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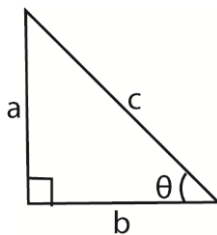


## Trigonometry

The word 'trigonometry' suggests 'tri'-three, 'gono'-angle, 'metry'-measurement. As such, trigonometry is basically about triangles, most especially right-angled triangles.

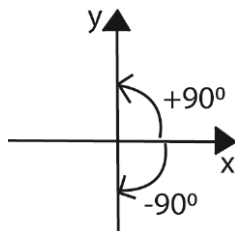
### Important to note

(a) For a right angled triangle below

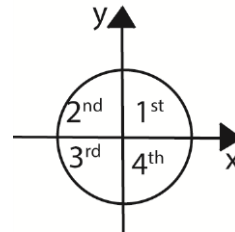


- $\sin\theta = \frac{a}{c}$                        $\operatorname{cosec}\theta = \frac{1}{\sin\theta} = \frac{c}{a}$
- $\cos\theta = \frac{b}{c}$                        $\sec\theta = \frac{1}{\cos\theta} = \frac{c}{b}$
- $\tan\theta = \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} = \frac{a}{b}$                $\cot\theta = \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta} = \frac{b}{a}$

(b) All positive angles are measured anticlockwise from positive x-axis

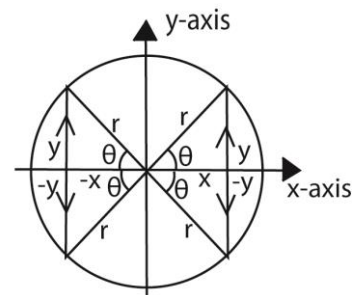


(c) A circle drawn with the centre O, divides the co-ordinate axis into four equal parts called quadrants



The quadrants are also labelled anti-clockwise from the positive x – axis.

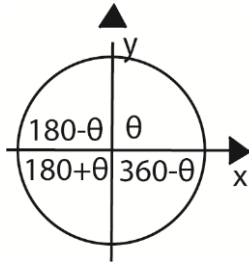
The signs the trigonometric ratios in the quadrants are given below



Ratio	Quadrant			
	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
cosθ	$\frac{+x}{r}$	$\frac{-x}{r}$	$\frac{-x}{r}$	$\frac{+x}{r}$
sinθ	$\frac{+y}{r}$	$\frac{+y}{r}$	$\frac{-y}{r}$	$\frac{-y}{r}$
tanθ	$\frac{+y}{x}$	$\frac{y}{-x}$	$\frac{y}{x}$	$\frac{-y}{x}$
secθ	$\frac{+r}{x}$	$\frac{-r}{-x}$	$\frac{-r}{x}$	$\frac{+r}{x}$
cosecθ	$\frac{+r}{y}$	$\frac{+r}{+y}$	$\frac{-r}{-y}$	$\frac{-r}{y}$
cotθ	$\frac{+x}{y}$	$\frac{-x}{y}$	$\frac{+x}{-y}$	$\frac{-x}{y}$

Note

- If θ is the angle in the 1<sup>st</sup> quadrat
- In the 2<sup>nd</sup> quadrat the angle is (180 – θ)
- In the 3<sup>rd</sup> quadrat the angle is (180 + θ)
- In the 4<sup>th</sup> quadrat the angle is (360 – θ)



### Solving equations

We make use of the quadrants to find the ranges of values within which the angle follows

#### Example 1

Solve the following equations for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

(i)  $3\cos\theta + 2 = 0$

Solution

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

But  $\cos$  is negative in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quadrants.

Ignoring the negative sign, the angle obtained is referred to as the key or principle angle, i.e.

$$\text{key angle} = \cos^{-1}\frac{2}{3} = 48.2^\circ \text{ (1d.p)}$$

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> quadrant,  $\theta = 180 - 48.2 = 131.8^\circ$

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> quadrant,  $\theta = 180 + 48.2 = 228.2^\circ$

$$\therefore \{\theta: \theta = 131.8^\circ, 228.2^\circ\}$$

Note that: the key angle is not part of the solution but only a guide.

(ii)  $4\cos^2\theta - 1 = 0$

Solution

$$\cos\theta = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} = \pm\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Key angle, } \theta = \cos^{-1}\frac{1}{2} = 60^\circ$$

When  $\cos\theta = \frac{1}{2}$  (positive is 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quadrants)

1<sup>st</sup> quadrant  $\theta = 60^\circ$

4<sup>th</sup> quadrant  $\theta = 360 - 60 = 300^\circ$

When  $\cos\theta = -\frac{1}{2}$  (positive is 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quadrants)

3<sup>rd</sup> quadrant  $\theta = 180 - 60 = 120^\circ$

4<sup>th</sup> quadrant  $\theta = 180 + 60 = 240^\circ$

$$\therefore \{\theta: \theta = 60^\circ, 120^\circ, 240^\circ, 300^\circ\}$$

(iii)  $\operatorname{cosec}\theta + 2 = 0$

Solution

$$\operatorname{cosec}\theta = -2 \Rightarrow \sin\theta = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ (taking reciprocal)}$$

$$\text{Key angle} = \sin^{-1}\frac{1}{2} = 30^\circ$$

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> quadrant  $\theta = 180 + 30 = 210^\circ$

In the 4<sup>th</sup> quadrant  $\theta = 360 - 30 = 330^\circ$

$$\therefore \{\theta: \theta = 210^\circ, 330^\circ\}$$

(iv)  $3\sec^2\theta - 4 = 0$

Solution

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

$$\text{Key angle} = \cos^{-1}\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = 30^\circ$$

For  $\cos\theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ ;  $\theta = 30^\circ, 330^\circ$

For  $\cos\theta = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ ;  $\theta = 120^\circ, 210^\circ$

$$\therefore \{\theta: \theta = 30^\circ, 120^\circ, 210^\circ, 330^\circ\}$$

### (d) Definitions of angle

(i) **Acute angle** is an angle between  $0^\circ$  and  $90^\circ$ . It lies in the 1<sup>st</sup> quadrant

(ii) **Right angle** is an angle =  $90^\circ$

(iii) **Obtuse angle** is an angle between  $90^\circ$  and  $180^\circ$ . It lies in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quadrant

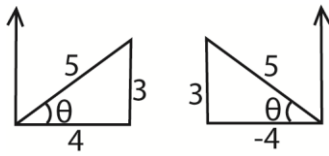
(iv) **Reflex angle** is an angle between  $180^\circ$  and  $360^\circ$ . It lies in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quadrant

### Example 2

(a) If  $\sin\theta = \frac{3}{5}$  and  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ . Find the possible values of  $3\tan\theta - \cot\theta$

Solution

If  $\sin\theta = \frac{3}{5}$ ;  $\theta$  lies in 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> quadrants



In 1<sup>st</sup> quadrant

$$3\tan\theta - \cot\theta = 3\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - \left(\frac{4}{3}\right) = \frac{11}{12}$$

In 2<sup>nd</sup> quadrant

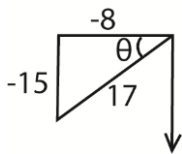
$$3\tan\theta - \cot\theta = 3\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right) - \left(-\frac{4}{3}\right) = -\frac{11}{12}$$

$\therefore$  the possible values are  $\pm \frac{11}{12}$

(b) If  $\cos\theta = -\frac{8}{17}$  and  $\theta$  is reflex, find the value of  $4\sec^2\theta + \tan\theta$

Solution

If  $\cos\theta = -\frac{8}{17}$  and  $\theta$  is reflex,  $\theta$  lies in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quadrant



$$4\sec^2\theta + \tan\theta = 4\left(-\frac{17}{8}\right)^2 + \frac{15}{8} = \frac{319}{16}$$

### Example 3

Solve for  $\theta$ , where  $\theta^0 \leq \theta \leq 360^0$

(i)  $3\tan^2 3\theta = 1$

Solution

$$\tan 3\theta = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

taking  $\tan 3\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

$$\Rightarrow 3\theta = 30^0, 210^0, 390^0, 570^0, 750^0, 930^0$$

$$\theta = 10^0, 70^0, 130^0, 190^0, 250^0, 310^0$$

taking  $\tan 3\theta = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

$$\Rightarrow 3\theta = 150^0, 330^0, 510^0, 690^0, 870^0, 1050^0$$

$$\theta = 50^0, 110^0, 170^0, 230^0, 290^0, 350^0$$

$$\therefore \{\theta: \theta = 10^0, 50^0, 70^0, 110^0, 130^0, 170^0, 190^0, 230^0, 250^0, 290^0, 310^0, 350^0\}$$

Note

- If  $\theta^0 \leq \theta \leq 360^0$  then  $\theta^0 \leq 3\theta \leq 1080^0$   
[multiply the interval through by 3]

(ii)  $2\cos 2\theta + \sqrt{3} = 0$

Solution

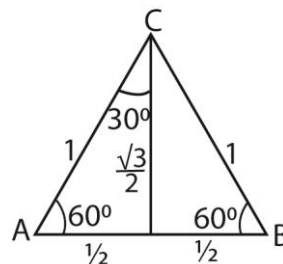
$$\cos 2\theta = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \text{ and } \theta^0 \leq 2\theta \leq 720^0$$

$$2\theta = 150^0, 210^0, 510^0, 570^0$$

$$\therefore \{\theta: \theta = 75^0, 105^0, 255^0, 285^0\}$$

Set square angles:  $30^0$ ,  $45^0$ , and  $60^0$

(i) From equilateral triangle ABC with side equal to 1 unit



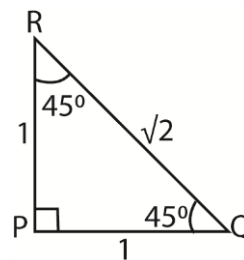
$$\cos 60^0 = \sin 30^0 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\cos 30^0 = \sin 60^0 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\tan 30^0 = \cot 60^0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\tan 60^0 = \cot 30^0 = \sqrt{3}$$

(ii) From the right angled triangle PQR below



$$\cos 45^0 = \sin 45^0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\tan 45^0 = 1$$

### Example 4

Without using tables or calculators find the value of

(i)  $\cos 240^\circ$

Solution

$$\cos 240^\circ = -\cos(240 - 180)^\circ = -\cos 60^\circ = -\frac{1}{2}$$

(ii)  $\tan 3990^\circ$

Solution

$$\tan 3990^\circ = \tan [(360 \times 11) + 30]^\circ = \tan 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

(iii)  $\sin 570^\circ$

Solution

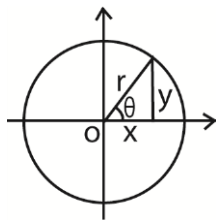
$$\sin 570^\circ = \sin \{(360 \times 1) + 210\}^\circ = -\sin 30 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

(iv)  $\sec 225^\circ$

Solution

$$\sec 225^\circ = \sec (225 - 180)^\circ = \sec 45^\circ = -\sqrt{2}$$

### The Pythagoras theorem



For any acute angle  $\theta$

$$x = r\cos\theta \text{ and } y = r\sin\theta$$

By Pythagoras theorem

$$x^2 + y^2 = r^2$$

Substituting for x and y

$$(r\cos\theta)^2 + (r\sin\theta)^2 = r^2$$

$$r^2(\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta) = r^2$$

$$\therefore \cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta = 1$$

$$\text{Now } \tan\theta = \frac{y}{x} = \frac{r\sin\theta}{r\cos\theta} = \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} = \tan\theta$$

### Identities

$$\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta = 1 \text{ .....(i)}$$

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Identity (i)  $\div \cos^2\theta$

$$1 + \tan^2\theta = \sec^2\theta \text{ ..... (ii)}$$

Identity (i)  $\div \sin^2\theta$

$$1 + \cot^2\theta = \operatorname{cosec}^2\theta \text{ .....(iii)}$$

### Example 5

Show that

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

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} & \sin^2\theta + (1 + \cos\theta)^2 \\ &= \sin^2\theta + 1 + 2\cos\theta + \cos^2\theta \\ &= \sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta + 1 + 2\cos\theta \\ &= 1 + 1 + 2\cos\theta \text{ (Recall that } \sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta = 1) \\ &= 2 + 2\cos\theta = 2(1 + \cos\theta) \\ \therefore \sin^2\theta + (1 + \cos\theta)^2 &= 2(1 + \cos\theta) \end{aligned}$$

(ii)  $\frac{1+\sin\theta}{1+\cos\theta} \cdot \frac{1+\sec\theta}{1+\csc\theta} = \tan\theta$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1+\sin\theta}{1+\cos\theta} \cdot \frac{1+\sec\theta}{1+\csc\theta} &= \frac{1+\sin\theta}{1+\cos\theta} \cdot \frac{1+\frac{1}{\cos\theta}}{1+\frac{1}{\sin\theta}} \\ &= \frac{1+\sin\theta}{1+\cos\theta} \cdot \frac{\frac{\cos\theta+1}{\cos\theta}}{\frac{\sin\theta+1}{\sin\theta}} \\ &= \frac{1+\sin\theta}{1+\cos\theta} \cdot \frac{\cos\theta+1}{\cos\theta} \div \frac{\sin\theta+1}{\sin\theta} \\ &= \frac{1+\sin\theta}{1+\cos\theta} \cdot \frac{\cos\theta+1}{\cos\theta} \times \frac{\sin\theta}{\sin\theta+1} \\ &= \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} = \tan\theta \\ \therefore \frac{1+\sin\theta}{1+\cos\theta} \cdot \frac{1+\sec\theta}{1+\csc\theta} &= \tan\theta \end{aligned}$$

(iii)  $(\tan\theta + \sec\theta)^2 = \frac{1+\sin\theta}{1-\sin\theta}$

Solution

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

$$= \frac{(1+\sin\theta)(1+\sin\theta)}{(1+\sin\theta)(1-\sin\theta)} = \frac{1+\sin\theta}{1-\sin\theta}$$

$$\therefore (\tan\theta + \sec\theta)^2 = \frac{1+\sin\theta}{1-\sin\theta}$$

### Example 6

Solve the following equations for  $-180^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$

(i)  $2\cos^2\theta + \sin\theta - 1 = 0$

Solution

$$2(1 - \sin^2\theta) + \sin\theta - 1 = 0$$

$$2\sin 2\theta - \sin\theta - 1 = 0$$

$$(\sin\theta - 1)(2\sin\theta + 1) = 0$$

Either  $\sin\theta = 1$  or  $\sin\theta = -\frac{1}{2}$

When  $\sin\theta = 1$ ;  $\theta = 90^\circ$

When  $\sin\theta = -\frac{1}{2}$ ;  $\theta = -150^\circ, -30^\circ, 210^\circ, 330^\circ$

[ $\theta = -150^\circ, -30^\circ, 90^\circ$  for given range]

(ii)  $\cos\theta + \sqrt{3}\sin\theta = 1$

Solution

*1<sup>st</sup> approach*

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

Squaring both sides

$$3\sin^2\theta = 1 - 2\cos\theta + \cos^2\theta$$

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

$$4\cos^2\theta - 2\cos\theta - 1 = 0$$

$$(2\cos\theta + 1)(\cos\theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\cos\theta = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \left| \quad \cos\theta = 1 \right.$$

$$\theta = \pm 120^\circ \quad \left| \quad \theta = 0^\circ \right.$$

$$\therefore [\theta: \theta = 0^\circ, \pm 120^\circ]$$

*2<sup>nd</sup> approach*

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

Dividing through by  $\cos\theta$

$$\sqrt{3}\tan\theta = \sec\theta - 1$$

Squaring both sides

$$3\tan^2\theta = \sec^2\theta - 2\sec\theta + 1$$

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$$3[\sec^2\theta - 1] = \sec^2\theta - 2\sec\theta + 1$$

$$2\sec^2\theta + 2\sec\theta - 4 = 0$$

$$\sec^2\theta + \sec\theta - 2 = 0$$

$$(\sec\theta + 2)(\sec\theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\sec\theta = -2 \text{ or } \sec\theta = 1$$

$$\cos\theta = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ or } \cos\theta = 1$$

$$\therefore [\theta: \theta = 0^\circ, \pm 120^\circ]$$

*3<sup>rd</sup> approach*

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

Dividing through by  $\sin\theta$

$$\sqrt{3} = \operatorname{cosec}\theta - \cot\theta$$

Rearranging

$$\sqrt{3} + \cot\theta = \operatorname{cosec}\theta$$

Squaring both sides

$$3 + 2\sqrt{3}\cot\theta + \cot^2\theta = \operatorname{cosec}^2\theta$$

$$3 + 2\sqrt{3}\cot\theta + \cot^2\theta = 1 + \cot^2\theta$$

$$\cot\theta = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}; \Rightarrow \tan\theta = -\sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore [\theta: \theta = -60^\circ, 120^\circ]$$

### Example 7

(a) Given that  $7\tan\theta + \cot\theta = 5\sec\theta$ , derive a quadratic equation for  $\sin\theta$ . Hence or otherwise, find all values of  $\theta$  in the interval  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$  which satisfy the equation, giving your answer to the nearest 0.10 where necessary

Solution

$$7\tan\theta + \cot\theta = 5\sec\theta$$

$$7\frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} + \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta} = \frac{5}{\cos\theta}$$

$$7\frac{\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta}{\cos\theta\sin\theta} = \frac{5}{\cos\theta}$$

$$7\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta = 5\sin\theta$$

$$7\sin^2\theta + (1 - \sin^2\theta) = 5\sin\theta$$

$$6\sin^2\theta - 5\sin\theta + 1 = 0$$

$$(3\sin\theta - 1)(2\sin\theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\sin\theta = \frac{1}{3} \quad \left| \quad \sin\theta = \frac{1}{2} \right.$$

$$\theta = 19.5^\circ, 160.5^\circ \quad \left| \quad \theta = 30^\circ, 150^\circ \right.$$

$$\therefore [\theta: \theta = 19.5^\circ, 30^\circ, 150^\circ, 160.5^\circ]$$

### Example 8

Find the solution of  $3\cot\theta + \operatorname{cosec}\theta = 2$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$ .

Solution

$$3\cot\theta + \operatorname{cosec}\theta = 2$$

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

$$(3\cos\theta + 1)^2 = (2\sin\theta)^2$$

$$9\cos^2\theta + 6\cos\theta + 1 = 4\sin^2\theta$$

$$9\cos^2\theta + 6\cos\theta + 1 = 4(1 - \cos^2\theta)$$

$$13\cos^2\theta + 6\cos\theta - 3 = 0$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{6^2 + 4 \times 13 \times 13}}{2 \times 13}$$

$$\cos\theta = 0.3021 \quad \left| \quad \cos\theta = 0.7637 \right.$$

$$\theta = 72.40 \quad \left| \quad \theta = 40.2 \right.$$

$$\therefore [\theta: \theta = 72.4^\circ, 40.2^\circ]$$

### Elimination of trigonometric parameter

This involves the use of identities to eliminate the trigonometric values in equation

### Example 9

- (a) If  $x = \tan\theta + \sec\theta$  and  $y = \tan\theta - \sec\theta$ ; show that  $xy + 1 = 0$

Solution

$$x + y = \tan\theta$$

$$x - y = 2\sec\theta$$

$$\sec\theta = \frac{1}{2}(x - y)$$

Using identity:  $1 + \tan^2\theta = \sec^2\theta$

$$1 + (x + y)^2 = \left[ \frac{1}{2}(x - y) \right]^2$$

$$4 + x^2 + 2xy + y^2 = x^2 - 2xy + y^2$$

$$4xy + 4 = 0$$

$$xy + 1 = 0 \text{ as required}$$

- (b)  $x = 2 + 3\sin\theta$  and  $y = 3 + 2\cos\theta$  show that  $4(x - 2)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 36$

Solution

$$x = 2 + 3\sin\theta \Rightarrow \sin\theta = \frac{x-2}{3}$$

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

Using identity  $\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta = 1$

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

$$4(x - 2)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 36 \text{ as required}$$

- (c)  $x = 2\sin\theta$  and  $y = \tan\theta$ , prove that

$$x = \pm \frac{2y}{\sqrt{(1+y^2)}}$$

Solution

$$x = 2\sin\theta; \Rightarrow \operatorname{cosec}\theta = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$y = \tan\theta; \Rightarrow \cot\theta = \frac{1}{y}$$

