x) \text{ is } \left\{ -\frac{\pi}{4}, 0, \frac{\pi}{4} \right\}$$

$$\text{Also, } y = \cot^{-1}(\operatorname{sgn} x) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1}(\operatorname{sgn} x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Range of } y = \cot^{-1}(\operatorname{sgn} x) \text{ is } \left\{ \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{4} \right\}$$

$\therefore$ Number of elements common in the range of $y = \tan^{-1}(\operatorname{sgn} x)$ and $y = \cot^{-1}(\operatorname{sgn} x)$ is only one i.e. $\frac{\pi}{4}$.

$$(C) y = \operatorname{sgn}(\cot^{-1}x) = 1 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$\therefore y = \operatorname{sgn}(\cot^{-1}x)$ and $y = 1$ are identical functions.

$$(D) 1 < \log_2(\tan^{-1}x) < 2 \Rightarrow 2^1 < \tan^{-1}x < 2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Not possible. (As } \frac{-\pi}{2} < \tan^{-1}x < \frac{\pi}{2} < 2)$$

14. Let a function $f: A \rightarrow B$ be defined as $f(x) = \sin^{-1}(\tan x) - \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(\cot x)$.

Which of the following statement(s) is/are **TRUE** for the function $f(x)$?

(A) $f(x)$ is periodic with fundamental period π .

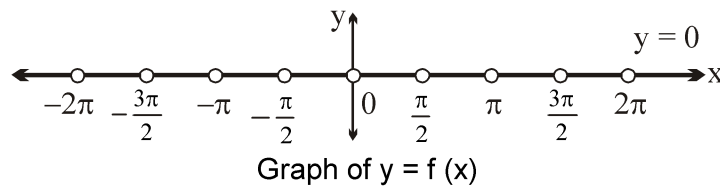
(B) The function $f(x)$ is non-invertible.

(C) The composite function $f(f(x))$ is not defined.

(D) The function $f(x)$ is an even function.

Ans. (BCD)

Sol. We have $f(x) = \sin^{-1}(\tan x) - \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(\cot x) = \sin^{-1}(\tan x) - \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\cot x}\right) = 0 \quad \forall x \neq \frac{n\pi}{2}$
where $n \in \mathbb{I}$.



Clearly $y = f(x)$ is periodic function with fundamental period $\frac{\pi}{2}$.

The graph of $y = f(x)$ is union of line segments on x axis and not a straight line.

The function $y = f(x)$ is many-one, so non-invertible.

Also $y = f(x)$ is even and odd both simultaneously.

As $f(0)$ is not defined, so $f(f(x))$ is not defined.

15. Which of the following expression(s) have their value equal to four times the area of the triangle ABC? (All symbols used have their usual meaning in a triangle)

- (A) $rs + r_1(s - a) + r_2(s - b) + r_3(s - c)$ (B) $\frac{(a + b + c)^2}{\cot \frac{A}{2} + \cot \frac{B}{2} + \cot \frac{C}{2}}$
(C) $(a^2 + b^2 - c^2) \tan B$ (D) $b^2 \sin 2C + c^2 \sin 2B$

Ans. (ABD)

Sol. (A) $r = \frac{\Delta}{s}$; $r_1 = \frac{\Delta}{s - a}$; $r_2 = \frac{\Delta}{s - b}$; $r_3 = \frac{\Delta}{s - c} \Rightarrow$ **(A) is correct**

(B) $\sum \cot \frac{A}{2} = \frac{s}{\Delta} [(s - a) + (s - b) + (s - c)] = \frac{s}{\Delta} [s] = \frac{4s^2}{4\Delta} = \frac{(a + b + c)^2}{4\Delta}$
 $\therefore \frac{(a + b + c)^2}{\sum \cot \frac{A}{2}} = 4\Delta \Rightarrow$ **(B) is correct**

(C) Using $a^2 + b^2 - c^2 = 2ab \cos C$

given $(a^2 + b^2 - c^2) \tan B = 2ab \cos C \frac{\sin B}{\cos B} \neq 4\Delta \Rightarrow$ **(C) is NOT correct**

Note: C could not be correct if $\tan B \rightarrow \tan C$

(D) $b^2 \sin 2C + c^2 \sin 2B$

using $b = k \sin B$, $b[k \sin B \cdot 2 \sin C \cos C] + c[k \sin C \cdot 2 \sin B \cos B]$

$2bc \sin B \cos C + 2bc \sin C \cos B$

$2bc(\sin B \cos C + \cos C \sin B)$

$2bc \sin(B + C) = 2bc \sin A = 4\Delta \Rightarrow$ **(D) is correct**

16. Following the usual notations, in a triangle ABC, if $(\sqrt{3} - 1)a = 2b$ and $A = 3B$, then C cannot be equal to _____.

- (A) $\frac{\pi}{3}$ (B) $\frac{\pi}{4}$ (C) $\frac{2\pi}{3}$ (D) $\frac{\pi}{6}$

Ans. (ABD)

Sol. $(\sqrt{3} - 1)a = 2b \Rightarrow \frac{a}{2} = \frac{b}{\sqrt{3} - 1}$

$\Rightarrow 3 - 4 \sin^2 B = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3} - 1} = \sqrt{3} + 1 \Rightarrow \sin^2 B = \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{4}$