


NCERT - Exercise 2.2
Prove the Following :

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

SOLUTION

Put $\sin^{-1}x = \theta$. Then, $x = \sin \theta$ Now, $\sin 3\theta = (3\sin \theta - 4\sin^3 \theta) = (3x - 4x^3)$
 $\Rightarrow 3\theta = \sin^{-1}(3x - 4x^3)$
 $\Rightarrow 3\sin^{-1}x = \sin^{-1}(3x - 4x^3)$ Hence, $3\sin^{-1}x = \sin^{-1}(3x - 4x^3)$

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

SOLUTION

Put $\cos^{-1}x = \theta$. Then, $x = \cos \theta$
 Now, $\cos 3\theta = 4\cos^3 \theta - 3\cos \theta = (4x^3 - 3x) \Rightarrow 3\theta = \cos^{-1}(4x^3 - 3x) \Rightarrow 3\cos^{-1}x = \cos^{-1}(4x^3 - 3x)$
 Hence, $3\cos^{-1}x = \cos^{-1}(4x^3 - 3x)$

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

SOLUTION

$$\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{11} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{7}{24} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{\frac{2}{11} + \frac{7}{24}}{1 - \frac{2}{11} \times \frac{7}{24}} \right]$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{\frac{18+77}{264}}{\frac{264-14}{264}} \right] = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{125}{250} \right] = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)$$

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

SOLUTION

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

$$= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{3/4} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{7} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{3} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{7} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{\frac{4}{3} + \frac{1}{7}}{1 - \frac{4}{3} \times \frac{1}{7}} \right] = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{31}{21}}{\frac{17}{21}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{31}{17} \right)$$

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

Write the following functions in the simplest form :

5. $\tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}-1}{x}$, $x \neq 0$

SOLUTION

Putting $x = \tan \theta$, we get $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}-1}{x} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{\sqrt{1+\tan^2 \theta}-1}{\tan \theta} \right]$

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

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

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

6. $\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2-1}}, |x| > 1$

SOLUTION

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Putting } x = \sec \theta, \text{ we get } \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2-1}} \right) &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\sec^2 \theta - 1}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\tan \theta} \right) = \tan^{-1}(\cot \theta) = \tan^{-1} \left\{ \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \right) \right\} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta = \frac{\pi}{2} - \sec^{-1} x \therefore \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2-1}} \right) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \sec^{-1} x \end{aligned}$$

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

SOLUTION

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

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

SOLUTION

$$\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\cos x - \sin x}{\cos x + \sin x} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1 - \tan x}{1 + \tan x} \right) \text{ (Dividing numerator and denominator by } \cos x) = \tan^{-1} \left(\tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x \right) \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} - x$$

9. $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} \right), |x| < a$

SOLUTION

Put $x = a \sin \theta$ we get :

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

10. $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3a^2x-x^3}{a^3-3ax^2} \right), a > 0; \frac{-a}{\sqrt{3}} \leq x \leq \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}$

SOLUTION

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Putting } x = a \tan \theta, \text{ we get } \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{3a^2x-x^3}{a^3-3ax^2} \right] &= \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{3a^3 \tan \theta - a^3 \tan^3 \theta}{a^3 - 3a^3 \tan^2 \theta} \right] \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3 \tan \theta - \tan^3 \theta}{1 - 3 \tan^2 \theta} \right) = \tan^{-1}(\tan 3\theta) = 3\theta = 3 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Find the values of each of the following :

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

SOLUTION

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

12. $\cot(\tan^{-1}a + \cot^{-1}a)$

SOLUTION

$$\cot(\tan^{-1}a + \cot^{-1}a) = \cot\left(\tan^{-1}a + \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1}a\right) = \cot\frac{\pi}{2} = 0$$

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

SOLUTION

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Putting } x = \tan\theta \text{ and } y = \tan\phi, \text{ we get } \tan\left\{\frac{1}{2}\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1-y^2}{1+y^2}\right)\right\} &= \tan\left\{\frac{1}{2}\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2\tan\theta}{1+\tan^2\theta}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1-\tan^2\phi}{1+\tan^2\phi}\right)\right\} \\ &= \tan\left\{\frac{1}{2}\sin^{-1}(\sin 2\theta) + \frac{1}{2}\cos^{-1}(\cos 2\phi)\right\} \\ &= \tan\left\{\frac{1}{2} \times 2\theta + \frac{1}{2} \times 2\phi\right\} = \tan(\theta + \phi) = \frac{\tan\theta + \tan\phi}{1 - \tan\theta\tan\phi} = \frac{x+y}{1-xy} \end{aligned}$$