Using identity:  $1 + \cot^2\theta = \operatorname{cosec}^2\theta$

$$1 + \left(\frac{1}{y}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{2}{x}\right)^2$$

$$x = \pm \frac{2y}{\sqrt{(1+y^2)}}$$

### Revision exercise 1

- Solve for  $\theta$ , where  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ 
  - $\sec\theta \operatorname{cosec}\theta + 2\sec\theta - 2\operatorname{cosec}\theta - 4 = 0$   
 $[\theta: \theta = 60^\circ, 210^\circ, 300^\circ, 330^\circ]$
  - $\tan^2\theta - (\sqrt{3} + 1)\tan\theta + \sqrt{3} = 0$   
 $[\theta: \theta = 45^\circ, 60^\circ, 225^\circ, 240^\circ]$
- Show that
  - $\frac{1 - \cos\theta + \sin\theta}{1 - \cos\theta} = \frac{1 + \cos\theta + \sin\theta}{\sin\theta}$
  - $\tan\theta + \cot\theta = \sec\theta \operatorname{cosec}\theta$
  - $\cos^4\theta - \sin^4\theta + 1 = 2\cos^2\theta$
  - $\frac{\sin\theta}{1 + \cos\theta} + \frac{1 + \cos\theta}{\sin\theta} = 2\operatorname{cosec}\theta$
  - $\sqrt{\frac{1 + \sin\theta}{1 - \sin\theta}} = \sec\theta + \tan\theta$
- Solve the following equations for  $-180^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$ 
  - $2\cos^2\theta + \sin\theta - 1 = 0$   
 $[\theta: \theta = -150^\circ, -30^\circ, 90^\circ]$
  - $\sin 2\theta + 5\cos 2\theta = 3$   
 $[\theta: \theta = \pm 45^\circ, \pm 135^\circ]$
  - $4\cot^2\theta + 24\operatorname{cosec}\theta + 39 = 0$

$$[\theta: \theta = 16.6^\circ, 23.6^\circ, 156.4^\circ, 163.4^\circ]$$

4. Solve each of the following equations in the stated range

(a)  $4\cos^2\theta + 2\sin\theta = 4$   $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

$$[\theta: \theta = 0^\circ, 48.6^\circ, 131.4^\circ, 180^\circ, 360^\circ]$$

(b)  $2\sec^2\theta - 4\tan\theta - 2 = 0$   $-180^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

$$[\theta: \theta = -135^\circ, -161.6^\circ, 18.4^\circ, 45^\circ]$$

(c)  $5\cos^2 3\theta = 3(1 + \sin 3\theta)$ ,  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

$$[\theta: \theta = 7.9^\circ, 52.1^\circ, 90^\circ, 127.9^\circ, 172.1^\circ]$$

5. Solve for  $\theta$ ;  $00 \leq \theta \leq 3600$

(a)  $\tan\theta + 3\cot\theta = 4$

$$[\theta: \theta = 45^\circ, 71.6^\circ, 225^\circ, 251.6^\circ]$$

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

$$[\theta: \theta = 29.50, 256.70]$$

6. Solve

(a)  $\cos\theta + \sqrt{3}\sin\theta = 2$   $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$

$$[\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}]$$

(b)  $2\cos\theta - \operatorname{cosec}\theta = 0$   $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 270^\circ$

$$[\theta: \theta = 45^\circ, 225^\circ]$$

(c)  $2\sin^2\theta + 3\cos\theta = 0$   $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

$$[\theta: \theta = 240^\circ, 120^\circ]$$

(d)  $3\sin\theta + 4\cos\theta = 2$   $-180^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$

$$[\theta: \theta = -29.55^\circ, 103.29^\circ]$$

(e)  $3\tan^2\theta + 2\sec^2\theta = 2(5 - 3\tan\theta)$  for  $0^\circ < \theta < 180^\circ$

$$[\theta: \theta = 38.66^\circ, 116.57^\circ]$$

7. Without using a tables or calculator , show that  $\tan 15^\circ = 2 - \sqrt{3}$

8. Solve equation

$$8\cos^4\theta - 10\cos^2\theta + 3 \text{ for } 0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$$

$$[\theta: \theta = 30^\circ, 45^\circ, 135^\circ, 150^\circ]$$

9. Eliminate  $\theta$  from the following equation

(a)  $x = a\sec\theta$  and  $y = b + c\cos\theta$

$$[ac = x(y - b)]$$

(b)  $x = \sec\theta + \tan\theta$  and  $y = \sec\theta - \tan\theta$

$$[xy = 1]$$

10. Solve the simultaneous equation

$$\cos x + 4\sin y = 1$$

$$4\sec x - 3\operatorname{cosec} y = 5 \text{ for values of } x \text{ and } y \text{ between } 0^\circ \text{ and } 360^\circ$$

$$[x = 78.8^\circ, 281.5^\circ; y = 11.5^\circ, 168.5^\circ]$$

11. Prove each of the following identities

(a)  $\sin x \tan x + \cos x = \sec x$

(b)  $\operatorname{Cosec} x + \tan x \sec x = \operatorname{cosec} x \sec^2 x$

(c)  $\operatorname{Cosec} x - \sin x = \cot x \cos x$

(d)  $(\sin x + \cos x)^2 - 1 = 2\sin x \cos x$

12. Eliminate  $\theta$  from each of the following pairs of relationships

(a)  $x = 3\sin\theta$ ,  $y = \operatorname{cosec}\theta$  [ $xy = 3$ ]

(b)  $5x = \sin\theta$ ,  $y = 2\cos\theta$  [ $100x^2 + y^2 - 4 = 0$ ]

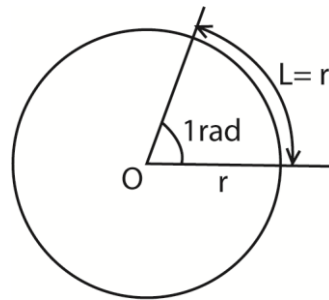
(c)  $x = 3 + \sin\theta$ ,  $y = \cos\theta$  [ $(x-3)^2 + y^2 = 1$ ]

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

$$[(x-2)^2 + (y+1)^2 = 1]$$

### Measuring angles in radians

A radian is defined as an angle subtended at the centre of a circle by an arc that is equal to the radius of the circle. One radian is represented by  $\pi$ , where  $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$



### How to convert between degrees and radians

1 revolution = circumference of a circle

But circumference of a circle subtends an angle  $2\pi$  at the centre.

$$\Rightarrow 1 \text{ revolution} = 2\pi = 360^\circ$$

$$\pi = 180^\circ$$

$$1^\circ = \frac{\pi}{180} \text{ radians}$$

$$x^\circ = \frac{\pi}{180} x \text{ radians}$$

### Example 10

Convert the following angles to radians

(a)  $330^\circ$

(b)  $90^\circ$

(c)  $30^\circ$

Solution

(a)  $330^\circ = \frac{\pi}{180} \times 330 = \frac{11\pi}{6}$  radians

- (b)  $90^\circ = \frac{\pi}{180} \times 90 = \frac{\pi}{2}$  radians  
 (c)  $30^\circ = \frac{\pi}{180} \times 30 = \frac{\pi}{6}$  radians

Converting radians to degrees

$$2\pi \text{ radians} = 360^\circ$$

$$1 \text{ radian} = \frac{180^\circ}{\pi}$$

$$x \text{ radians} = \frac{180^\circ}{\pi} \times x$$

### Example 11

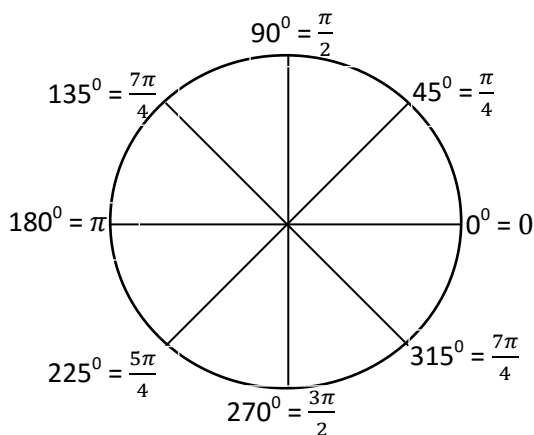
Convert each of the following radians to degrees

- (i)  $\frac{\pi}{3}$  radians  
 (ii)  $\frac{2\pi}{5}$  radians  
 (iii)  $\pi$  radians

Solution

- (i)  $\frac{\pi}{3} \text{ radians} = \frac{180^\circ}{\pi} \times \frac{\pi}{3} = 60^\circ$   
 (ii)  $\frac{2\pi}{5} \text{ radians} = \frac{180^\circ}{\pi} \times \frac{2\pi}{5} = 72^\circ$   
 (iii)  $\pi \text{ radians} = \frac{180^\circ}{\pi} \times \pi = 180^\circ$

Some equivalent angles in degrees and radians



### Example 12

Find each of the following values

- (a)  $\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$   
 (b)  $\cos\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right)$   
 (c)  $\tan\left(\frac{7\pi}{4}\right)$

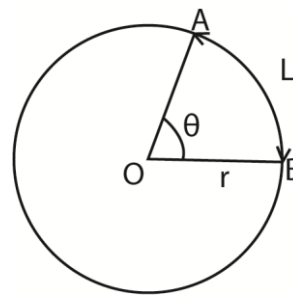
Solution

Convert the angles from radian to degrees

- (a)  $\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = \sin\left(\frac{2 \times 180}{3}\right) = \sin 120^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$   
 (b)  $\cos\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{4 \times 180}{3}\right) = \cos 240^\circ = -\frac{1}{2}$   
 (d)  $\tan\left(\frac{7\pi}{4}\right) = \tan\left(\frac{7 \times 180}{4}\right) = \tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$

### Length of an arc

Suppose that the angle subtended by the length L of an arc AB of a circle is  $\theta$  as shown.



$$\frac{L}{\theta} = \frac{2\pi r}{2\pi}$$

$L = r\theta$  where  $\theta$  must be in radians

### Example 13

Find the length of an arc of a circle of radius 14 if it subtends an angle

- (i)  $\frac{\pi}{4}$   
 (ii)  $150^\circ$

Solution

- (i)  $L = r\theta = 14 \times \frac{\pi}{4} = 11\text{cm}$   
 (ii) Convert degrees to radians  
 $150^\circ = \frac{\pi}{180} \times 150 = \frac{5\pi}{6}$  radians  
 $L = 14 \times \frac{5\pi}{6} = 36.67\text{cm}$

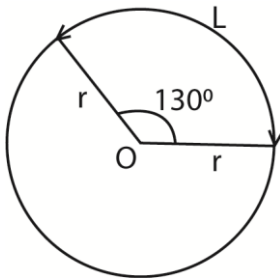


### Example 14

A sector was drawn which had a perimeter of 80cm, and centre angle of  $130^\circ$ . Calculate the radius

Solution

The sides of a sector are composed of an arc, and two more sides which are radii of a circle.



$$2r + L = 80$$

$$L = 80 - 2r$$

Converting  $130^\circ$  to radians

$$130^\circ = \frac{\pi}{180} \times 130 = \frac{13\pi}{18}$$

$$\text{But } L = r\theta$$

$$80 - 2r = \frac{13\pi r}{18}$$

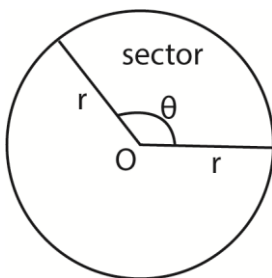
$$2r + \frac{13\pi r}{18} = 80$$

$$\frac{(36+13\pi)r}{18} = 80$$

$$r = 18.74\text{cm}$$

### Area of a sector of a circle

A sector of a circle is a portion of the interior of a circle intercepted by a central angle.



The area of a sector of a circle of radius r and central angle  $\theta$  is given by

$$A = \left(\frac{\theta}{2\pi}\right)\pi r^2 = \left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)r^2$$

Where  $\theta$  must be in radians

### Example 15

Find the area of a sector with radius 14cm and angle (i)  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  (ii)  $120^\circ$

Solution

$$(i) A = \left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)r^2 = \left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right) \cdot 14^2 = 77\text{cm}^2$$

(ii) Converting  $120^\circ$  to radians

$$120^\circ = \frac{\pi}{180} \times 120 = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$A = \left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)r^2 = \left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \cdot 14^2 = 205.25\text{cm}^2$$

### Solving trigonometric functions whose range is in radians

When the range of the trigonometric function is in radians, the answer should be given in radians

### Example 16

Solve the following equations for the ranges indicated

$$(i) \cos\theta + \sqrt{3}\sin\theta = 1 \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$$

Solution

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

Squaring both sides

$$3\sin^2\theta = 1 - 2\cos\theta + \cos^2\theta$$

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

$$4\cos^2\theta - 2\cos\theta - 1 = 0$$

$$(2\cos\theta + 1)(\cos\theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\cos\theta = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \left| \quad \cos\theta = 1 \right.$$

$$\theta = \pm 120^\circ \quad \left| \quad \theta = 0^\circ \right.$$

$$\pm 120^\circ = \pm \frac{\pi}{180} \times 120 = \pm \frac{2\pi}{3} \text{ Radians}$$

$$0^\circ = 0 \text{ radians}$$

$$\therefore \left[ \theta: \theta = 0, \pm \frac{2\pi}{3} \right]$$

(ii)  $2\cos^2\theta + \sin\theta - 1 = 0 \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$

Solution

$$2(1 - \sin^2\theta) + \sin\theta - 1 = 0$$

$$2\sin 2\theta - \sin\theta - 1 = 0$$

$$(\sin\theta - 1)(2\sin\theta + 1) = 0$$

Either  $\sin\theta = 1$  or  $\sin\theta = -\frac{1}{2}$

When  $\sin\theta = 1$ ;  $\theta = 90^\circ$

When  $\sin\theta = -\frac{1}{2}$ ;  $\theta = -150^\circ, -30^\circ, 210^\circ, 330^\circ$

$[\theta: \theta = \frac{\pi}{180} \times 90 = \frac{\pi}{2}$  for given range]

### Revision exercise 2

1. Express each of the following in radians

(a)  $30^\circ \left[ \frac{\pi}{6} \right]$

(b)  $45^\circ \left[ \frac{\pi}{4} \right]$

(c)  $120^\circ \left[ \frac{2\pi}{3} \right]$

(d)  $300^\circ \left[ \frac{5\pi}{3} \right]$

2. Express the following angle in degrees

(a)  $\frac{\pi}{3}$  rad  $[60^\circ]$

(b)  $\frac{\pi}{8}$  rad  $[22.5^\circ]$

(c)  $3\pi$  rad  $[540^\circ]$

(d)  $5.2\pi$  rad  $[936^\circ]$

3. A sector of the circle of radius 7 cm subtends an angle  $\frac{\pi}{3}$  radians at the centre. Calculate the

(a) Length of the arc  $\left[ 6\frac{2}{3} \text{ cm} \right]$

(b) Perimeter of the sector  $\left[ 20\frac{2}{3} \text{ cm} \right]$

(c) Area of the sector  $\left[ \frac{77}{3} \text{ cm}^2 \right]$

4. AOB is a sector of a circle, centre O, and is such that OA = OB = 7cm and angle AOB is  $300^\circ$ . Calculate the

(a) Perimeter of sector AOB  $\left[ 17\frac{2}{3} \text{ cm} \right]$

(b) The area of AOB  $\left[ \frac{77}{6} \text{ cm}^2 \right]$

5. Find the value each of the following

(a)  $\sin\pi$   $[0]$

(b)  $\cos 3\pi$   $[-1]$

(c)  $\tan\frac{\pi}{3}$   $[\sqrt{3}]$

6. Solve the following equations for the ranges indicated

(a)  $2\sec^2\theta = 3 + \tan\theta$  for  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$   
 $[\theta: \theta = 0.25\pi, 0.85\pi, 1.25\pi, 1.85\pi]$

(b)  $2\sin^2x\cos x + \cos x - 1 = 0$  for  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$   
 $[\theta: \theta = 0.38\pi, 1.62\pi, 2\pi]$

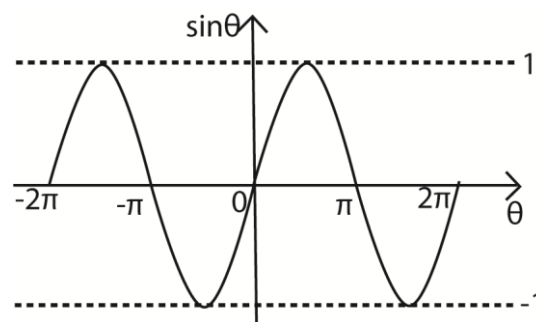
(c)  $2\tan\theta + 4\cot\theta = \operatorname{cosec}\theta$  for  $-\pi \leq \theta \leq \pi$   
 $[\theta: \theta = \pm\frac{1}{3}\pi, \pm 0.73\pi]$

### Graphs of trigonometric functions

The following are the characteristic of the three major trigonometric functions

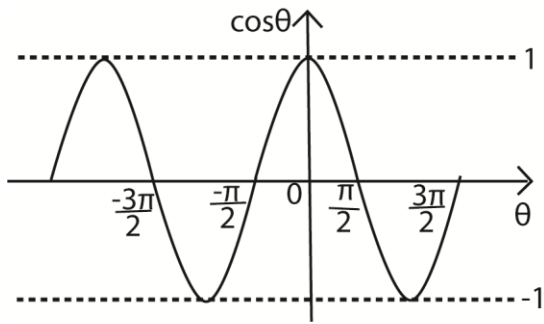
#### The sine function

- It is continuous (with no breaks)
- The range  $-1 \leq \sin\theta \leq 1$
- The shape of the graph from  $\theta = 0$  to  $\theta = 2\pi$  is repeated every  $2\pi$  radians
- This is called a periodic or cyclic function and the width of the repeating pattern that is measured on horizontal axis is called a **period**. The sine wave has a period of  $2\pi$ , a maximum value of +1 and a minimum value of -1.
- The greatest value of sine wave is called the **amplitude**.



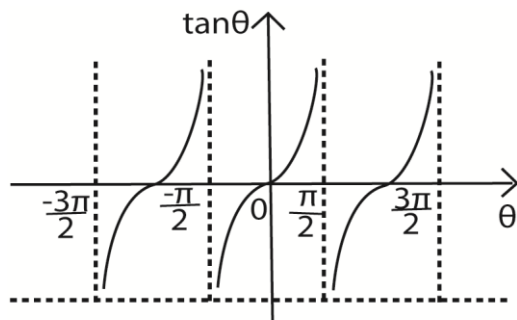
#### The cosine function

- It is continuous (with no breaks)
- The range  $-1 \leq \sin\theta \leq 1$
- Has a period of  $2\pi$
- The shape is the same as the sine wave but displaced a distance  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  to the left on the horizontal axis. This is called a **phase shift**



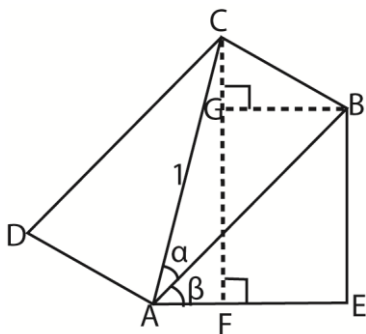
### The tan function

- The tan function is found using;  
 $\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$ . It follows that  $\tan \theta = 0$  when  $\sin \theta = 0$ ; and  $\tan \theta$  is undefined when  $\cos \theta = 0$
- The graph is continuous, but undefined when  $\theta = -\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \dots$
- The range of values for  $\tan \theta$  is unlimited
- It has a period  $\pi$



### Compound angles

Consider a cardboard ABCD of unit diagonal that stands on the edge A, making an angle  $\beta$  with the horizontal ground. Let the unit diagonal AC be inclined at an angle  $\alpha$  to the side AB (see diagram)



Angles EAB = ABG (Alternative angles)

$\therefore$  Angle ABG =  $\beta$

Angle [ABG + GBC] =  $90^\circ$

$\therefore$  Angle GBC =  $90 - \beta$

From triangle GBC,

Angle BCG =  $180 - (90 + 90 - \beta)$

$\therefore$  Angle BCG =  $\beta$

From

(1) Triangle ABC:

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{AB}{AC} = \frac{AB}{1}; \Rightarrow AB = \cos \alpha$$

(2) Triangle ABE:

$$\cos \beta = \frac{AE}{AB} = \frac{AE}{\cos \alpha}; \Rightarrow AE = \cos \beta \cos \alpha$$

$$\sin \beta = \frac{BE}{AB} = \frac{BE}{\cos \alpha}; \Rightarrow BE = \cos \alpha \sin \beta$$

(3) Triangle BCG:

$$\cos \beta = \frac{CG}{BC} = \frac{CG}{\sin \alpha}; \Rightarrow CG = \sin \alpha \cos \beta$$

$$\sin \beta = \frac{BG}{BC} = \frac{BG}{\sin \alpha}; \Rightarrow BG = \sin \alpha \sin \beta$$

(4) Triangle ACF:

$$\cos(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{AF}{AC} = \frac{AF - BG}{1} = AE - BG$$

$\therefore \cos(\alpha + \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \sin \beta$

$$\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{CF}{AC} = \frac{CG - GF}{1} = CG + GF$$

$\therefore \sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta$

It follows that

(i)  $\cos(\alpha + \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \sin \beta$

(ii)  $\cos(\alpha - \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta$

[substituting  $-\beta$  for  $\beta$ ]

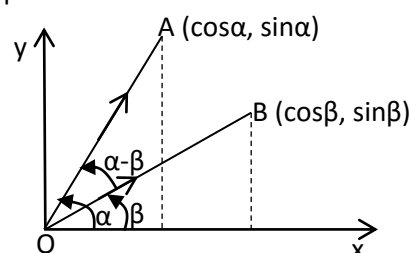
(iii)  $\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta$

(iv)  $\sin(\alpha - \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \sin \beta$

[substituting  $-\beta$  for  $\beta$ ]

These can also be derived using vector approach.

