#### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise A, Question 1

### **Question:**

Without using your calculator, write down the sign of the following trigonometric ratios:

- (a) sec 300°
- (b) cosec 190°
- (c) cot 110°
- (d) cot 200°
- (e) sec 95°

#### **Solution:**

(a)  $300^{\circ}$  is in the 4th quadrant

$$\sec 300^{\circ} = \frac{1}{\cos 300^{\circ}}$$

In 4th quadrant cos is +ve, so sec 300° is +ve.

(b) 190° is in the 3rd quadrant

$$\csc 190^{\circ} = \frac{1}{\sin 190^{\circ}}$$

In 3rd quadrant sin is -ve, so cosec 190° is -ve.

(c)  $110^{\circ}$  is in the 2nd quadrant

$$\cot 110^{\circ} = \frac{1}{\tan 110^{\circ}}$$

In the 2nd quadrant tan is -ve, so cot 110° is -ve.

- (d) 200° is in the 3rd quadrant. tan is +ve in the 3rd quadrant, so cot 200° is+ve.
- (e) 95° is in the 2nd quadrant cos is –ve in the 2nd quadrant, so sec 95° is –ve.

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Exercise A, Question 2

### **Question:**

Use your calculator to find, to 3 significant figures, the values of

- (a) sec 100°
- (b) cosec  $260^{\circ}$
- (c) cosec 280°
- (d) cot  $550^{\circ}$
- (e) cot  $\frac{4\pi}{3}$
- (f)  $\sec 2.4^{c}$
- (g) cosec  $\frac{11\pi}{10}$
- (h)  $\sec 6^c$

(a) 
$$\sec 100^{\circ} = \frac{1}{\cos 100^{\circ}} = -5.76$$

(b) 
$$\csc 260^{\circ} = \frac{1}{\sin 260^{\circ}} = -1.02$$

(c) 
$$\csc 280^{\circ} = \frac{1}{\sin 280^{\circ}} = -1.02$$

(d) 
$$\cot 550^{\circ} = \frac{1}{\tan 550^{\circ}} = 5.67$$

(e) 
$$\cot \frac{4\pi}{3} = \frac{1}{\tan \frac{4\pi}{3}} = 0.577$$

(f) 
$$\sec 2.4^{c} = \frac{1}{\cos 2.4^{c}} = -1.36$$

(g) cosec 
$$\frac{11\pi}{10} = \frac{1}{\sin\frac{11\pi}{10}} = -3.24$$

(h) 
$$\sec 6^c = \frac{1}{\cos 6^c} = 1.04$$

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Exercise A, Question 3

#### **Question:**

Find the exact value (in surd form where appropriate) of the following:

- (a) cosec 90°
- (b) cot 135°
- (c) sec 180°
- (d) sec 240°
- (e) cosec  $300^{\circ}$
- (f) cot  $(-45^{\circ})$
- (g) sec 60°
- (h) cosec (  $-210^{\circ}$  )
- (i) sec 225°
- (j) cot  $\frac{4\pi}{3}$
- (k) sec  $\frac{11\pi}{6}$
- (1) cosec  $\left(-\frac{3\pi}{4}\right)$

- (a)  $\csc 90^{\circ} = \frac{1}{\sin 90^{\circ}} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$  (refer to graph of  $y = \sin \theta$ )
- (b)  $\cot 135^{\circ} = \frac{1}{\tan 135^{\circ}} = \frac{1}{-\tan 45^{\circ}} = \frac{1}{-1} = -1$
- (c)  $\sec 180^{\circ} = \frac{1}{\cos 180^{\circ}} = \frac{1}{-1} = -1$  (refer to graph of  $y = \cos \theta$ )
- (d) 240° is in 3rd quadrant

$$\sec 240^{\circ} = \frac{1}{\cos 240^{\circ}} = \frac{1}{-\cos 60^{\circ}} = \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{2}} = -2$$

(e) 
$$\csc 300^{\circ} = \frac{1}{\sin 300^{\circ}} = \frac{1}{-\sin 60^{\circ}} = -\frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}} = -\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = -\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

(f) cot 
$$(-45^{\circ}) = \frac{1}{\tan(-45^{\circ})} = \frac{1}{-\tan 45^{\circ}} = \frac{1}{-1} = -1$$

(g) 
$$\sec 60^{\circ} = \frac{1}{\cos 60^{\circ}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} = 2$$

(h) -210 ° is in 2nd quadrant

cosec ( 
$$-210^{\circ}$$
 ) =  $\frac{1}{\sin(-210^{\circ})}$  =  $\frac{1}{\sin 30^{\circ}}$  =  $\frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}}$  = 2

(i)  $225^{\circ}$  is in 3rd quadrant

$$\sec 225^{\circ} = \frac{1}{\cos 225^{\circ}} = \frac{1}{-\cos 45^{\circ}}$$

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

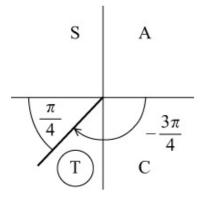
(j)  $\frac{4\pi}{3}$  is in 3rd quadrant

$$\cot \frac{4\pi}{3} = \frac{1}{\tan \frac{4\pi}{3}} = \frac{1}{\tan \frac{\pi}{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

(k) 
$$\frac{11\pi}{6} = 2\pi - \frac{\pi}{6}$$
 (in 4th quadrant)

$$\sec\frac{11\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{\cos\frac{11\pi}{6}} = \frac{1}{\cos\frac{\pi}{6}} = \frac{1}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

(1) 
$$\csc = \left(-\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{\sin\left(-\frac{3\pi}{4}\right)} = \frac{1}{-\sin\frac{\pi}{4}} = \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} = -\sqrt{2}$$



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Exercise A, Question 4

#### **Question:**

(a) Copy and complete the table, showing values (to 2 decimal places) of  $\sec \theta$  for selected values of  $\theta$ .

θ	0°	30°	45°	60°	70°	80°	85°	95°
$\sec \theta$	1		1.41		A 300-10-20	5.76	11.47	

θ	100°	110°	120°	135°	150°	180°	210°
sec θ	7	-2.92	7500.0	-1.41	NOTE OF THE PARTY		-1.15

(b) Copy and complete the table, showing values (to 2 decimal places) of cosec  $\theta$  for selected values of  $\theta$ .

θ	10°	20°	30°	45°	60°	80°	90°	100°	120°	135°	150°	160°	170°
$cosec\theta$				1.41			1		1.15	1.41			

θ	190°	200°	210°	225°	240°	270°	300°	315°	330°	340°	350°	390°
$cosec\theta$		0			-1.15				-2			

(c) Copy and complete the table, showing values (to 2 decimal places) of  $\cot \theta$  for selected values of  $\theta$ .

θ	-90°	-60°	-45°	-30°	-10°	10°	30°	45°	60°
$\cot \theta$	0	-0.58				ř.	1.73	1	0.58

θ	90°	120°	135°	150°	170°	210°	225°	240°	270°
$\cot \theta$		1	-1	5 /	7			0.58	

#### **Solution:**

(a) Change sec  $\theta$  into  $\frac{1}{\cos \theta}$  and use your calculator.