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

SOLUTION

$$\begin{aligned} \sin\left(\sin^{-1}\frac{1}{5} + \cos^{-1}x\right) = 1 \text{ Or } \sin^{-1}\frac{1}{5} + \cos^{-1}x = \sin^{-1}1 &\Rightarrow \sin^{-1}\frac{1}{5} + \frac{\pi}{2} - \sin^{-1}x = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \sin^{-1}\frac{1}{5} = \sin^{-1}x \\ \Rightarrow x = \sin\left(\sin^{-1}\frac{1}{5}\right) &= \frac{1}{5}. \end{aligned}$$

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

SOLUTION

$$\begin{aligned} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x-1}{x-2}\right) + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x+1}{x+2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{4} &\Rightarrow \tan^{-1}\left[\frac{\frac{x-1}{x-2} + \frac{x+1}{x+2}}{1 - \left(\frac{x-1}{x-2}\right)\left(\frac{x+1}{x+2}\right)}\right] = \frac{\pi}{4} \\ \Rightarrow \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{(x-1)(x+2) + (x+1)(x-2)}{x^2 - 4 - (x^2 - 1)}\right) &= \frac{\pi}{4} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 2x - x - 2 + x^2 - 2x + x - 2}{x^2 - 4 - x^2 + 1} = \tan\frac{\pi}{4} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{2x^2 - 4}{-3} = 1 &\Rightarrow 2x^2 = -3 + 4 \Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow x = \pm\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Find the value of each of the expressions :

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

SOLUTION

$$\sin^{-1}\left(\sin\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) \neq \frac{2\pi}{3} \text{ as the principal value branch of } \sin^{-1} \text{ is } \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$$

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

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

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

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

SOLUTION

$\tan^{-1}\left(\tan\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) \neq \frac{3\pi}{4}$ as the principal value branch of \tan^{-1} is $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

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

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

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

$$= -\frac{\pi}{4} \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

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

18. $\tan\left[\left(\sin^{-1}\frac{3}{5}\right) + \cot^{-1}\frac{3}{2}\right]$

SOLUTION

$$\text{Let } A = \sin^{-1}\frac{3}{5} \text{ and } B = \cot^{-1}\frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow \sin A = \frac{3}{5} \text{ and } \cot B = \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow \tan A = \frac{3}{4} \text{ and } \tan B = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{So, } \tan\left(\tan^{-1}\frac{3}{4} + \tan^{-1}\frac{2}{3}\right) = \tan\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{3}}{1 - \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{2}{3}}\right)\right) = \tan\left[\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{9+8}{12}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}}\right)\right]$$

$$= \tan\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{17}{16}\right)\right) = \frac{17}{16}$$

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

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

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

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

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

SOLUTION

(B) $\cos^{-1}\left(\cos\frac{7\pi}{6}\right) \neq \frac{7\pi}{6}$ as principal value branch of \cos^{-1} is $[0, \pi]$

$$\text{So, } \cos^{-1}\left(\cos\frac{7\pi}{6}\right) = \cos^{-1}\left[\cos\left(\pi + \frac{\pi}{6}\right)\right]$$

$$= \cos^{-1}\left(-\cos\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \cos^{-1}\left(\cos\left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)\right) = \frac{5\pi}{6}.$$

$$\text{Hence, } \cos^{-1}\left(\cos\frac{7\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{5\pi}{6}.$$

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

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

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

(D) 1

SOLUTION

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

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

21. $\tan^{-1}\sqrt{3} - \cot^{-1}(-\sqrt{3})$ is equal to

(A) π

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

(C) 0

(D) $2\sqrt{3}$

SOLUTION

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(B) } \tan^{-1}\sqrt{3} - \cot^{-1}(-\sqrt{3}) &= \tan^{-1}\sqrt{3} - (\pi - \cot^{-1}\sqrt{3}) \\ &= \tan^{-1}\sqrt{3} - \pi + \cot^{-1}\sqrt{3} = \frac{\pi}{3} - \pi + \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \pi = -\frac{\pi}{2}. \end{aligned}$$



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