

17-INVERSE TRIGONOMETRY

- Meaning of inverse function :

1. $\sin \theta = x \Leftrightarrow \sin^{-1} x = \theta$
2. $\cos \theta = x \Leftrightarrow \cos^{-1} x = \theta$
3. $\tan \theta = x \Leftrightarrow \tan^{-1} x = \theta$
4. $\cot \theta = x \Leftrightarrow \cot^{-1} x = \theta$
5. $\sec \theta = x \Leftrightarrow \sec^{-1} x = \theta$
6. $\operatorname{cosec} \theta = x \Leftrightarrow \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x = \theta$

- Domains and Range of Functions :

Function	Domain	Range
$\sin^{-1}x$	$-1 \leq x \leq 1$	$-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$
$\cos^{-1}x$	$-1 \leq x \leq 1$	$0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$
$\tan^{-1}x$	$-\infty < x < \infty$, i.e. $x \in \mathbb{R}$	$-\frac{\pi}{2} < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$
$\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x$	$x \leq -1, x \geq 1$	$\theta \neq 0, -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$
$\sec^{-1}x$	$x \leq -1, x \geq 1$	$\theta \neq \frac{\pi}{2}, 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$
$\cot^{-1}x$	$-\infty < x < \infty$ i.e. $x \in \mathbb{R}$	$0 < \theta < \pi$

- Properties of Inverse Functions :

- (a) 1. $\sin^{-1}(\sin \theta) = \theta, \sin(\sin^{-1}x) = x$
2. $\cos^{-1}(\cos \theta) = \theta, \cos(\cos^{-1}x) = x$
 3. $\tan^{-1}(\tan \theta) = \theta, \tan(\tan^{-1}x) = x$
 4. $\cot^{-1}(\cot \theta) = \theta, \cot(\cot^{-1}x) = x$
 5. $\sec^{-1}(\sec \theta) = \theta, \sec(\sec^{-1}x) = x$
 6. $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(\operatorname{cosec} \theta) = \theta, \operatorname{cosec}(\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x) = x$

- (b) 1. $\sin^{-1}x = \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(1/x)$

2. $\cos^{-1}x = \sec^{-1}(1/x)$

3. $\tan^{-1}x = \cot^{-1}(1/x)$

- (c) 1. $\sin^{-1}(-x) = -\sin^{-1}x$

2. $\cos^{-1}(-x) = \pi - \cos^{-1}x$

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

4. $\cot^{-1}(-x) = \pi - \cot^{-1}x$

5. $\sec^{-1}(-x) = \pi - \sec^{-1}x$

6. $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}(-x) = -\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x$

(d). 1. $\sin^{-1}x + \cos^{-1}x = \pi/2$

2. $\tan^{-1}x + \cot^{-1}x = \pi/2$

3. $\sec^{-1}x + \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x = \pi/2$

- Formulae for Sum and Difference of Inverse Function –

$$1. \tan^{-1}x + \tan^{-1}y = \begin{cases} \tan^{-1} \frac{x+y}{1-xy} & \text{where } xy < 1 \\ \pi + \tan^{-1} \frac{x+y}{1-xy} & \text{when } xy > 1 \end{cases}$$

2. $\tan^{-1}x - \tan^{-1}y = \tan^{-1} \frac{x-y}{1+xy}$

3. $\sin^{-1}x \pm \sin^{-1}y = \sin^{-1} \left\{ x\sqrt{1-y^2} \pm y\sqrt{1-x^2} \right\}$

4. $\cos^{-1}x \pm \cos^{-1}y = \cos^{-1} \left\{ xy \mp \sqrt{1-x^2} \sqrt{1-y^2} \right\}$

5. $\cot^{-1}x \pm \cot^{-1}y = \cot^{-1} \left[\frac{xy \mp 1}{y \pm x} \right]$

6. $\tan^{-1}x + \tan^{-1}y + \tan^{-1}z = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{x+y+z-xyz}{1-xy-yz-zx} \right]$

- Some Important Results :

1. $2 \sin^{-1}x = \sin^{-1}2x \sqrt{1-x^2}$

2. $2 \cos^{-1}x = \cos^{-1}(2x^2 - 1)$

3. $2 \tan^{-1}x = \tan^{-1} \frac{2x}{1-x^2} = \sin^{-1} \frac{2x}{1+x^2} = \cos^{-1} \frac{1-x^2}{1+x^2}$

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

5. $3 \cos^{-1}x = \cos^{-1}(4x^3 - 3x)$

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

7. $\tan^{-1} \left[\frac{x}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} \right] = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)$

8. $\tan^{-1} \left[\frac{3a^2x - x^3}{a(a^2 - 3x^2)} \right] = 3 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)$

9. $\tan^{-1} \left[\frac{\sqrt{1+x^2} + \sqrt{1-x^2}}{\sqrt{1+x^2} - \sqrt{1-x^2}} \right] = \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1}x^2$