

## Ganit Mantra Series: Challenger-02 ( Trigonometry )

1. Prove that  $\sin(n+1)A \sin(n+2)A + \cos(n+1)A \cos(n+2)A = \cos A$

Soln. We know that

$$\cos(\theta - \phi) = \cos \theta \cos \phi + \sin \theta \sin \phi$$

Here let  $(n+1)A = \phi$ ,  $(n+2)A = \theta$

Applying, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \phi \sin \theta + \cos \phi \cos \theta &= \cos(\theta - \phi) \\ &= \cos[(n+2)A - (n+1)A] \\ &= \cos A \quad \text{proved.} \end{aligned}$$

2. If  $(A+B) = \frac{\pi}{4}$ , prove that

$$(1 + \tan A)(1 + \tan B) = 2$$

Soln.

$$\because A+B = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\therefore \tan(A+B) = \tan \frac{\pi}{4}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \tan A + \tan B = 1 - \tan A \tan B$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan A + \tan B + \tan A \tan B = 1 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Now, we have  $(1 + \tan A)(1 + \tan B)$

$$= 1 + \tan A + \tan B + \tan A \tan B$$

$$= 1 + 1 = 2 \quad \text{Ans. using (1)}$$

3. Prove that

$$\sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{8} + \frac{A}{2}\right) - \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{8} - \frac{A}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin A$$

Soln - We know that

$$\sin^2 x - \sin^2 y = \sin(x+y) \sin(x-y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{8} + \frac{A}{2}\right) - \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{8} - \frac{A}{2}\right) &= \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{8} + \frac{A}{2} + \frac{\pi}{8} - \frac{A}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{8} + \frac{A}{2} - \frac{\pi}{8} + \frac{A}{2}\right) \\ &= \sin\frac{\pi}{4} \sin A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin A \end{aligned}$$

4. Prove that  $\tan 70^\circ = \tan 20^\circ + 2 \tan 50^\circ$

Soln - We know  $\tan(A+B) = \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \tan 70^\circ &= \tan(50^\circ + 20^\circ) \\ &= \frac{\tan 50^\circ + \tan 20^\circ}{1 - \tan 50^\circ \tan 20^\circ} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan 70^\circ (1 - \tan 50^\circ \tan 20^\circ) = \tan 50^\circ + \tan 20^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan 70^\circ - \tan 50^\circ \tan 20^\circ \tan 70^\circ = \tan 50^\circ + \tan 20^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan 70^\circ - \tan 50^\circ \tan 20^\circ \cot 20^\circ = \tan 50^\circ + \tan 20^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan 70^\circ - \tan 50^\circ = \tan 50^\circ + \tan 20^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan 70^\circ = 2 \tan 50^\circ + \tan 20^\circ \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \because \cot 20^\circ = \tan 70^\circ \\ \tan \theta \cot \theta = 1 \end{array} \right]$$

5 If  $\cos(\alpha - \beta) + \cos(\beta - \gamma) + \cos(\gamma - \alpha) = -\frac{3}{2}$

Prove that  $\cos \alpha + \cos \beta + \cos \gamma = \sin \alpha + \sin \beta + \sin \gamma = 0$

Soln:  $2 \cos(\alpha - \beta) + 2 \cos(\beta - \gamma) + 2 \cos(\gamma - \alpha) = -3$

$$2 (\cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta) + 2 (\cos \beta \cos \gamma + \sin \beta \sin \gamma) + 2 (\cos \gamma \cos \alpha + \sin \gamma \sin \alpha) + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos \alpha \cos \beta + 2 \cos \beta \cos \gamma + 2 \cos \gamma \cos \alpha + 2 \sin \alpha \sin \beta + 2 \sin \beta \sin \gamma + 2 \sin \gamma \sin \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \beta + \cos^2 \beta + \sin^2 \gamma + \cos^2 \gamma = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \beta + \sin^2 \gamma + 2 \sin \alpha \sin \beta + 2 \sin \beta \sin \gamma + 2 \sin \gamma \sin \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma + 2 \cos \alpha \cos \beta + 2 \cos \beta \cos \gamma + 2 \cos \gamma \cos \alpha = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sin \alpha + \sin \beta + \sin \gamma)^2 + (\cos \alpha + \cos \beta + \cos \gamma)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \alpha + \sin \beta + \sin \gamma = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \cos \alpha + \cos \beta + \cos \gamma = 0$$

[ As the sum of two positive numbers can not be zero)  
 This is possible if each part is equal to zero.