Consider two unit vectors  $\underline{OA}$  and  $\underline{OB}$  each inclined at angles  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , respectively to the positive x-axis



Using the definition of a vector product:

$$\underline{OA} \cdot \underline{OB} = |\underline{OA}| \cdot |\underline{OB}| \cos(\alpha - \beta)$$

Since  $\underline{OA}$  and  $\underline{OB}$  are unit vectors,

$$|\underline{OA}| = |\underline{OB}| = 1$$

$$\therefore \underline{OA} \cdot \underline{OB} = \cos(\alpha - \beta)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\cos\alpha \underline{i} + \sin\alpha \underline{j}) \cdot (\cos\beta \underline{i} + \sin\beta \underline{j}) = \cos(\alpha - \beta)$$

$$\therefore \cos\alpha \cos\beta + \sin\alpha \sin\beta = \cos(\alpha - \beta)$$

Substituting  $90 - \alpha$  for  $\alpha$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(90 - \alpha) \cos\beta + \sin(90 - \alpha) \sin\beta \\ = \cos(90 - \alpha - \beta) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \sin\alpha \cos\beta + \cos\alpha \sin\beta = \sin(\alpha + \beta)$$

Other expansions can be similar substitutions

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i.e. } \tan(\alpha + \beta) &= \frac{\sin(\alpha + \beta)}{\cos(\alpha + \beta)} \\ &= \frac{\sin\alpha \cos\beta + \cos\alpha \sin\beta}{\cos\alpha \cos\beta - \sin\alpha \sin\beta} \end{aligned}$$

Dividing through by  $\cos\alpha \cos\beta$

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

Similarly

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

The following is a summary of compound angles

1.  $\cos(\alpha + \beta) = \cos\alpha \cos\beta - \sin\alpha \sin\beta$
2.  $\cos(\alpha - \beta) = \cos\alpha \cos\beta + \sin\alpha \sin\beta$
3.  $\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin\alpha \cos\beta + \sin\beta \cos\alpha$
4.  $\sin(\alpha - \beta) = \sin\alpha \cos\beta - \sin\beta \cos\alpha$
5.  $\tan(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{\tan\alpha + \tan\beta}{1 - \tan\alpha \tan\beta}$
6.  $\tan(\alpha - \beta) = \frac{\tan\alpha - \tan\beta}{1 + \tan\alpha \tan\beta}$

### Example 17

Calculate the value of  $\sin 15^\circ$  given that  $\sin 45^\circ$

$$= \cos 45^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \cos 30^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin 15^\circ &= \sin(45^\circ - 30^\circ) \\ &= \sin 45^\circ \cos 30^\circ - \sin 30^\circ \cos 45^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2\sqrt{2}} = 0.2588$$

### Example 18

Prove that  $\tan(45^\circ + A) = \frac{1 + \tan A}{1 - \tan A}$

From  $\tan(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{\tan\alpha + \tan\beta}{1 - \tan\alpha \tan\beta}$

$$\begin{aligned} \tan(45^\circ + A) &= \frac{\tan 45^\circ + \tan A}{1 - \tan 45^\circ \tan A} \\ &= \frac{1 + \tan A}{1 - \tan A} \end{aligned}$$

### Example 19

Acute angles A and B are such that:  $\cos A = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\sin B = \frac{1}{3}$ . Show without using tables or calculator

$$\text{that } \tan(A + B) = \frac{9\sqrt{3} + 8\sqrt{2}}{5}$$

Solution

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

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

$$\sin^2 A = \frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow \sin A = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\tan A = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \div \frac{1}{2} = \sqrt{3}$$

Similarly;

$$\cos^2 B + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 = 1$$

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

$$\tan B = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} \div \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

But

From  $\tan(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{\tan\alpha + \tan\beta}{1 - \tan\alpha \tan\beta}$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}}{1 - \sqrt{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}}$$

$$= \frac{(2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{3} + 1)(2\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})}{(2\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3})(2\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})}$$

$$\tan(A + B) = \frac{9\sqrt{3} + 8\sqrt{2}}{5}$$

### Example 20

Solve  $\cos(\theta + 35^\circ) = \sin(\theta + 25^\circ)$   
for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

$$\cos\theta\cos35^\circ - \sin\theta\sin35^\circ = \sin\theta\cos25^\circ + \cos\theta\sin25^\circ$$

Dividing through by  $\cos\theta$

$$\cos35^\circ - \tan\theta\sin35^\circ = \tan\theta\cos25^\circ + \sin25^\circ$$

$$\tan\theta = \frac{\cos35^\circ - \sin25^\circ}{\cos35^\circ + \sin25^\circ} = \frac{0.3965337825}{1.479884223}$$

$$\theta = 15^\circ, 195^\circ \text{ for } 0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$$

### Example 21

(a) Prove that  $\frac{2\tan\theta}{1+\tan^2\theta} = \sin2\theta$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2\tan\theta}{1+\tan^2\theta} &= \frac{2\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} \div \left(1 + \frac{\sin^2\theta}{\cos^2\theta}\right) \\ &= \frac{2\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} \div \left(\frac{\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta}{\cos^2\theta}\right) \\ &= \frac{2\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} \div \left(\frac{1}{\cos^2\theta}\right) \\ &= 2\sin\theta\cos\theta = \sin2\theta \end{aligned}$$

(b) Solve  $\sin2\theta = \cos\theta$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 90^\circ$

Solution

$$\sin2\theta = \cos\theta$$

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

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

$$\theta = 30^\circ \text{ for } 0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 90^\circ$$

### Example 22

Given that  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are angles of a triangle, show that  $\tan\alpha + \tan\beta + \tan\gamma = \tan\alpha\tan\beta\tan\gamma$

Hence find  $\tan\gamma$  if  $\tan\alpha = 1$  and  $\tan\gamma = 2$ .

Solution

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 180^\circ \text{ (angle sum of a triangle)}$$

$$\tan(\alpha + \beta + \gamma) = \tan180^\circ = 0$$

$$\tan[(\alpha + \beta) + \gamma] = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \tan(\alpha + \beta) + \tan\gamma = 0$$

$$\frac{\tan\alpha + \tan\beta}{1 - \tan\alpha\tan\beta} = -\tan\gamma$$

$$\tan\alpha + \tan\beta = -\tan\gamma + \tan\alpha\tan\beta\tan\gamma$$

$$\therefore \tan\alpha + \tan\beta + \tan\gamma = \tan\alpha\tan\beta\tan\gamma$$

### Example 23

In a triangle ABC, prove that

$$\cot\frac{1}{2}A + \cot\frac{1}{2}B + \cot\frac{1}{2}C$$

$$= \cot\frac{1}{2}A\cot\frac{1}{2}B\cot\frac{1}{2}C$$

Solution

$$\frac{1}{2}(A + B + C) = \frac{1}{2}(180^\circ) = 90^\circ$$

$$\cot\left[\frac{1}{2}(A + B + C)\right] = \cot90^\circ = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 - \tan\left(\frac{1}{2}A + \frac{1}{2}B\right)\tan\frac{1}{2}C}{\tan\left(\frac{1}{2}A + \frac{1}{2}B\right) + \tan\frac{1}{2}C} = 0$$

$$1 = \tan\left(\frac{1}{2}A + \frac{1}{2}B\right)\tan\frac{1}{2}C$$

$$1 = \left(\frac{\tan\frac{1}{2}A + \tan\frac{1}{2}B}{1 - \tan\frac{1}{2}A\tan\frac{1}{2}B}\right)\tan\frac{1}{2}C$$

$$1 - \tan\frac{1}{2}A\tan\frac{1}{2}B$$

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

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

$$\tan\frac{1}{2}B\tan\frac{1}{2}C$$

Dividing each side by  $\tan\frac{1}{2}A\tan\frac{1}{2}B\tan\frac{1}{2}C$

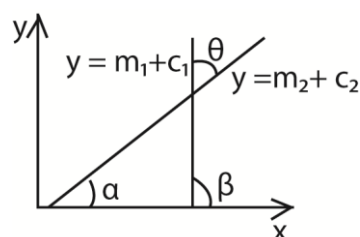
$$\cot\frac{1}{2}A\cot\frac{1}{2}B\cot\frac{1}{2}C = \cot\frac{1}{2}A + \cot\frac{1}{2}B + \cot\frac{1}{2}C$$

### Example 24

Prove that the angle  $\theta$ , between the straight line  $y = m_1x + c_1$  and the straight line

$$y = m_2x + c_2 \text{ is given by } \tan\theta = \frac{m_2 - m_1}{1 + m_2m_1}$$

Let the lines be inclines at angles  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  with the x-axis respectively



From the diagram above

$$\theta = \beta - \alpha$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \tan\theta &= \tan(\beta - \alpha) \\ &= \frac{\tan\beta - \tan\alpha}{1 + \tan\beta \tan\alpha} \\ \tan\theta &= \frac{m_2 - m_1}{1 + m_2 m_1} \end{aligned}$$

**Revision exercise 3**

- (a) show that  $\sin(\alpha + \beta) - \sin(\alpha - \beta) = 2\cos\alpha\sin\beta$   
 (b) If  $\sin(\alpha + \beta) = 5\cos(\alpha - \beta)$  show that  $\tan\alpha = \frac{5 - \tan\beta}{1 + \tan\beta}$   
 (c) Without using tables or calculator, show that  $\cos 15^\circ = \sin 75^\circ$   
 (d) If  $\alpha + \beta = 45^\circ$ , show that  $\tan\alpha = \frac{1 - \tan\beta}{1 + \tan\beta}$
- Prove that:
  - $\frac{\sin(\alpha + \beta)}{\cos(\alpha - \beta)} + 1 = \frac{(1 + \tan\beta)(1 + \cot\alpha)}{\cos\alpha + \tan\beta}$
  - $\tan\alpha - \tan\beta = \frac{\sin(\alpha - \beta)}{\cos\alpha \cos\beta}$
  - $\cot\alpha + \cot\beta = \frac{\sin(\alpha + \beta)}{\sin\alpha \sin\beta}$
  - $\frac{\sin(\alpha - \beta)}{\sin(\alpha + \beta)} = \frac{\tan\alpha - \tan\beta}{\tan\alpha + \tan\beta}$
  - $\frac{\cos(\alpha - \beta)}{\cos(\alpha + \beta)} = \frac{\cot\alpha \cot\beta + 1}{\cot\alpha \cot\beta - 1}$
  - $\cot(A + B) = \frac{\cot A \cot B - 1}{\cot A + \cot B}$
- (a) Determine solution of  $\tan 2x + 2\sin x = 0$  for  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$  [ $x: x = 0^\circ, 60^\circ, 120^\circ, 180^\circ$ ]  
 (vii) Show that in triangle ABC,  $\tan A + \tan B + \tan C = \tan A \tan B \tan C$
- Find the values of  $\tan \alpha$  for each of the following
  - $\sin(\alpha - 30^\circ) = \cos \alpha$  [ $\sqrt{3}$ ]
  - $\sin(\alpha + 45^\circ) = \cos \alpha$  [ $\sqrt{2} - 1$ ]
  - $\cos(\alpha + 60^\circ) = \sin \alpha$  [ $2 - \sqrt{3}$ ]
  - $\sin(\alpha + 60^\circ) = \cos(\alpha - 60^\circ)$  [1]
  - $\cos(\alpha + 60^\circ) = 2\cos(\alpha + 30^\circ)$  [ $4 + 3\sqrt{3}$ ]
  - $\sin(\alpha + 60^\circ) = \cos(45^\circ - \alpha)$  [ $\frac{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2} - 1}$ ]
- Given that
  - $\tan(\alpha - \beta) = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\tan\alpha = 3$  find the value of  $\tan\beta$  [1]
  - $\tan(\alpha + \beta) = 5$  and  $\tan\beta = 2$  find the value of  $\tan\alpha$  [ $\frac{3}{11}$ ]
- Given that

- $\tan(\theta - 45^\circ) = 4$ , find the value of  $\theta$  [ $-\frac{5}{3}$ ]
- $\tan(\theta + 60^\circ)$  find the value of  $\cot\theta$  [ $8 + 5\sqrt{3}$ ]

**Double angles and half angles**

- From  $\cos(\theta + \theta) = \cos\theta\cos\theta - \sin\theta\sin\theta$   
 $\Rightarrow \cos 2\theta = \cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta$ ..... (i)

**Either**

$$\cos 2\theta = \cos^2\theta - 1 + \cos^2\theta \quad (\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta = 1)$$

$$\cos 2\theta = 2\cos^2\theta - 1$$
 ..... (ii)

Or

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

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2\theta = 1 - 2\sin^2\theta$$
 .....(iii)

It follows that

$$\cos^2\theta = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos 2\theta)$$
 .....(iv)

$$\sin^2\theta = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2\theta)$$
 .....(iv)

The identities imply

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

$$= 2\cos^2 3\theta - 1 = 1 - 2\sin^2 3\theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

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

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

It follows that

$$\sin 6\theta = 2\sin 3\theta \cos 3\theta$$

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

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

It follows that

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

$$\tan 6\beta = \frac{2\tan 3\beta}{1-\tan^2 3\beta}$$

Note that in all cases, the angles on the right hand side are half the angles on the left hand side [**half angle formulae**]

### Example 25

Show that

(a)  $\operatorname{cosec}2\theta + \cot 2\theta = \cot\theta$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{cosec}2\theta + \cot 2\theta &= \frac{1}{\sin 2\theta} + \frac{\cos 2\theta}{\sin 2\theta} \\ &= \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{\sin 2\theta} \\ &= \frac{1 + 2\cos^2\theta - 1}{2\sin\theta\cos\theta} \\ &= \frac{2\cos^2\theta}{2\sin\theta\cos\theta} = \cot\theta \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $\tan 3\theta = \frac{3\tan\theta - \tan^3\theta}{1 - 3\tan^2\theta}$

Hence deduce that if  $3\theta + \alpha = 45^\circ$ , then

$$\tan\alpha = \frac{1 - 3\tan\theta - 3\tan^2\theta + \tan^3\theta}{1 + 2\tan\theta - 3\tan^2\theta - \tan^3\theta}$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \tan 3\theta &= \tan(2\theta + \theta) = \frac{\tan 2\theta + \tan\theta}{1 - \tan 2\theta \tan\theta} \\ &= \left\{ \left( \frac{2\tan\theta}{1 - \tan^2\theta} \right) + \tan\theta \right\} \div \left\{ 1 - \left( \frac{2\tan\theta}{1 - \tan^2\theta} \right) \tan\theta \right\} \\ &= \frac{2\tan\theta + \tan\theta - \tan^3\theta}{1 - \tan^2\theta - 2\tan^2\theta} = \frac{3\tan\theta - \tan^3\theta}{1 - 3\tan^2\theta} \end{aligned}$$

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

Hence  $3\theta + \alpha = 45^\circ \Rightarrow \alpha = 45^\circ - 3\theta$

$\tan\alpha = \tan(45^\circ - 3\theta)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\tan 45^\circ - \tan 3\theta}{1 + \tan 45^\circ \tan 3\theta} = \frac{1 - \tan 3\theta}{1 + \tan 3\theta} \\ &= \frac{1 - \left( \frac{3\tan\theta - \tan^3\theta}{1 - 3\tan^2\theta} \right)}{1 + \left( \frac{3\tan\theta - \tan^3\theta}{1 - 3\tan^2\theta} \right)} \\ &= \frac{1 - 3\tan\theta - 3\tan^2\theta + \tan^3\theta}{1 + 2\tan\theta - 3\tan^2\theta - \tan^3\theta} \\ \therefore \tan\alpha &= \frac{1 - 3\tan\theta - 3\tan^2\theta + \tan^3\theta}{1 + 2\tan\theta - 3\tan^2\theta - \tan^3\theta} \end{aligned}$$

### Example 26

If  $\tan\alpha = \frac{3}{4}$  and  $\alpha$  is acute, without using tables or calculator work out the value of

(a)  $\tan 2\alpha$

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

(b)  $\tan\frac{\alpha}{2}$

similarly  $\tan\alpha = \frac{2\tan\frac{\alpha}{2}}{1 - \tan^2\frac{\alpha}{2}} = \frac{3}{4}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 3\tan^2\frac{\alpha}{2} + 8\tan\frac{\alpha}{2} - 3 &= 0 \\ (3\tan\frac{\alpha}{2} - 1)(\tan\frac{\alpha}{2} + 3) &= 0 \\ \tan\frac{\alpha}{2} &= \frac{1}{3} \text{ or } \tan\frac{\alpha}{2} = -3 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\alpha$  is acute,  $\tan\alpha$  cannot be negative

$$\therefore \tan\frac{\alpha}{2} = \frac{1}{3}$$

### Example 27

(a) Show that  $\cos 3\alpha = 4\cos^2\alpha - 3\cos\alpha$ . Hence solve the equation  $4x^3 - 3x - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} = 0$  for  $0^\circ \leq \alpha \leq 180^\circ$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \cos 3\alpha &= \cos(2\alpha + \alpha) \\ &= \cos 2\alpha \cos\alpha - \sin 2\alpha \sin\alpha \\ &= (2\cos^2\alpha - 1)\cos\alpha - 2\sin^2\alpha \cos\alpha \\ &= (2\cos^2\alpha - 1)\cos\alpha - 2(1 - \cos^2\alpha)\cos\alpha \\ &= 2\cos^3\alpha - \cos\alpha - 2\cos\alpha + 2\cos^3\alpha \\ &= 4\cos^3\alpha - 3\cos\alpha \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $4x^3 - 3x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$

i.e.  $4\cos^3\alpha - 3\cos\alpha = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$

$0^\circ \leq \alpha \leq 180^\circ$ ;  $\cos 3\alpha = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$

For the range  $0^\circ \leq \alpha \leq 180^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow 0^\circ \leq 3\alpha \leq 540^\circ$$

$$3\alpha = 54.7^\circ, 414.7^\circ$$

$$\alpha = 18.23^\circ, 138.23^\circ \text{ (2d.p)}$$

$$[\alpha: \alpha = 18.23^\circ, 138.23^\circ]$$

(b) Given that  $t = \tan 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ$ , show that

$$t^2 + 2t - 1 = 0,$$

$$\text{Hence show that } \tan 45^\circ = -1 + \sqrt{2}$$

Solution

$$\tan 45^\circ = \frac{2 \tan 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ}{1 - \tan^2 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ}$$

$$1 = \frac{2t}{1-t^2}$$

$$1 - t^2 = 2t$$

$$t^2 + 2t - 1 = 0 \text{ (as required)}$$

solving

$$t = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 - (4 \times 1 \times -1)}}{2 \times 1}$$

$$t = \frac{-2 \pm 2\sqrt{2}}{2} = -1 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

Since  $22\frac{1}{2}^\circ$  is an acute angle,

$$\tan 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ = -1 + \sqrt{2} \text{ is positive}$$

$$\therefore \tan 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ = -1 + \sqrt{2}$$

### Example 28

(a) Show that  $3\sin\theta = 3\sin\theta - 4\sin^3\theta$ . Hence solve the equation  $\sin 3\theta + \sin\theta = 0$  for

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

Solution

$$\sin 3\theta = \sin(2\theta + \theta)$$

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

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

$$= 2\sin\theta(1 - \sin^2\theta) + (1 - 2\sin^2\theta)\sin\theta$$

$$= 3\sin\theta - 4\sin^3\theta$$

$$\text{Hence } \sin 3\theta + \sin\theta = 0$$

$$3\sin\theta - 4\sin^3\theta + \sin\theta = 0$$

$$4\sin\theta - 4\sin^3\theta = 0$$

$$4\sin\theta(1 - \sin^2\theta) = 0$$

$$4\sin\theta(1 - \sin\theta)(1 + \sin\theta) = 0$$

$$\sin\theta = 0; \theta = 0^\circ, 180^\circ, 360^\circ$$

$$\sin\theta = 1; \theta = 90^\circ$$

$$\sin\theta = -1; \theta = 270^\circ$$

$$\therefore \theta: \theta = 0^\circ, 90^\circ, 180^\circ, 270^\circ, 360^\circ$$

(b) Prove that  $\cot 2\theta = \frac{\cot^2\theta - 1}{2\cot\theta}$ . Hence solve the equation  $\cot 2\theta + 2\cot\theta = 2$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

Solution

$$\cot 2\theta = \frac{\cos 2\theta}{\sin 2\theta} = \frac{\cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta}{2\sin\theta\cos\theta}$$

dividing through by  $\sin^2\theta$

$$\cot 2\theta = \frac{\cot^2\theta - 1}{2\cot\theta}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \cot 2\theta + 2\cot\theta = 0$$

$$\frac{\cot^2\theta - 1}{2\cot\theta} + 2\cot\theta = 0$$

$$5\cot^2\theta - 4\cot\theta - 1 = 0$$

$$(5\cot\theta + 1)(\cot\theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\cot\theta = -\frac{1}{5} \text{ or } \cot\theta = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \tan\theta = -5 \text{ or } \tan\theta = 1$$

$$\text{When } \tan\theta = -5; \theta = 101.3^\circ, 281.3^\circ$$

$$\text{When } \tan\theta = 1, \theta = 45^\circ, 225^\circ$$

$$\therefore \{\theta: \theta = 45^\circ, 101.3^\circ, 225^\circ, 281.3^\circ\}$$

### Revison exercise 4

1. Prove that

$$(a) \sin\alpha \operatorname{cosec}\beta + \cos\alpha \sec\beta = 2\sin(\alpha + \beta) \operatorname{cosec}2\beta$$

$$(b) \cos^6\theta + \sin^6\theta = 1 - \frac{3}{4}\sin^2 2\theta$$

$$(c) \frac{\sin 3\alpha}{1 + 2\cos 2\alpha} = \sin\alpha \text{ and hence deduce that } \sin 15^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

