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# Inverse Circular Functions

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## 1. Principal Values & Domains of Inverse Trigonometric/Circular Functions:

	Function	where	Domain	Range
(i)	$y = \sin^{-1} x$		$-1 \leq x \leq 1$	$-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$
(ii)	$y = \cos^{-1} x$		$-1 \leq x \leq 1$	$0 \leq y \leq \pi$
(iii)	$y = \tan^{-1} x$		$x \in \mathbb{R}$	$-\frac{\pi}{2} < y < \frac{\pi}{2}$
(iv)	$y = \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x$		$x \leq -1$ or $x \geq 1$	$-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, y \neq 0$
(v)	$y = \sec^{-1} x$		$x \leq -1$ or $x \geq 1$	$0 \leq y \leq \pi; y \neq \frac{\pi}{2}$
(vi)	$y = \cot^{-1} x$		$x \in \mathbb{R}$	$0 < y < \pi$

### NOTE:

- 1<sup>st</sup> quadrant is common to the range of all the inverse functions.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> quadrant is not used in inverse functions.
- 4<sup>th</sup> quadrant is used in the clockwise direction i.e.  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq y \leq 0$ .
- No inverse function is periodic. (See the graphs on page 17)

### Solved Example # 1

Find the value of  $\tan \left[ \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) \right]$ .

### Solution

$$\text{Let } y = \tan \left[ \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) \right]$$

$$\therefore = \tan \left[ \frac{\pi}{3} + \left( -\frac{\pi}{6} \right) \right]$$

$$= \tan \left( \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

$$y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

### Self practice problems:

Find the value of the followings :

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

(2)  $\operatorname{cosec} [\sec^{-1} (-\sqrt{2}) + \cot^{-1} (-1)]$  Ans. -1

### Solved Example # 2

Find domain of  $\sin^{-1} (2x^2 - 1)$

### Solution.

Let  $y = \sin^{-1} (2x^2 - 1)$

For y to be defined

$$-1 \leq (2x^2 - 1) \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq 2x^2 \leq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq x^2 \leq 1$$

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

### Self practice problems:

Find the domain of followings :

(3)  $y = \sec^{-1} (x^2 + 3x + 1)$

Successful People Replace the words like; "wish", "try" & "should" with "I Will". Ineffective People don't.

$$(4) \quad y = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} \right)$$

$$(5) \quad y = \tan^{-1} (\sqrt{x^2 - 1})$$

- Answers**
- (3)  $(-\infty, -3] \cup [-2, -1] \cup [0, \infty)$   
 (4)  $\mathbb{R}$   
 (5)  $(-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$

## 2. Properties of Inverse Trigonometric Functions:

### Property - 2(A)

- (i)  $\sin(\sin^{-1} x) = x, \quad -1 \leq x \leq 1$       (ii)  $\cos(\cos^{-1} x) = x, \quad -1 \leq x \leq 1$   
 (iii)  $\tan(\tan^{-1} x) = x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$       (iv)  $\cot(\cot^{-1} x) = x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$   
 (v)  $\sec(\sec^{-1} x) = x, \quad x \leq -1, x \geq 1$       (vi)  $\operatorname{cosec}(\operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x) = x, \quad x \leq -1, x \geq 1$

These functions are equal to identity function in their whole domain which may or may not be  $\mathbb{R}$ . **(See the graphs on page 18)**

### Solved Example # 3

Find the value of  $\operatorname{cosec} \left\{ \cot \left( \cot^{-1} \frac{3\pi}{4} \right) \right\}$ .

**Solution.**

Let  $y = \operatorname{cosec} \left\{ \cot \left( \cot^{-1} \frac{3\pi}{4} \right) \right\}$  .....(i)

$\therefore \cot(\cot^{-1} x) = x, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

$\therefore \cot \left( \cot^{-1} \frac{3\pi}{4} \right) = \frac{3\pi}{4}$

$\therefore$  from equation (i), we get

$y = \operatorname{cosec} \left( \frac{3\pi}{4} \right)$

$y = \sqrt{2}$       **Ans.**

### Self practice problems:

Find the value of each of the following :

(6)  $\cos \left\{ \sin \left( \sin^{-1} \frac{\pi}{6} \right) \right\}$

(7)  $\sin \left\{ \cos \left( \cos^{-1} \frac{3\pi}{4} \right) \right\}$

- Answers**      (6)  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$       (7) not defined

### Property - 2(B)

- (i)  $\sin^{-1}(\sin x) = x, \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$       (ii)  $\cos^{-1}(\cos x) = x; \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi$   
 (iii)  $\tan^{-1}(\tan x) = x; \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$       (iv)  $\cot^{-1}(\cot x) = x; \quad 0 < x < \pi$   
 (v)  $\sec^{-1}(\sec x) = x; \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi, x \neq \frac{\pi}{2}$       (vi)  $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(\operatorname{cosec} x) = x; \quad x \neq 0, -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

These are equal to identity function for a short interval of  $x$  only. **(See the graphs on page 19-20)**

### Solved Example # 4

Find the value of  $\tan^{-1} \left( \tan \frac{3\pi}{4} \right)$

**Solution.**

Let  $y = \tan^{-1} \left( \tan \frac{3\pi}{4} \right)$

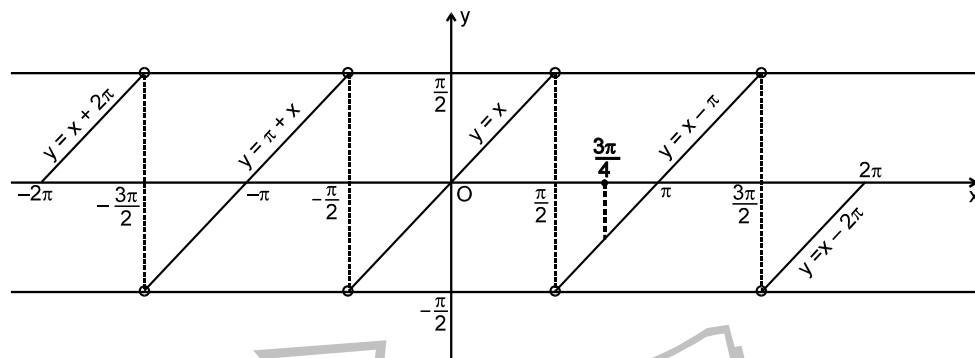
**Note**       $\therefore \tan^{-1}(\tan x) = x$       if  $x \in \left( -\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$

$$\therefore \frac{3\pi}{4} \notin \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

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

$$\therefore \frac{3\pi}{4} \in \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$$

$\therefore$  graph of  $y = \tan^{-1}(\tan x)$  is as :



$\therefore$  from the graph we can see that if  $\frac{\pi}{2} < x < \frac{3\pi}{2}$ ,

then  $y = \tan^{-1}(\tan x)$  can be written as

$$y = x - \pi$$

$$\therefore y = \tan^{-1}\left(\tan \frac{3\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{3\pi}{4} - \pi = -\frac{\pi}{4}$$