θ	0°	30°	45°	60°	70°	80°	85°	95°
$\sec \theta$	1	1.15	1.41	2	2.92	5.76	11.47	-11.47

θ	100°	110°	120°	135°	150°	180°	210°
$\sec \theta$	-5.76	-2.92	-2	-1.41	-1.15	-1	-1.15

# (b) Change cosec $\theta$ to $\frac{1}{\sin \theta}$ and use your calculator.

θ	10°	20°	30°	45°	60°	80°	90°	100°	120°
$cosec\theta$	5.76	2.92	2	1.41	1.15	1.02	1	1.02	1.15

θ	135°	150°	160°	170°	190°	200°	210°	225°	240°
$\csc \theta$	1.41	2	2.92	5.76	-5.76	-2.92	-2	-1.41	-1.15

θ	270°	300°	315°	330°	340°	350°	390°
cosec θ	-1	-1.15	-1.41	-2	-2.92	-5.76	2

# (c) Change cot $\theta$ to $\frac{1}{\tan \theta}$ and use your calculator.

θ	-90°	-60°	-45°	-30°	-10°	10°	30°	45°	60°
$\cot \theta$	0	-0.58	-1	-1.73	-5.67	5.67	1.73	1	0.58

θ	90°	120°	135°	150°	170°	210°	225°	240°	270°
$\cot \theta$	0	-0.58	-1	-1.73	-5.67	1.73	1	0.58	0

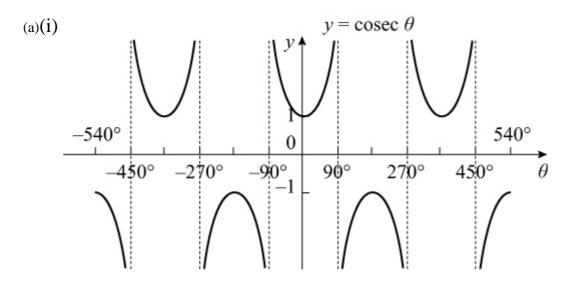
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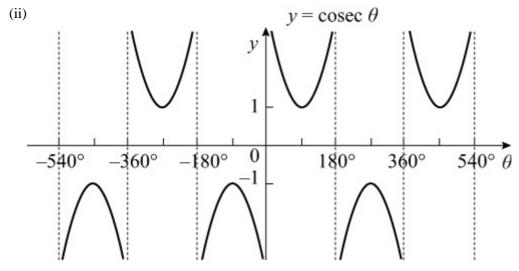
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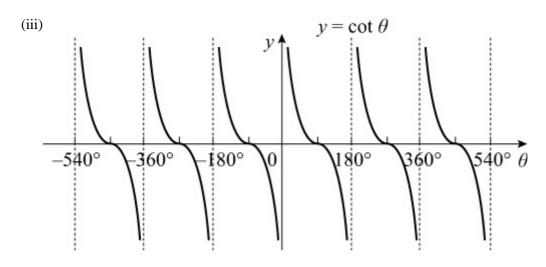
Exercise B, Question 1

### **Question:**

- (a) Sketch, in the interval  $-540^{\circ} \le \theta \le 540^{\circ}$ , the graphs of:
- (i)  $\sec \theta$  (ii)  $\csc \theta$  (iii)  $\cot \theta$
- (b) Write down the range of
- (i)  $\sec \theta$  (ii)  $\csc \theta$  (iii)  $\cot \theta$







(b)(i) (Note the gap in the range)  $\sec \theta \le -1$ ,  $\sec \theta \ge 1$ (ii) ( $\csc \theta$  also has a gap in the range)  $\csc \theta \le -1$ ,  $\csc \theta \ge 1$ (iii)  $\cot \theta$  takes all real values, i.e.  $\cot \theta \in \mathbb{R}$ .

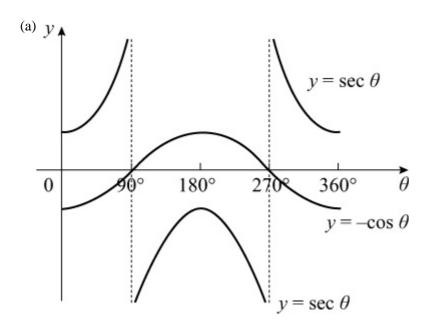
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Exercise B, Question 2

### **Question:**

- (a) Sketch, on the same set of axes, in the interval  $0 \le \theta \le 360^\circ$ , the graphs of  $y = \sec \theta$  and  $y = -\cos \theta$ .
- (b) Explain how your graphs show that  $\sec \theta = -\cos \theta$  has no solutions.

#### **Solution:**



(b) You can see that the graphs of  $\sec \theta$  and  $-\cos \theta$  do not meet, so  $\sec \theta = -\cos \theta$  has no solutions.

Algebraically, the solutions of  $\sec \theta = -\cos \theta$ 

are those of 
$$\frac{1}{\cos \theta} = -\cos \theta$$

This requires  $\cos^2 \theta = -1$ , which is not possible for real  $\theta$ .

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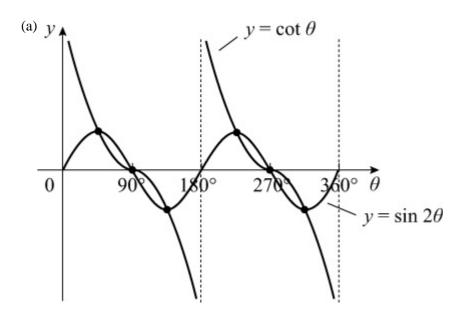
Exercise B, Question 3

### **Question:**

(a) Sketch, on the same set of axes, in the interval  $0 \le \theta \le 360^{\circ}$ , the graphs of  $y = \cot \theta$  and  $y = \sin 2\theta$ .

(b) Deduce the number of solutions of the equation  $\cot\theta=\sin2\theta$  in the interval  $0 \le \theta \le 360^\circ$ .

#### **Solution:**



(b) The curves meet at the maxima and minima of  $y = \sin 2\theta$ , and on the  $\theta$ -axis at odd integer multiples of  $90^{\circ}$ .

In the interval 0  $\leq$   $\theta$   $\leq$  360  $^{\circ}$  there are 6 intersections.

So there are 6 solutions of  $\cot \theta = \sin 2\theta$ , is  $0 \le \theta \le 360^{\circ}$ .

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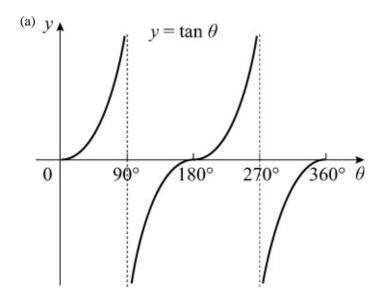
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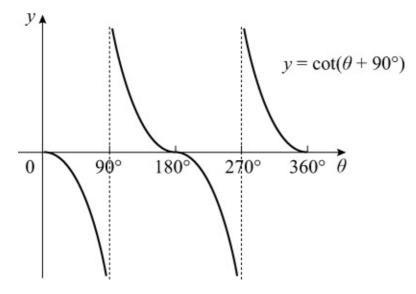
#### **Question:**

(a) Sketch on separate axes, in the interval  $0 \le \theta \le 360^\circ$ , the graphs of  $y = \tan\theta$  and  $y = \cot(\theta + 90^\circ)$ .

(b) Hence, state a relationship between  $\tan \theta$  and  $\cot (\theta + 90^{\circ})$ .