2. (a) Solve the equation for  $\theta, 0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$   
 $\sin^2\theta - 2\sin\theta\cos\theta - 3\cos^2\theta = 0$   
 $[\theta: \theta = 71.6^\circ, 135^\circ, 251.6^\circ, 315^\circ]$

$$(b) \text{ show that } \frac{\cos\theta}{1 + \sin\theta} = \cot\left(\frac{\theta}{2} + 45^\circ\right).$$

Hence or otherwise solve the equation

$$\frac{\cos\theta}{1 + \sin\theta} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ for } 0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ [\theta = 36.8^\circ]$$

3. (a) solve the equation  $4\cos 2\theta - 2\cos\theta + 3 = 0$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

$$[\theta: \theta = 60^\circ, 104.5^\circ, 255.5^\circ, 300^\circ]$$

$$(c) \text{ Solve the equation } \sin\theta + \sin\frac{\theta}{2} = 0 \text{ for } 0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$$



- $[\theta: \theta = -360^\circ, -240^\circ, 0^\circ, 240^\circ, 360^\circ]$
4. (a) Prove that  $\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \theta\right) - \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \theta\right) = 2\tan 2\theta$   
 (b) By expressing  $2\sin\theta\sin(\theta + \alpha)$  as difference of cosines of two angles or otherwise, where  $\alpha$  is constant, find its least value  $\left[\frac{-a}{2}\right]$   
 (c) Solve for  $\theta$  in the equation  $\cos\theta - \cos(\theta + 60^\circ) = 0.4$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  [ $\theta = 126.4^\circ, 353.6^\circ$ ]
5. (a) Show that  $\cos 3\theta = 4\cos^3\theta - 3\cos\theta$ .  
 Hence solve the equation  $4x^3 - 3x - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} = 0$  [ $x: x = -0.746, -0.204, 0.959$ ]  
 (b) Find all solutions of the equation  $5\cos x - 4\sin x = 6$  in the range  $-180^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$  [ $x: x = -59.1^\circ, -18.3^\circ$ ]
6. (a) Express  $\sqrt{\frac{(\sin 2\theta - \cos 2\theta - 1)}{2 - 2\sin 2\theta}}$  in terms of  $\tan\theta \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{(\tan\theta - 1)}}\right]$   
 (b) Find the solution of the equation  $\sqrt{3}\sin\theta - \cos\theta + 1 = 0$  for  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$   
 $[\theta: \theta = \frac{4}{3}\pi, 2\pi]$
- (c) Factorize  $\cos\theta - \cos 3\theta - \cos 7\theta + \cos 9\theta$  in form  $A\cos p\theta \sin q\theta \sin r\theta$  where  $A, p, q$  and  $r$  are constants [ $A = -4, p = 5, q = 5, r = 2$ ]
7. (a) Given that  $\sin\alpha + \sin\beta = p$  and  $\cos\alpha + \cos\beta = q$  show that  
 (i)  $\tan\left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}\right) = \frac{p}{q}$   
 (ii)  $\cos(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{q^2 - p^2}{q^2 + p^2}$   
 (b) Solve the simultaneous equation:  
 $\cos\alpha + 4\sin\beta = 1$   
 $4\sec\alpha - 3\operatorname{cosec}\beta = 5$  [ $\theta = 78.5^\circ, 281.5^\circ$ ]
8. (a) Express  $\sin\theta + \sin 3\theta$  in form  $p\cos\theta \sin q\theta$  where  $p$  and  $q$  are constant [ $p = 2, q = 2$ ]  
 (b) Find the solution of  $\cos 7\theta + \cos 5\theta = 2\cos\theta$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  [ $0^\circ, 60^\circ, 270^\circ, 360^\circ$ ]  
 (c) Prove that  $\frac{\sin A + \sin 4A + \sin 7A}{\cos A + \cos 4A + \cos 7A} = \tan 4A$
9. Eliminate  $\theta$  from each of the following pairs of expression  
 (a)  $x + 1 = \cos 2\theta, y = \sin\theta$  [ $x + 2y^2 = 0$ ]  
 (b)  $x = \cos 2\theta, y = \cos\theta - 1$  [ $x = 2y^2 + 4y + 1$ ]
- (c)  $y - 3 = \cos 2\theta, x = 2 - \sin\theta$   
 $[2x^2 - 8x + y + 4 = 0]$
10. Solve the following equations for  $-180^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$   
 (a)  $\sin 2\theta + \sin\theta = 0$  [ $\pm 120^\circ, \pm 180^\circ$ ]  
 (b)  $\sin 2\theta - 2\cos^2\theta = 0$  [ $-135^\circ, 45^\circ, \pm 90^\circ$ ]  
 (c)  $3\cos 2\theta + 2 + \cos\theta = 0$  [ $\pm 70.5^\circ, \pm 120^\circ$ ]  
 (d)  $\sin 2\theta = \tan\theta$  [ $0^\circ, \pm 45^\circ, \pm 135^\circ, \pm 180^\circ$ ]
11. Solve the following equations for  $-360^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ , giving your answer correct to 1 decimal place  
 (a)  $\sin\theta = \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$  [ $0^\circ, \pm 120^\circ, \pm 360^\circ$ ]  
 (b)  $3\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = 2\sin\theta$  [ $\pm 180^\circ, 97.2^\circ, 262.8^\circ$ ]  
 (c)  $2\sin\theta = \tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$  [ $0^\circ, \pm 120^\circ, \pm 240^\circ, \pm 360^\circ$ ]  
 (d)  $2\cos\theta = 15\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) + 2$  [ $\pm 209^\circ$ ]
12. Prove the following identities  
 (a)  $2\cos^2\theta - \cos 2\theta = 1$   
 (b)  $2\operatorname{cosec} 2\theta = \operatorname{cosec}\theta \sec\theta$   
 (c)  $2\cos^3\theta + \sin 2\theta \sin\theta = 2\cos\theta$   
 (d)  $\tan\theta + \cot\theta = 2\operatorname{cosec} 2\theta$   
 (e)  $\cos^4\theta - \sin^4\theta = \cos 2\theta$   
 (f)  $\frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{1 + \cos 2\theta} = \tan^2\theta$   
 (g)  $\cot\theta - \tan\theta = 2\cot 2\theta$   
 (h)  $\cot 2\theta + \operatorname{cosec}\theta = \cot\theta$   
 (i)  $\frac{\cos 2\theta}{\cos\theta + \sin\theta} = \cos\theta - \sin\theta$   
 (j)  $\frac{\sin 2\theta}{1 - \cos 2\theta} = \cot\theta$   
 (k)  $\cos 2\theta = \frac{1 - \tan^2\theta}{1 + \tan^2\theta}$   
 (l)  $\tan 3\theta = \frac{3\tan\theta - \tan^3\theta}{1 - 3\tan^2\theta}$   
 (m)  $\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = \frac{\sin\theta}{1 + \cos\theta}$
13. Express  $\tan 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ$  in the form  $a + b\sqrt{2}$  where  $a$  and  $b$  are integers [ $a = -1, b = \pm 1$ ]
14. Solve the equation  
 (i)  $4\cos\theta - 2\cos 2\theta = 3$  for  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$  [ $\frac{\pi}{3}$ ]  
 (ii)  $\cos 2\theta + \cos 3\theta + \cos\theta = 0$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  [ $\theta = 45^\circ, 120^\circ, 135^\circ$ ]  
 (iii)  $\cos\theta + \sin 2\theta = 0$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  [ $\theta = 90^\circ, 210^\circ, 270^\circ, 330^\circ$ ]  
 (iv)  $2\sin 2\theta = 3\cos\theta$  for  $-180^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$  [ $\theta = -90^\circ, 48.6^\circ, 90^\circ, 132.4^\circ$ ]  
 (v)  $\sin\theta - 4\sin 4\theta = \sin 2\theta - \sin 3\theta$  for  $-\pi \leq \theta \leq \pi$  [ $-\frac{\pi}{5}, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{-3\pi}{5}, 0, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{5}, \frac{3\pi}{5}$ ]

## Harmonic form

These are trigonometric functions expressed in the form of  $R\cos(x \pm \alpha)$  and  $R\sin(x \pm \alpha)$ .

They are in two ways

- (i) solving equations in the form  $a\cos\theta + b\sin\theta + c = 0$
- (ii) determining the maximum and minimum values of the function  $a\cos\theta + b\sin\theta + c = 0$  where a, b and c are constants

### A: Solving equations

#### Example 29

- (a) Express  $3\cos\theta - 4\sin\theta$  in the form  $R\cos(\theta + \alpha)$ , where R and  $\alpha$  are constants
- Solution
- Let  $3\cos\theta - 4\sin\theta = R\cos(\theta + \alpha)$   
 $= R(\cos\theta\cos\alpha - \sin\theta\sin\alpha)$   
 $= R\cos\theta\cos\alpha - R\sin\theta\sin\alpha$
- Comparing coefficient of  $\cos\theta$  and  $\sin\theta$
- $R\cos\alpha = 3$  ..... (i)  
 $R\sin\alpha = 4$  ..... (ii)  
 Eqn (ii)  $\div$  eqn (i)  
 $\tan\alpha = \frac{4}{3}$ ;  $\alpha = 53.1^\circ$   
 Eqn. (i)<sup>2</sup> + eqn. (ii)<sup>2</sup>  
 $R^2\cos^2\alpha + R^2\sin^2\alpha = 3^2 + 4^2 = 25$   
 $R^2[\cos^2\alpha + \sin^2\alpha] = 25$   
 $R^2 = 25$   
 $R = 5$   
 $\therefore 3\cos\theta - 4\sin\theta = 5\cos(\theta + 53.1^\circ)$

- (b) Solve the equation  $3\cos\theta - 4\sin\theta = 5$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ .

Solution

$$3\cos\theta - 4\sin\theta = 5\cos(\theta + 53.1^\circ)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 5\cos(\theta + 53.1^\circ) &= 5 \\ \cos(\theta + 53.1^\circ) &= 1 \\ x + 53.1^\circ &= 0^\circ, 360^\circ \\ x &= -53.1^\circ, 306.9^\circ \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $x = 306.9^\circ$

#### Example 30

- (a) Express  $\sin\theta - \sqrt{3}\cos\theta$  in the form

$$R\sin(\theta - \alpha)$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } \sin\theta - \sqrt{3}\cos\theta &= R\sin(\theta - \alpha) \\ &= R(\sin\theta\cos\alpha - \cos\theta\sin\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

Equating coefficients

$$R\cos\alpha = 1 \text{ ..... (i)}$$

$$R\sin\alpha = \sqrt{3} \text{ ..... (ii)}$$

$$\text{Eqn. (ii)} \div \text{eqn. (i)}$$

$$\tan\alpha = \sqrt{3}; \Rightarrow \alpha = 60^\circ$$

$$R^2[\cos^2\alpha + \sin^2\alpha] = 4$$

$$R^2 = 4; R = 2$$

$$\therefore \sin\theta - \sqrt{3}\cos\theta = 2\sin(\theta - 60^\circ)$$

- (b) Solve the equation

$$\sin\theta - \sqrt{3}\cos\theta + 1 = 0 \text{ for } 0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$$

$$\sin\theta - \sqrt{3}\cos\theta = 2\sin(\theta - 60^\circ)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin(\theta - 60^\circ) + 1 = 0$$

$$\sin(\theta - 60^\circ) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\theta - 60^\circ = 210^\circ, 330^\circ$$

$$\theta = 270^\circ, 390^\circ$$

Hence  $\theta = 270^\circ$  for the given range

#### Example 31

- (a) Express  $4\cos\theta - 5\sin\theta$  in the form  $A\cos(\theta + \beta)$ , where A is constant and  $\beta$  is an acute angle

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } 4\cos\theta - 5\sin\theta &= A\cos(\theta + \beta) \\ &= A(\cos\theta\cos\beta - \sin\theta\sin\beta) \\ &= A\cos\theta\cos\beta - R\sin\theta\sin\beta \end{aligned}$$

Comparing coefficient of  $\cos\theta$  and  $\sin\theta$

$$A\cos\beta = 4 \text{ ..... (i)}$$

$$A\sin\beta = 5 \text{ ..... (ii)}$$

$$\text{Eqn (ii)} \div \text{eqn (i)}$$

$$\tan\alpha = \frac{5}{4}; \alpha = 51.3^\circ$$

$$\text{Eqn. (i)}^2 + \text{eqn. (ii)}^2$$

$$A^2\cos^2\beta + A^2\sin^2\beta = 4^2 + 5^2 = 41$$

$$A^2[\cos^2\alpha + \sin^2\alpha] = 41$$

$$A^2 = 41$$

$$A = \sqrt{41}$$

$$\therefore 3\cos\theta - 4\sin\theta = \sqrt{41}\cos(\theta + 51.3^\circ)$$

- (b) Solve the equation  $3\cos\theta - 4\sin\theta = 2.2$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

Solution

$$3\cos\theta - 4\sin\theta = \sqrt{41}\cos(\theta + 51.3^\circ)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sqrt{41}\cos(\theta + 51.3^\circ) &= 2.2 \\ \cos(\theta + 51.3^\circ) &= \frac{2.2}{\sqrt{41}} = 0.3436 \\ (\theta + 51.3^\circ) &= 69.9^\circ, 290.1^\circ \\ \therefore \theta &= 18.6^\circ, 238.3^\circ \end{aligned}$$

**B: Maximum and minimum values**

The maximum and minimum values of a circular function may be obtained using three methods

- (i) Express the given function either in for  $R\cos(\theta \pm \alpha)$  or  $R\sin(\theta \pm \alpha)$  if possible, where  $R$  and  $\alpha$  are constants.
- (ii) Differentiating the given function with respect to the given function say  $\theta$
- (iii) Sketching the graphs of the function given and noting their maximum and minimum points.

In this chapter approach I will be considered.

**Example 32**

Determine the maximum and minimum values of the following, stating the value of  $\theta$  for which they occur

(a)  $\sqrt{3}\sin\theta + \cos\theta + 7$   
 Let  $\sqrt{3}\sin\theta + \cos\theta = R\sin(\theta + \alpha)$   
 $= R(\sin\theta\cos\alpha + \cos\theta\sin\alpha)$   
 Equating coefficients  
 $R\sin\alpha = 1$  ..... (i)  
 $R\cos\alpha = \sqrt{3}$  ..... (ii)  
 Eqn. (i)  $\div$  eqn. (ii)  
 $\tan\alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}; \Rightarrow \alpha = 30^\circ$   
 $R^2[\cos^2\alpha + \sin^2\alpha] = [1^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2] = 2$   
 $R^2 = 4; R = 2$   
 $\therefore \sqrt{3}\sin\theta + \cos\theta = 2\sin(\theta + 30^\circ)$   
 $\Rightarrow \sqrt{3}\sin\theta + \cos\theta + 7 = 2\sin(\theta + 30^\circ) + 7$   
 The minimum value occurs when  
 $\sin(\theta + 30^\circ) = -1$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Minimum value =  $2(-1) + 7 = 5$   
 Now for  $\sin(\theta + 30^\circ) = -1$   
 $\theta + 30^\circ = 270^\circ$

$$\theta = 240^\circ = \frac{4\pi}{3}$$

The minimum value is  $(\frac{4\pi}{3}, 5)$

And maximum value occurs when

$$\sin(\theta + 30^\circ) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Minimum value} = 2(1) + 7 = 9$$

$$\text{Now for } \sin(\theta + 30^\circ) = 1$$

$$\theta + 30^\circ = 90^\circ$$

$$\theta = 60^\circ = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

The maximum value is  $(\frac{\pi}{3}, 9)$

(b)  $5\cos\theta - 12\sin\theta - 13$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } 5\cos\theta - 12\sin\theta &= R\cos(\theta - \alpha) \\ &= R(\cos\theta\cos\alpha + \sin\theta\sin\alpha) \\ &= R\cos\theta\cos\alpha + R\sin\theta\sin\alpha \end{aligned}$$

Comparing coefficient of  $\cos\theta$  and  $\sin\theta$

$$R\cos\alpha = 5 \text{ ..... (i)}$$

$$R\sin\alpha = 12 \text{ ..... (ii)}$$

$$\text{Eqn (ii) } \div \text{ eqn (i)}$$

$$\tan\alpha = \frac{12}{5}; \alpha = 67.4^\circ$$

$$\text{Eqn. (i)}^2 + \text{eqn. (ii)}^2$$

$$R^2\cos^2\alpha + R^2\sin^2\alpha = 5^2 + 12^2 = 169$$

$$R^2[\cos^2\alpha + \sin^2\alpha] = 169$$

$$R^2 = 169$$

$$R = 13$$

$$\therefore 2\cos\theta - 12\sin\theta = 13\cos(\theta - 67.4^\circ)$$

$$\Rightarrow 5\cos\theta - 12\sin\theta - 13 = 13\cos(\theta - 67.4^\circ) - 13$$

The minimum value occurs when

$$\cos(\theta - 67.4^\circ) = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Minimum value} = 13(-1) - 13 = -26$$

$$\text{Now for } \cos(\theta - 67.4^\circ) = -1$$

$$\theta - 67.4^\circ = 180^\circ$$

$$\theta = 247.4^\circ$$

The minimum value is  $(247.4^\circ, -26)$

And maximum value occurs when

$$\cos(\theta - 67.4^\circ) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Minimum value} = 13(1) - 13 = 0$$

Now for  $\cos(\theta - 67.4^\circ) = 1$

$$\theta - 67.4^\circ = 0^\circ$$

$$\theta = 67.4^\circ$$

The maximum value is  $(67.4^\circ, 0)$

### Example 33

- (a) Given that  $p = 2\cos\theta + 3\cos 2\theta$  and  $q = 2\sin\theta + 3\sin 2\theta$ , show that  $1 \leq p^2 + q^2 \leq 25$   
 If  $p^2 + q^2 = 19$  and  $\theta$  is acute, find  $\theta$  and show that  $pq = \frac{-5\sqrt{3}}{4}$

Solution

$$p^2 = 4\cos^2\theta + 12\cos\theta\cos 2\theta + 9\cos^2 2\theta \dots (i)$$

$$q^2 = 4\sin^2\theta + 12\sin\theta\sin 2\theta + 9\sin^2 2\theta \dots (ii)$$

Eqn. (i) + eqn. (ii)

$$p^2 + q^2 = 4 + 12(\cos\theta\cos 2\theta + \sin\theta\sin 2\theta) + 9$$

$$p^2 + q^2 = 13 + 12\cos\theta [\cos(-\theta) = \cos\theta]$$

$$\text{But } -1 \leq \cos\theta \leq 1$$

Multiplying through by 12

$$-12 \leq 12\cos\theta \leq 12$$

Adding 13 throughout

$$1 \leq 12\cos\theta + 13 \leq 25$$

$$\therefore 1 \leq p^2 + q^2 \leq 25 \text{ as required}$$

$$\text{If } p^2 + q^2 = 19, \Rightarrow 13 + 12\cos\theta = 19$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{1}{2}; \theta = 60^\circ [\theta \text{ is acute}]$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 2\cos 60^\circ + 3\cos 120^\circ = 1 - \frac{3}{2} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$q = 2\sin 60^\circ + 3\sin 120^\circ = \sqrt{3} + 3 \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\therefore pq = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) = \frac{-5\sqrt{3}}{4}$$

- (b) Express  $f(x) = 5\sin^2\theta - 3\sin\theta\cos\theta + \cos^2\theta$  in the form  $p + q\cos(2\theta - \alpha)$

$$\text{Hence show that } \frac{1}{2} \leq f(x) \leq 5\frac{1}{2}$$

Solution

Using  $\sin^2\theta = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2\theta)$  and

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

$$f(x) = \frac{5}{2}(1 - \cos 2\theta) - 3\sin\theta\cos\theta + \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos 2\theta)$$

$$= \frac{5}{2} - \frac{5}{2}\cos 2\theta - 3 \cdot \frac{2}{2}\sin\theta\cos\theta + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\cos 2\theta$$

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

$$= 3 - [2\cos\theta + \frac{3}{2}\sin 2\theta]$$

Now:

$$3 - [2\cos\theta + \frac{3}{2}\sin 2\theta] \equiv p + q\cos(2\theta - \alpha)$$

$$= 3 + [q\cos 2\theta\cos\alpha + q\sin 2\theta\sin\alpha]$$

$$\text{By comparing: } p = 3, q\sin\alpha = \frac{3}{2} \text{ and}$$

$$q\cos\alpha = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan\alpha = \frac{3}{4}; \alpha = 36.9^\circ$$

$$\text{And } q = \sqrt{\left\{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + (2)^2\right\}} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 - [2\cos\theta + \frac{3}{2}\sin 2\theta] = 3 - \frac{5}{2}\cos(2\theta - 36.9^\circ)$$

$$\text{But } -1 \leq \cos(2\theta - 36.9^\circ) \leq 1$$

Multiplying through by  $-\frac{5}{2}$

$$\frac{5}{2} \geq -\frac{5}{2}\cos(2\theta - 36.9^\circ) \geq -\frac{5}{2}$$

Adding 3 throughout

$$3 - \frac{5}{2} \leq 3 - \frac{5}{2}\cos(2\theta - 36.9^\circ) \leq 3 + \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} \leq f(x) \leq 5\frac{1}{2}$$

- (c) Find the maximum and minimum points of the function;  $f(x) = 3\cos\theta - 4\sin\theta + 20$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