**Solved Example # 5**

**Find the value of  $\sin^{-1}(\sin 7)$**

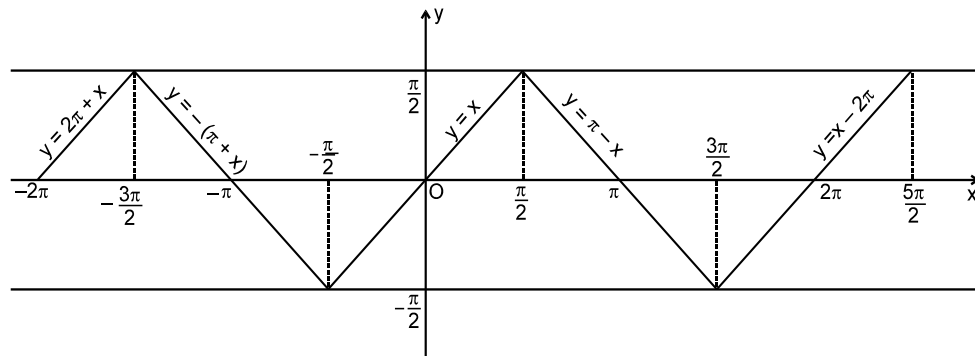
**Solution.**

Let  $y = \sin^{-1}(\sin 7)$

**Note :**  $\sin^{-1}(\sin 7) \neq 7$  as  $7 \notin \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

$$\therefore 2\pi < 7 < \frac{5\pi}{2}$$

$\therefore$  graph of  $y = \sin^{-1}(\sin x)$  is as :



From the graph we can see that if  $2\pi \leq x \leq \frac{5\pi}{2}$  then

$y = \sin^{-1}(\sin x)$  can be written as :

$$y = x - 2\pi$$

$$\therefore \sin^{-1}(\sin 7) = 7 - 2\pi$$

**Similarly** if we have to find  $\sin^{-1}(\sin(-5))$  then

$\therefore$  Successful People Replace the words like; "wish", "try" & "should" with "I Will". Ineffective People don't.

∴ from the graph of  $\sin^{-1}(\sin x)$ , we can say that  
 $\sin^{-1}(\sin(-5)) = 2\pi + (-5)$   
 $= 2\pi - 5$

**Self practice problems:**

(8) Find the value of  $\cos^{-1}(\cos 13)$

(9) Find  $\sin^{-1}(\sin \theta)$ ,  $\cos^{-1}(\cos \theta)$ ,  $\tan^{-1}(\tan \theta)$ ,  $\cot^{-1}(\cot \theta)$  for  $\theta \in \left(\frac{5\pi}{2}, 3\pi\right)$

**Ans.** (8)  $13 - 4\pi$   
 (9)  $\sin^{-1}(\sin \theta) = 3\pi - \theta$  ;  $\cos^{-1}(\cos \theta) = \theta - 2\pi$  ;  
 $\tan^{-1}(\tan \theta) = \theta - 3\pi$  ;  $\cot^{-1}(\cot \theta) = \theta - 2\pi$

**Property - 2(C)**

(i)  $\sin^{-1}(-x) = -\sin^{-1}x$ ,  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$  (ii)  $\tan^{-1}(-x) = -\tan^{-1}x$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$   
 (iii)  $\cos^{-1}(-x) = \pi - \cos^{-1}x$ ,  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$  (iv)  $\cot^{-1}(-x) = \pi - \cot^{-1}x$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

The functions  $\sin^{-1}x$ ,  $\tan^{-1}x$  and  $\text{cosec}^{-1}x$  are odd functions and rest are neither even nor odd.

**Solved Example # 6**

**Find the value of  $\cos^{-1}\{\sin(-5)\}$**

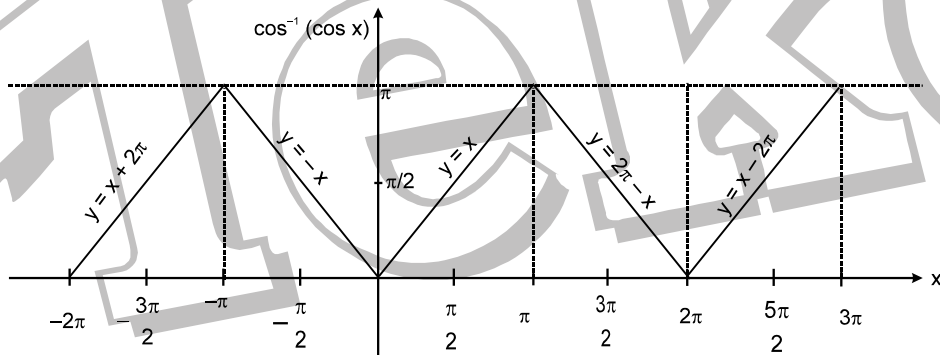
**Solution.**

Let  $y = \cos^{-1}\{\sin(-5)\}$   
 $= \cos^{-1}(-\sin 5)$  ∴  $\cos^{-1}(-x) = \pi - \cos^{-1}x$ ,  $|x| \leq 1$   
 $= \pi - \cos^{-1}(\sin 5)$

$$= \pi - \cos^{-1}\left\{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - 5\right)\right\} \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

∴  $-2\pi < \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - 5\right) < -\pi$

∴ graph of  $\cos^{-1}(\cos x)$  is as :



∴ from the graph we can see that if  $-2\pi \leq x \leq -\pi$   
 then  $y = \cos^{-1}(\cos x)$  can be written as  $y = x + 2\pi$

∴ from the graph  $\cos^{-1}\left\{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - 5\right)\right\} = \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - 5\right) + 2\pi = \left(\frac{5\pi}{2} - 5\right)$

∴ from equation (i), we get

∴  $y = \pi - \left(\frac{5\pi}{2} - 5\right)$

⇒  $y = 5 - \frac{3\pi}{2}$  **Ans.**

**Self practice problems:**

**Find the value of the following**

- (10)  $\cos^{-1}(-\cos 4)$  (11)  $\tan^{-1}\left\{\tan\left(-\frac{7\pi}{8}\right)\right\}$   
 (12)  $\tan^{-1}\left\{\cot\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)\right\}$

**Answers.** (10)  $4 - \pi$  (11)  $\frac{8}{\pi}$  (12)  $\left(\frac{4}{\pi} - \frac{1}{2}\right)$

**Property - 2(D)**

(i)  $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x = \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{x}; x \leq -1, x \geq 1$       (ii)  $\sec^{-1} x = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{x}; x \leq -1, x \geq 1$

(iii)  $\cot^{-1} x = \begin{cases} \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{x} & ; x > 0 \\ \pi + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{x} & ; x < 0 \end{cases}$

**Solved Example # 7**

Find the value of  $\tan \left\{ \cot^{-1} \left( \frac{-2}{3} \right) \right\}$

**Solution**

Let  $y = \tan \left\{ \cot^{-1} \left( \frac{-2}{3} \right) \right\}$  .....(i)

$\therefore \cot^{-1} (-x) = \pi - \cot^{-1} x, x \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $\therefore$  equation (i) can be written as

$y = \tan \left\{ \pi - \cot^{-1} \left( \frac{2}{3} \right) \right\}$

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

$\therefore \cot^{-1} x = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{x}$  if  $x > 0$

$\therefore y = -\tan \left( \tan^{-1} \frac{3}{2} \right) \Rightarrow y = -\frac{3}{2}$

**Self practice problems:**

Find the value of the followings

(13)  $\sec \left( \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{2}{3} \right) \right)$

(14)  $\operatorname{cosec} \left( \sin^{-1} \left( -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) \right)$

Answers. (13)  $\frac{3}{2}$       (14)  $-\sqrt{3}$

**Property - 2(E)**

(i)  $\sin^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2}, -1 \leq x \leq 1$       (ii)  $\tan^{-1} x + \cot^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2}, x \in \mathbb{R}$

(iii)  $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x + \sec^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2}, |x| \geq 1$

**Solved Example # 8**

Find the value of  $\sin (2\cos^{-1}x + \sin^{-1}x)$  when  $x = \frac{1}{5}$

**Solution.**

Let  $y = \sin [2\cos^{-1}x + \sin^{-1}x]$

$\therefore \sin^{-1}x + \cos^{-1}x = \frac{\pi}{2}, |x| \leq 1$

$\therefore y = \sin \left[ 2\cos^{-1}x + \frac{\pi}{2} - \cos^{-1}x \right]$   
 $= \sin \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} + \cos^{-1}x \right]$