#### **Solution:**





(b)  $y = \cot(\theta + 90^\circ)$  is a reflection in the  $\theta$ -axis of  $y = \tan\theta$ , so  $\cot(\theta + 90^\circ)$  =  $-\tan\theta$ 

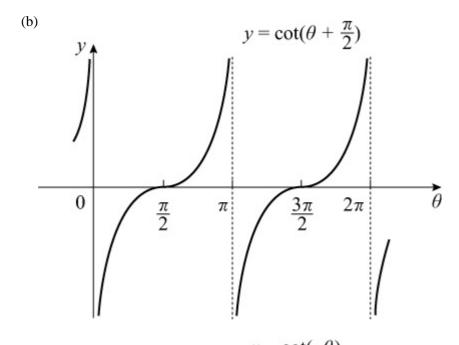
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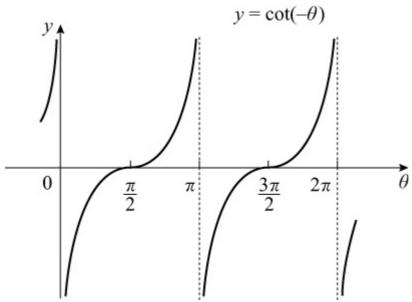
Exercise B, Question 5

#### **Question:**

- (a) Describe the relationships between the graphs of
- (i)  $\tan \left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$  and  $\tan \theta$
- (ii) cot  $(-\theta)$  and cot  $\theta$
- (iii) cosec  $\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$  and cosec  $\theta$
- (iv)  $\sec \left( \theta \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$  and  $\sec \theta$
- (b) By considering the graphs of  $\tan \left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ ,  $\cot \left(-\theta\right)$ ,  $\csc \left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$  and  $\sec \left(\theta \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ , state which pairs of functions are equal.

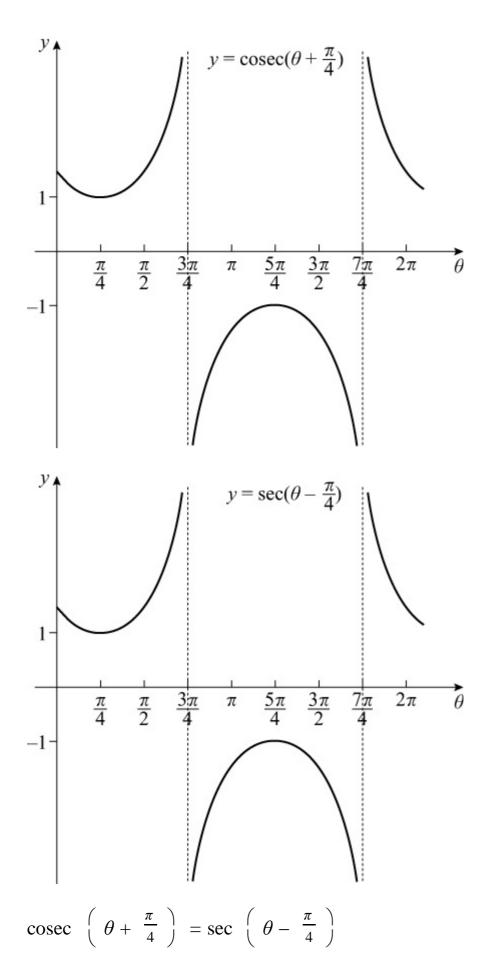
- (a) (i) The graph of tan  $\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$  is the same as that of tan  $\theta$  translated by  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  to the left.
- (ii) The graph of cot  $(-\theta)$  is the same as that of cot  $\theta$  reflected in the y-axis.
- (iii) The graph of cosec  $\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$  is the same as that of cosec  $\theta$  translated by  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  to the left.
- (iv) The graph of sec  $\left(\theta \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$  is the same as that of sec  $\theta$  translated by  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  to the right.





(reflect  $y = \cot \theta$  in the y-axis)

$$\tan \left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \cot (-\theta)$$



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Exercise B, Question 6

#### **Question:**

Sketch on separate axes, in the interval  $0 \le \theta \le 360^{\circ}$ , the graphs of:

(a) 
$$y = \sec 2\theta$$

(b) 
$$y = -\csc\theta$$

(c) 
$$y = 1 + \sec \theta$$

(d) 
$$y = cosec (\theta - 30^{\circ})$$

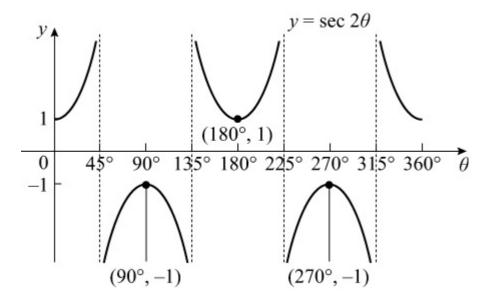
In each case show the coordinates of any maximum and minimum points, and of any points at which the curve meets the axes.

#### **Solution:**

(a) A stretch of  $y = \sec \theta$  in the  $\theta$  direction with scale factor  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Minimum at  $(180^{\circ}, 1)$ 

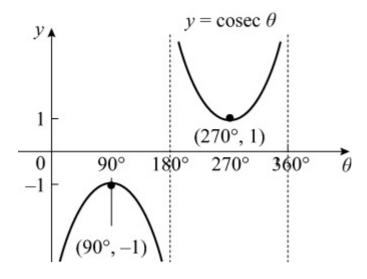
Maxima at  $(90^{\circ}, -1)$  and  $(270^{\circ}, -1)$ 



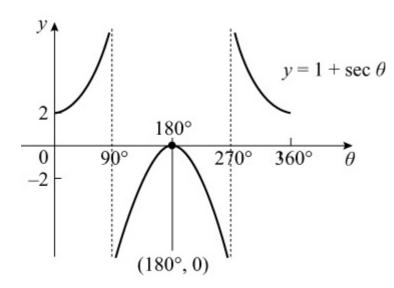
(b) Reflection in  $\theta$ -axis of  $y = \csc \theta$ .

Minimum at  $(270^{\circ}, 1)$ 

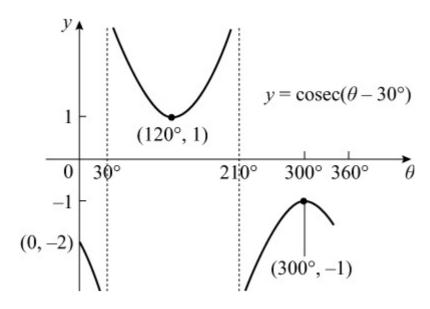
Maximum at  $(90^{\circ}, -1)$ 



(c) Translation of  $y = \sec \theta$  by + 1 in the y direction. Maximum at  $(180^{\circ}, 0)$ 



(d) Translation of  $y = \csc \theta$  by 30° to the right. Minimum at (120°, 1) Maximum at (300°, -1)



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Exercise B, Question 7

#### **Question:**

Write down the periods of the following functions. Give your answer in terms of  $\pi$ .

- (a)  $\sec 3\theta$
- (b) cosec  $\frac{1}{2}\theta$
- (c)  $2 \cot \theta$
- (d) sec  $(-\theta)$

#### **Solution:**

(a) The period of sec  $\theta$  is  $2\pi$  radians.

 $y = \sec 3\theta$  is a stretch of  $y = \sec \theta$  with scale factor  $\frac{1}{3}$  in the  $\theta$  direction.

So period of sec  $3\theta$  is  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$ .