Solution

$$\text{Let } 3\cos\theta - 4\sin\theta = R\cos(\theta + \alpha)$$

$$= R\cos\theta\cos\alpha - R\sin\theta\sin\alpha$$

Comparing coefficient of  $\cos\theta$  and  $\sin\theta$

$$R\cos\alpha = 3 \dots (i)$$

$$R\sin\alpha = 4 \dots (ii)$$

$$\text{Eqn (ii)} \div \text{eqn (i)}$$

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

$$\text{Eqn. (i)}^2 + \text{eqn. (ii)}^2$$

$$R^2\cos^2\alpha + R^2\sin^2\alpha = 3^2 + 4^2 = 25$$

$$R^2[\cos^2\alpha + \sin^2\alpha] = 25$$

$$R^2 = 25$$

$$R = 5$$

$$\therefore 3\cos\theta - 4\sin\theta = 5\cos(\theta - 53.1^\circ)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\cos\theta - 4\sin\theta + 20 = 5\cos(\theta - 53.1^\circ) + 20$$

The minimum value occurs when

$$\cos(\theta - 53.1^\circ) = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Minimum value} = 5(-1) + 20 = 15$$

Now for  $\cos(\theta - 53.1) = -1$

$$\theta - 53.1^\circ = 180^\circ$$

$$\theta = 126.8^\circ$$

The minimum value is  $(126.8^\circ, 15)$

And maximum value occurs when

$$\cos(\theta - 53.1^\circ) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Minimum value} = 5(1) + 20 = 25$$

Now for  $\cos(\theta - 53.1^\circ) = 1$

$$\theta + 53.1^\circ = 0^\circ, 360^\circ$$

$$\theta = -53.1^\circ, 306.8^\circ$$

The maximum value is  $(306.8^\circ, 25)$

### Example 34

Find the maximum and minimum points of the following

$$(a) f(\theta) = \frac{1}{3 + \sin\theta - 2\cos\theta}$$

Solution

$$\text{Let } \sin\theta - 2\cos\theta = R\sin(\theta - \alpha)$$

$$= R\sin\theta\cos\alpha - R\cos\theta\sin\alpha$$

Comparing coefficient of  $\cos\theta$  and  $\sin\theta$

$$R\cos\alpha = 1 \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

$$R\sin\alpha = 2 \dots\dots\dots (ii)$$

$$\text{Eqn (ii)} \div \text{eqn (i)}$$

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

$$\text{Eqn. (i)}^2 + \text{eqn. (ii)}^2$$

$$R^2\cos^2\alpha + R^2\sin^2\alpha = 1^2 + 2^2 = 5$$

$$R^2[\cos^2\alpha + \sin^2\alpha] = 5$$

$$R^2 = 5$$

$$R = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\therefore \sin\theta - 2\cos\theta = \sqrt{5}\sin(\theta - 63.4^\circ)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 + \sin\theta - 2\cos\theta = \sqrt{5}\sin(\theta - 63.4^\circ) + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow f(\theta) = \frac{1}{3 + \sqrt{5}\sin(\theta - 63.4^\circ)}$$

Note: for a fractional function, a maximum point is obtained when the

denominator is minimum and the vice versa for the maximum point

The minimum value occurs when

$$\sin(\theta - 63.4^\circ) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Minimum value} = \frac{1}{3 + \sqrt{5}} = 0.31$$

Now for  $\sin(\theta - 63.4) = 1$

$$\theta - 63.4^\circ = 90^\circ$$

$$\theta = 153.4^\circ$$

The minimum value is  $(153.4^\circ, 0.31)$

And maximum value occurs when

$$\sin(\theta - 63.4^\circ) = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Maximum value} = \frac{1}{3 + \sqrt{5}(-1)} = 1.31$$

Now for  $\sin(\theta - 63.4^\circ) = -1$

$$\theta - 63.4^\circ = 270^\circ$$

$$\theta = 333.4^\circ$$

The maximum value is  $(333.4^\circ, 1.31)$

$$(b) f(\theta) = \frac{1}{4\sin\theta - 3\cos\theta + 6}$$

Solution

$$\text{Let } 4\sin\theta - 3\cos\theta = R\sin(\theta - \alpha)$$

$$= R\sin\theta\cos\alpha - R\cos\theta\sin\alpha$$

Comparing coefficient of  $\cos\theta$  and  $\sin\theta$

$$R\cos\alpha = 4 \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

$$R\sin\alpha = 3 \dots\dots\dots (ii)$$

$$\text{Eqn (ii)} \div \text{eqn (i)}$$

$$\tan\alpha = 0.75; \alpha = 36.9^\circ$$

$$\text{Eqn. (i)}^2 + \text{eqn. (ii)}^2$$

$$R^2\cos^2\alpha + R^2\sin^2\alpha = 3^2 + 4^2 = 25$$

$$R^2[\cos^2\alpha + \sin^2\alpha] = 25$$

$$R^2 = 25$$

$$R = 5$$

$$\therefore 4\sin\theta - 3\cos\theta = 5\sin(\theta - 36.9^\circ)$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\sin\theta - 3\cos\theta + 6 = 5\sin(\theta - 36.9^\circ) + 6$$

$$\Rightarrow f(\theta) = \frac{1}{5\sin(\theta - 36.9^\circ) + 6}$$

The minimum value occurs when

$$\sin(\theta - 36.9^\circ) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Minimum value} = \frac{1}{5(1)+6} = \frac{1}{11}$$

$$\text{Now for } \sin(\theta - 63.4) = 1$$

$$\theta - 36.9^\circ = 90^\circ$$

$$\theta = 126.9^\circ$$

The minimum value is  $(126.9^\circ, \frac{1}{11})$

And maximum value occurs when

$$\sin(\theta - 36.9^\circ) = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Maximum value} = \frac{1}{5(-1)+6} = 1$$

$$\text{Now for } \sin(\theta - 36.9^\circ) = -1$$

$$\theta - 36.9^\circ = 270^\circ$$

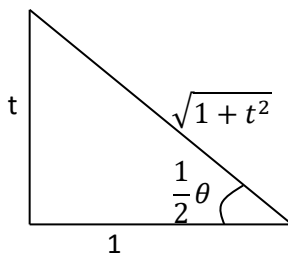
$$\theta = 306.9^\circ$$

The maximum value is  $(306.9^\circ, 1)$

### The t-formula

Although this form has been tackled indirectly, it is formally stated here

Suppose that  $t = \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$ , we have



From the triangle above

$$\cos \frac{1}{2}\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} \text{ and } \sin \frac{1}{2}\theta = \frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } \cos \theta &= \cos^2 \frac{1}{2}\theta - \sin^2 \frac{1}{2}\theta \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}\right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{And } \sin \theta &= 2 \sin \frac{1}{2}\theta \cos \frac{1}{2}\theta \\ &= 2 \left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}\right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \sin \theta = \frac{2t}{1+t^2}$$

The t-formula is used widely in solving equations and proving trigonometric identities. These can be extended as follows

$$(i) \text{ For } t = \tan \theta, \sin 2\theta = \frac{2t}{1+t^2} \text{ and } \cos 2\theta = \frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}$$

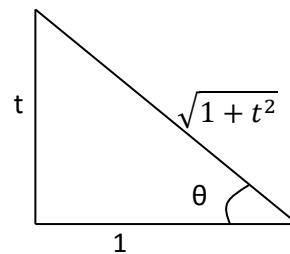
$$(ii) \text{ For } t = \tan\left(\frac{5x}{4}\right), \sin\left(\frac{5x}{2}\right) = \frac{2t}{1+t^2} \text{ and } \cos\left(\frac{5x}{2}\right) = \frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}$$

### Example 35

Show that if  $t = \tan \theta$ , then  $\sin 2\theta = \frac{2t}{1+t^2}$  and

$2\theta = \frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}$ . Hence solve the equation  $\sqrt{3}\cos 2\theta + \sin 2\theta = 1$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ .

Solution



From the triangle above

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} \text{ and } \sin \theta = \frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } \cos 2\theta &= \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}\right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \cos 2\theta = \frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{And } \sin 2\theta &= 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ &= 2 \left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}\right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \sin 2\theta = \frac{2t}{1+t^2}$$

Hence  $\sqrt{3}\cos 2\theta + \sin 2\theta = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3} \left(\frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}\right) + \left(\frac{2t}{1+t^2}\right) = 1$$

$$\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{3}t^2 + 2t = 1 + t^2$$

$$(1 + \sqrt{3})t^2 - 2t + 1 - \sqrt{3} = 0$$

$$t = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 - 4(1+\sqrt{3})(1-\sqrt{3})}}{2(1+\sqrt{3})} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{12}}{2(1+\sqrt{3})} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{3}}{1+\sqrt{3}}$$

$$t = \frac{1+\sqrt{3}}{1+\sqrt{3}} = 1 \text{ or}$$

$$t = \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{3}}{1+\sqrt{3}}\right) \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{3}}{1-\sqrt{3}}\right) = -2 + \sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{If } \tan\theta = 1; \theta = 45^\circ, 225^\circ$$

$$\text{If } \tan\theta = -2 + \sqrt{3}; \theta = 165^\circ, 345^\circ$$

$$\therefore \theta: \theta = 45^\circ, 165^\circ, 225^\circ, 345^\circ$$

### Example 36

Find all the solutions of the equation  $5\cos\theta - 4\sin\theta = 6$  for  $-180^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$

Solution

Let  $t = \tan\frac{\theta}{2}$  then

$$\cos\theta = \frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}$$

$$\sin\theta = \frac{2t}{1+t^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5\left(\frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}\right) - 4\left(\frac{2t}{1+t^2}\right) = 6$$

$$5(1-t^2) - 8t = 6(1+t^2)$$

$$5 - 5t^2 - 8t = 6 + 6t^2$$

$$11t^2 + 8t + 1 = 0$$

$$t = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{8^2 - 4 \times 11 \times 1}}{2 \times 11} = \frac{-8 \pm 4.4721}{22}$$

$$t = \frac{-8+4.4721}{22} = -0.1604 \text{ or}$$

$$t = \frac{-8-4.4721}{22} = -0.5669$$

Taking  $t = -0.1604$

$$\tan\frac{\theta}{2} = -0.1604; \theta = -18.2^\circ$$

Taking  $t = -0.5669$

$$\tan\frac{\theta}{2} = -0.5669; \theta = -59.1^\circ$$

$$\therefore \theta = -59.1^\circ, -18.2^\circ$$

### Example 37

Solve the equation

$$3\tan^2\theta + 2\sec^2\theta = 2(5 - 3\tan\theta) \text{ for } 0^\circ < \theta < 180^\circ$$

Let  $t = \tan\theta$

$$3t^2 - 2(1+t^2) = 2(5-3t)$$

$$5t^2 + 6t - 8 = 0$$

$$t = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{6^2 - 4(5)(-8)}}{2(5)} = \frac{-6 \pm 14}{10} = -2 \text{ or } \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\text{Taking } t = -2; \theta = \tan^{-1}(-2) = 116.57^\circ$$

$$\text{Taking } t = \frac{4}{5}; \theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = 38.66^\circ$$

$$\text{Hence } \theta = 38.66^\circ, 116.57^\circ$$

### Example 38

Show that  $\tan 4\theta = \frac{4t(1-t^2)}{t^4-6t^2+1}$ , where  $t = \tan\theta$ .

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \tan 4\theta &= \frac{2 \tan 2\theta}{1 - \tan^2 2\theta} \text{ and } \tan 2\theta = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} \\ &= \frac{2\left(\frac{2t}{1-t^2}\right)}{1 - \left(\frac{2t}{1-t^2}\right)^2} \\ &= \frac{4t(1-t^2)}{t^4-6t^2+1} \end{aligned}$$

### Example 39

Solve the equation  $\cos\theta + \sin\theta + 1 = 0$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

Solution

$$\cos\theta + \sin\theta + 1 = 0$$

Let  $t = \tan\frac{\theta}{2}$

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

$$1 - t^2 + 2t = 1(1+t^2)$$

$$2t + 2 = 0; t = -1$$

$$\therefore \tan\frac{\theta}{2} = -1$$

$$\frac{\theta}{2} = 135^\circ, 315^\circ$$

$$\theta = 270^\circ, 630^\circ$$

$$\text{Hence } \theta = 270^\circ$$

### Revision exercise 5

- Solve equation  $3\cos\theta + 4\sin\theta = 2$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  [ $119.6^\circ, 346.7^\circ$ ]
- (a) Show that  $\cos 4x = \frac{\tan^4 x - 6\tan^2 x + 1}{\tan^4 x + 2\tan^2 x + 1}$   
(b) Show that if  $q = \cos 2x + \sin 2x$ , then  $(1+q)\tan^2 x - 2\tan x + q - 1 = 0$ .

Deduce that if the roots of the above equation are  $\tan x_1$  and  $\tan x_2$ , the  $\tan(x_1 + x_2) = 1$

3. Find the values of R and  $\tan \alpha$  in each of the following equations
  - (a)  $2\cos\theta + 5\sin\theta = R\sin(\theta + \alpha) \left[ \sqrt{29}, \frac{2}{5} \right]$
  - (b)  $2\cos\theta + 5\sin\theta = R\cos(\theta - \alpha) \left[ \sqrt{29}, \frac{5}{2} \right]$
  - (c)  $\sqrt{3}\cos\theta + \sin\theta = R\cos(\theta - \alpha) \left[ 2, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right]$
  - (d)  $5\sin\theta - 12\cos\theta = R\sin(\theta - \alpha) \left[ 13, \frac{12}{5} \right]$
  - (e)  $\cos\theta - \sin\theta = R\cos(\theta + \alpha) \left[ \sqrt{2}, 1 \right]$
  
4. Find the greatest and least values and state the smallest non-negative value of x for which each occurs
  - (i)  $12\sin x + 5\cos x$   $[13, 67.4^\circ; -13, 247.4^\circ]$
  - (ii)  $2\cos x + \sin x$   
 $[\sqrt{5}, 26.6^\circ; -\sqrt{5}, 206.6^\circ]$
  - (iii)  $7 + 3\sin x - 4\cos x$   
 $[12, 143.1^\circ; 2, 323.1^\circ]$
  - (iv)  $10 - 2\sin x + \cos x$   
 $[10 + \sqrt{5}, 296.6^\circ; 10 - \sqrt{5}, 116.6^\circ]$
  - (v)  $\frac{1}{2 + \sin x + \cos x} \left[ \frac{2 + \sqrt{2}}{2}, 225^\circ; \frac{2 - \sqrt{2}}{2}, 45^\circ \right]$
  - (vi)  $\frac{1}{7 - 2\cos x + \sqrt{5}\sin x} \left[ \frac{1}{4}, 311.8^\circ; \frac{1}{10}, 131.8^\circ \right]$
  - (vii)  $\frac{3}{5\cos x - 12\sin x + 16} [1, 112.6^\circ; \frac{3}{29}, 292.6^\circ]$
  
5. Solve each of the following equations for  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$ 
  - (a)  $\sin x + \sqrt{3}\cos x = 1$   $[90^\circ, 330^\circ]$
  - (b)  $4\sin x - 3\cos x = 2$   $[60.4^\circ, 193.3^\circ]$
  - (c)  $\sin x + \cos x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$   $[105^\circ, 345^\circ]$
  - (d)  $5\sin x + 12\cos x = 7$   $[80.0^\circ, 325.2^\circ]$
  - (e)  $7\sin x - 4\cos x = 3$   $[51.6^\circ, 187.9^\circ]$
  - (f)  $\cos x - 3\sin x = 2$   $[237.7^\circ, 339.2^\circ]$
  - (g)  $5\cos x + 2\sin x = 4$   $[63.8^\circ, 339.8^\circ]$
  - (h)  $9\cos 2x - 4\sin 2x = 6$   $[14.2^\circ, 141.8^\circ, 194.2^\circ, 321.8^\circ]$
  - (i)  $7\cos x + 6\sin x = 2$   $[118.1^\circ, 323.1^\circ]$
  - (j)  $9\cos x - 8\sin x = 12$   $[313.6^\circ, 323.1^\circ]$

### The factor formulae

The following identities were developed from compound angles

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

$$\cos(A - B) = \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B \dots\dots\dots(ii)$$

$$\sin(A + B) = \sin A \cos B + \sin B \cos A \dots\dots\dots(iii)$$

$$\sin(A - B) = \sin A \cos B - \sin B \cos A \dots\dots\dots(iv)$$

$$\text{eqn. (i) + eqn (ii)}$$

$$\cos(A + B) + \cos(A - B) = 2\cos A \cos B$$

$$\text{eqn. (i) - eqn (ii)}$$

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

$$\text{eqn. (iii) + eqn (iv)}$$

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

$$\text{eqn. (iii) - eqn (iv)}$$

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

For simplification,  $A + B = \alpha$  and  $A - B = \beta$

$$\text{Add: } 2A = \alpha + \beta \text{ i.e. } A = \left( \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{Subtract } 2B = \alpha - \beta \text{ i.e. } B = \left( \frac{\alpha - \beta}{2} \right)$$

Substituting for A and B in the above equation

$$\cos \alpha + \cos \beta = 2\cos \left( \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} \right) \cos \left( \frac{\alpha - \beta}{2} \right)$$

$$\cos \alpha - \cos \beta = -2\cos \left( \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} \right) \sin \left( \frac{\alpha - \beta}{2} \right)$$

$$\sin \alpha + \sin \beta = 2\sin \left( \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} \right) \cos \left( \frac{\alpha - \beta}{2} \right)$$

$$\sin \alpha - \sin \beta = 2\cos \left( \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} \right) \sin \left( \frac{\alpha - \beta}{2} \right)$$

### Example 40

Show that if X, Y and Z are angles of a triangle, then

$$(a) \cos X + \cos Y + \cos Z - 1 = 4\sin \frac{X}{2} \sin \frac{Y}{2} \sin \frac{Z}{2}$$

solution

$$\text{LHS } \cos X + \cos Y + \cos Z - 1$$

$$= 2\cos \frac{X+Y}{2} \cos \frac{X-Y}{2} + 1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{Z}{2} - 1$$

(to eliminate -1)

$$= 2\cos \frac{180^\circ - Z}{2} \cos \frac{X-Y}{2} - 2\sin^2 \frac{Z}{2}$$

(since  $X + Y = 180^\circ - Z$ )



$$= 2\sin \frac{Z}{2} \cos \frac{X-Y}{2} - 2\sin^2 \frac{Z}{2}$$

(Since  $\cos(90^\circ - A) = \sin A$ )

$$= 2\sin \frac{Z}{2} \left[ \cos \frac{X-Y}{2} - 2\sin^2 \left\{ \frac{180^\circ - (X+Y)}{2} \right\} \right]$$

$$= 2\sin \frac{Z}{2} \left[ \cos \frac{X-Y}{2} - \cos \left\{ \frac{X+Y}{2} \right\} \right]$$

(Since  $\sin(90^\circ - A) = \cos A$ )

$$= 2\sin \frac{Z}{2} \left[ -2\sin \frac{X}{2} \sin \frac{-Y}{2} \right]$$

$$= 2\sin \frac{Z}{2} \left[ 2\sin \frac{X}{2} \sin \frac{Y}{2} \right]$$

(Since  $\sin(-A) = -\sin A$ )

$$4\sin \frac{X}{2} \sin \frac{Y}{2} \sin \frac{Z}{2} \text{ as required}$$

$$(b) \sin 3X + \sin 3Y + \sin 3Z = -4\cos \frac{3X}{2} \cos \frac{3Y}{2} \cos \frac{3Z}{2}$$

Solution

LHS:  $\sin 3X + \sin 3Y + \sin 3Z$

$$= 2\sin \frac{3(X+Y)}{2} \cos \frac{3(X-Y)}{2} + 2\sin \frac{3Z}{2} \cos \frac{3Z}{2}$$

$$= 2\sin \frac{3(180^\circ - Z)}{2} \cos \frac{3(X-Y)}{2} + 2\sin \frac{3Z}{2} \cos \frac{3Z}{2}$$

$$= -2\cos \frac{3Z}{2} \cos \frac{3(X-Y)}{2} + 2\sin \frac{3Z}{2} \cos \frac{3Z}{2}$$

(Since  $\sin(270^\circ - A) = -\cos A$ )

$$= -2\cos \frac{3Z}{2} \left[ \cos \frac{3(X-Y)}{2} - \sin \frac{3Z}{2} \right]$$

$$= -2\cos \frac{3Z}{2} \left[ \cos \frac{3(X-Y)}{2} - \sin \frac{3\{180^\circ - (X+Y)\}}{2} \right]$$

$$= -2\cos \frac{3Z}{2} \left[ \cos \frac{3(X-Y)}{2} - \cos \frac{3(X+Y)}{2} \right]$$

$$= -2\cos \frac{3Z}{2} \left[ 2\cos \frac{3X}{2} + \cos \frac{-3Y}{2} \right]$$

(Since  $\cos(-A) = \cos A$ )

$$= -4\cos \frac{3X}{2} \cos \frac{3Y}{2} \cos \frac{3Z}{2}$$

$$(c) \cos 4X + \cos 4Y + \cos 4Z + 1 = 4\cos 2X \cos 2Y \cos 2Z$$

Solution

LHS:  $\cos 4X + \cos 4Y + \cos 4Z + 1$

$$= 2\cos 2(X+Y) \cos 2(X-Y) + 2\cos^2 2Z - 1 + 1$$

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$$= 2\cos 2(180^\circ - Z) \cos 2(X-Y) + 2\cos^2 2Z$$

$$= 2\cos 2Z [\cos 2(X-Y) + \cos 2\{180^\circ - (X+Y)\}]$$

$$= 2\cos 2Z [\cos 2(X-Y) + \cos 2(X+Y)]$$

$$= 2\cos 2Z [2\cos 2X \cos 2Y]$$

(Since  $\cos(-A) = \cos A$ )

$$= 4\cos 2Z \cos 2X \cos 2Y$$

$$(d) \sin^2 Y + \sin^2 Z = 1 + \cos(Y-Z) \cos X$$

LHS:  $\sin^2 Y + \sin^2 Z$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2Y) + \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2Z)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(2 - \cos 2Y - \cos 2Z)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2}(\cos 2Y + \cos 2Z)$$

$$= 1 - \cos(180^\circ - X) \cos(Y-Z)$$

$$= 1 + \cos(Y-Z) \cos X$$

### Example 41

- (a) Factorize  $\cos \theta \cos 3\theta - \cos 7\theta + \cos 9\theta$  and express it in the form  $A \cos p\theta \sin q\theta \sin r\theta$  where  $A, p, q$  and  $r$  are constants

Solution

$$f(\theta) = \cos 9\theta + \cos \theta - (\cos 7\theta + \cos 3\theta)$$

$$= 2\cos 5\theta \cos 4\theta - 2\cos 5\theta \cos 2\theta$$

$$= 2\cos 5\theta (\cos 4\theta - \cos 2\theta)$$

$$= -4\cos 5\theta (-\sin 3\theta \sin \theta)$$

$$= -4\cos 5\theta \sin 3\theta \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow A = -4, p = 5, q = 3, r = 1$$

- (b) Given that

$$p = \sin \alpha + \sin \beta$$

$$q = \cos \alpha + \cos \beta. \text{ Show that}$$

$$\frac{2pq}{p^2 + q^2} = \sin(\alpha + \beta)$$

Solution

$$\frac{2pq}{p^2 + q^2}$$

$$= \frac{2(\sin \alpha + \sin \beta)(\cos \alpha + \cos \beta)}{\sin^2 \alpha + 2\sin \alpha \sin \beta + \sin^2 \beta + \cos^2 \alpha + 2\cos \alpha \cos \beta + \cos^2 \beta}$$

$$= \frac{2 \left[ 2 \sin \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2} \cos \frac{\alpha-\beta}{2} \right] \left[ 2 \cos \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2} \cos \frac{\alpha-\beta}{2} \right]}{2 + 2(\cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta)}$$

$$= \frac{2 \left[ 2 \sin \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2} \cos \frac{\alpha-\beta}{2} \right] \left[ 2 \cos \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2} \cos \frac{\alpha-\beta}{2} \right]}{2 + 2 \cos(\alpha - \beta)}$$

$$= \frac{2[\sin(\alpha + \beta)][1 + \cos(\alpha - \beta)]}{2[1 + \cos(\alpha - \beta)]}$$

$$= \sin(\alpha + \beta)$$

### Example 42

Solve  $5\cos^2 3\theta = 3(1 + \sin 3\theta)$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 90^\circ$ .