$= \cos (\cos^{-1}x) \quad \therefore x = \frac{1}{5}$

$\therefore y = \cos \left( \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{5} \right)$  .....(i)

$\therefore \cos (\cos^{-1}x) = x$  if  $x \in [-1, 1]$

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$$\therefore \frac{1}{5} \in [-1, 1]$$

$$\therefore \cos \left( \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{5} \right) = \frac{1}{5} \quad \therefore \text{from equation (i), we get}$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{1}{5}$$

**Self practice problems:**

**Solve the following equations**

(15)  $5 \tan^{-1} x + 3 \cot^{-1} x = 2\pi$

(16)  $4 \sin^{-1} x = \pi - \cos^{-1} x$

**Answers.** (15)  $x = 1$  (16)  $x = \frac{1}{2}$

**Property - 2(F)**

(i)  $\sin (\cos^{-1} x) = \cos (\sin^{-1} x) = \sqrt{1 - x^2}, -1 \leq x \leq 1$

(ii)  $\tan (\cot^{-1} x) = \cot (\tan^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{x}, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0$

(iii)  $\operatorname{cosec} (\sec^{-1} x) = \sec (\operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x) = \frac{|x|}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}, |x| > 1$

**Solved Example # 9**

**Find the value of  $\sin \left( \tan^{-1} \frac{3}{4} \right)$ .**

**Solution.**

Let  $y = \sin \left( \tan^{-1} \frac{3}{4} \right)$  .....(i)

**Note :** To find y we use  $\sin(\sin^{-1} x) = x, -1 \leq x \leq 1$

For this we convert  $\tan^{-1} x$  in  $\sin^{-1} x$

Let  $\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$  and  $\theta \in \left( 0, \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$

$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{3}{5}$

$\therefore \sin^{-1} (\sin \theta) = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{3}{5} \right)$  .....(ii)

$\therefore \theta \in \left( 0, \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \Rightarrow \sin^{-1} (\sin \theta) = \theta$

$\therefore$  equation (ii) can be written as :

$\therefore \theta = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{3}{5} \right) \quad \therefore \theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{3}{4} \right) \Rightarrow \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{3}{4} \right) = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{3}{5} \right)$

$\therefore$  from equation (i), we get  $\therefore y = \sin \left( \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} \right)$

$y = \frac{3}{5}$

**Solved Example # 10**

**Find the value of  $\tan \left( \frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3} \right)$**

**Solution.**

Let  $y = \tan \left( \frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3} \right)$  .....(i)

Let  $\cos^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3} = \theta \Rightarrow \theta \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$  and  $\cos \theta = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3}$

$\therefore$  equation (i) becomes

$$y = \tan \left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \dots\dots\dots(ii)$$

$$\therefore \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{1 + \cos \theta} = \frac{1 - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3}}{1 + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3}} = \frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{3 + \sqrt{5}} = \frac{(3 - \sqrt{5})^2}{4}$$

$$\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \pm \left(\frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2}\right) \dots\dots\dots(iii)$$

$$\therefore \theta \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \Rightarrow \frac{\theta}{2} \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$\therefore \tan \frac{\theta}{2} > 0$$

$\therefore$  from equation (iii), we get

$$\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \left(\frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)$$

$\therefore$  from equation (ii), we get

$$\therefore y = \left(\frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2}\right) \text{ Ans.}$$

**Solved Example # 11**

**Find the value of  $\cos (2\cos^{-1}x + \sin^{-1}x)$  when  $x = \frac{1}{5}$**

**Solution.**

Let  $y = \cos [2\cos^{-1}x + \sin^{-1}x]$

$$\therefore \sin^{-1}x + \cos^{-1}x = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad |x| \leq 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore y &= \cos \left[ 2\cos^{-1}x + \frac{\pi}{2} - \cos^{-1}x \right] \\ &= \cos \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} + \cos^{-1}x \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$= -\sin (\cos^{-1}x) \quad \therefore x = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\therefore y = -\sin \left(\cos^{-1} \frac{1}{5}\right) \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

$$\therefore \sin (\cos^{-1}x) = \sqrt{1-x^2}, \quad |x| \leq 1$$

$$\therefore \sin \left(\cos^{-1} \frac{1}{5}\right) = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{25}} = \frac{\sqrt{24}}{5}$$

$\therefore$  from equation (i), we get

$$y = -\frac{\sqrt{24}}{5}$$

**Aliter :** Let  $\cos^{-1} \frac{1}{5} = \theta \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{1}{5}$  and  $\theta \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

$$\therefore \sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{24}}{5}$$

$$\therefore \sin^{-1} (\sin \theta) = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{24}}{5}\right) \dots\dots\dots(ii)$$

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$$\therefore \theta \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \Rightarrow \sin^{-1} (\sin \theta) = \theta$$



∴ equation (ii) can be written as

$$\theta = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\sqrt{24}}{5} \right) \quad \therefore \quad \theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{5} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{5} \right) = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\sqrt{24}}{5} \right)$$

Now equation (i) can be written as

$$y = -\sin \left\{ \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\sqrt{24}}{5} \right) \right\} \quad \dots\dots\dots(\text{iii})$$

$$\therefore \quad \frac{\sqrt{24}}{5} \in [-1, 1] \quad \therefore \quad \sin \left\{ \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\sqrt{24}}{5} \right) \right\} = \frac{\sqrt{24}}{5}$$

∴ from equation (iii), we get

$$y = -\frac{\sqrt{24}}{5}$$

**Self practice problems:**

**Find the value of the followings :**

(17)  $\tan \left( \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{41}}{4} \right)$

(18)  $\sec \left( \cot^{-1} \frac{16}{63} \right)$

(19)  $\sin \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \cot^{-1} \left( \frac{-3}{4} \right) \right\}$

(20)  $\tan \left\{ 2 \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{5} \right) - \frac{\pi}{4} \right\}$

**Answers :** (17)  $\frac{4}{5}$  (18)  $\frac{65}{16}$  (19)  $\frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5}$  (20)  $-\frac{7}{17}$

**3. Identities of Addition and Substraction:**

**A.**

(i)  $\sin^{-1} x + \sin^{-1} y = \sin^{-1} \left[ x \sqrt{1-y^2} + y \sqrt{1-x^2} \right], x \geq 0, y \geq 0 \text{ \& } (x^2 + y^2) \leq 1$   
 $= \pi - \sin^{-1} \left[ x \sqrt{1-y^2} + y \sqrt{1-x^2} \right], x \geq 0, y \geq 0 \text{ \& } x^2 + y^2 > 1$

**Note that:**  $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1 \Rightarrow 0 \leq \sin^{-1} x + \sin^{-1} y \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$   
 $x^2 + y^2 > 1 \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2} < \sin^{-1} x + \sin^{-1} y < \pi$

(ii)  $\cos^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} y = \cos^{-1} \left[ xy - \sqrt{1-x^2} \sqrt{1-y^2} \right], x \geq 0, y \geq 0$

(iii)  $\tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} \frac{x+y}{1-xy}, x > 0, y > 0 \text{ \& } xy < 1$   
 $= \pi + \tan^{-1} \frac{x+y}{1-xy}, x > 0, y > 0 \text{ \& } xy > 1$   
 $= \frac{\pi}{2}, x > 0, y > 0 \text{ \& } xy = 1$

**Note that :**  $xy < 1 \Rightarrow 0 < \tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y < \frac{\pi}{2}; xy > 1 \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2} < \tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y < \pi$

**B.**

(i)  $\sin^{-1} x - \sin^{-1} y = \sin^{-1} \left[ x \sqrt{1-y^2} - y \sqrt{1-x^2} \right], x \geq 0, y \geq 0$

(ii)  $\cos^{-1} x - \cos^{-1} y = \cos^{-1} \left[ xy + \sqrt{1-x^2} \sqrt{1-y^2} \right], x \geq 0, y \geq 0, x \leq y$

(iii)  $\tan^{-1}x - \tan^{-1}y = \tan^{-1} \frac{x-y}{1+xy}$ ,  $x \geq 0, y \geq 0$

**Note:** For  $x < 0$  and  $y < 0$  these identities can be used with the help of properties 2(C) i.e. change  $x$  and  $y$  to  $-x$  and  $-y$  which are positive.