(b) cosec  $\theta$  has a period of  $2\pi$ .

cosec  $\frac{1}{2}\theta$  is a stretch of cosec  $\theta$  in the  $\theta$  direction with scale factor 2.

So period of cosec  $\frac{1}{2}\theta$  is  $4\pi$ .

(c)  $\cot \theta$  has a period of  $\pi$ .

2 cot  $\theta$  is a stretch in the y direction by scale factor 2.

So the periodicity is not affected.

Period of 2 cot  $\theta$  is  $\pi$ .

(d) sec  $\theta$  has a period of  $2\pi$ .

 $\sec(-\theta)$  is a reflection of  $\sec\theta$  in y-axis, so periodicity is unchanged.

Period of sec  $(-\theta)$  is  $2\pi$ .

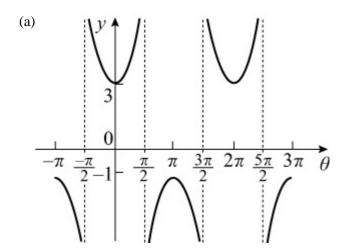
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Exercise B, Question 8

#### **Question:**

- (a) Sketch the graph of  $y = 1 + 2 \sec \theta$  in the interval  $-\pi \le \theta \le 2\pi$ .
- (b) Write down the y-coordinate of points at which the gradient is zero.
- (c) Deduce the maximum and minimum values of  $\frac{1}{1+2 \sec \theta}$ , and give the smallest positive values of  $\theta$  at which they occur.

#### **Solution:**



- (b) The y coordinates at stationary points are -1 and 3.
- (c) Minimum value of  $\frac{1}{1+2 \sec \theta}$  is where  $1+2 \sec \theta$  is a maximum.

So minimum value of  $\frac{1}{1+2 \sec \theta}$  is  $\frac{1}{-1} = -1$ 

It occurs when  $\theta = \pi$  (see diagram) (1st +ve value)

Maximum value of  $\frac{1}{1+2 \sec \theta}$  is where  $1+2 \sec \theta$  is a minimum.

So maximum value of  $\frac{1}{1+2 \sec \theta}$  is  $\frac{1}{3}$ 

It occurs when  $\theta = 2\pi$  (1st +ve value)

#### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 1

### **Question:**

Give solutions to these equations correct to 1 decimal place.

Rewrite the following as powers of sec  $\theta$ , cosec  $\theta$  or cot  $\theta$ :

(a) 
$$\frac{1}{\sin^3 \theta}$$

(b) 
$$\sqrt{\frac{4}{\tan^6 \theta}}$$

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

(d) 
$$\frac{1 - \sin^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta}$$

(e) 
$$\frac{\sec \theta}{\cos^4 \theta}$$

(f) 
$$\sqrt{\csc^3 \theta \cot \theta \sec \theta}$$

(g) 
$$\frac{2}{\sqrt{\tan \theta}}$$

(h) 
$$\frac{\csc^2 \theta \tan^2 \theta}{\cos \theta}$$

(a) 
$$\frac{1}{\sin^3 \theta} = \left(\frac{1}{\sin \theta}\right)^3 = \csc^3 \theta$$

(b) 
$$\sqrt{\frac{4}{\tan^6 \theta}} = \frac{2}{\tan^3 \theta} = 2 \times \left(\frac{1}{\tan \theta}\right)^3 = 2 \cot^3 \theta$$

(c) 
$$\frac{1}{2\cos^2\theta} = \frac{1}{2} \times \left(\frac{1}{\cos\theta}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sec^2\theta$$

(d) 
$$\frac{1 - \sin^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} = \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta}$$
 (using  $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta \equiv 1$ )

So 
$$\frac{1-\sin^2\theta}{\sin^2\theta} = \left(\frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta}\right)^2 = \cot^2\theta$$

(e) 
$$\frac{\sec \theta}{\cos^4 \theta} = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \times \frac{1}{\cos^4 \theta} = \frac{1}{\cos^5 \theta} = \left(\frac{1}{\cos \theta}\right)^5 = \sec^5 \theta$$

(f) 
$$\sqrt{\csc^3 \theta \cot \theta \sec \theta} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sin^3 \theta} \times \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \times \frac{1}{\cos \theta}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sin^4 \theta}} =$$

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

(g) 
$$\frac{2}{\sqrt{\tan \theta}} = 2 \times \frac{1}{(\tan \theta)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = 2 \cot \frac{1}{2} \theta$$

(h) 
$$\frac{\csc^2 \theta \tan^2 \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \times \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} \times \frac{1}{\cos \theta} = \left(\frac{1}{\cos \theta}\right)^3 = \sec^3 \theta$$

#### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 2

#### **Question:**

Give solutions to these equations correct to 1 decimal place.

Write down the value(s) of cot *x* in each of the following equations:

(a) 
$$5 \sin x = 4 \cos x$$

(b) 
$$\tan x = -2$$

(c) 
$$3 \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$$

#### **Solution:**

(a) 
$$5 \sin x = 4 \cos x$$
  
 $\Rightarrow 5 = 4 \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$  (divide by  $\sin x$ )

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{4} = \cot x$$
 (divide by 4)

(b) 
$$\tan x = -2$$
  

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

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\cot x = -\frac{1}{2}$ 

(c) 
$$3 \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 3 sin<sup>2</sup>  $x = \cos^2 x$  (multiply by sin  $x \cos x$ )

$$\Rightarrow 3 = \frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x} \quad \text{(divide by } \sin^2 x\text{)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c} \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \end{array}\right)^2 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\cot^2 x = 3$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\cot x = \pm \sqrt{3}$ 

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Exercise C, Question 3

### **Question:**

Give solutions to these equations correct to 1 decimal place.

Using the definitions of **sec**, **cosec**, **cot** and **tan** simplify the following expressions:

- (a)  $\sin \theta \cot \theta$
- (b)  $\tan \theta \cot \theta$
- (c)  $\tan 2\theta \csc 2\theta$
- (d)  $\cos \theta \sin \theta (\cot \theta + \tan \theta)$
- (e)  $\sin^3 x \csc x + \cos^3 x \sec x$
- (f)  $\sec A \sec A \sin^2 A$
- (g)  $\sec^2 x \cos^5 x + \cot x \csc x \sin^4 x$

(a) 
$$\sin \theta \cot \theta = \sin \theta \times \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = \cos \theta$$

(b) 
$$\tan \theta \cot \theta = \tan \theta \times \frac{1}{\tan \theta} = 1$$

(c) 
$$\tan 2\theta \ \csc 2\theta = \frac{\sin 2\theta}{\cos 2\theta} \times \frac{1}{\sin 2\theta} = \frac{1}{\cos 2\theta} = \sec 2\theta$$

(d) 
$$\cos \theta \sin \theta \left( \cot \theta + \tan \theta \right) = \cos \theta \sin \theta \left( \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} + \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \right)$$
  
=  $\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$ 

(e) 
$$\sin^3 x \csc x + \cos^3 x \sec x = \sin^3 x \times \frac{1}{\sin x} + \cos^3 x \times \frac{1}{\sin x}$$

$$\frac{1}{\cos x} = \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$$

(f) 
$$\sec A - \sec A \sin^2 A$$
  
 $= \sec A (1 - \sin^2 A)$  (factorise)  
 $= \frac{1}{\cos A} \times \cos^2 A$  (using  $\sin^2 A + \cos^2 A \equiv 1$ )  
 $= \cos A$ 