Solution

$$5\cos^2 3\theta = 3(1 + \sin 3\theta)$$

$$5(1 - \sin^2 3\theta) = 3(1 + \sin 3\theta)$$

$$5 - 5\sin^2 3\theta = 3 + 3\sin 3\theta$$

$$5\sin^2 3\theta + 3\sin 3\theta - 2 = 0$$

$$(\sin 3\theta + 1)(5\sin 3\theta - 2) = 0$$

$$\sin 3\theta + 1 = 0$$

$$3\theta = \sin^{-1}(-1) = -90^\circ, 270^\circ$$

### Example 43

(a) solve the equation  $\cos 2x = 4\cos^2 x - 2\sin^2 x$  for  $0 \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$

$$\cos 2x = 4\cos^2 x - 2\sin^2 x$$

$$\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x = 4\cos^2 x - 2\sin^2 x$$

$$3\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x = 0$$

$$4\cos^2 x - 1 = 0$$

$$(2\cos x + 1)(2\cos x - 1) = 0$$

Either

$$2\cos x + 1 = 0$$

$$\cos x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = \cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 120^\circ$$

Or

$$2\cos x - 1 = 0$$

$$\cos x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 60^\circ$$

$$\therefore x(60^\circ, 120^\circ)$$

Alternatively

$$\cos 2x = 4\cos^2 x - 2\sin^2 x$$

$$= \frac{4}{2}(1 + \cos 2x) - \frac{2}{2}(1 - \cos 2x)$$

$$= 2 + 2\cos 2x - 1 + \cos 2x$$

$$2\cos 2x + 1 = 0$$

$$\cos 2x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$2x = \cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 120^\circ, 240^\circ$$

$$x = 60^\circ, 120^\circ$$

Alternatively

$$\cos 2x = 4\cos^2 x - 2\sin^2 x$$

$$\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x = 4\cos^2 x - 2\sin^2 x$$

$$3\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x = 0$$

$$\sin^2 x = 3\cos^2 x$$

$$\tan^2 x = 3$$

$$\tan x = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

Either

$$\tan x = \sqrt{3}$$

$$x = \tan^{-1} \sqrt{3} = 60^\circ$$

Or

$$\tan x = -\sqrt{3}$$

$$x = \tan^{-1} -\sqrt{3} = 120^\circ$$

$$\text{Hence } x = 60^\circ, 120^\circ$$

Alternatively

$$\cos 2x = 4\cos^2 x - 2\sin^2 x$$

$$1 - 2\sin^2 x = 4(1 - \sin^2 x) - 2\sin^2 x$$

$$1 = 4 - 4\sin^2 x$$

$$4\sin^2 x = 3$$

$$\sin^2 x = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\sin x = \pm\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$x = 60^\circ, 120^\circ$$

Alternatively

$$\cos 2x = 4\cos^2 x - 2\sin^2 x$$

$$1 - 2\sin^2 x = 4\cos^2 x - 2\sin^2 x$$

$$4\cos^2 x = 1$$

$$\cos x = \pm\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} = \pm\frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = 60^\circ, 120^\circ$$

(b) Show that if  $\sin(x + \alpha) = p\sin(x - \alpha)$  then

$$\tan x = \left(\frac{p+1}{p-1}\right)\tan \alpha.$$

Hence solve the equation

$$\sin(x + \alpha) = p\sin(x - \alpha) \text{ for } p = 2 \text{ and } \alpha = 20^\circ.$$

$$\sin x \cos \alpha + \cos x \sin \alpha = p(\sin x \cos \alpha - \cos x \sin \alpha)$$

$$\cos x \sin \alpha (p + 1) = \sin x \cos \alpha (p - 1)$$

$$\cos x \sin \alpha \left(\frac{p+1}{p-1}\right) = \sin x \cos \alpha$$

$$\frac{\cos x \sin \alpha}{\sin x \cos \alpha} \left(\frac{p+1}{p-1}\right) = \frac{\sin x \cos \alpha}{\sin x \cos \alpha}$$

$$\tan x = \left(\frac{p+1}{p-1}\right) \tan \alpha$$

$$\text{For } \sin(x + 20^\circ) = 2\sin(x - 20^\circ)$$

$$\tan x = \frac{2+1}{2-1} \tan 20^\circ = 3 \tan 20^\circ$$

$$x = \tan^{-1}(3 \tan 20^\circ) = 47.52^\circ$$

### Example 44

Prove that in any triangle ABC,

$$\frac{\sin(A-B)}{\sin(A+B)} = \frac{a^2 - b^2}{c^2}$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a^2 - b^2}{c^2} &= \frac{(2R \sin A)^2 - (2R \sin B)^2}{(2R \sin C)^2} \\ &= \frac{4R^2(\sin^2 A - \sin^2 B)}{4R^2 \sin^2 C} \\ &= \frac{(\sin A + \sin B)(\sin A - \sin B)}{\sin^2 [180^\circ - (A+B)]} \\ &= \frac{2 \sin\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right) \cdot 2 \cos\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right)}{\sin^2(A+B)} \\ &= \frac{\sin(A+B) \sin(A-B)}{\sin^2(A+B)} \\ &= \frac{\sin(A-B)}{\sin(A+B)} \end{aligned}$$

### Inverse trigonometric functions

Note that

(a) If  $\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$  then  $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$

(b)  $\tan^{-1}(\tan \alpha) = \tan(\tan^{-1} \alpha) = \alpha$

(c)  $\cos^{-1}[\cos(x + y)]$

$$= \cos[\cos^{-1}(x + y)] = x + y$$

(d)  $\sin(\sin^{-1} \theta) = \sin^{-1}(\sin^{-1} \theta)$

To avoid errors test the values

### Example 45

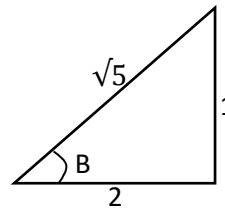
Show that

(a)  $\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{3} + \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{\pi}{4}$

Solution

$$A = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{3} \text{ and } B = \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan A = \frac{1}{3} \text{ and } B = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$$



$$\Rightarrow \tan B = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{LHS} = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{3} + \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} = A + B$$

$$= \tan^{-1}[\tan(A + B)]$$

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

$$= \tan^{-1} \frac{3+3}{6-1}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \frac{5}{5} = \tan^{-1} 1 = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

(b)  $2 \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{3} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{7} = \frac{\pi}{4}$

Solution

$$\text{Let } A = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{3} \text{ and } B = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan A = \frac{1}{3} \text{ and } \tan B = \frac{1}{7}$$

$$\text{LHS: } \tan^{-1} \tan(2A + B) \text{ but } \tan 2A = \frac{2 \cdot \frac{1}{3}}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\therefore \tan^{-1} \tan(2A + B) = \frac{\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{7}}{1 - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1}{7}\right)}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{21+4}{28-3}\right)$$

$$= \tan^{-1} 1$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{4}$$

(c)  $\cos^{-1} x + \sin^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2}$

Solution

$$\text{Let } \theta = \cos^{-1} x; \Rightarrow x = \cos \theta = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right)$$

$$\sin x = \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta$$

$$\therefore \cos^{-1} x + \sin^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

### Example 46

Solve the equations

(a)  $\tan^{-1}(2\theta + 1) + \tan^{-1}(2\theta - 1) = \tan^{-1}(2)$

Solution

Let  $A = \tan^{-1}(2\theta + 1)$  and  $B = \tan^{-1}(2\theta - 1)$   
 $\Rightarrow \tan A = 2\theta + 1$  and  $\tan B = 2\theta - 1$

$\therefore A + B = \tan^{-1} 2$  or  $\tan(A + B) = 2$

$$\frac{2\theta+1+2\theta-1}{1-(2\theta+1)(2\theta-1)} = 2$$

$$4\theta = 2(1 - 4\theta^2 - 1)$$

$$2\theta^2 + \theta - 1 = 0$$

$$(2\theta - 1)(\theta + 1) = 0$$

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

(b)  $\tan^{-1}(1 + \theta) + \tan^{-1}(1 - \theta) = 32$

Let  $A = \tan^{-1}(1 + \theta)$  and  $B = \tan^{-1}(1 - \theta)$

$\Rightarrow \tan A = 1 + \theta$  and  $\tan B = 1 - \theta$

$\therefore A + B = 32$  or  $\tan(A + B) = \tan 32$

Introducing tangents

$$\frac{1+\theta+1-\theta}{1-(1+\theta)(1-\theta)} = \tan 32$$

$$\theta^2 \tan 32 = 2$$

$$\theta = \sqrt{2 \cot 32} = \pm 1.789$$

**Example 47**

If  $x = \tan^{-1} \alpha$  and  $y = \tan^{-1} \beta$ ;

Show that  $x + y = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\alpha + \beta}{1 - \alpha\beta} \right)$

**Solution**

$$\tan x = \alpha; \quad \tan y = \beta$$

$$(x + y) = \tan[\tan^{-1}(x + y)]$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\alpha + \beta}{1 - \alpha\beta} \right)$$

**Example 48**

Solve the equation

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

Solution

Let  $A = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{x-1} \right)$  and  $B = \tan^{-1}(x+1)$

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

$$\frac{\frac{1}{x-1} + (x+y)}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{x-1}\right)(x+y)} = -2$$

$$\frac{1+x^2-1}{x-1-x-1} = -2$$

$$\therefore x^2 = 4; x = \pm 2$$

**Example 50**

Without using tables or calculators determine the values of  $\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{5} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{8}$ .

Solution

$$\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{5} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{8}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{5}}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{8}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \frac{7}{9} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{8}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{7}{9} + \frac{1}{8}}{1 - \left(\frac{7}{9}\right)\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)} = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{65}{65} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

**Example 51**

Solve equations

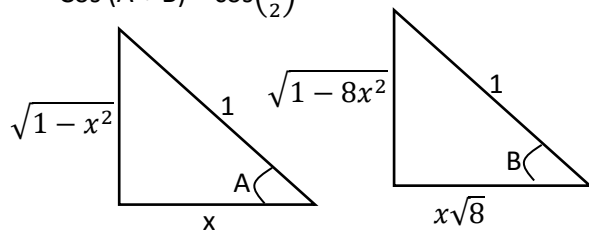
(a)  $\cos^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} x\sqrt{8} = \frac{\pi}{2}$

Solution

Let  $A = \cos^{-1} x$  and  $B = \cos^{-1} x\sqrt{8}$

$$A + B = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\cos(A + B) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$



$$x(x\sqrt{8}) - (\sqrt{1-x^2})(\sqrt{1-8x^2}) = 0$$

$$x(x\sqrt{8}) = (\sqrt{1-x^2})(\sqrt{1-8x^2})$$

$$8x^4 = (1-x^2)(1-8x^2)$$

$$1 - 9x^2 = 0$$

$$(1-3x)(1+3x) = 0$$

Either  $x = \frac{1}{3}$  or  $x = -\frac{1}{3}$

We discard the negative value, so the root is

$$x = \frac{1}{3}$$

(b)  $2\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + \sin^{-1}(x\sqrt{2}) = \frac{\pi}{2}$

Solution

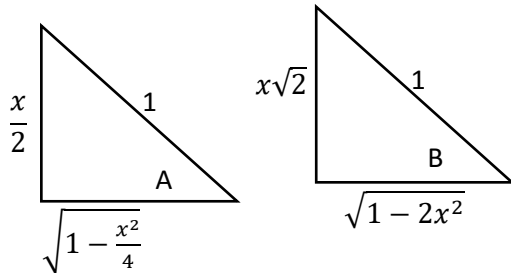
Let  $A = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$  and  $B = \sin^{-1}(x\sqrt{2})$

$$2A + B = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$2A = \frac{\pi}{2} - B$$

$$\sin(2A) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - B\right)$$

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



$$2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \cdot \sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{4}} = \sqrt{1 - 2x^2}$$

$$x \cdot \sqrt{\frac{4-x^2}{4}} = \sqrt{1 - 2x^2}$$

$$\frac{x}{2} \cdot \sqrt{4 - x^2} = \sqrt{1 - 2x^2}$$

$$\frac{x^2}{4} \cdot (4 - x^2) = (1 - 2x^2)$$

$$x^4 - 12x^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$x^2 = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{144 - 4(4)(1)}}{2 \cdot 1}$$

$$x^2 = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{128}}{2} = 6 \pm 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$x = \sqrt{6 \pm 4\sqrt{2}}$$

After testing for  $x = \sqrt{6 + 4\sqrt{2}}$  and for

$x = \sqrt{6 - 4\sqrt{2}}$ , the value that satisfies the

equation is  $x = \sqrt{6 - 4\sqrt{2}} = 0.5858$

Hence the value of  $x = 0.5858$

### Revision exercise 6

1. If  $p = \sin \alpha + \sin \beta$  and  $q = \cos \alpha + \cos \beta$  show that  $\frac{p}{q} = \tan \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}$

2. (a) Prove that:

(i)  $(\sin 2x - \sin x)(1 + 2\cos x) = \sin 3x$

(ii)  $\cos 4\theta = \frac{\tan^4 \theta - 6\tan^2 \theta + 1}{\tan^4 \theta + 2\tan^2 \theta + 1}$

(iii)  $\frac{\sin x + 2\sin 2x + \sin 3x}{\sin x + 2\sin x + \sin 3x} = \tan^2 \frac{x}{2}$

3. Solve the equation for  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$ :

(a)  $\sin x + \sin 3x + \sin 5x + \sin 7x = 0$

[ $x: x = 0^\circ, 45^\circ, 90^\circ, 135^\circ, 180^\circ$ ]

(b)  $\sin 7x + \sin x + \sin 5x + \sin 3x = 0$

[ $x: x = 60^\circ, 180^\circ$ ]

(c)  $\sin x + \sin 4x = 0$

[ $x: x = 0^\circ, 60^\circ, 72^\circ, 144^\circ, 180^\circ$ ]

(d)  $\cos(x + 10^\circ) - \cos(x + 30^\circ) = 0$

[ $70^\circ$ ]

(e)  $\cos 5x - \sin 2x = \cos x$

[ $x: x = 0^\circ, 70^\circ, 90^\circ, 110^\circ, 180^\circ$ ]

(f)  $\sin 2x + \sin 10x + \cos 4x = 0$

[ $x: x = 22.5^\circ, 35^\circ, 55^\circ, 67.5^\circ, 95^\circ,$

$112.5^\circ, 115^\circ, 157.5^\circ, 175^\circ$ ]

4. Show that

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

(b)  $2\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$

(c) the positive value that satisfies the equation  $\tan^{-1} 3x + \tan^{-1} 2x = \frac{\pi}{4}$  is  $\frac{1}{6}$

(d)  $\tan^{-1}(-x) = -\tan^{-1} x$

(e)  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{63}{65}\right) + 2\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)$

5. Prove that

(a)  $\frac{\sin A - \sin B}{\sin A + \sin B} = \tan\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right) \cot\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)$

(b)  $\sin 3x + \sin x = 4\sin x \cos^2 x$

(c)  $\frac{\sin x + \sin 2x + \sin 3x}{\cos x + \cos 2x + \cos 3x} = \tan 2x$

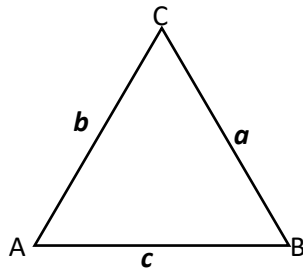
(d)  $\sin(A + B) - \sin(A - B) = 2\cos A \sin B$

(e)  $\frac{\sin 5x + \sin x}{\sin 4x + \sin 2x} = 2\cos x - \sec x$

(f)  $\cos 3x + \cos x = 4\cos^2 x - 2\cos x$

### Solution to triangles

In a triangle ABC



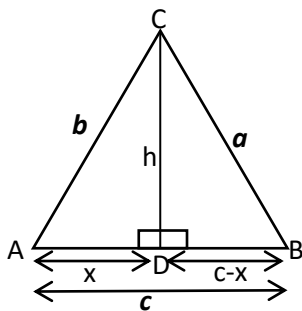
- (a) Six elements are considered: three angles and three sides

Capital letters denote angles and **small bold and italics letters** sides

- (b) The opposite side of angle A is a, of angle B is b and of angle C is c.  
 (c) The angle sum of a triangle is two right angles i.e.  $A + B + C = 180^\circ$   
 (d) The sides are independent except that the sum of the two sides of the triangle should be equal to or greater than the third side

### How to deal with triangles

1. The cosine rule  
 (a) Given an acute angle A



From triangle  
 ACD:  $x^2 + h^2 = b^2$  .....(i)  
 BCD:  $(c-x)^2 + h^2 = a^2$   
 $c^2 - 2cx + x^2 + h^2 = a^2$  ..... (ii)  
 Substituting eqn. (i) into eqn. (ii)  
 $c^2 - 2cx + b^2 = a^2$   
 But  
 $x = b \cos A$   
 $\Rightarrow b^2 + c^2 - 2b c \cos A = a^2$   
 $a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2b c \cos A$  (1)

Similarly;

$$b^2 = a^2 + c^2 - 2ac \cos B \quad (2)$$

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C \quad (3)$$

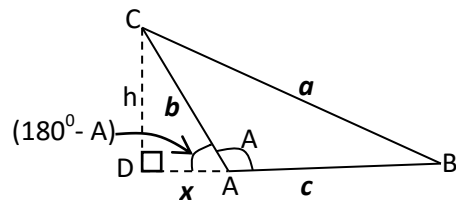
It follows that

$$\cos A = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}$$

$$\cos B = \frac{a^2 + c^2 - b^2}{2ac}$$

$$\cos C = \frac{a^2 + b^2 - c^2}{2ab}$$

- (b) Given an obtuse angle A



In triangle ABC, A is an obtuse angle and CD is the altitude.

From triangle

$$ACD: x^2 + h^2 = b^2 \text{ .....(i)}$$

$$BCD: (c-x)^2 + h^2 = a^2$$

$$c^2 - 2cx + x^2 + h^2 = a^2 \text{ ..... (ii)}$$

Substituting eqn. (i) into eqn. (ii)

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

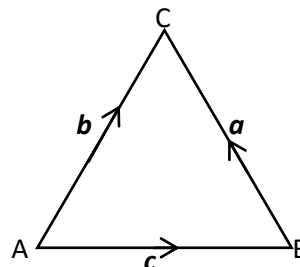
But

$$x = b \cos (180^\circ - A) = -b \cos A$$

From triangle ACD

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2b c \cos A \text{ as before}$$

The cosine rule can be derived using the vector approach.