**Solved Example # 12**

Show that  $\sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} + \sin^{-1} \frac{15}{17} = \pi - \sin^{-1} \frac{84}{85}$

**Solution.**

$\therefore \frac{3}{5} > 0, \frac{15}{17} > 0$  and  $\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{15}{17}\right)^2 = \frac{8226}{7225} > 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} + \sin^{-1} \frac{15}{17} &= \pi - \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{3}{5} \sqrt{1 - \frac{225}{289}} + \frac{15}{17} \sqrt{1 - \frac{9}{25}} \right) \\ &= \pi - \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{8}{17} + \frac{15}{17} \cdot \frac{4}{5} \right) \\ &= \pi - \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{84}{85} \right) \end{aligned}$$

**Solved Example # 13**

**Evaluate:**

$\cos^{-1} \frac{12}{13} + \sin^{-1} \frac{4}{5} - \tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16}$

**Solution.**

Let  $z = \cos^{-1} \frac{12}{13} + \sin^{-1} \frac{4}{5} - \tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16}$

$\therefore \sin^{-1} \frac{4}{5} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5}$

$\therefore z = \cos^{-1} \frac{12}{13} + \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5} \right) - \tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16}$

$z = \frac{\pi}{2} - \left( \cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5} - \cos^{-1} \frac{12}{13} \right) - \tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16}$  .....(i)

$\therefore \frac{4}{5} > 0, \frac{12}{13} > 0$  and  $\frac{4}{5} < \frac{12}{13}$

$\therefore \cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5} - \cos^{-1} \frac{12}{13} = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{12}{13} + \sqrt{1 - \frac{16}{25}} \sqrt{1 - \frac{144}{169}} \right] = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{63}{65} \right)$

$\therefore$  equation (i) can be written as

$z = \frac{\pi}{2} - \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{63}{65} \right) - \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{63}{16} \right)$

$z = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{63}{65} \right) - \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{63}{16} \right)$  .....(ii)

$\therefore \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{63}{65} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{63}{16} \right)$

$\therefore$  from equation (ii), we get

$\therefore z = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{63}{16} \right) - \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{63}{16} \right) \Rightarrow z = 0$  **Ans.**

**Solved Example # 14**

Successful People Replace the words like; "wish", "try" & "should" with "I Will". Ineffective People don't.

Evaluate  $\tan^{-1} 9 + \tan^{-1} \frac{5}{4}$

**Solution.**

$$\because 9 > 0, \frac{5}{4} > 0 \text{ and } 9 \left(\frac{5}{4}\right) > 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \tan^{-1} 9 + \tan^{-1} \frac{5}{4} &= \pi + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{9 + \frac{5}{4}}{1 - 9 \cdot \frac{5}{4}} \right) \\ &= \pi + \tan^{-1} (-1) \\ &= \pi - \frac{\pi}{4} \\ \tan^{-1} 9 + \tan^{-1} \frac{5}{4} &= \frac{3\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

**Self practice problems:**

- (21) Evaluate  $\sin^{-1} \frac{4}{5} + \sin^{-1} \frac{5}{13} + \sin^{-1} \frac{16}{65}$   
 (22) If  $\tan^{-1} 4 + \tan^{-1} 5 = \cot^{-1} \lambda$  then find 'λ'  
 (23) Prove that  $2 \cos^{-1} \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}} + \cot^{-1} \frac{16}{63} + \frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1} \frac{7}{25} = \pi$

**Solve the following equations**

- (24)  $\tan^{-1} (2x) + \tan^{-1} (3x) = \frac{\pi}{4}$       (25)  $\sin^{-1} x + \sin^{-1} 2x = \frac{2\pi}{3}$   
**Answers.**      (21)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$       (22)  $\lambda = -\frac{19}{9}$       (24)  $x = \frac{1}{6}$       (25)  $x = \frac{1}{2}$

**C.**

- (i)  $\sin^{-1} \left( 2x \sqrt{1-x^2} \right) = \begin{cases} 2 \sin^{-1} x & \text{if } |x| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \pi - 2 \sin^{-1} x & \text{if } x > \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -(\pi + 2 \sin^{-1} x) & \text{if } x < -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{cases}$   
 (ii)  $\cos^{-1} (2x^2 - 1) = \begin{cases} 2 \cos^{-1} x & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 2\pi - 2 \cos^{-1} x & \text{if } -1 \leq x < 0 \end{cases}$   
 (iii)  $\tan^{-1} \frac{2x}{1-x^2} = \begin{cases} 2 \tan^{-1} x & \text{if } |x| < 1 \\ \pi + 2 \tan^{-1} x & \text{if } x < -1 \\ -(\pi - 2 \tan^{-1} x) & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$   
 (iv)  $\sin^{-1} \frac{2x}{1+x^2} = \begin{cases} 2 \tan^{-1} x & \text{if } |x| \leq 1 \\ \pi - 2 \tan^{-1} x & \text{if } x > 1 \\ -(\pi + 2 \tan^{-1} x) & \text{if } x < -1 \end{cases}$   
 (v)  $\cos^{-1} \frac{1-x^2}{1+x^2} = \begin{cases} 2 \tan^{-1} x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -2 \tan^{-1} x & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$

(See the graphs on page 20)

**Solved Example # 15**

Define  $y = \cos^{-1} (4x^3 - 3x)$  in terms of  $\cos^{-1} x$  and also draw its graph.

**Solution.**

Let  $y = \cos^{-1} (4x^3 - 3x)$

**Note**  $\therefore$  Domain :  $[-1, 1]$  and range :  $[0, \pi]$

Successful People Replace the words like; "wish", "try" & "should" with "I Will". Ineffective People don't.

Let  $\cos^{-1} x = \theta \Rightarrow \theta \in [0, \pi]$  and  $x = \cos \theta$   
 $\therefore y = \cos^{-1} (4 \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta)$   
 $y = \cos^{-1} (\cos 3\theta) \dots\dots\dots(i)$

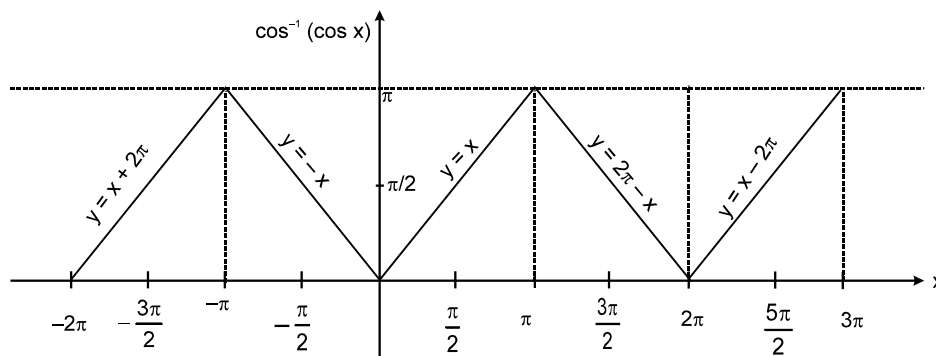


Fig.: Graph of  $\cos^{-1} (\cos x)$

$\therefore \theta \in [0, \pi]$   
 $\therefore 3\theta \in [0, 3\pi]$   
 $\therefore$  to define  $y = \cos^{-1} (\cos 3\theta)$ , we consider the graph of  $\cos^{-1} (\cos x)$  in the interval  $[0, 3\pi]$ . Now, from the above graph we can see that