(g) 
$$\sec^2 x \cos^5 x + \cot x \csc x \sin^4 x$$
  

$$= \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} \times \cos^5 x + \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \times \frac{1}{\sin x} \times \sin^4 x$$

$$= \cos^3 x + \sin^2 x \cos x$$

$$= \cos x (\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x)$$

$$= \cos x (\operatorname{since} \cos^2 x + \sin^2 x)$$

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### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 4

#### **Question:**

Show that

(a) 
$$\cos \theta + \sin \theta \tan \theta \equiv \sec \theta$$

(b) 
$$\cot \theta + \tan \theta \equiv \csc \theta \sec \theta$$

(c) 
$$\csc \theta - \sin \theta \equiv \cos \theta \cot \theta$$

(d) 
$$(1 - \cos x)$$
  $(1 + \sec x) \equiv \sin x \tan x$ 

(e) 
$$\frac{\cos x}{1 - \sin x} + \frac{1 - \sin x}{\cos x} \equiv 2 \sec x$$

$$(f) \frac{\cos \theta}{1 + \cot \theta} \equiv \frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \tan \theta}$$

(a) L.H.S. 
$$\equiv \cos \theta + \sin \theta \tan \theta$$
  
 $\equiv \cos \theta + \sin \theta \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$   
 $\equiv \frac{\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta}{\cos \theta}$   
 $\equiv \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$  (using  $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta \equiv 1$ )  
 $\equiv \sec \theta \equiv \text{R.H.S.}$ 

(b) L.H.S. 
$$\equiv \cot \theta + \tan \theta$$

$$\equiv \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} + \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta}{\sin \theta \cos \theta}$$

$$\equiv \frac{1}{\sin \theta \cos \theta}$$

$$\equiv \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \times \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\equiv \csc \theta \sec \theta \equiv \text{R.H.S.}$$

(c) L.H.S. 
$$\equiv \csc \theta - \sin \theta$$
  
 $\equiv \frac{1}{\sin \theta} - \sin \theta$ 

$$\equiv \frac{1 - \sin^2 \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

$$\equiv \cos \theta \times \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

$$\equiv \cos \theta \cot \theta \equiv \text{R.H.S.}$$

(d) L.H.S. 
$$\equiv (1 - \cos x) (1 + \sec x)$$
  
 $\equiv 1 - \cos x + \sec x - \cos x \sec x$  (multiplying out)  
 $\equiv \sec x - \cos x$   
 $\equiv \frac{1}{\cos x} - \cos x$   
 $\equiv \frac{1 - \cos^2 x}{\cos x}$   
 $\equiv \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos x}$   
 $\equiv \sin x \times \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$   
 $\equiv \sin x \tan x \equiv \text{R.H.S.}$ 

(f)

L.H.S. 
$$\equiv \frac{\cos \theta}{1 + \cot \theta}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\cos \theta}{1 + \frac{1}{\tan \theta}}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\cos \theta}{\frac{\tan \theta + 1}{\tan \theta}}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\cos \theta \tan \theta}{1 + \tan \theta}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\cos \theta \times \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}}{1 + \tan \theta}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \tan \theta} \equiv \text{R.H.S}$$

#### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 5

### **Question:**

Solve, for values of  $\theta$  in the interval  $0 \le \theta \le 360^{\circ}$ , the following equations. Give your answers to 3 significant figures where necessary.

(a) 
$$\sec \theta = \sqrt{2}$$

(b) 
$$\csc \theta = -3$$

(c) 5 
$$\cot \theta = -2$$

(d) 
$$\csc \theta = 2$$

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

(f) 
$$5 \cos \theta = 3 \cot \theta$$

(g) 
$$\cot^2 \theta - 8 \tan \theta = 0$$

(h) 
$$2 \sin \theta = \csc \theta$$

### **Solution:**

(a) 
$$\sec \theta = \sqrt{2}$$
  

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

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

Calculator value is  $\theta = 45^{\circ}$ 

 $\cos \theta$  is +ve  $\Rightarrow$   $\theta$  in 1st and 4th quadrants Solutions are 45°, 315°

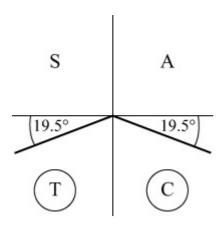
(b) 
$$\csc \theta = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = -\frac{1}{3}$$

Calculator value is -19.5  $^{\circ}$ 

$$\sin \theta$$
 is -ve  $\Rightarrow$   $\theta$  is in 3rd and 4th quadrants



Solutions are 199°, 341° (3 s.f.)

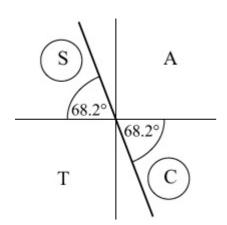
(c) 
$$5 \cot \theta = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\cot \theta = -\frac{2}{5}$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\tan \theta = -\frac{5}{2}$ 

Calculator value is -68.2  $^{\circ}$ 

 $\tan \theta$  is  $-\text{ve} \Rightarrow \theta$  is in 2nd and 4th quadrants



Solutions are 112°, 292° (3 s.f.)

(d) 
$$\csc \theta = 2$$

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

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

 $\sin \theta$  is +ve  $\Rightarrow$   $\theta$  is in 1st and 2nd quadrants Solutions are 30°, 150°

(e) 
$$3 \sec^2 \theta = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \sec^2 \theta = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 \theta = \frac{3}{4}$$

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

Calculator value for  $\cos \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$  is 30°

As  $\cos \theta$  is  $\pm$ ,  $\theta$  is in all four quadrants Solutions are 30°, 150°, 210°, 330°

(f) 
$$5 \cos \theta = 3 \cot \theta$$

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

**Note** Do not cancel  $\cos \theta$  on each side. Multiply through by  $\sin \theta$ .

$$\Rightarrow$$
 5 cos  $\theta$  sin  $\theta$  = 3 cos  $\theta$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
 5 cos  $\theta$  sin  $\theta$  – 3 cos  $\theta$  = 0

$$\Rightarrow$$
 cos  $\theta$  (5 sin  $\theta$  – 3) = 0 (factorise)

So 
$$\cos \theta = 0$$
 or  $\sin \theta = \frac{3}{5}$ 

Solutions are  $(90^{\circ}, 270^{\circ})$ ,  $(36.9^{\circ}, 143^{\circ}) = 36.9^{\circ}, 90^{\circ}, 143^{\circ}, 270^{\circ}$ .

(g) 
$$\cot^2 \theta - 8 \tan \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\tan^2 \theta} - 8 \tan \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 1 - 8 tan<sup>3</sup>  $\theta = 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
 8 tan<sup>3</sup>  $\theta = 1$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\tan^3 \theta = \frac{1}{8}$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\tan \theta = \frac{1}{2}$ 

 $\tan \theta$  is +ve  $\Rightarrow \theta$  is in 1st and 3rd quadrants

Calculator value is 26.6°

Solutions are  $26.6^{\circ}$  and  $(180^{\circ} + 26.6^{\circ}) = 26.6^{\circ}$  and  $207^{\circ}$  (3 s.f.).