Given a triangle above with  $BC = a$ ,  $AC = c$  and  $AB = b$

$$BC = BA + AC = AC - AB$$

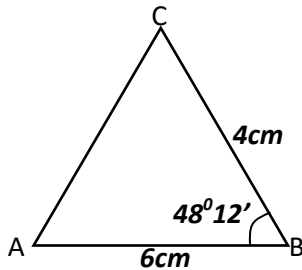
$$a = b - c$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow a \cdot a &= (b - c)(b - c) \\ &= b \cdot b - 2b \cdot c + c \cdot c \\ &= b \cdot b + c \cdot c - 2b \cdot c \\ \therefore a^2 &= b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A \\ \text{since } b \cdot c &= |bc| \cos A \end{aligned}$$

### Example 52

Solve the triangle in which AB = 6cm, BC = 4cm and angle ACB =  $48^{\circ}12'$

Solution



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Using: } b^2 &= a^2 + c^2 - 2ac \cos B \\ &= 6^2 + 4^2 - 2(6)(4) \cos 48.2^{\circ} \end{aligned}$$

$1^{\circ}$  (degree) =  $60'$  (minutes)

$$b = 4.47 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Using: } \cos A = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc} = \frac{20.0 + 36 - 16}{2(4.47)(6)}$$

$$A = 41.8^{\circ}$$

$$\text{But } A + B + C = 180^{\circ}$$

$$41.8^{\circ} + 48.2^{\circ} + C = 180^{\circ}$$

$$C = 90^{\circ}$$

$\therefore AC = 4.47 \text{ cm}$ , angles  $BAC = 41.8^{\circ}$  and  $ACB = 90^{\circ}$

### Example 53

In a triangle ABC, prove that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) } a^2 &= (b - c)^2 + 4bc \sin^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) \text{ hence that} \\ a &= (b - c) \sec \alpha \text{ where } \tan \alpha = \frac{\sqrt{bc} \sin\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}{b - c} \\ \text{From } \cos A &= 1 - 2 \sin^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) \\ \text{Substituting for } \cos A &\text{ into the cosine formula } a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A \\ a^2 &= b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \left[1 - 2 \sin^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)\right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 &= b^2 + c^2 - 2bc + 4 \sin^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) \\ a^2 &= (b - c)^2 + 4bc \sin^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, substituting for  $\sin^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)$  into  $\tan \alpha$  expression we get

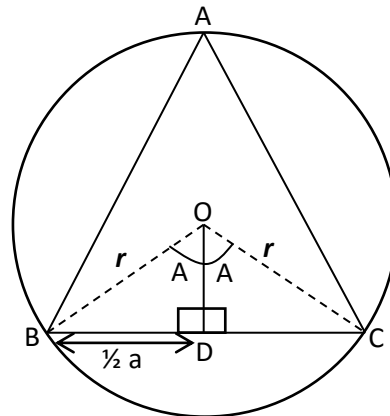
$$a^2 = (b - c)^2 + (b - c)^2 \tan^2 \alpha$$

$$a^2 = (b - c)^2 (1 + \tan^2 \alpha)$$

$$a^2 = (b - c)^2 \sec^2 \alpha$$

$$a = (b - c) \sec \alpha$$

## 2. The Sine Rule



The figure shows a circle with centre O and radius  $r$  circumscribing triangle ABC

Angle  $BOC = 2A$  [angle subtended by the same arc at the centre of the circle is twice the angle formed at any point on the circumference]

Triangle BOC is isosceles

OD bisects angle BOC and side BC

$$\therefore BD = \frac{1}{2}a$$

From triangle BOD

$$\sin A = \frac{a}{2r} \text{ i.e. } \frac{a}{\sin A} = 2r$$

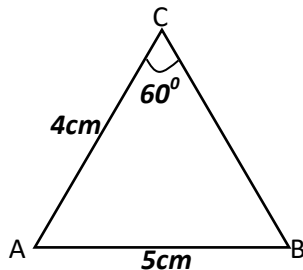
if instead we consider triangles AOC and AOB, we obtain  $\frac{b}{\sin B} = 2r$  and  $\frac{c}{\sin C} = 2r$

$$\text{In general: } \frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$$

**Example 54**

Solve the triangle in which AB = 5cm, AC = 4cm and angle ACB = 60°

Solution



Using sine rule

$$\frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C} \Rightarrow B = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{b \sin C}{c}\right)$$

$$B = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{5} \sin 60^\circ\right) = 43.9^\circ$$

$$\text{From } A + B + C = 180^\circ$$

$$A = (180 - 60 - 43.9)^\circ = 76.1^\circ$$

$$\text{Similarly } a = \frac{b \sin A}{\sin B} = \frac{4 \sin 76.1^\circ}{\sin 43.9^\circ} = 5.6 \text{ cm}$$

$$\therefore \overline{AB} = 5.6 \text{ cm}, \widehat{BAC} = 76.1^\circ, \widehat{ABC} = 43.9^\circ$$

**Example 55**

Prove that in any triangle

$$\frac{a^2 - b^2}{c^2} = \frac{\sin(A-B)}{\sin(A+B)}$$

Solution

From sine rule formula;

$$a = 2r \sin A, b = 2r \sin B, c = 2r \sin C$$

By substitution

$$\frac{a^2 - b^2}{c^2} = \frac{(2r \sin A)^2 - (2r \sin B)^2}{(2r \sin C)^2} = \frac{\sin^2 A - \sin^2 B}{\sin^2 C}$$

$$\text{But } A + B + C = 180^\circ$$

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

$$\sin C = \sin[180^\circ - (A + B)] = \sin(A + B)$$

By substitution

$$\frac{a^2 - b^2}{c^2} = \frac{\sin^2 A - \sin^2 B}{\sin(A+B)} = \frac{(\sin A + \sin B)(\sin A - \sin B)}{\sin(A+B)}$$

$$= \frac{2 \sin \frac{1}{2}(A+B) \cos \frac{1}{2}(A-B) \cdot 2 \cos \frac{1}{2}(A+B) \sin \frac{1}{2}(A-B)}{\sin(A+B)}$$

$$= \frac{2 \sin \frac{1}{2}(A-B) \cos \frac{1}{2}(A-B)}{\sin(A+B)} = \frac{\sin(A-B)}{\sin(A+B)}$$

$$\text{Hence } \frac{a^2 - b^2}{c^2} = \frac{\sin(A-B)}{\sin(A+B)}$$

**Example 56**

Prove that in any triangle ABC,

$$\sin \frac{1}{2}(B - C) = \frac{b-c}{a} \cos \frac{1}{2}A$$

Solution

From sine rule formula;

$$a = 2r \sin A, b = 2r \sin B, c = 2r \sin C$$

By substitution

$$\frac{b-c}{a} = \frac{2r \sin B - 2r \sin C}{2r \sin A} = \frac{\sin B - \sin C}{\sin A}$$

$$\text{But } A + B + C = 180^\circ$$

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

$$\sin A = \sin[180^\circ - (B + C)] = \sin(B + C)$$

By substitution

$$\frac{b-c}{a} = \frac{\sin B - \sin C}{\sin A} = \frac{\sin B - \sin C}{\sin(B+C)}$$

$$= \frac{2 \cos \frac{1}{2}(B+C) \sin \frac{1}{2}(B-C)}{2 \cos \frac{1}{2}(B+C) \cos \frac{1}{2}(B+C)}$$

$$= \frac{\sin \frac{1}{2}(B-C)}{\cos \frac{1}{2}(B+C)}$$

$$\text{From } A + B + C = 180^\circ$$

$$B + C = 180^\circ - A$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(B + C) = \left(90^\circ - \frac{1}{2}A\right)$$

$$\sin \frac{1}{2}(B + C) = \sin\left(90^\circ - \frac{1}{2}A\right) = \cos \frac{1}{2}A$$

By substitution

$$\frac{b-c}{a} = \frac{\sin \frac{1}{2}(B-C)}{\cos \frac{1}{2}A}$$

$$\therefore \sin \frac{1}{2}(B - C) = \frac{b-c}{a} \cos \frac{1}{2}A$$



### 3. The Tangent Rule

It states that in a triangle ABC

$$\tan \frac{1}{2}(A - B) = \left( \frac{a-b}{a+b} \right) \cot \frac{1}{2}C$$

$$\tan \frac{1}{2}(C - A) = \left( \frac{c-a}{c+a} \right) \cot \frac{1}{2}B$$

$$\tan \frac{1}{2}(b - c) = \left( \frac{b-c}{b+c} \right) \cot \frac{1}{2}A$$

#### Proof

$$\text{From } \frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$$

$$a = 2r \sin A, b = 2r \sin B, c = 2r \sin C$$

$$\frac{a-b}{a+b} = \frac{2r \sin A - 2r \sin B}{2r \sin A + 2r \sin B} = \frac{\sin A - \sin B}{\sin A + \sin B}$$

$$= \frac{2 \cos \frac{1}{2}(A+B) \sin \frac{1}{2}(A-B)}{2 \sin \frac{1}{2}(A+B) \cos \frac{1}{2}(A-B)}$$

$$= \frac{2 \cos(90 - \frac{1}{2}C) \sin \frac{1}{2}(A-B)}{2 \sin(90 - \frac{1}{2}C) \cos \frac{1}{2}(A-B)}$$

$$= \frac{\cos(90 - \frac{1}{2}C) \tan \frac{1}{2}(A-B)}{\sin \frac{1}{2}(90 - C)}$$

$$= \frac{\sin \frac{1}{2}C \tan \frac{1}{2}(A-B)}{\cos \frac{1}{2}C}$$

$$\frac{a-b}{a+b} = \tan \frac{1}{2}C \tan \frac{1}{2}(A - B)$$

$$\therefore \tan \frac{1}{2}(A - B) = \left( \frac{a-b}{a+b} \right) \cot \frac{1}{2}C$$

#### Example 56

Show that in a triangle PQR

$$\tan \frac{1}{2}(Q - C) = \left( \frac{q-r}{q+r} \right) \cot \frac{1}{2}P$$

Hence solve the triangle in which  $q = 15.32$ ,  $r = 28.6$  and  $P = 39^\circ 52'$

Solution

$$\text{From } \frac{p}{\sin P} = \frac{q}{\sin Q} = \frac{r}{\sin R}$$

$$p = 2r \sin P, q = 2r \sin Q, r = 2r \sin R$$

$$\frac{q-r}{q+r} = \frac{2r \sin Q - 2r \sin R}{2r \sin Q + 2r \sin R} = \frac{\sin Q - \sin R}{\sin Q + \sin R}$$

$$= \frac{2 \cos \frac{1}{2}(Q+R) \sin \frac{1}{2}(Q-R)}{2 \sin \frac{1}{2}(Q+R) \cos \frac{1}{2}(Q-R)}$$

$$= \frac{2 \cos(90 - \frac{1}{2}P) \sin \frac{1}{2}(Q-R)}{2 \sin(90 - \frac{1}{2}P) \cos \frac{1}{2}(Q-R)}$$

$$= \frac{\cos(90 - \frac{1}{2}P) \tan \frac{1}{2}(Q-R)}{\sin \frac{1}{2}(90 - P)}$$

$$= \frac{\sin \frac{1}{2}P \tan \frac{1}{2}(Q-R)}{\cos \frac{1}{2}P}$$

$$\frac{q-r}{q+r} = \tan \frac{1}{2}P \tan \frac{1}{2}(Q - R)$$

$$\therefore \tan \frac{1}{2}(Q - R) = \left( \frac{q-r}{q+r} \right) \cot \frac{1}{2}P$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \frac{1}{2}(Q - R) &= \frac{15.32 - 28.6}{15.32 + 29.6} \cot 39^\circ 52' \\ &= -0.3621 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(Q - R) = -19.9^\circ \text{ i.e. } Q - R = -39.9^\circ$$

But  $P + Q + R = 180$

$$Q + R = 180 - 39.9 = 140.1^\circ$$

Solving  $Q = 50.15^\circ$  and  $R = 89.95^\circ$

$$\text{Now } p = \frac{q \sin P}{\sin Q} = \frac{15.32 \sin [39 + \frac{52}{60}]^\circ}{\sin 50.15} = 12.79$$

$$\therefore p = 12.79, Q = 50.15^\circ, R = 89.95^\circ$$

#### Example 57

Show that  $\frac{a+b-c}{a+b+c} = \tan \frac{1}{2}A \tan \frac{1}{2}B$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= \frac{a+b-c}{a+b+c} \\ &= \frac{2r \sin A + 2r \sin B - 2r \sin C}{2r \sin A + 2r \sin B + 2r \sin C} \\ &= \frac{\sin A + \sin B - \sin C}{\sin A + \sin B + \sin C} \\ &= \frac{2 \sin \frac{1}{2}(A+B) \cos \frac{1}{2}(A-B) - 2 \sin \frac{1}{2}C \cos \frac{1}{2}C}{2 \sin \frac{1}{2}(A+B) \cos \frac{1}{2}(A-B) + 2 \sin \frac{1}{2}C \cos \frac{1}{2}C} \\ &= \frac{2 \sin(90 - \frac{1}{2}C) \cos \frac{1}{2}(A-B) - 2 \sin \frac{1}{2}C \cos \frac{1}{2}C}{2 \sin(90 - \frac{1}{2}C) \cos \frac{1}{2}(A-B) + 2 \sin \frac{1}{2}C \cos \frac{1}{2}C} \\ &= \frac{2 \cos \frac{1}{2}C \cos \frac{1}{2}(A-B) - 2 \sin \frac{1}{2}C \cos \frac{1}{2}C}{2 \cos \frac{1}{2}C \cos \frac{1}{2}(A-B) + 2 \sin \frac{1}{2}C \cos \frac{1}{2}C} \\ &= \frac{\cos \frac{1}{2}(A-B) - \sin \frac{1}{2}C}{\cos \frac{1}{2}(A-B) + \sin \frac{1}{2}C} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{\cos\frac{1}{2}(A-B) - \sin\left(90 - \frac{1}{2}(A+B)\right)}{\cos\frac{1}{2}(A-B) + \sin\left(90 - \frac{1}{2}(A+B)\right)} \\
&= \frac{\cos\frac{1}{2}(A-B) - \cos\frac{1}{2}(A+B)}{\cos\frac{1}{2}(A-B) + \cos\frac{1}{2}(A+B)} \\
&= \frac{-2\sin\frac{1}{2}A \sin\left(-\frac{1}{2}B\right)}{\cos\frac{1}{2}A + \cos\frac{1}{2}B} \\
&= \tan\frac{1}{2}A \tan\frac{1}{2}B \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}\right) \\
&= \left(\frac{2bc - b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{4bc}\right) \\
&= \left(\frac{a^2 - (b-c)^2}{4bc}\right) \\
&= \left(\frac{(a+c-b)(a+b-c)}{4bc}\right) \\
&= \left(\frac{2(s-b) \cdot 2(s-c)}{4bc}\right) \\
&= \left(\frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{bc}\right)
\end{aligned}$$

**Expressions for  $\sin A$ ,  $\sin\frac{1}{2}A$  and  $\cos\frac{1}{2}A$  in terms of the sides of the triangle**

**(a)  $\sin A$**

From the identity

$$\begin{aligned}
\sin^2 A &= 1 - \cos^2 A = (1 - \cos A)(1 + \cos A) \\
&= \left(1 - \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}\right) \left(1 + \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}\right) \\
&= \left(\frac{2bc - b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}\right) \left(\frac{2bc + b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}\right) \\
&= \frac{[a^2 - (b-c)^2][(b+c)^2 - a^2]}{4b^2c^2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \sin^2 A = \frac{(a+c-b)(a+b-c)(b+c-a)(b+c+a)}{4b^2c^2}$$

Let  $s = \frac{1}{2}$  [perimeter of triangle]

$$= \frac{1}{2} [a + b + c]$$

$$2s = [a + b + c]$$

$$a + b = 2s - c; \text{ i.e. } a + b - c = 2s - c - c = 2(s - c)$$

$$a + c = 2s - b; \text{ i.e. } a + c - b = 2s - b - b = 2(s - b)$$

$$b + c = 2s - a; \text{ i.e. } b + c - a = 2s - a - a = 2(s - a)$$

$$\therefore \sin^2 A = \frac{2(s-b) \cdot 2(s-c) \cdot 2(s-a) \cdot 2s}{4b^2c^2}$$

$$\sin A = \frac{2}{bc} \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \sin B = \frac{2}{ac} \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

$$\sin C = \frac{2}{ab} \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

**(b)  $\sin\frac{1}{2}A$  and  $\cos\frac{1}{2}A$**

$$\text{From } \sin^2\frac{1}{2}A = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos A)$$

$$\therefore \sin\frac{1}{2}A = \sqrt{\left(\frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{bc}\right)}$$

Similarly;

$$\sin\frac{1}{2}B = \sqrt{\left(\frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{ac}\right)}$$

$$\sin\frac{1}{2}C = \sqrt{\left(\frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{ab}\right)}$$

Also;

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

$$= \left(\frac{2bc + b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{4bc}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{(b+c)^2 - a^2}{4bc}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{(b+c-a)(a+b+c)}{4bc}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{2(s-a) \cdot 2s}{4bc}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{s(s-a)}{bc}\right)$$

$$\therefore \cos\frac{1}{2}A = \sqrt{\left(\frac{s(s-a)}{bc}\right)}$$

Similarly;

$$\cos\frac{1}{2}B = \sqrt{\left(\frac{s(s-a)}{ac}\right)}$$

$$\cos\frac{1}{2}C = \sqrt{\left(\frac{s(s-a)}{ab}\right)}$$

The expression for  $\tan \frac{1}{2}A$  can be deduced as follows

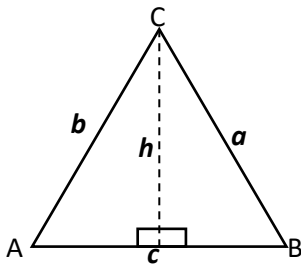
$$\tan \frac{1}{2}A = \frac{\sin \frac{1}{2}A}{\cos \frac{1}{2}A} = \sqrt{\frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{s(s-a)}}$$

Similarly;

$$\tan \frac{1}{2}B = \sqrt{\frac{(s-a)(s-c)}{s(s-b)}}$$

$$\tan \frac{1}{2}C = \sqrt{\frac{(s-a)(s-b)}{s(s-c)}}$$

### Area of a triangle



Area,  $\Delta = \frac{1}{2}(\text{base})(\text{perpendicular height})$

$$= \frac{1}{2}ch$$

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

Substituting for

$$\sin A = \frac{2}{bc} \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2}bc \times \frac{2}{bc} \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

$$\Delta = \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

This a convenient form given the three sides of a triangle. The formula is called Hero's formula from the first mathematician who suggested it.

### Example 58

The area of a triangle is  $336\text{m}^2$ . The sum of the three sides is  $84\text{m}$  and one side is  $28\text{m}$ .

Calculate the length of the remaining two sides

Solution

Given  $\Delta = 336$ ,  $a + b + c = 84$  and  $a = 28$

$$s = \frac{1}{2}(a + b + c) = \frac{1}{2}(84) = 42$$

$$28 + b + c = 84$$

$$b + c = 56, \text{ or } c = 56 - b$$

$$\text{But } \Delta^2 = s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)$$

$$336^2 = 42(42-28)(42-b)(42-56+b)$$

$$b^2 - 56b + 780 = 0$$

$$b = \frac{56 \pm \sqrt{56^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 780}}{2 \times 1}$$

$$b = 30 \text{ or } 26$$

substituting for  $c = 56 - b$

$$c = 26 \text{ or } 30$$

$\therefore$  the remaining sides are  $30\text{m}$  and  $26\text{m}$

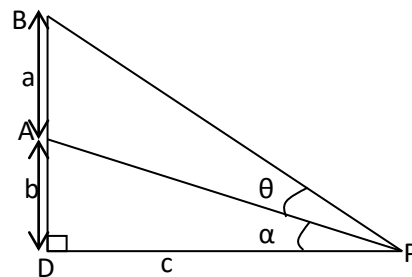
### Applications of trigonometry in finding distances and bearings

#### Example 59

A vertical pole BAD stands with its base D on a horizontal plane where  $BA = a$  and  $AD = b$ . A point P is situated on the horizontal plane at a distance C from D and the angle  $APB = \theta$ .