(i) if  $0 \leq 3\theta \leq \pi \Rightarrow \cos^{-1} (\cos 3\theta) = 3\theta$   
 $\therefore$  from equation (i), we get  
 $y = 3\theta$  if  $0 \leq 3\theta \leq \pi$

$\Rightarrow y = 3\theta$  if  $0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{3}$

$\Rightarrow y = 3 \cos^{-1} x$  if  $\frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1$

(ii) if  $\pi < 3\theta \leq 2\pi \Rightarrow \cos^{-1} (\cos 3\theta) = 2\pi - 3\theta$   
 $\therefore$  from equation (i), we get  
 $y = 2\pi - 3\theta$  if  $\pi < 3\theta \leq 2\pi$

$\Rightarrow y = 2\pi - 3\theta$  if  $\frac{\pi}{3} < \theta \leq \frac{2\pi}{3}$

$y = 2\pi - 3 \cos^{-1} x$  if  $-\frac{1}{2} \leq x < \frac{1}{2}$

(iii)  $2\pi < 3\theta \leq 3\pi \Rightarrow \cos^{-1} (\cos 3\theta) = -2\pi + 3\theta$   
 $\therefore$  from equation (i), we get  
 $y = -2\pi + 3\theta$  if  $2\pi < 3\theta \leq 3\pi$

$\Rightarrow y = -2\pi + 3\theta$  if  $\frac{2\pi}{3} < \theta \leq \pi$

$\Rightarrow y = -2\pi + 3 \cos^{-1} x$  if  $-1 \leq x < -\frac{1}{2}$

$\therefore$  from (i), (ii) & (iii), we get

$$y = \cos^{-1} (4x^3 - 3x) = \begin{cases} 3 \cos^{-1} x & ; \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1 \\ 2\pi - 3 \cos^{-1} x & ; -\frac{1}{2} \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ -2\pi + 3 \cos^{-1} x & ; -1 \leq x < -\frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

Graph :

For  $y = \cos^{-1} (4x^3 - 3x)$   
 domain :  $[-1, 1]$   
 range :  $[0, \pi]$

(i) if  $\frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1$ ,  $y = 3 \cos^{-1} x$ .

$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-3}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = -3(1-x^2)^{-1/2} \dots\dots\dots(i)$

$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} < 0$  if  $x \in \left[\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$

$\Rightarrow$  decreasing if  $x \in \left[\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$

Successful People Replace the words like; "wish", "try" & "should" with "I Will". Ineffective People don't. again if we differentiate equation (i) w.r.t. 'x', we get

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{3x}{(1-x^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} < 0 \quad \text{if } x \in \left[\frac{1}{2}, 1\right) \Rightarrow \text{concavity downwards if } x \in \left[\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$$

(ii) if  $-\frac{1}{2} \leq x < \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $y = 2\pi - 3\cos^{-1} x$ .

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} > 0 \quad \text{if } x \in \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{increasing if } x \in \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \text{ and } \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{3x}{(1-x^2)^{3/2}}$$

(a) if  $x \in \left[-\frac{1}{2}, 0\right)$  then  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} < 0$

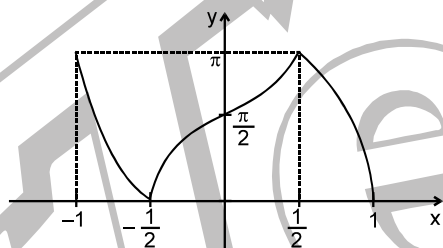
$$\Rightarrow \text{concavity downwards if } x \in \left[-\frac{1}{2}, 0\right)$$

(b) if  $x \in \left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right)$  then  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} > 0$

$$\Rightarrow \text{concavity upwards if } x \in \left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

(iii) Similarly if  $-1 \leq x < -\frac{1}{2}$  then  $\frac{dy}{dx} < 0$  and  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} > 0$ .

$\therefore$  the graph of  $y = \cos^{-1}(4x^3 - 3x)$  is as



**Self practice problems:**

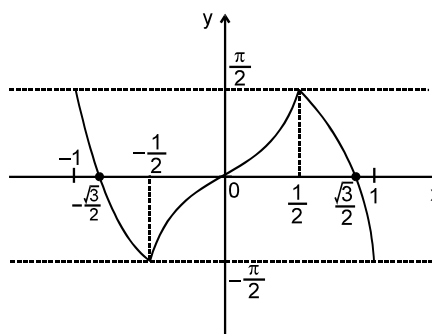
(26) Define  $y = \sin^{-1}(3x - 4x^3)$  in terms of  $\sin^{-1}x$  and also draw its graph.

(27) Define  $y = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{3x - x^3}{1 - 3x^2}\right)$  in terms of  $\tan^{-1}x$  and also draw its graph.

**Answers**

$$(26) \quad y = \sin^{-1}(3x - 4x^3) = \begin{cases} 3\sin^{-1}x & ; \quad -\frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \pi - 3\sin^{-1}x & ; \quad \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \\ -\pi - 3\sin^{-1}x & ; \quad -1 \leq x < -\frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

$\therefore$  graph of  $y = \sin^{-1}(3x - 4x^3)$



$$(27) \quad y = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{3x - x^3}{1 - 3x^2} \right) = \begin{cases} 3 \tan^{-1} x & ; \quad -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} < x < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \pi + 3 \tan^{-1} x & ; \quad -\infty < x < -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ -\pi + 3 \tan^{-1} x & ; \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} < x < \infty \end{cases}$$

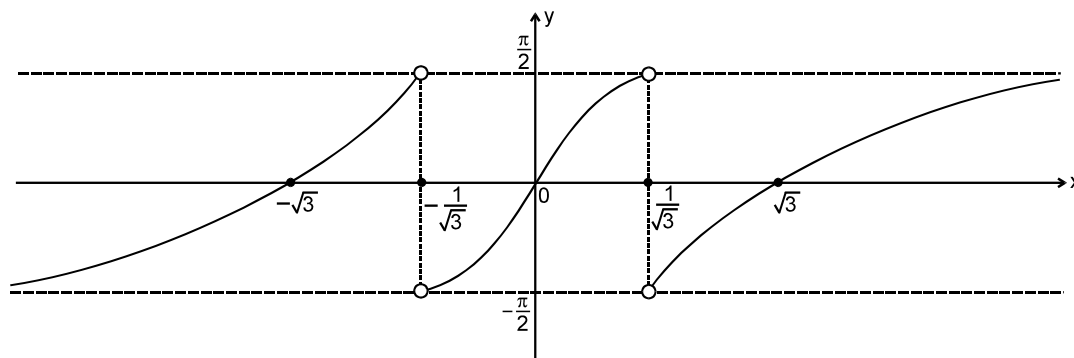


Fig.: Graph of  $y = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{3x - x^3}{1 - 3x^2} \right)$

D.