(h) 
$$2 \sin \theta = \csc \theta$$

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

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

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

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

Calculator value for  $\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  is  $45^{\circ}$ 

Solution are in all four quadrants Solutions are 45°, 135°, 225°, 315°

#### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 6

### **Question:**

Solve, for values of  $\theta$  in the interval  $-180^{\circ} \le \theta \le 180^{\circ}$ , the following equations:

(a) 
$$\csc \theta = 1$$

(b) 
$$\sec \theta = -3$$

(c) 
$$\cot \theta = 3.45$$

(d) 
$$2 \csc^2 \theta - 3 \csc \theta = 0$$

(e) 
$$\sec \theta = 2 \cos \theta$$

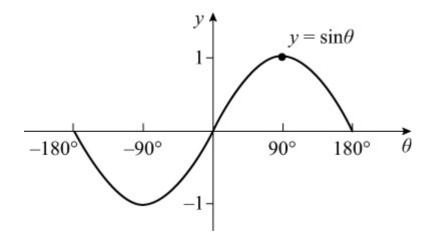
(f) 
$$3 \cot \theta = 2 \sin \theta$$

(g) 
$$\csc 2\theta = 4$$

(h) 
$$2 \cot^2 \theta - \cot \theta - 5 = 0$$

(a) 
$$\csc \theta = 1$$
  
 $\Rightarrow \sin \theta = 1$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\theta = 90^{\circ}$ 

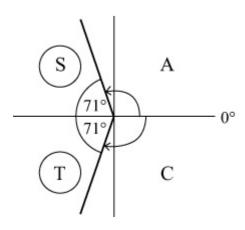


(b) 
$$\sec \theta = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\cos \theta = -\frac{1}{3}$ 

Calculator value for  $\cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)$  is  $109^{\circ}$  (3 s.f.)

 $\cos \theta$  is -ve  $\Rightarrow$   $\theta$  is in 2nd and 3rd quadrants



Solutions are  $109^{\circ}$  and  $-109^{\circ}$ 

[If you are not using the quadrant diagram, answer in this case would be  $\cos^{-1}$ 

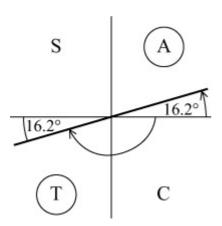
$$\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)$$
 and  $-360^{\circ} + \cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)$ . See key point on page 84.]

(c) 
$$\cot \theta = 3.45$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\tan \theta} = 3.45$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{1}{3.45} = 0.28985...$$

Calculator value for  $\tan^{-1}$  ( 0.28985... ) is 16.16°  $\tan \theta$  is +ve  $\Rightarrow \theta$  is in 1st and 3rd quadrants



Solutions are 16.2  $^{\circ}$  , -180  $^{\circ}$  + 16.2  $^{\circ}$  = 16.2  $^{\circ}$  , -164  $^{\circ}$  (3 s.f.)

(d) 
$$2 \csc^2 \theta - 3 \csc \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 cosec  $\theta$  (2 cosec  $\theta$  – 3) = 0 (factorise)

$$\Rightarrow$$
 cosec  $\theta = 0$  or cosec  $\theta = \frac{3}{2}$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\sin \theta = \frac{2}{3}$   $\csc \theta = 0$  has no solutions

Calculator value for  $\sin^{-1} \frac{2}{3}$  is  $41.8^{\circ}$ 

 $\theta$  is in 1st and 2nd quadrants

Solutions are 
$$41.8^{\circ}$$
, (  $180 - 41.8$  )  $^{\circ} = 41.8^{\circ}$  ,  $138^{\circ}$  (3 s.f.)

(e) 
$$\sec \theta = 2 \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\cos \theta} = 2 \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\cos^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2}$ 

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

Calculator value for  $\cos^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  is  $45^{\circ}$ 

 $\theta$  is in all quadrants, but remember that - 180  $^{\circ}$   $~\leq~\theta~\leq~$  180  $^{\circ}$  Solutions are  $~\pm$  45  $^{\circ}$  ,  $~\pm$  135  $^{\circ}$ 

(f) 
$$3 \cot \theta = 2 \sin \theta$$

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

$$\Rightarrow$$
 3 cos  $\theta = 2 \sin^2 \theta$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
 3 cos  $\theta = 2$  (1 - cos<sup>2</sup>  $\theta$ ) (use sin<sup>2</sup>  $\theta + \cos^2 \theta \equiv 1$ )

$$\Rightarrow$$
 2 cos<sup>2</sup>  $\theta$  + 3 cos  $\theta$  - 2 = 0

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

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

As  $\cos \theta = -2$  has no solutions,  $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$ 

Solutions are  $\pm$  60  $^{\circ}$ 

(g) 
$$\csc 2\theta = 4$$

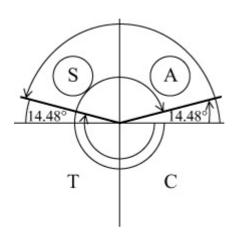
$$\Rightarrow \sin 2\theta = \frac{1}{4}$$

Remember that  $-180^{\circ} \le \theta \le 180^{\circ}$ 

So 
$$-360^{\circ} \leq 2\theta \leq 360^{\circ}$$

Calculator solution for  $2\theta$  is  $\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{4} = 14.48$  °

 $\sin 2\theta$  is +ve  $\Rightarrow$   $2\theta$  is in 1st and 2nd quadrants



$$2\theta = -194.48$$
 ° ,  $-345.52$  ° ,  $14.48$  ° ,  $165.52$  °  $\theta = -97.2$  ° ,  $-172.8$  ° ,  $7.24$  ° ,  $82.76$  °  $= -173$  ° ,  $-97.2$  ° ,  $7.24$ ° ,  $82.8$ ° (3 s.f.)

(h) 
$$2 \cot^2 \theta - \cot \theta - 5 = 0$$

As this quadratic in  $\cot \theta$  does not factorise, use the quadratic formula

$$\cot \theta = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

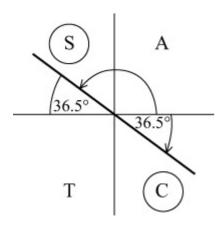
(You could change cot  $\theta$  to  $\frac{1}{\tan \theta}$  and work with the quadratic

$$5 \tan^2 \theta + \tan \theta - 2 = 0)$$

So 
$$\cot \theta = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{41}}{4} = -1.3507...$$
 or 1.8507 ...

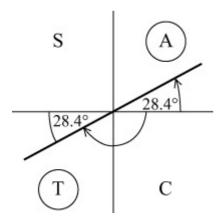
So 
$$\tan \theta = -0.7403...$$
 or  $0.5403$  ...

The calculator value for  $\tan \theta = -0.7403...$  is  $\theta = -36.51$  °



Solution are  $-36.5^{\circ}$ ,  $+143^{\circ}$  (3 s.f.).

The calculator value for  $\tan \theta = 0.5403...$  is  $\theta = 28.38$  °



Solution are 28.4°, ( -180+28.4 )  $^{\circ}$  Total set of solutions is -152 ° , -36.5 ° , 28.4°, 143° (3 s.f.)

## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 7

### **Question:**

Solve the following equations for values of  $\theta$  in the interval  $0 \le \theta \le 2\pi$ . Give your answers in terms of  $\pi$ .