Prove that  $\theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{ac}{b^2 + ab + c^2} \right)$

Solution



Let angle  $APD = \alpha$

$$\text{For triangle APD: } \tan \alpha = \frac{b}{c}$$

$$\text{For triangle DPB: } \tan(\theta + \alpha) = \frac{a+b}{c}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tan \theta + \tan \alpha}{1 - \tan \theta \tan \alpha} = \frac{a+b}{c}$$

Substituting for  $\tan \alpha$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tan\theta + \frac{b}{c}}{1 - \left(\frac{b}{c}\right)\tan\theta} = \frac{a+b}{c}$$

$$c^2 \tan\theta + bc = ac + bc - ab \tan\theta - b^2 \tan\theta$$

$$(b^2 + ab + c^2) \tan\theta = ac$$

$$\tan\theta = \frac{ac}{b^2 + ab + c^2}$$

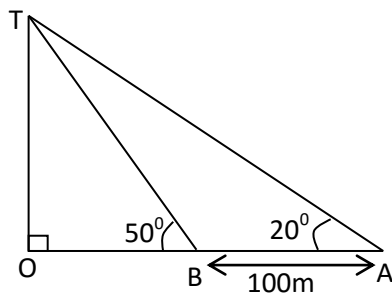
$$\therefore \theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{ac}{b^2 + ab + c^2} \right)$$

### Example 60

The angle of the top of a vertical tower from a point A is  $20^\circ$  and from another point B is  $50^\circ$ . Given that A and B lie on the same horizontal plane in the same direction where  $AB = 100\text{m}$ . Find the height of the tower

Solution

Let OT be the height of the tower



$$\widehat{ATB} = 50 - 30 = 20^\circ$$

Using sine rule

$$\frac{TB}{\sin 20^\circ} = \frac{100}{\sin 30^\circ}$$

$$TB = \frac{100 \sin 20^\circ}{\sin 30^\circ}$$

$$\text{But } OT = TB \sin 50^\circ$$

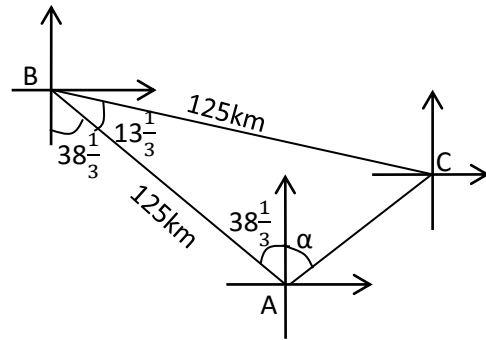
$$OT = \frac{100 \sin 20^\circ \sin 50^\circ}{\sin 30^\circ} = 26.2\text{m}$$

### Example 61

From a point A, a pilot flies in the direction  $N38^\circ 20' W$  to point B 125km from A. He then flies in the direction  $S50^\circ 40' E$  for 125km. He wishes to return to A from this point. How far and in what direction must he fly.

Solution

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From the diagram

$$\text{Let } \widehat{BAC} = \widehat{BCA} = \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\theta + 138\frac{1}{3} = 180^\circ$$

$$\theta = 83\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{But } 38\frac{1}{3} + \alpha = \theta$$

$$38\frac{1}{3} + \alpha = 83\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\alpha = 45^\circ$$

From the sine rule

$$\frac{AC}{\sin 138\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{125}{\sin 83\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$AC = 29\text{km}$$

$\therefore$  he has to fly 29km in the direction  $S45^\circ W$

### Example 62

(a) Prove that  $\tan(A - B) = \frac{\tan A - \tan B}{1 + \tan A \tan B}$

$$\tan(A - B) = \frac{\sin(A - B)}{\cos(A - B)}$$

$$= \frac{\sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B}{\cos A \sin B + \sin A \cos B}$$

Dividing numerator and denominator on the R.H.S by  $\cos A \cos B$

$$\tan(A - B) = \frac{\frac{\sin A \cos B}{\cos A \cos B} - \frac{\cos A \sin B}{\cos A \cos B}}{\frac{\cos A \sin B}{\cos A \cos B} + \frac{\sin A \cos B}{\cos A \cos B}}$$

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

$$\text{Hence show that } \frac{1 - \tan 15^\circ}{1 + \tan 15^\circ} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\frac{1 - \tan 15^\circ}{1 + \tan 15^\circ} = \frac{\tan 45^\circ - \tan 15^\circ}{1 + \tan 45^\circ \tan 15^\circ}$$

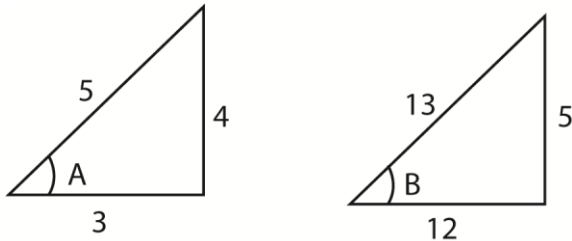
$$= \tan(45^\circ - 15^\circ) \tan 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

(b) Given that  $\cos A = \frac{3}{5}$  and  $\cos B = \frac{12}{13}$  where

A and B are acute, find the values of

- (i)  $\tan(A + B)$
- (ii)  $\operatorname{cosec}(A + B)$

Solution



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

$$\sin A = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\tan A = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\cos B = \frac{12}{13}$$

$$\sin B = \frac{5}{13}$$

$$\tan B = \frac{5}{12}$$

$$(i) \quad \tan(A + B) = \frac{\sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B}{\cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{4}{5} \cdot \frac{12}{13} + \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{5}{13}}{\frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{12}{13} - \frac{4}{5} \cdot \frac{5}{13}} = 3.9375$$

$$(ii) \quad \operatorname{cosec}(A + B) = \frac{1}{\sin(A + B)}$$

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

$$= \frac{\cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B}{\sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{12}{13} - \frac{4}{5} \cdot \frac{5}{13}}{\frac{4}{5} \cdot \frac{12}{13} + \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{5}{13}} = 1.0317$$

### Example 63

Express  $\cos(\theta + 30^\circ) - \cos(\theta + 48^\circ)$  in the form  $R \sin P \sin Q$ , where R is constant.

Hence solve the equation

$$\cos(\theta + 30^\circ) - \cos(\theta + 48^\circ) = 0.2$$

Solution

$$\cos(\theta + 30^\circ) - \cos(\theta + 48^\circ)$$

$$= -2 \sin\left(\frac{\theta + 30^\circ + \theta + 48^\circ}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\theta + 30^\circ - \theta - 48^\circ}{2}\right)$$

$$= -2 \sin(\theta + 39^\circ) \sin(-9^\circ)$$

$$\cos(\theta + 30^\circ) - \cos(\theta + 48^\circ) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow -2 \sin(\theta + 39^\circ) \sin(-9^\circ) = 0.2$$

$$\sin(\theta + 39^\circ) = 0.63925$$

$$\theta + 39^\circ = 39.74^\circ$$

$$\theta = 0.74^\circ$$

### Example 64

Express  $7 \cos 2\theta + 6 \sin 2\theta$  in form  $R \cos(2\theta - \alpha)$ , where R is a constant and  $\alpha$  is an acute angle.

$$7 \cos 2\theta + 6 \sin 2\theta \equiv R \cos(2\theta - \alpha)$$

$$7 \cos 2\theta + 6 \sin 2\theta \equiv R \cos 2\theta \cos \alpha + R \sin 2\theta \sin \alpha$$

Comparing both sides

$$R \cos \alpha = 7 \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

$$R \sin \alpha = 6 \dots\dots\dots (ii)$$

(i)<sup>2</sup> + (ii)<sup>2</sup> gives

$$R = \sqrt{7^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{85}$$

From equation (i)

$$\sqrt{85} \cos \alpha = 7$$

$$\alpha = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{7}{\sqrt{85}}\right) = 40.6^\circ$$

Hence solve  $7 \cos 2\theta + 6 \sin 2\theta = 5$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$ . (07marks)

$$\therefore 7 \cos 2\theta + 6 \sin 2\theta = \sqrt{85} \cos(2\theta - 40.6^\circ) = 5$$

$$2\theta - 40.6 = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{\sqrt{85}}\right) = 57.16^\circ, 302.84^\circ$$

$$\theta = 48.88^\circ, 171.72^\circ$$

### Revision exercise 7

1. Solve the triangles
  - (a)  $a = 17\text{m}$ ,  $b = 21.42\text{m}$ ,  $B = 51^\circ 34'$   
[ $A = 38.44^\circ$ ,  $C = 90^\circ$ ,  $c = 27.34\text{m}$ ]
  - (b)  $b = 107.2\text{m}$ ,  $c = 76.69\text{m}$ ,  $B = 102^\circ 25'$   
[ $A = 33.26^\circ$ ,  $C = 44.32^\circ$ ,  $a = 60.21\text{m}$ ]
  - (c)  $a = 7\text{m}$ ,  $b = 3.59\text{m}$ ,  $C = 47^\circ$   
[ $A = 103^\circ 2'$ ,  $B = 29^\circ 52'$ ,  $c = 5.25\text{m}$ ]
  - (d)  $A = 60^\circ$ ,  $b = 8\text{m}$ ,  $C = 15^\circ$   
[ $a = 13$ ,  $B = 32.2^\circ$ ,  $C = 87.8^\circ$ ]
2. Show that for all values of x
 
$$\cos x + \cos\left(x + \frac{2\pi}{3}\right) + \cos\left(x + \frac{3\pi}{3}\right) = 0$$

3. (a) Simplify  $\frac{\sin 3\theta}{\sin \alpha} - \frac{\cos 3\theta}{\cos \alpha} \left[ \frac{2\sin(3\theta - \alpha)}{\sin 2\alpha} \right]$   
 (b) Express  $5\sin\theta + 12\cos\theta$  in the form  $r\sin(\theta + \alpha)$  where  $r$  and  $\alpha$  are constant. Hence determine the minimum value of  $5\sin\theta + 12\cos\theta + 7$ .  
 [r = 13,  $\alpha = 67.4^\circ$ , -6]  
 (c) Given that  $\tan\theta = \frac{3}{4}$ , where  $\theta$  is acute, find values of  $\tan 2\theta$  and  $\tan \frac{\theta}{2}$ .  
 [ $\tan 2\theta = \frac{24}{7}$  and  $\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{3}$ ]
4. (a) Show that  $2 \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{3} \right) + \tan \left( \frac{1}{7} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4}$   
 (b) Find  $x$  given that  $\tan^{-1}(1+x) + \tan^{-1}(1-x) = 32$   
 [x =  $\pm 1.789$ ]  
 (c) Given that  $\sin\alpha + \sin\beta = p$  and  $\cos\alpha + \cos\beta = q$   
 Show that  $\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{2pq}{p^2 + q^2}$
5. (a) By expressing  $2\sin\theta\sin(\theta + \alpha)$  as a difference of cosines of two angles or otherwise, where  $\alpha$  is constant, find the least value [minimum value =  $\cos\alpha - 1$ . It occurs when  $\theta = \frac{-\alpha}{2}$ ]  
 (b) Solve for  $x$  in the equation  $\cos x - \cos(x + 60^\circ) = 0.4$  for  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  [x:  $x = 126.4^\circ, 353.6^\circ$ ]
6. (a) Prove that in any triangle ABC  $\frac{b^2 - c^2}{a^2} = \frac{\sin(B-C)}{\sin(B+C)}$   
 (b) Show that for any isosceles triangle ABC with  $AB = c$  the base, is given by  $\Delta = \frac{1}{2}c\sqrt{s(s-c)}$  where  $s$  is the perimeter of the triangle  
 Given that  $\Delta = \sqrt{3}$  and  $s = 4$ , determine the sides of the triangle [1, 3.5, 3.5]
7. Given that  $\tan^{-1} \alpha = x$  and  $\tan^{-1} \beta = y$ , by expressing  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  as tangents ratio of  $x$  and  $y$  and manipulating the ratios show that  $x + y = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\alpha + \beta}{1 - \alpha\beta} \right)$   
 Hence or otherwise  
 (i) Solve for  $x$  in  $\tan^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{x-1} \right) + \tan(x+1) = \tan(-2)$   
 [x =  $\pm 2$ ]  
 (ii) Without using tables of calculators determine the value of  $\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{5} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{8} \left[ \frac{\pi}{4} \right]$
8. (a) Prove that  $\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C} = 2R$  where ABC has all angles acute and R is the radius of the circumcircle.  
 (b) From the top of a vertical cliff 10m high, the angle of depression of ship A is  $10^\circ$  and ship B is  $15^\circ$ . The Bearings of A and B from the cliff are  $162^\circ$  and  $202.5^\circ$  respectively. Find the bearing of B from A [ $301.5^\circ$ ]
9. (a) Prove that  $(\sin 2x - \sin x)(1 + 2\cos x) = \sin 3x$   
 (b) A vertical pole BAO stands with its base O on a horizontal plane, where  $BA = c$  and  $AO = b$ , a point P is situated on horizontal plane at a distance  $x$  from O and angle  $APB = \theta$   
 Prove that  $\tan\theta = \frac{cx}{x^2 + b^2 + bc}$   
 As P takes different positions on the horizontal plane, find the value of  $x$  for which  $\theta$  is greatest.  
 [ $18^\circ 26'$ , when  $x = b = c$ ]
10. (a) Prove that  $\sin 3x = 3\sin x - 4\sin^3 x$ .  
 (b) Find all the solutions to  $2\sin^2 x = 1$  for  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$ . [x =  $10^\circ, 50^\circ, 130^\circ, 170^\circ, 250^\circ, 290^\circ$ ]
11. Solve  $\cos x + \sqrt{3}\sin x = 2$  for  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$   
 [x =  $60^\circ$ ]
12. From the top of a tower 12.6m high, the angles of depression of ship A and B are  $12^\circ$  and  $18^\circ$  respectively. the bearing of ship A and ship B from the tower are  $148^\circ$  and  $209.5^\circ$  respectively  
 Calculate  
 (i) How far the ships are from each other [53.14m]  
 (ii) The bearing of ship A from ship B [ $108.1^\circ$ ]
13. (a) Solve  $\sin 3x + \frac{1}{2} = 2\cos^2 x$  for  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$   
 [x =  $30^\circ, 60^\circ, 120^\circ, 150^\circ, 240^\circ, 300^\circ$ ]  
 (b) Given that in any triangle ABC,  $\tan \left( \frac{B-C}{2} \right) = \frac{b-c}{b+c} \cot \left( \frac{A}{2} \right)$  solve the triangle with two sides 5 and 7 and the included angle  $45^\circ$ .  
 [A =  $45^\circ$ , B =  $89.4^\circ$ , C =  $45.6^\circ$ ]

14. (a) Solve  $\cot^2 x = 5(\cos x + 1)$  for  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  [ $9.6^\circ, 170.4^\circ, 270^\circ$ ]  
 (b) Use  $\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = t$  to solve  $5 \sec \theta - 2 \sin \theta = 2$  for  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  [ $46.4^\circ, 270^\circ$ ]
15. Given that  $\sin 2x = \cos 3x$ , find the values of  $\sin \theta$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq \pi$  [0.309 3dp]
16. (a) Show that  $\tan \left( \frac{A+B}{2} \right) - \tan \left( \frac{A-B}{2} \right) = \frac{2 \sin B}{\cos A + \cos B}$   
 (b) Find in radians the solution of the equation  $\cos \theta + \sin 2\theta = \cos 3\theta$  for  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$  [ $0, \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}, 2\pi$ ]
17. (a) Show that  $\cot A + \tan 2A = \cot A \sec 2A$   
 (b) Show that  $\tan 3x = \frac{3t - t^3}{1 - 3t^2}$  where  $t = \tan x$ . Hence or otherwise show that  $\tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\pi}{12} \right) = 2 - \sqrt{3}$
18. (a) Find all the values  $\theta$ ,  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ , which satisfies the equation  $\sin^2 \theta - \sin 2\theta - 3 \cos^2 \theta = 0$  [ $\theta = 135^\circ, 315^\circ$ ]  
 (b) Show that  $\frac{\cos x}{1 + \sin x} = \cot \left( \frac{x}{2} + 45^\circ \right)$ . Hence or otherwise solve  $\frac{\cos x}{1 + \sin x} = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  [ $x = 36.8^\circ$ ]
19. (a) Given that X, Y and Z are angles of a triangle XYZ. Prove that  $\tan \left( \frac{X-Y}{2} \right) = \frac{x-y}{x+y} \cot \frac{Z}{2}$ . Hence solve the triangle if  $x = 9\text{cm}$ ,  $y = 5.7\text{cm}$  and  $Z = 57^\circ$ . [ $z = 7.6\text{cm}$ ,  $X = 84.4^\circ$ ]  
 (b) Use the substitution  $t = \tan \left( \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$  to solve the equation  $3 \cos \theta - 5 \sin \theta = -1$  for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  [ $40.84^\circ, 201.1^\circ$ ]
20. Prove that  $\tan \left( \frac{\pi}{4} + \theta \right) - \tan \left( \frac{\pi}{4} - \theta \right) = 2 \tan 2\theta$
21. (a) Solve the equation  $3 \cos x + 4 \sin x = 2$  for  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  [ $x = 119.5^\circ, 346.7^\circ$ ]  
 (b) If A, B, C are angles of a triangle. Show that  $\cos 2A + \cos 2B + \cos 2C = -1 - 4 \cos A \cos B$
22. (a) Solve  $2 \sin 2\theta = 3$  for  $-180^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$  [ $-90^\circ, 48.6^\circ, 90^\circ, 131.4^\circ$ ]  
 (b) Solve  $\sin x - \sin 4x = \sin 2x - \sin 3x$  for  $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$   
 $\left[ -\frac{\pi}{5}, -\frac{\pi}{2}, -\frac{3\pi}{5}, 0, \frac{\pi}{5}, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{5} \right]$
23. Without using tables or calculator, show that  $\tan 150^\circ = 2 - \sqrt{3}$
24. (a) Solve the equation  $\cos x + \cos 2x = 1$  for  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  [ $x = 38.67^\circ, 321.33^\circ$ ]  
 (b) (i) Prove that  $\frac{\cos A + \cos B}{\sin A + \sin B} = \cot \frac{A+B}{2}$   
 (ii)  $\frac{\cos A + \cos B}{\sin A + \sin B} = \tan \frac{C}{2}$  where A, B and C are angles of a triangle
25. Given that  $\sin(\theta - 45^\circ) = 3 \cos(\theta + 45^\circ)$  show that  $\tan \theta = 1$ . Hence find  $\theta$  if  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  [ $45^\circ, 225^\circ$ ]
26. (a) Use the factor formula to show that  $\frac{\sin(A+2B) + \sin A}{\cos(A+2B) + \cos A} = \tan(A+B)$   
 (b) Express  $y = 8 \cos x + 6 \sin x$  in the form  $R \cos(x - \alpha)$  where R is positive and  $\alpha$  is acute. Hence find the maximum and minimum values of  $\frac{1}{8 \cos x + 6 \sin x + 15}$  [0.2, 0.04]
27. Express  $\sin x + \cos x$  in the form  $R \cos(x - \alpha)$ . Hence, find the greatest value of  $\sin x + \cos x - 1$ . [0.4142]
28. (a) Solve  $\cos x + \cos 3x = \cos 2x$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  [ $x = 45^\circ, 60^\circ, 135^\circ, 225^\circ, 300^\circ, 315^\circ$ ]  
 (b) Show that  $\tan \left( \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\theta}{2} \right) = \frac{1 + \sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$
29. Show that  $\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{5} = \tan^{-1} \frac{7}{9}$
30. (a) Solve  $3 \sin x + 4 \cos x = 2$  for  $-180^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$ . [ $-29.55^\circ, 103.29^\circ$ ]  
 (b) Show that in any triangle ABC  $\frac{a^2 - b^2}{c^2} = \frac{\sin(A-B)}{\sin(A+B)}$
31. (a) Prove that  $\frac{2 \tan x}{1 + \tan^2 x} = \sin 2x$   
 (b) Solve  $\sin 2x = \cos x$ ;  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 90^\circ$  [ $x = 30^\circ, 90^\circ$ ]
32. (a) Solve the equation  $8 \cos^4 x - 10 \cos^2 x + 3 = 0$ ;  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$  [ $30^\circ, 45^\circ, 135^\circ, 150^\circ$ ]  
 (b) Prove that  $\cos 4A - \cos 4B - \cos 4C = 4 \sin 2B \sin 2C \cos 2A - 1$  given that A, B and C are angles of a triangle
33. Given that  $\cos 2A - \cos 2B = -p$  and  $\sin 2A - \sin 2B = q$ , prove that  $\sec(A+B) = \frac{1}{q} \sqrt{p^2 + q^2}$
34. Solve  
 (a)  $4 \sin^2 \theta - 12 \sin 2\theta + 35 \cos^2 \theta = 0$ ; for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 90^\circ$  [ $74.0^\circ$ ]

(b)  $3\cos\theta - 2\sin\theta = 2$ , for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$   
[ $\theta: \theta = 22.62^\circ, 270.00^\circ$ ]

35. Solve the equation  $\sin 2\theta + \cos 2\theta \cos 4\theta = \cos 4\theta \cos 6\theta$  for  $0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$ . [ $\theta = 0, \frac{3\pi}{16}$ ]

36. (a) solve the equation  $\cos 2x = 4\cos^2 x - 2\sin^2 x$  for  $0 \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$  [ $\theta = 60^\circ, 120^\circ$ ]

(b) Show that if  $\sin(x + \alpha) = p\sin(x - \alpha)$   
then  $\tan x = \left(\frac{p+1}{p-1}\right)\tan\alpha$ . Hence solve  
the equation  $\sin(x + \alpha) = p\sin(x - \alpha)$  for  
 $p = 2$  and  $\alpha = 20^\circ$ . [ $x = 47.52^\circ$ ]

37. Solve the equation

$$3\tan^2\theta + 2\sec^2\theta = 2(5 - 3\tan\theta)$$

for  $0^\circ < \theta < 180^\circ$  [ $\theta = 38.66^\circ, 116.57^\circ$ ]

38. (a) Show that  $\tan 4\theta = \frac{4t(1-t^2)}{t^4-6t^2+1}$ , where  
 $t = \tan\theta$

(b) Solve the equation

$$\sin x + \sin 5x = \sin 2x + \sin 4x$$

for  $0^\circ < x < 90^\circ$ . [ $x = 60^\circ$ ]

39. Solve  $2\cos 2\theta - 5\cos \theta = 4$   
for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ . [ $\theta = 138.59^\circ, 221.41^\circ$ ]

Thank you

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