6. If  $a \tan \alpha + b \tan \beta = (a+b) \tan \left( \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} \right)$

where  $\alpha \neq \beta$ , prove that  $a \cos \beta = b \cos \alpha$

Soln:  $a \tan \alpha + b \tan \beta = a \tan \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} + b \tan \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow a \left[ \tan \alpha - \tan \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} \right] = b \left[ \tan \left( \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} \right) - \tan \beta \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow a \left[ \frac{\sin \alpha}{\cos \alpha} - \frac{\sin \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2}}{\cos \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2}} \right] = b \left[ \frac{\sin \left( \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2} \right)}{\cos \left( \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2} \right)} - \frac{\sin \beta}{\cos \beta} \right]$$

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

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

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

7 Prove that

$$\cos 2\alpha \cos 2\beta + \sin^2(\alpha-\beta) - \sin^2(\alpha+\beta) = \cos 2(\alpha+\beta)$$

Soln.  $\cos 2\alpha \cos 2\beta + \sin(\alpha-\beta + \alpha+\beta) \sin(\alpha-\beta - \alpha-\beta)$   
 $[\because \sin^2 A - \sin^2 B = \sin(A+B) \sin(A-B)]$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2\alpha \cos 2\beta + \sin 2\alpha \sin(-2\beta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2\alpha \cos 2\beta - \sin 2\alpha \sin 2\beta \quad [\because \sin(-\theta) = -\sin \theta]$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos(2\alpha + 2\beta) = \cos 2(\alpha + \beta)$$

$$[\because \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B = \cos(A+B)]$$

8. If  $\tan(\pi \cos \theta) = \cot(\pi \sin \theta)$  prove that

$$\cos \left( \theta - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

Soln.  $\tan(\pi \cos \theta) = \tan \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \pi \sin \theta \right)$

$$\Rightarrow \pi \cos \theta = \frac{\pi}{2} - \pi \sin \theta$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta \cos \frac{\pi}{4} + \sin \theta \sin \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\left(\theta - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

9. If  $\sin \alpha + \sin \beta = a$  and  $\cos \alpha + \cos \beta = b$

Show that (i)  $\cos(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{b^2 - a^2}{b^2 + a^2}$

(ii)  $\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{2ab}{a^2 + b^2}$

Soln.

$$\therefore \frac{a}{b} = \frac{\sin \alpha + \sin \beta}{\cos \alpha + \cos \beta} = \frac{2 \sin \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} \cos \frac{\alpha - \beta}{2}}{2 \cos \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} \cos \frac{\alpha - \beta}{2}} = \tan \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}$$

$$\left[ \because \cos 2\theta = \frac{1 - \tan^2 \theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta}, \sin 2\theta = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta} \right]$$

$$\therefore \cos(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}}{1 + \tan^2 \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}} = \frac{1 - \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^2}{1 + \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^2} = \frac{b^2 - a^2}{b^2 + a^2}$$

$$\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{2 \tan \left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}\right)}{1 + \tan^2 \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}} = \frac{2 \frac{a}{b}}{1 + \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^2} = \frac{2a}{\frac{b^2 + a^2}{b^2}}$$

$$= \frac{2a}{b} \times \frac{b^2}{b^2 + a^2} = \frac{2ab}{b^2 + a^2}$$

10. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the solutions of  $a \cos \theta + b \sin \theta = c$

Then show that (i)  $\cos(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a^2 + b^2}$

(ii)  $\cos(\alpha - \beta) = \frac{2c^2 - (a^2 + b^2)}{a^2 + b^2}$

Soln.  $\therefore \alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the solution of  $a \cos \theta + b \sin \theta = c$

$$\therefore a \cos \alpha + b \sin \alpha = c \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$a \cos \beta + b \sin \beta = c \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

$$\therefore a(\cos \alpha - \cos \beta) + b(\sin \alpha - \sin \beta) = 0$$

$$a\left(-2 \sin \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2} \sin \frac{\alpha-\beta}{2}\right) + b\left(2 \cos \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2} \sin \frac{\alpha-\beta}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$2a \sin \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2} \sin \frac{\alpha-\beta}{2} = 2b \cos \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2} \sin \frac{\alpha-\beta}{2}$$

$$\therefore \tan \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2} = \frac{b}{a} \quad (\because \alpha \neq \beta)$$

$$\therefore \cos(\alpha+\beta) = \frac{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2}}{1 + \tan^2 \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2}} \quad \left[ \because \cos 2\theta = \frac{1 - \tan^2 \theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1 - \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2}{1 + \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2} = \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a^2 + b^2}$$