(a) 
$$\sec \theta = -1$$

(b) 
$$\cot \theta = -\sqrt{3}$$

(c) cosec 
$$\frac{1}{2}\theta = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

(d) 
$$\sec \theta = \sqrt{2} \tan \theta \quad \left( \theta \neq \frac{\pi}{2}, \theta \neq \frac{3\pi}{2} \right)$$

#### **Solution:**

(a) 
$$\sec \theta = -1$$
  
 $\Rightarrow \cos \theta = -1$ 

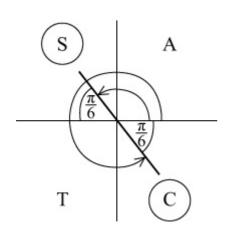
$$\Rightarrow \theta = \pi$$
 (refer to graph of  $y = \cos \theta$ )

(b) 
$$\cot \theta = -\sqrt{3}$$

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

Calculator solution is  $-\frac{\pi}{6}$  (you should know that  $\tan \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ )

 $-\frac{\pi}{6}$  is not in the interval



Solution are  $\pi - \frac{\pi}{6}$ ,  $2\pi - \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{5\pi}{6}$ ,  $\frac{11\pi}{6}$ 

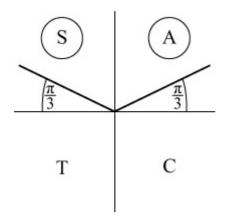
(c) cosec 
$$\frac{1}{2}\theta = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\sin \frac{1}{2}\theta = \frac{3}{2\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ 

Remember that  $0 \le \theta \le 2\pi$ 

so 
$$0 \leq \frac{1}{2}\theta \leq \pi$$

First solution for  $\sin \frac{1}{2}\theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$  is  $\frac{1}{2}\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$ 



So 
$$\frac{1}{2}\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}$$
  
 $\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{4\pi}{3}$ 

(d) 
$$\sec \theta = \sqrt{2} \tan \theta$$
  

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

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \sqrt{2} \sin \theta \quad (\cos \theta \neq 0)$$

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

Solutions are  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ ,  $\frac{3\pi}{4}$ 

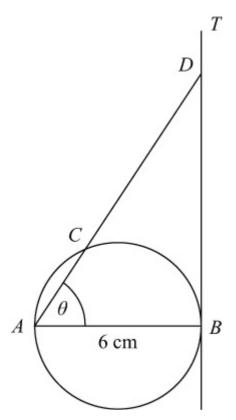
### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 8

## **Question:**

In the diagram AB = 6 cm is the diameter of the circle and BT is the tangent to the circle at B. The chord AC is extended to meet this tangent at D and  $\angle$  DAB =  $\theta$ .

- (a) Show that  $CD = 6 (\sec \theta \cos \theta)$ .
- (b) Given that CD = 16 cm, calculate the length of the chord AC.



# **Solution:**

(a) In right-angled triangle ABD

$$\frac{AB}{AD} = \cos \theta$$

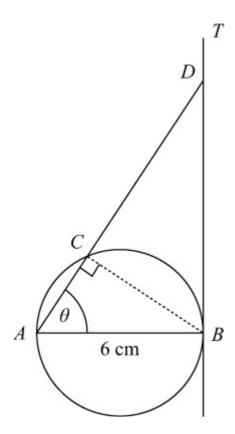
$$\Rightarrow$$
 AD =  $\frac{6}{\cos \theta}$  = 6  $\sec \theta$ 

In right-angled triangle ACB

$$\frac{AC}{AB} = \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow AC = 6 \cos \theta$$

$$DC = AD - AC = 6 \sec \theta - 6 \cos \theta = 6 (\sec \theta - \cos \theta)$$



(b) As 
$$16 = 6 \sec \theta - 6 \cos \theta$$
  

$$\Rightarrow 8 = \frac{3}{\cos \theta} - 3 \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 \cos \theta = 3 - 3 \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \cos^2 \theta + 8 \cos \theta - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3 \cos \theta - 1) (\cos \theta + 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{as } \cos \theta \neq -3$$

From (a) AC = 6 
$$\cos \theta = 6 \times \frac{1}{3} = 2 \text{ cm}$$

### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise D, Question 1

### **Question:**

Simplify each of the following expressions:

(a) 
$$1 + \tan^2 \frac{1}{2}\theta$$

(b) 
$$(\sec \theta - 1) (\sec \theta + 1)$$

(c) 
$$\tan^2 \theta$$
 (  $\csc^2 \theta - 1$  )

(d) 
$$(\sec^2 \theta - 1) \cot \theta$$

(e) 
$$(\csc^2 \theta - \cot^2 \theta)^2$$

(f) 
$$2 - \tan^2 \theta + \sec^2 \theta$$

(g) 
$$\frac{\tan \theta \sec \theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta}$$

(h) 
$$(1 - \sin^2 \theta)$$
  $(1 + \tan^2 \theta)$ 

(i) 
$$\frac{\csc\theta \cot\theta}{1+\cot^2\theta}$$

(j) 
$$(\sec^4 \theta - 2 \sec^2 \theta \tan^2 \theta + \tan^4 \theta)$$

(k) 
$$4 \csc^2 2\theta + 4 \csc^2 2\theta \cot^2 2\theta$$

#### **Solution:**

(a) Use 
$$1 + \tan^2 \theta = \sec^2 \theta$$
 with  $\theta$  replaced with  $\frac{1}{2}\theta$ .

$$1 + \tan^2 \left( \frac{1}{2}\theta \right) = \sec^2 \left( \frac{1}{2}\theta \right)$$

(b) 
$$(\sec \theta - 1) (\sec \theta + 1)$$
 (multiply out)  
=  $\sec^2 \theta - 1$   
=  $(1 + \tan^2 \theta) - 1$ 

$$= \tan^2 \theta$$

(c) 
$$\tan^2 \theta$$
 (  $\csc^2 \theta - 1$  )  

$$= \tan^2 \theta \left[ (1 + \cot^2 \theta) - 1 \right]$$

$$= \tan^2 \theta \cot^2 \theta$$

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

$$= 1$$

(d) 
$$(\sec^2 \theta - 1) \cot \theta$$
  
 $= \tan^2 \theta \cot \theta$   
 $= \tan^2 \theta \times \frac{1}{\tan \theta}$   
 $= \tan \theta$ 

(e) 
$$(\csc^2 \theta - \cot^2 \theta)^2$$
  
=  $[(1 + \cot^2 \theta) - \cot^2 \theta]^2$   
=  $1^2$   
= 1

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

$$(g) \frac{\tan \theta \sec \theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta}$$

$$= \frac{\tan \theta \sec \theta}{\sec^2 \theta}$$

$$= \frac{\tan \theta}{\sec \theta}$$

$$= \tan \theta \cos \theta$$

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

$$= \sin \theta$$

(h) 
$$(1 - \sin^2 \theta)$$
  $(1 + \tan^2 \theta)$   
=  $\cos^2 \theta \times \sec^2 \theta$ 

$$= \cos^2 \theta \times \frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta}$$
$$= 1$$

(i) 
$$\frac{\csc\theta \cot\theta}{1 + \cot^2\theta}$$

$$= \frac{\csc\theta \cot\theta}{\csc^2\theta}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\csc\theta} \times \cot\theta$$

$$= \frac{\sin\theta}{1} \times \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta}$$

$$= \cos\theta$$

(j) 
$$\sec^4 \theta - 2 \sec^2 \theta \tan^2 \theta + \tan^4 \theta$$
  
=  $(\sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta)^2$  (factorise)  
=  $[(1 + \tan^2 \theta) - \tan^2 \theta]^2$   
=  $1^2$   
= 1

(k) 
$$4 \operatorname{cosec}^2 2\theta + 4 \operatorname{cosec}^2 2\theta \operatorname{cot}^2 2\theta$$
  
=  $4 \operatorname{cosec}^2 2\theta (1 + \cot^2 2\theta)$   
=  $4 \operatorname{cosec}^2 2\theta \operatorname{cosec}^2 2\theta$   
=  $4 \operatorname{cosec}^4 2\theta$ 

### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise D, Question 2

## **Question:**

Given that  $\csc x = \frac{k}{\csc x}$ , where k > 1, find, in terms of k, possible values of  $\cot x$ .

