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Trigonometric Ratios and Identities

(Solved MCQs – Set 1) :-

1. If $\tan x = n \cdot \tan y$, $n \in R^+$, then maximum value of $\sec^2(x - y)$ is equal to

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

(B) $\frac{(n+1)^2}{n}$

(C) $\frac{(n+1)^2}{2}$

(D) $\frac{(n+1)^2}{4n}$

2. If $3\sin\theta + 5\cos\theta = 5$, then the value of $5\sin\theta - 3\cos\theta$ is equal to

(A) 5

(B) 3

(C) 4

(D) None of these

3. In $\triangle ABC$, if $\cot A \cdot \cot B \cdot \cot C > 0$, then the triangle is

(A) Acute angled

(B) Right angled

(C) Obtuse angled

(D) Does not exist

4. If $\pi < 2\theta < \frac{3\pi}{2}$, then $\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2 + 2\cos 4\theta}}$ equals

(A) $-2\cos\theta$

(B) $-2\sin\theta$

(C) $2\cos\theta$

(D) $2\sin\theta$

5. If $\tan\theta = \sqrt{n}$ for some non-square natural number n , then $\sec 2\theta$ is

(A) A rational number

(B) An irrational number

(C) A positive number

(D) None of these

(Non-square number is a number which is not a perfect square)

6. The minimum value of $\cos(\cos x)$ is

(A) 0

(B) $-\cos 1$

(C) $\cos 1$

(D) -1

7. If $\sin x \cos y = 1/4$ and $3 \tan x = 4 \tan y$, then find the value of $\sin(x+y)$.

(A) $1/16$

(B) $7/16$

(C) $5/16$

(D) None of these

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

(A) $4 + \sqrt{2}$

(B) $3 + \sqrt{2}$

(C) 9

(D) 4

9. If α and β are solutions of $\sin^2 x + a \sin x + b = 0$ as well as that of $\cos^2 x + c \cos x + d = 0$, then $\sin(\alpha + \beta)$ is equal to

(A) $\frac{2bd}{b^2 + d^2}$

(B) $\frac{a^2 + c^2}{2ac}$

(C) $\frac{b^2 + d^2}{2bd}$

(D) $\frac{2ac}{a^2 + c^2}$

10. If $\sin \alpha$, $\sin \beta$ and $\cos \alpha$ are in GP, then roots of the equation $x^2 + 2x \cot \beta + 1 = 0$ are always

(A) Equal

(B) Real

(C) Imaginary

(D) Greater than 1

11. If $S = \cos^2 \frac{\pi}{n} + \cos^2 \frac{2\pi}{n} + \dots + \cos^2 \frac{(n-1)\pi}{n}$, then S equals

(A) $\frac{n}{2}(n+1)$

(B) $\frac{1}{2}(n-1)$

(C) $\frac{1}{2}(n-2)$

(D) $\frac{n}{2}$

12. If in a $\triangle ABC$, $\angle C = 90^\circ$, then the maximum value of $\sin A \sin B$ is

(A) $\frac{1}{2}$

(B) 1

(C) 2

(D) None of these

13. If in a $\triangle ABC$, $\sin^2 A + \sin^2 B + \sin^2 C = 2$, then the triangle is always

(A) Isosceles triangle

(B) Right angled

(C) Acute angled

(D) Obtuse angled

14. Maximum value of the expression $2\sin x + 4\cos x + 3$ is

(A) $2\sqrt{5} + 3$

(B) $2\sqrt{5} - 3$

(C) $\sqrt{5} + 3$

(D) None of these

15. If $\cos \theta = \frac{\cos \alpha - \cos \beta}{1 - \cos \alpha \cos \beta}$, then one of the values of $\tan \frac{\theta}{2}$ is

(A) $\tan \frac{\alpha}{2} \tan \frac{\beta}{2}$

(B) $\cot \frac{\alpha}{2} \tan \frac{\beta}{2}$

(C) $\sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \sin \frac{\beta}{2}$

(D) None of these

16. If $0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{4}$ then $\sec 2\theta - \tan 2\theta$ is equal to

(A) $\tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \theta \right)$

(B) $-\tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \theta \right)$

(C) $\tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \theta \right)$

(D) None of these

17. The equation $(\cos p - 1)x^2 + (\cos p)x + \sin p = 0$, where x is a variable, has real roots. Then the interval of p may be any one of the following:

(A) $(0, 2\pi)$

(B) $(-\pi, 0)$

(C) $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

(D) $(0, \pi)$

18. Let n be a positive integer such that $\sin \frac{\pi}{2^n} + \cos \frac{\pi}{2^n} = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{2}$ then