If  $\tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y + \tan^{-1} z = \tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{x + y + z - xyz}{1 - xy - yz - zx} \right]$  if,  $x > 0, y > 0, z > 0$  &  $(xy + yz + zx) < 1$

**NOTE:**

(i) If  $\tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y + \tan^{-1} z = \pi$  then  $x + y + z = xyz$

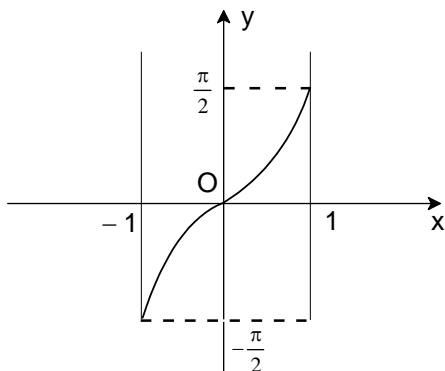
(ii) If  $\tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y + \tan^{-1} z = \frac{\pi}{2}$  then  $xy + yz + zx = 1$

(iii)  $\tan^{-1} 1 + \tan^{-1} 2 + \tan^{-1} 3 = \pi$

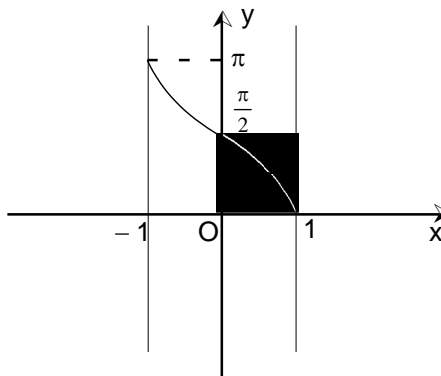
(iv)  $\tan^{-1} 1 + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{3} = \frac{\pi}{2}$

## Inverse Trigonometric Functions Some Useful Graphs

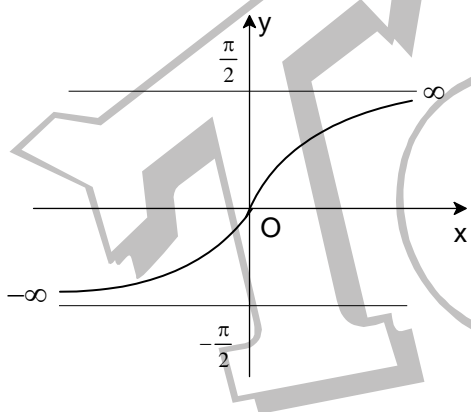
(i)  $y = \sin^{-1} x, |x| \leq 1, y \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$



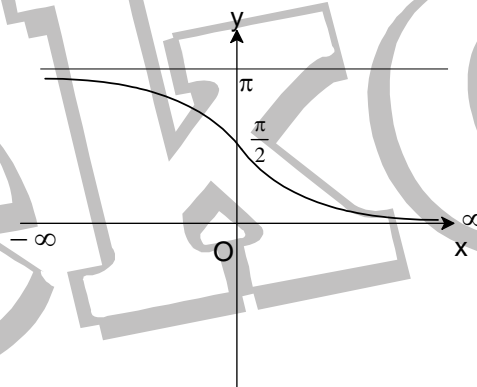
(ii)  $y = \cos^{-1} x, |x| \leq 1, y \in [0, \pi]$



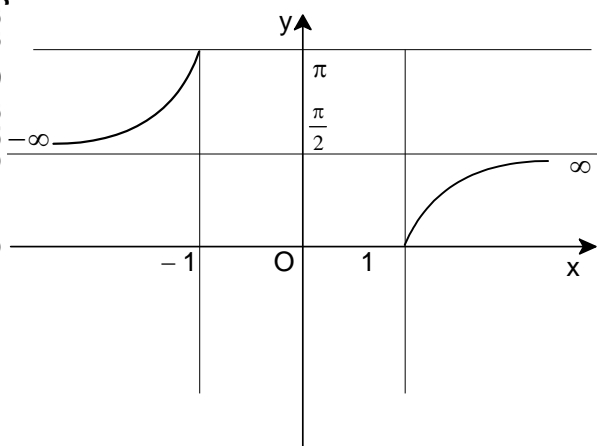
(iii)  $y = \tan^{-1} x, x \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$



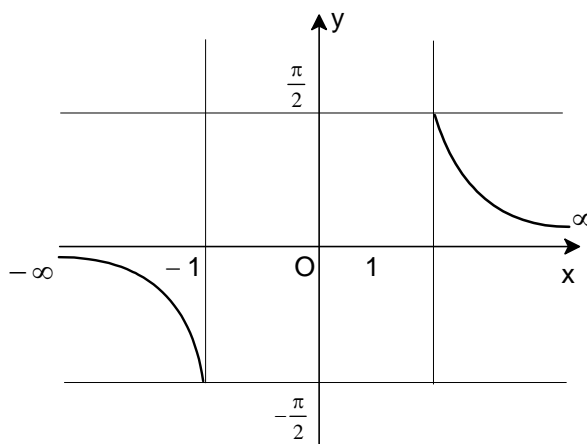
(iv)  $y = \cot^{-1} x, x \in \mathbb{R}, y \in (0, \pi)$



(v)  $y = \sec^{-1} x, |x| \geq 1, y \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cup \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi\right]$

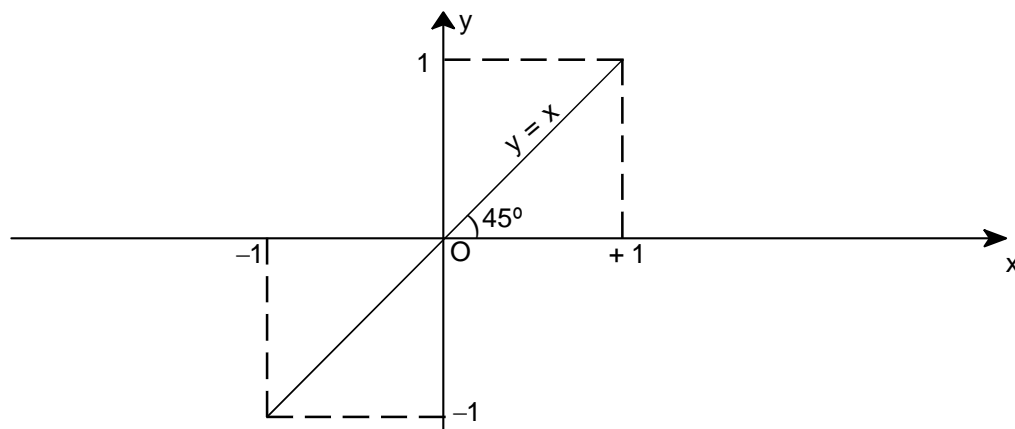


(vi)  $y = \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x, |x| \geq 1, y \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, 0\right) \cup \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