(ii) Squaring and adding (i) and (ii), we get

$$2c^2 = a^2 \cos^2 \alpha + b^2 \sin^2 \alpha + 2ab \sin \alpha \cos \alpha + a^2 \cos^2 \beta + b^2 \sin^2 \beta + 2ab \sin \beta \cos \beta$$

$$= a^2 (1 - \sin^2 \alpha) + b^2 \sin^2 \alpha + ab \sin 2\alpha$$

$$+ a^2 \cos^2 \beta + b^2 (1 - \cos^2 \beta) + ab \sin 2\beta$$

$$2c^2 = a^2 - a^2 \sin^2 \alpha + b^2 \sin^2 \alpha + a^2 \cos^2 \beta + b^2 - b^2 \cos^2 \beta + ab(\sin 2\alpha + \sin 2\beta)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2c^2 - (a^2 + b^2) = ab(\sin 2\alpha + \sin 2\beta) + (b^2 - a^2) \sin^2 \alpha + (a^2 - b^2) \cos^2 \beta$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= ab (\sin 2\alpha + \sin 2\beta) + (a^2 - b^2) [\cos^2 B - \sin^2 \alpha] \\
\Rightarrow 2c^2 - (a^2 + b^2) &= ab \cdot 2 \sin(\alpha + \beta) \cos(\alpha - \beta) + (a^2 - b^2) \cos(\beta + \alpha) \cos(\beta - \alpha) \\
&= \cos(\alpha - \beta) \left[ 2ab \sin(\alpha + \beta) + (a^2 - b^2) \cos(\alpha + \beta) \right] \\
&= \cos(\alpha - \beta) \left[ 2ab \frac{2 \tan\left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}\right)}{1 + \tan^2 \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}} + (a^2 - b^2) \frac{(a^2 - b^2)}{a^2 + b^2} \right] \\
&= \cos(\alpha - \beta) \left[ \frac{2ab \times 2 \frac{b}{a}}{1 + \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2} + \frac{(a^2 - b^2)^2}{a^2 + b^2} \right] \\
&= \cos(\alpha - \beta) \left[ \frac{4b^2 a^2}{a^2 + b^2} + \frac{(a^2 - b^2)^2}{a^2 + b^2} \right] \\
&= \cos(\alpha - \beta) \left[ \frac{(a^2 + b^2)^2}{(a^2 + b^2)} \right] \\
\therefore \cos(\alpha - \beta) &= \frac{2c^2 - (a^2 + b^2)}{a^2 + b^2}
\end{aligned}$$

11. If an angle  $\alpha$  be divided into two part such that the tangent of one part is  $\lambda$  times the tangent of the other part, then prove that their difference  $\theta$  is given by  $\sin \theta = \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda + 1} \sin \alpha$

Soln: Since angle differ by magnitude  $\theta$ , Hence, let one angle is  $\beta$  then other angle will be  $\alpha - \beta$

$$\therefore \theta = \alpha - \beta - \beta = \alpha - 2\beta$$

$$\therefore \text{According to question, } \tan \beta = \lambda \tan (\alpha - \beta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{\tan \beta}{\tan (\alpha - \beta)}$$

using componendo and dividendo, we get

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

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

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

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

$$= \frac{\sin \alpha}{\sin \theta}$$

$$\frac{\lambda + 1}{\lambda - 1} = \frac{\sin \alpha}{\sin \theta}$$

$\because \beta - (\alpha - \beta) = \theta$  diff of angles.

$$\therefore \sin \theta = \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda + 1} \sin \alpha$$

12. Evaluate:

$$\frac{1}{\sin \theta \sin 2\theta} + \frac{1}{\sin 2\theta \sin 3\theta} + \frac{1}{\sin 3\theta \sin 4\theta} + \dots$$