(A) $6 \leq n \leq 8$

(B) $4 \leq n \leq 8$

(C) $4 < n \leq 8$

(D) $4 < n < 8$

19. If $\frac{x}{\cos \theta} = \frac{y}{\cos\left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)} = \frac{z}{\cos\left(\theta - \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)}$, then $x + y + z$ is equal to

(A) -1

(B) 1

(C) 0

(D) None of these

20. If $A + B + C = 180^\circ$, then the value of $\tan A + \tan B + \tan C$ is

(A) $\geq 3\sqrt{3}$

(B) $\geq 2\sqrt{3}$

(C) $> 3\sqrt{3}$

(D) $> 2\sqrt{3}$

21. Let $0 < A, B < \frac{\pi}{2}$ satisfying the equalities $3\sin^2 A + 2\sin^2 B = 1$ and $3\sin 2A - 2\sin 2B = 0$. Then $A + 2B =$

(A) $\frac{\pi}{4}$

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

(C) $\frac{\pi}{2}$

(D) None of these

22. If $a \cos^3 \theta + 3a \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta = x$ and $a \sin^3 \theta + 3a \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta = y$, then $(x+y)^{2/3} + (x-y)^{2/3} =$

(A) $2a^{2/3}$

(B) $a^{2/3}$

(C) $3a^{2/3}$

(D) $2a^{1/3}$

23. If $(1+\sqrt{1+a}) \tan \alpha = (1+\sqrt{1-a})$, then $\sin 4\alpha =$

(A) $a/2$

(B) a

(C) $a^{2/3}$

(D) $2a$

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1. $\cos(x - y) = \cos x \cos y + \sin x \sin y = \cos x \cos y (1 + \tan x \tan y)$
Put $\tan x = n \tan y$

$$\cos(x - y) = \cos x \cos y (1 + n \tan^2 y) \Rightarrow \sec(x - y) = \frac{\sec x \sec y}{(1 + n \tan^2 y)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sec^2(x - y) &= \frac{\sec^2 x \cdot \sec^2 y}{(1 + n \tan^2 y)^2} \\ &= \frac{(1 + \tan^2 x)(1 + \tan^2 y)}{(1 + n \tan^2 y)^2} \\ &= \frac{(1 + n^2 \tan^2 y)(1 + \tan^2 y)}{(1 + n \tan^2 y)^2} \\ &= 1 + \frac{(n-1)^2 \tan^2 y}{(1 + n \tan^2 y)^2}\end{aligned}$$

(By division) using inequality

$$\frac{(1 + n^2 \tan^2 y + n^2 \tan^2 y + n^4 \tan^4 y)}{4} \geq (n^4 \tan^8 y)^{1/4}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{(1 + n \tan^2 y)^2}{4} &\geq n \tan^2 y \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\tan^2 y}{(1 + n \tan^2 y)^2} &\leq \frac{1}{4n} \\ \Rightarrow \sec^2(x - y) &\leq 1 + \frac{(n-1)^2}{4n} = \frac{(n+1)^2}{4n}\end{aligned}$$

2. $3 \sin \theta = 5(1 - \cos \theta) = 5 \times 2 \sin^2(\theta/2) \Rightarrow \tan(\theta/2) = 3/5$

$$\begin{aligned}5 \sin \theta - 3 \cos \theta &= 5 \times \frac{2 \tan(\theta/2)}{1 + \tan^2(\theta/2)} - 3 \frac{[1 - \tan^2(\theta/2)]}{1 + \tan^2(\theta/2)} \\ &= 5 \times \frac{2 \times (3/5)}{1 + (9/25)} - \frac{3 \times [1 - (9/25)]}{1 + (9/25)} = 3\end{aligned}$$

3. Since $\cot A \cot B \cot C > 0$, $\cot A$, $\cot B$, $\cot C$ are positive. So, the triangle is acute angled.

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

$$5. \sec 2\theta = \frac{1 + \tan^2 \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} = \frac{1 + n}{1 - n}$$

where n is a non-square natural number so $1 - n \neq 0$. Hence $\sec 2\theta$ is a rational number.

6. $\cos x$ lies between -1 to 1 for all real x .

If $f(x) = \cos(\cos x)$, then $f'(x) = 0$ when either $\sin x = 0$ or $\sin \cos x = 0$, that is, at $x = 0$ or $x = \pi/2$.