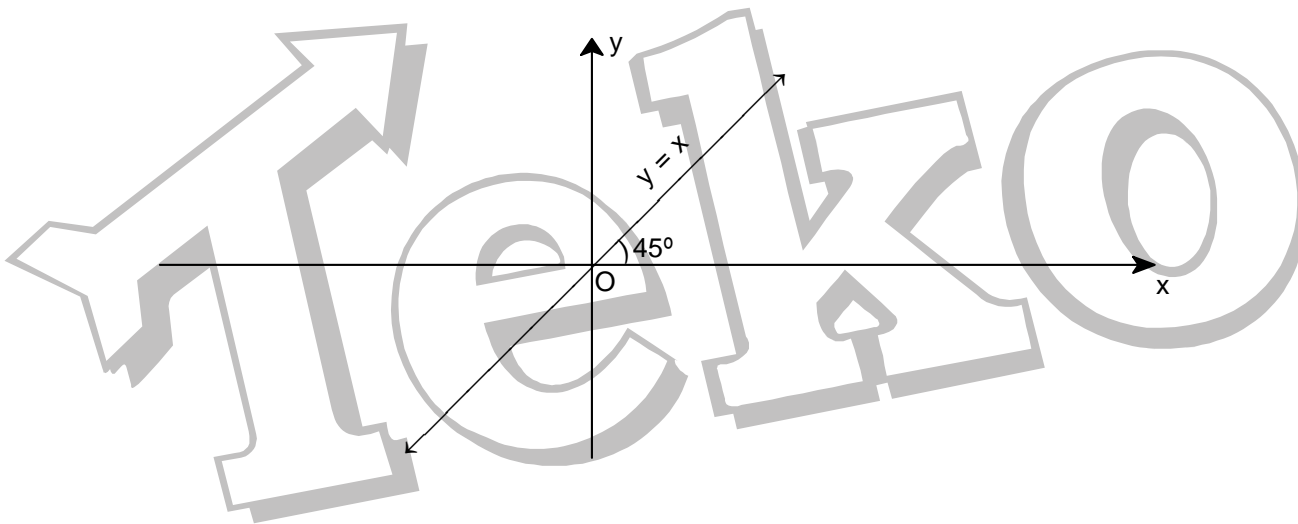


**Part - 2(A)**

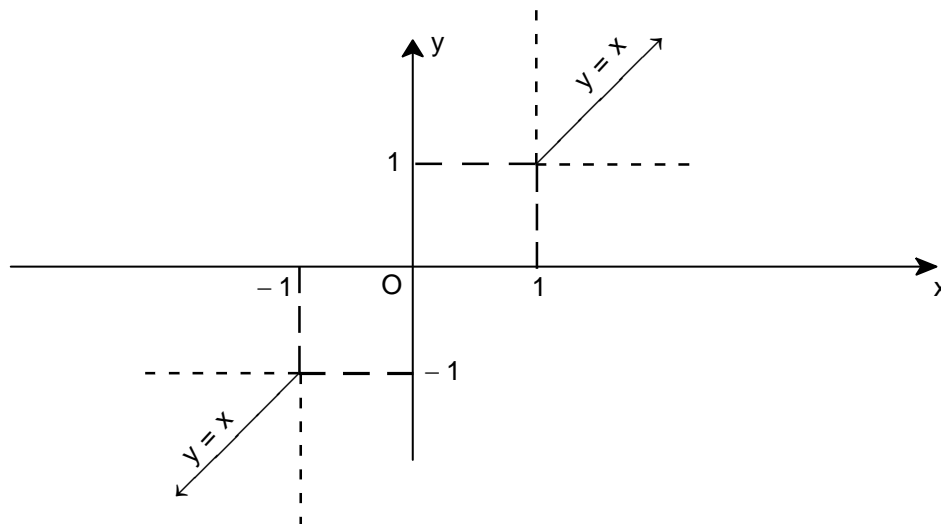
(i)  $y = \sin(\sin^{-1} x) = \cos(\cos^{-1} x) = x, x \in [-1, 1], y \in [-1, 1]; y$  is aperiodic



(ii)  $y = \tan(\tan^{-1} x) = \cot(\cot^{-1} x) = x, x \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R}; y$  is aperiodic



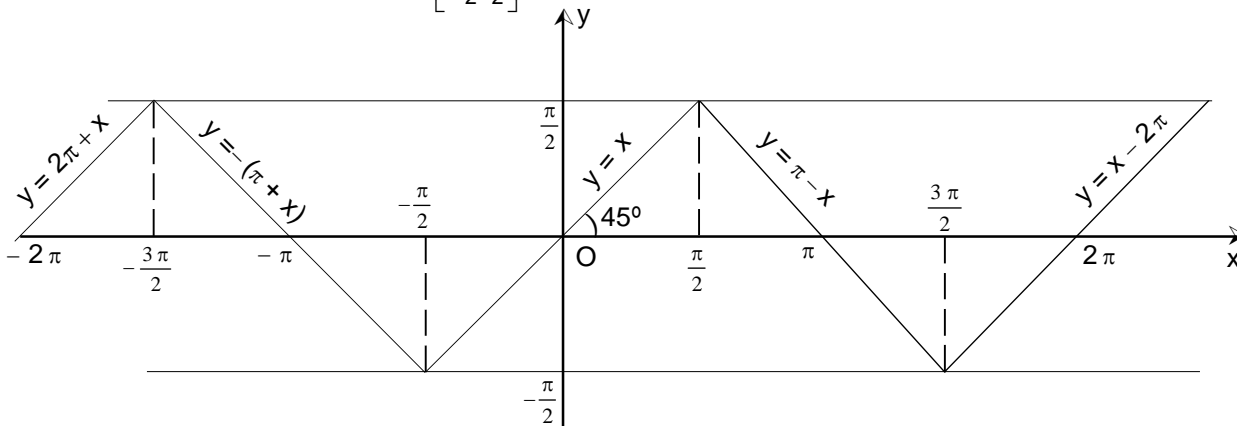
(iii)  $y = \operatorname{cosec}(\operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x) = \sec(\sec^{-1} x) = x, |x| \geq 1, |y| \geq 1; y$  is aperiodic



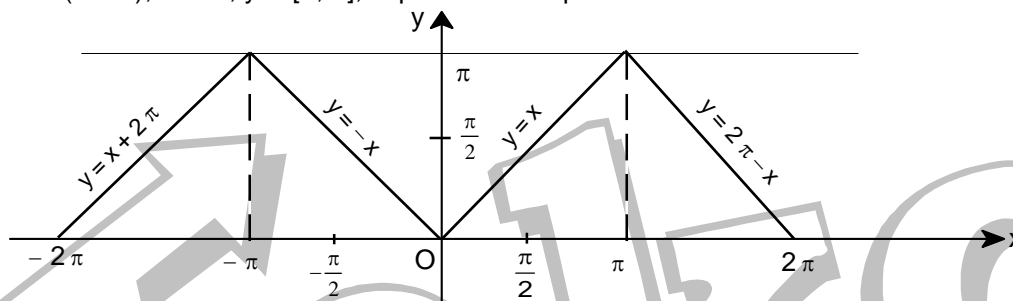


**Part -2(B)**

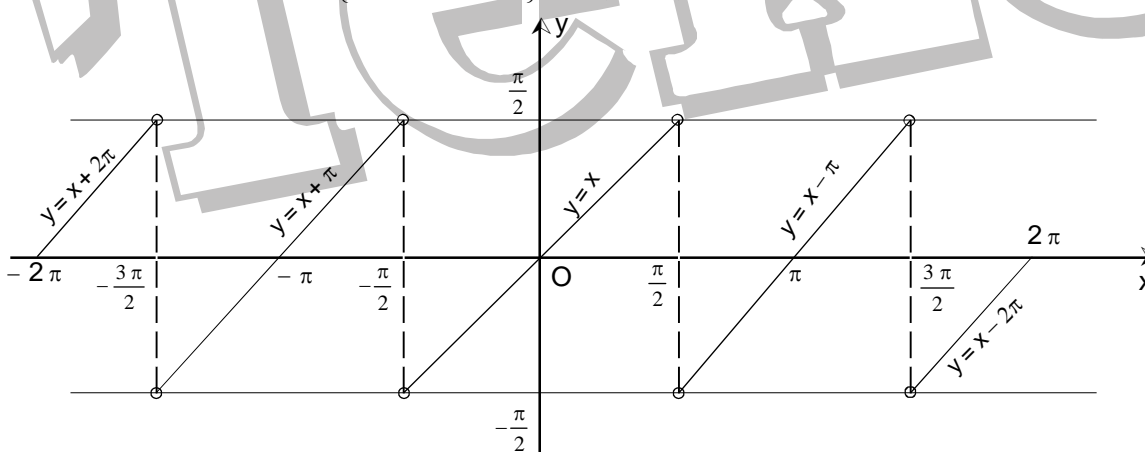
(i)  $y = \sin^{-1}(\sin x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $y \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$ , is periodic with period  $2\pi$



