

TOPIC 2
INVERSE TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS
SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM

Topic	Concepts	Degree of importance	References
			NCERT Text Book XI Ed. 2007
Inverse Trigonometric Functions	(i). Principal value branch Table	**	Ex 2.1 QNo- 11, 14
	(ii). Properties of Inverse Trigonometric Functions	***	Ex 2.2 Q No- 7,13, 15 Misc Ex Q.No. 9,10,11,12

SOME IMPORTANT RESULTS/CONCEPTS

* Domain & Range of the Inverse Trigonometric Function :

	Functions	Domain	Range (Principal value Branch)
i.	$\sin^{-1} :$	$[-1,1]$	$[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$
ii.	$\cos^{-1} :$	$[-1,1]$	$[0, \pi]$
iii.	$\operatorname{cosec}^{-1} :$	$\mathbb{R} - (-1,1)$	$[-\pi/2, \pi/2] - \{0\}$
iv.	$\sec^{-1} :$	$\mathbb{R} - (-1,1)$	$[0, \pi] - \{\pi/2\}$
v.	$\tan^{-1} :$	$\mathbb{R}$	$(-\pi/2, \pi/2)$
vi.	$\cot^{-1} :$	$\mathbb{R}$	$(0, \pi)$

* Properties of Inverse Trigonometric Function

1. (i) $\sin^{-1}(\sin x) = x$ & $\sin(\sin^{-1} x) = x$
 iii. $\tan^{-1}(\tan x) = x$ & $\tan(\tan^{-1} x) = x$
 v. $\sec^{-1}(\sec x) = x$ & $\sec(\sec^{-1} x) = x$
 ii. $\cos^{-1}(\cos x) = x$ & $\cos(\cos^{-1} x) = x$
 iv. $\cot^{-1}(\cot x) = x$ & $\cot(\cot^{-1} x) = x$
 vi. $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(\operatorname{cosec} x) = x$ & $\operatorname{cosec}(\operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x) = x$
2. i. $\sin^{-1} x = \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} \frac{1}{x}$ & $\sin^{-1} x = \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} \frac{1}{x}$
 ii. $\cos^{-1} x = \sec^{-1} \frac{1}{x}$ & $\sec^{-1} x = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{x}$
 iii. $\tan^{-1} x = \cot^{-1} \frac{1}{x}$ & $\cot^{-1} x = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{x}$
3. i. $\sin^{-1}(-x) = -\sin^{-1} x$
 ii. $\tan^{-1}(-x) = -\tan^{-1} x$
 iii. $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(-x) = -\operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x$
 iv. $\cos^{-1}(-x) = \pi - \cos^{-1} x$
 v. $\sec^{-1}(-x) = \pi - \sec^{-1} x$
 vi. $\cot^{-1}(-x) = \pi - \cot^{-1} x$
4. i. $\sin^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2}$
 ii. $\tan^{-1} x + \cot^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2}$
 iii. $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x + \sec^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$5. 2 \tan^{-1} x = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{1-x^2}{1+x^2} \right) = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2} \right)$$

$$6. \tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x+y}{1-xy} \right) \quad \text{if } xy < 1$$

$$\tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = \pi + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x+y}{1-xy} \right) \quad \text{if } xy > 1$$

$$\tan^{-1} x - \tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x-y}{1+xy} \right) \quad \text{if } xy > -1$$

ASSIGNMENTS

(i). Principal value branch Table

LEVEL I

Write the principal value of the following :

$$1. \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$

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

$$3. \tan^{-1} (-\sqrt{3})$$

$$4. \cos^{-1} \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

LEVEL II

Write the principal value of the following :

$$1. \cos^{-1} \left(\cos \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) + \sin^{-1} \left(\sin \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) \text{ [CBSE 2011]}$$

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

$$3. \cos^{-1} \left(\cos \frac{7\pi}{6} \right)$$

(ii). Properties of Inverse Trigonometric Functions

LEVEL I

$$1. \text{Evaluate } \cot[\tan^{-1} a + \cot^{-1} a]$$

$$2. \text{Prove } 3 \sin^{-1} x = \sin^{-1} (3x - 4x^3)$$

$$3. \text{Find } x \text{ if } \sec^{-1}(\sqrt{2}) + \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

LEVEL II

$$1. \text{Write the following in simplest form : } \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}-1}{x} \right), x \neq 0$$

2. Prove that $\sin^{-1} \frac{8}{17} + \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = \tan^{-1} \frac{77}{36}$

3. Prove that $\tan^{-1} \frac{1}{3} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{5} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{7} + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{8} = \frac{\pi}{4}$.

4. Prove that $2 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{7} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{31}{17} \right)$ [CBSE 2011]

5. Prove that $\sin^{-1} \left(\frac{8}{17} \right) + \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{36}{85} \right)$ [CBSE 2012]

LEVEL III

1. Prove that $\cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1+\sin x} + \sqrt{1-\sin x}}{\sqrt{1+\sin x} - \sqrt{1-\sin x}} \right) = \frac{x}{2}$, $x \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$

2. Prove that $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1+x} - \sqrt{1-x}}{\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{1-x}} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1} x$ [CBSE 2011]

3. Solve $\tan^{-1} 2x + \tan^{-1} 3x = \pi/4$

4. Solve $\tan^{-1}(x+1) + \tan^{-1}(x-1) = \tan^{-1} \frac{8}{31}$

5. Solve $\tan^{-1} \frac{x-1}{x-2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{x+1}{x+2} = \frac{\pi}{4}$

6. Prove that $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\cos x}{1+\sin x} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{x}{2}$, $x \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$ [CBSE 2012]

Questions for self evaluation

1. Prove that $\sin^{-1} \frac{5}{13} + \cos^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = \tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16}$

2. Prove that $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1+x} - \sqrt{1-x}}{\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{1-x}} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1} x$, $x \in \left[-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 1 \right]$

3. Prove that $\sin^{-1} \frac{12}{13} + \cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5} + \tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16} = \pi$

4. Prove that $\tan^{-1} 1 + \tan^{-1} 2 + \tan^{-1} 3 = \pi$

5. Prove that $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{y} \right) - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x-y}{x+y} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4}$

6. Write in the simplest form $\cos \left[2 \tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{\frac{1-x}{1+x}} \right) \right]$

7. Solve $\tan^{-1} \frac{x-1}{x-2} + \tan^{-1} \frac{x+1}{x+2} = \frac{\pi}{4}$

8. Solve $\tan^{-1} 2x + \tan^{-1} 3x = \pi/4$

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