At $x = 0$ we get minimum value of $f(x) = \cos 1$

7. $3 \tan x = 4 \tan y \Rightarrow 3 \sin x \cos y = 4 \cos x \sin y$

$$\Rightarrow 3/4 = 4 \cos x \sin y \Rightarrow \cos x \sin y = 3/16$$

Therefore,

$$\sin(x + y) = \sin x \cos y + \cos x \sin y = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{16} = \frac{7}{16}$$

8. Maximum value of $4 \sin^2 x + 3 \cos^2 x$, that is, $\sin^2 x + 3$ is 4 and that of $\sin \frac{x}{2} + \cos \frac{x}{2}$ is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2}$, both attained at $x = \pi/2$.

Hence, the given function has the maximum value $4 + \sqrt{2}$.

9. According to the given condition, $\sin \alpha + \sin \beta = -a$ and $\cos \alpha + \cos \beta = -c$. So

$$\begin{aligned}2 \sin \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} \cos \frac{\alpha - \beta}{2} &= -a \text{ and } 2 \cos \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} \cos \frac{\alpha - \beta}{2} = -c \\ \Rightarrow \tan \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} &= \frac{a}{c}\end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{2 \tan \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}}{1 + \tan^2 \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}} = \frac{2ac}{a^2 + c^2}$$

10. $\sin \alpha, \sin \beta, \cos \alpha$ are in GP. Therefore,

$$\sin^2 \beta = \sin \alpha \cos \alpha \Rightarrow \cos 2\beta = 1 - \sin 2\beta \geq 0$$

Now, the discriminant of the given equation is

$$4 \cot^2 \beta - 4 = 4 \cos 2\beta \cdot \operatorname{cosec}^2 \beta \geq 0 \Rightarrow \text{roots are always real}$$

$$\begin{aligned}11. S &= \cos^2 \frac{\pi}{n} + \cos^2 \frac{2\pi}{n} + \dots + \cos^2(n-1) \frac{\pi}{n} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + \cos \frac{2\pi}{n} + 1 + \cos \frac{4\pi}{n} + 1 + \cos \frac{6\pi}{n} + \dots + 1 + \cos 2(n-1) \frac{\pi}{n} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[n - 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \cos \frac{2k\pi}{n} \right] = \frac{1}{2} [n - 1] = \frac{1}{2} (n - 2)\end{aligned}$$

$$12. \sin A \sin B = \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \sin A \sin B$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \frac{1}{2} [\cos(A - B) - \cos(A + B)] = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(A - B) - \cos 90^\circ] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cos(A - B) \leq \frac{1}{2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Maximum value of } \sin A \sin B = \frac{1}{2}$$

13. $\sin^2 A + \sin^2 B + \sin^2 C = 2 \Rightarrow 2 \cos A \cos B \cos C = 0$
 $\Rightarrow$ Either $A = 90^\circ$ or $B = 90^\circ$ or $C = 90^\circ$

14. Maximum value of $2 \sin x + 4 \cos x = 2\sqrt{5}$

Hence, the maximum value of $2 \sin x + 4 \cos x + 3$ is $2\sqrt{5} + 3$

$$15. \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{1 + \cos \theta} = \frac{1 - \frac{\cos \alpha - \cos \beta}{1 - \cos \alpha \cos \beta}}{1 + \frac{\cos \alpha - \cos \beta}{1 - \cos \alpha \cos \beta}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1 - \cos \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha + \cos \beta}{1 - \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha - \cos \beta} \\
&= \frac{(1 - \cos \alpha) + \cos \beta(1 - \cos \alpha)}{(1 + \cos \alpha) - \cos \beta(1 + \cos \alpha)} = \frac{(1 - \cos \alpha)(1 + \cos \beta)}{(1 + \cos \alpha)(1 - \cos \beta)} \\
&= \tan^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} \cot^2 \frac{\beta}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \pm \tan \frac{\alpha}{2} \cot \frac{\beta}{2}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
16. \sec 2\theta - \tan 2\theta &= \frac{1 - \sin 2\theta}{\cos 2\theta} = \frac{1 - \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta}}{\frac{1 - \tan^2 \theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta}} = \frac{(1 - \tan \theta)^2}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} \\
&= \frac{1 - \tan \theta}{1 + \tan \theta} = \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \theta \right)
\end{aligned}$$

17. Discriminant of the given equation $= (\cos p)^2 - 4(\cos p - 1)$
 $\sin p = \cos^2 p + 4(1 - \cos p)$ $\sin p \geq 0$, if $p \in (0, \pi)$
 $[\because \cos^2 p \geq 0, 0 \leq 1 - \cos p \leq 2 \text{ and } \sin p > 0 \text{ for all } p \in (0, \pi)]$

18. $\sin \frac{\pi}{2^n} + \cos \frac{\pi}{2^n} = \sqrt{2} \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{2^n} \right)$ lies in $[-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}]$.