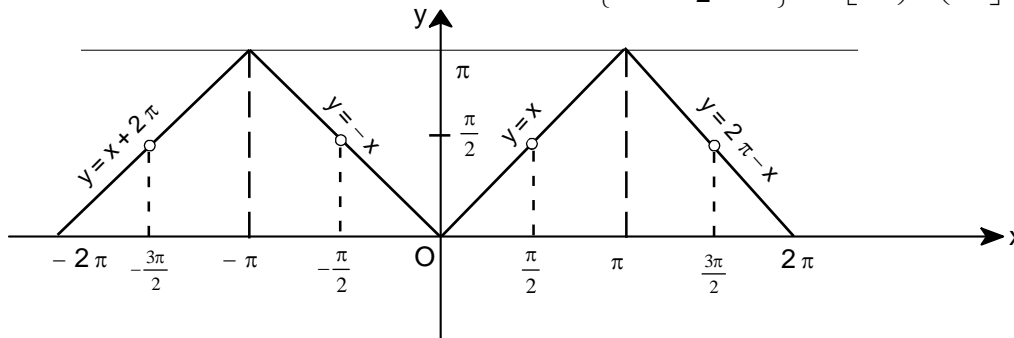
(ii)  $y = \cos^{-1}(\cos x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $y \in [0, \pi]$ , is periodic with period  $2\pi$



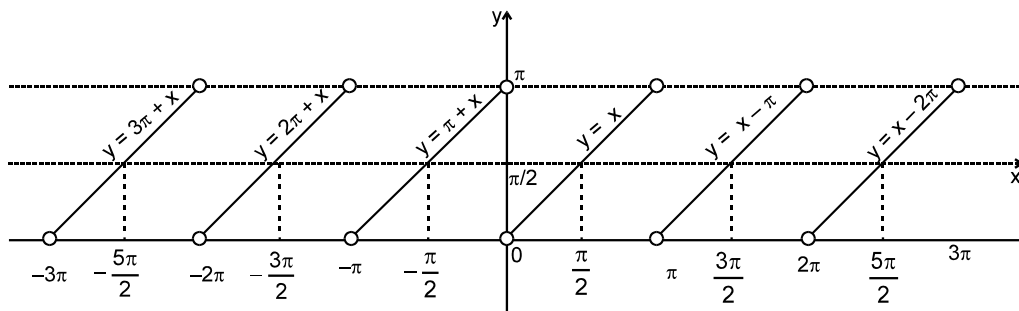
(iii)  $y = \tan^{-1}(\tan x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R} - \left\{(2n-1)\frac{\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{I}\right\}$ ,  $y \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$  is periodic with period  $\pi$



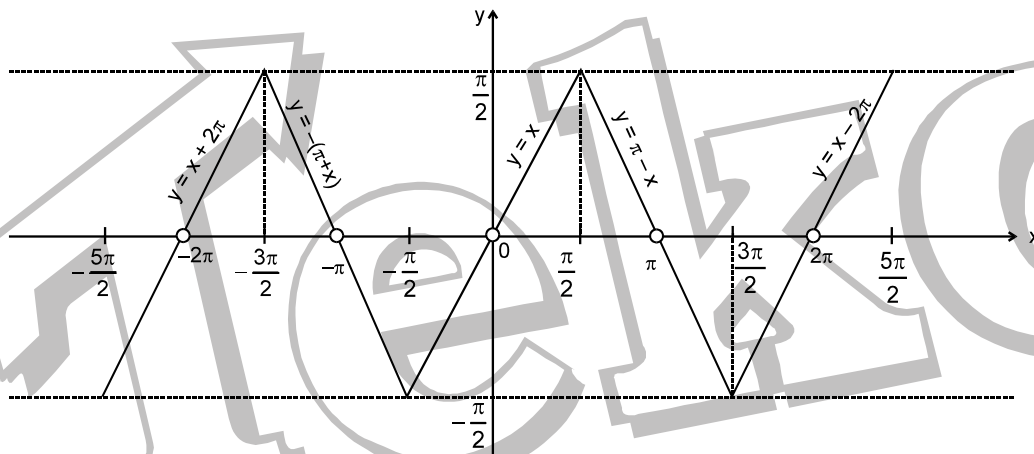
(iv)  $y = \sec^{-1}(\sec x)$ ,  $y$  is periodic with period  $2\pi$ ;  $x \in \mathbb{R} - \left\{(2n-1)\frac{\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{I}\right\}$ ,  $y \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right] \cup \left[\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi\right]$



(v)  $y = \cot^{-1}(\cot x)$ ,  $y$  is periodic with period  $\pi$ ;  $x \in \mathbb{R} - \{n\pi, n \in \mathbb{I}\}$ ,  $y \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right] \cup \left[\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi\right)$

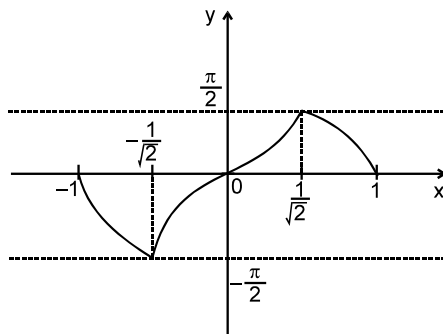


(vi)  $y = \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(\operatorname{cosec} x)$ ,  $y$  is periodic with period  $2\pi$ ;  $x \in \mathbb{R} - \{n\pi, n \in \mathbb{I}\}$ ,  $y \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right] - \{0\}$

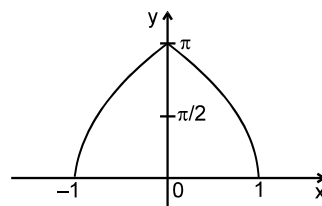


Part - 3(C)

(i) graph of  $y = \sin^{-1} \left( 2x\sqrt{1-x^2} \right)$

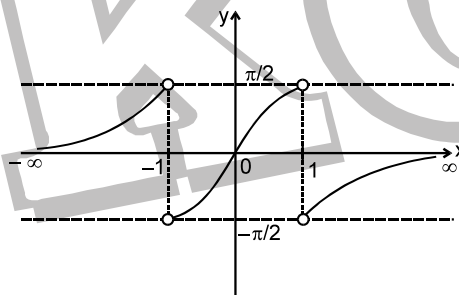


(ii) graph of  $y = \cos^{-1} (2x^2 - 1)$

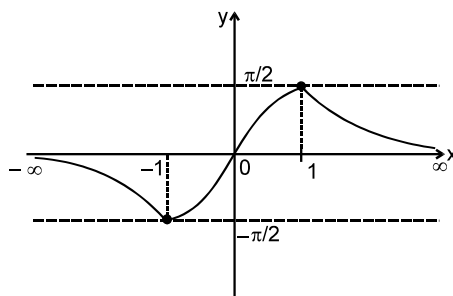


**Note :** In this graph it is advisable not to check its derivability just by the inspection of the graph because it is difficult to judge from the graph that at  $x = 0$  there is a sharp corner or not.

(iii) graph of  $y = \tan^{-1} \frac{2x}{1-x^2}$



(iv) graph of  $y = \sin^{-1} \frac{2x}{1+x^2}$



(v) graph of  $y = \cos^{-1} \frac{1-x^2}{1+x^2}$