+ n terms



Soln.  $\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \left[ \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta \sin 2\theta} + \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin 2\theta \sin 3\theta} + \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin 3\theta \sin 4\theta} + \dots \right]$

$$= \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \left[ \frac{\sin(2\theta - \theta)}{\sin \theta \sin 2\theta} + \frac{\sin(3\theta - 2\theta)}{\sin 3\theta \sin 2\theta} + \frac{\sin(4\theta - 3\theta)}{\sin 4\theta \sin 3\theta} + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \left[ \frac{\cancel{\sin 2\theta} \cos \theta - \cos 2\theta \cancel{\sin \theta}}{\sin \theta \cancel{\sin 2\theta}} + \frac{\cancel{\sin 3\theta} \cos 2\theta - \cos 3\theta \cancel{\sin 2\theta}}{\cancel{\sin 3\theta} \sin 2\theta \cancel{\sin 3\theta} \sin 2\theta} + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \left[ \cancel{\cot \theta} - \cancel{\cot 2\theta} + \cancel{\cot 2\theta} - \cancel{\cot 3\theta} + \dots + \cancel{\cot n\theta} - \cancel{\cot(n+1)\theta} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \left[ \cot \theta - \cot(n+1)\theta \right] \text{ Ans.}$$

13. Evaluate

$\tan \theta \sec 2\theta + \tan 2\theta \sec 4\theta + \tan 4\theta \sec 8\theta + \dots + n \text{ terms}$

Soln.  $\tan \theta \sec 2\theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \times \frac{1}{\cos 2\theta} = \frac{\sin(2\theta - \theta)}{\cos \theta \cos 2\theta}$

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

$$= \cancel{\tan 2\theta} - \tan \theta$$

Similarly,  $\tan 2\theta \sec 4\theta = \cancel{\tan 4\theta} - \cancel{\tan 2\theta}$

$\tan 4\theta \sec 8\theta = \cancel{\tan 8\theta} - \cancel{\tan 4\theta}$

...

$\tan 2^{n-1}\theta \sec 2^n\theta = \cancel{\tan 2^n\theta} - \cancel{\tan 2^{n-1}\theta}$

Adding all above, we get-

$$\tan \theta \sec 2\theta + \tan 2\theta \sec 4\theta + \dots + n \text{ terms} = \tan 2^n \theta - \tan \theta$$

14. Prove that  $\sin \theta \sec 3\theta = \frac{1}{2} (\tan 3\theta - \tan \theta)$  and hence find the sum to  $n$  terms of the series

$$\sin \theta \sec 3\theta + \sin 3\theta \sec 3^2 \theta + \sin 3^2 \theta \sec 3^3 \theta + \dots$$

Soln.

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \theta \sec 3\theta &= \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos 3\theta} = \frac{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{2 \cos 3\theta \cos \theta} \\ &= \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2 \cos 3\theta \cos \theta} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\sin(3\theta - \theta)}{\cos 3\theta \cos \theta} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\sin 3\theta \cos \theta - \cos 3\theta \sin \theta}{\cos 3\theta \cos \theta} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [\tan 3\theta - \tan \theta] \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} &\sin \theta \sec 3\theta + \sin 3\theta \sec 3^2 \theta + \sin 3^2 \theta \sec 3^3 \theta + \dots \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [\cancel{\tan 3\theta} - \tan \theta] + \frac{1}{2} [\cancel{\tan 3^2 \theta} - \cancel{\tan 3\theta}] + \frac{1}{2} [\cancel{\tan 3^3 \theta} - \cancel{\tan 3^2 \theta}] \\ &\quad + \dots + \frac{1}{2} [\tan 3^n \theta - \cancel{\tan 3^{n-1} \theta}] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [\tan 3^n \theta - \tan \theta] \text{ Ans.} \end{aligned}$$

15. Evaluate

$$\tan x \tan 2x + \tan 2x \tan 3x + \dots + \tan nx \tan (n+1)x$$

Soln. we know  $\tan x = \tan [(n+1)x - nx]$

$$= \frac{\tan (n+1)x - \tan nx}{1 + \tan (n+1)x \tan nx}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \tan (n+1)x \tan nx = \frac{\tan (n+1)x - \tan nx}{\tan x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan (n+1)x \tan nx = \frac{\tan (n+1)x - \tan nx}{\tan x} - 1$$

$\therefore$  putting  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$\tan 2x \tan x = \frac{\tan 2x - \tan x}{\tan x} - 1$$

$$\tan 3x \tan 2x = \frac{\tan 3x - \tan 2x}{\tan x} - 1$$

$$\tan 4x \tan 3x = \frac{\tan 4x - \tan 3x}{\tan x} - 1$$

$$\tan (n+1)x \tan nx = \frac{\tan (n+1)x - \tan nx}{\tan x} - 1$$

Adding all above we get,

$$\tan 2x \tan x + \tan 3x \tan 2x + \dots + \tan (n+1)x \tan nx$$

$$= \frac{\tan (n+1)x - \tan x}{\tan x} - n$$

$$= \frac{\tan (n+1)x}{\tan x} - (1+n)$$