Therefore, $\frac{\sqrt{n}}{2} \in [-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}] \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{n}}{2} \leq \sqrt{2} \Rightarrow \sqrt{n} \leq 2\sqrt{2} \Rightarrow n \leq 8$

Note that $n = 1$ does not satisfy the given equation and for $n > 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\pi}{2} &\geq \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{2^n} > \frac{\pi}{4} \Rightarrow \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{2^n} \right) > \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \\
&\Rightarrow \sqrt{2} \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{2^n} \right) > 1 \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{n}}{2} > 1 \Rightarrow n > 4
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, $4 < n \leq 8$.

19. Given $\frac{x}{\cos \theta} = \frac{y}{\cos \left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3} \right)} = \frac{z}{\cos \left(\theta - \frac{2\pi}{3} \right)} = \lambda$ (say)

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Rightarrow x + y + z = \lambda \left[\cos \theta + \cos \left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) + \cos \left(\theta - \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) \right] \\
&= \lambda \left\{ \cos \theta + 2 \cos \theta \cos \frac{2\pi}{3} \right\} = 0
\end{aligned}$$

20. $\tan(A + B) = \tan(180^\circ - C)$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tan A + \tan B + \tan C}{3} \geq \sqrt[3]{\tan A \tan B \tan C} \quad [\because \text{A.M.} \geq \text{G.M.}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan A \tan B \tan C \geq 3 \sqrt[3]{\tan A \tan B \tan C}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^2 A \tan^2 B \tan^2 C \geq 27 \quad [\text{cubing both sides}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan A \tan B \tan C \geq 3 \sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan A + \tan B + \tan C \geq 3 \sqrt{3}$$

21. From the second equation, we have

$$\sin 2B = \frac{3}{2} \sin 2A \quad (1)$$

and from the first equality

$$3 \sin^2 A = 1 - 2 \sin^2 B = \cos 2B \quad (2)$$

Now $\cos(A + 2B) = \cos A \cdot \cos 2B - \sin A \cdot \sin 2B$

$$= 3 \cos A \cdot \sin^2 A - \frac{3}{2} \sin A \cdot \sin 2A$$

$$= 3 \cos A \cdot \sin^2 A - 3 \sin^2 A \cdot \cos A = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A + 2B = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ or } \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

Given that $0 < A < \frac{\pi}{2}$ and $0 < B < \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow 0 < A + 2B < \pi + \frac{\pi}{2}$

Hence, $A + 2B = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

22. $a \cos^3 \theta + 3a \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta = x$

$$a \sin^3 \theta + 3a \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta = y$$

$$x + y = a[\sin^3 \theta + \cos^3 \theta + 3 \sin \theta \cos \theta (\sin \theta + \cos \theta)]$$

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

$$\left(\frac{x + y}{a} \right)^{1/3} = \sin \theta + \cos \theta \quad (1)$$

$$x - y = a[\cos^3 \theta - \sin^3 \theta + 3 \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta - 3 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta]$$

$$= a[\cos \theta - \sin \theta]^3$$

$$\left(\frac{x - y}{a} \right)^{1/3} = \cos \theta - \sin \theta \quad (2)$$

$$(\sin \theta + \cos \theta)^2 + (\cos \theta - \sin \theta)^2 = \frac{(x + y)^{2/3} + (x - y)^{2/3}}{a^{2/3}}$$

$$2(\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta) = \frac{(x + y)^{2/3} + (x - y)^{2/3}}{a^{2/3}}$$

$$(x + y)^{2/3} + (x - y)^{2/3} = 2a^{2/3}$$

23. Let $a = \sin 4\theta$. Then

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

$$\text{and } \sqrt{1 - a} = \cos 2\theta - \sin 2\theta \quad (1 + \sqrt{1 + a}) \tan \alpha = (1 + \sqrt{1 - a})$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2 \cos \theta (\cos \theta + \sin \theta)}{2 \cos \theta (\cos \theta - \sin \theta)} = \cot \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cos \theta + \sin \theta}{\cos \theta - \sin \theta} = \cot \alpha \Rightarrow \frac{1 + \tan \theta}{1 - \tan \theta} = \cot \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \theta \right) = \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \alpha \right) \Rightarrow \theta = \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \alpha \right)$$

$$\text{So } a = \sin 4\theta = \sin (\pi - 4\alpha) = \sin 4\alpha$$

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