#### **Solution:**

$$\csc x = \frac{k}{\csc x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \csc^2 x = k$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad 1 + \cot^2 x = k$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \cot^2 x = k - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \cot x = \pm \sqrt{k - 1}$$

### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise D, Question 3

## **Question:**

Given that  $\cot \theta = -\sqrt{3}$ , and that 90 ° <  $\theta$  < 180 °, find the exact value of

- (a)  $\sin \theta$
- (b)  $\cos \theta$

#### **Solution:**

(a) 
$$\cot \theta = -\sqrt{3}$$
 90 ° <  $\theta$  < 180 °

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \cot^2 \theta = 1 + 3 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\csc^2 \theta = 4$ 

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}$  (as  $\theta$  is in 2nd quadrant,  $\sin \theta$  is +ve)

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

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\cos^2 \theta = 1 - \sin^2 \theta = 1 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\cos \theta = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$  (as  $\theta$  is in 2nd quadrant,  $\cos \theta$  is -ve)

### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise D, Question 4

## **Question:**

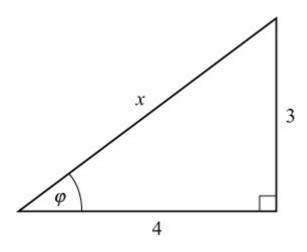
Given that  $\tan\theta = \frac{3}{4}$ , and that 180  $^{\circ}$  <  $\theta$  < 270  $^{\circ}$  , find the exact value of

- (a)  $\sec \theta$
- (b)  $\cos \theta$
- (c)  $\sin \theta$

#### **Solution:**

$$\tan \theta = \frac{3}{4} \quad 180^{\circ} < \theta < 270^{\circ}$$

Draw right-angled triangle where  $\tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$ 



Using Pythagoras' theorem, x = 5

So 
$$\cos \theta = \frac{4}{5}$$
 and  $\sin \theta = \frac{3}{5}$ 

As  $\theta$  is in 3rd quadrant, both  $\sin \theta$  and  $\cos \theta$  are –ve.

So 
$$\sin \theta = -\frac{3}{5}$$
,  $\cos \theta = -\frac{4}{5}$ 

(a) 
$$\sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} = -\frac{5}{4}$$

(b) 
$$\cos \theta = -\frac{4}{5}$$

(c) 
$$\sin \theta = -\frac{3}{5}$$

## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise D, Question 5

#### **Question:**

Given that  $\cos \theta = \frac{24}{25}$ , and that  $\theta$  is a reflex angle, find the exact value of

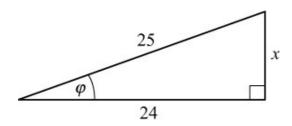
- (a)  $\tan \theta$
- (b) cosec  $\theta$

#### **Solution:**

$$\cos \theta = \frac{24}{25}$$
,  $\theta$  reflex

As  $\cos \theta$  is +ve and  $\theta$  reflex,  $\theta$  is in the 4th quadrant.

Use right-angled triangle where  $\cos \theta = \frac{24}{25}$ 



Using Pythagoras' theorem,

$$25^{2} = x^{2} + 24^{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{2} = 25^{2} - 24^{2} = 49$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 7$$

So 
$$\tan \phi = \frac{7}{24}$$
 and  $\sin \phi = \frac{7}{25}$ 

As  $\theta$  is in 4th quadrant,

(a) 
$$\tan \theta = -\frac{7}{24}$$

(b) 
$$\csc \theta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = -\frac{1}{\frac{7}{25}} = -\frac{25}{7}$$

### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise D, Question 6

#### **Question:**

Prove the following identities:

(a) 
$$\sec^4 \theta - \tan^4 \theta \equiv \sec^2 \theta + \tan^2 \theta$$

(b) 
$$\csc^2 x - \sin^2 x \equiv \cot^2 x + \cos^2 x$$

(c) 
$$\sec^2 A (\cot^2 A - \cos^2 A) \equiv \cot^2 A$$

$$(d) 1 - \cos^2 \theta \equiv (\sec^2 \theta - 1) (1 - \sin^2 \theta)$$

(e) 
$$\frac{1 - \tan^2 A}{1 + \tan^2 A} \equiv 1 - 2 \sin^2 A$$

(f) 
$$\sec^2 \theta + \csc^2 \theta \equiv \sec^2 \theta \csc^2 \theta$$

(g) 
$$\csc A \sec^2 A \equiv \csc A + \tan A \sec A$$

(h) 
$$(\sec \theta - \sin \theta)$$
  $(\sec \theta + \sin \theta) \equiv \tan^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta$ 

#### **Solution:**

(a) L.H.S. 
$$\equiv \sec^4 \theta - \tan^4 \theta$$
  
 $\equiv (\sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta) (\sec^2 \theta + \tan^2 \theta)$  (difference of two squares)  
 $\equiv (1) (\sec^2 \theta + \tan^2 \theta)$  (as  
 $1 + \tan^2 \theta \equiv \sec^2 \theta \implies \sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta \equiv 1$ )  
 $\equiv \sec^2 \theta + \tan^2 \theta \equiv R.H.S.$ 

(b) L.H.S. 
$$\equiv \csc^2 x - \sin^2 x$$
  
 $\equiv (1 + \cot^2 x) - (1 - \cos^2 x)$   
 $\equiv 1 + \cot^2 x - 1 + \cos^2 x$   
 $\equiv \cot^2 x + \cos^2 x \equiv \text{R.H.S.}$ 

(c) L.H.S. 
$$\equiv \sec^2 A (\cot^2 A - \cos^2 A)$$

$$\equiv \frac{1}{\cos^2 A} \left( \frac{\cos^2 A}{\sin^2 A} - \cos^2 A \right)$$

$$\equiv \frac{1}{\sin^2 A} - 1$$

$$\equiv \csc^2 A - 1 \quad (\text{use } 1 + \cot^2 \theta = \csc^2 \theta)$$

$$\equiv 1 + \cot^2 A - 1$$

$$\equiv \cot^2 A \equiv \text{R.H.S.}$$

(d) R.H.S. 
$$\equiv (\sec^2 \theta - 1) (1 - \sin^2 \theta)$$
  
 $\equiv \tan^2 \theta \times \cos^2 \theta \quad (\text{use } 1 + \tan^2 \theta \equiv \sec^2 \theta \text{ and}$   
 $\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta \equiv 1)$   
 $\equiv \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} \times \cos^2 \theta$   
 $\equiv \sin^2 \theta$   
 $\equiv 1 - \cos^2 \theta \equiv \text{L.H.S.}$ 

(e) L.H.S. 
$$\equiv \frac{1 - \tan^2 A}{1 + \tan^2 A}$$
$$\equiv \frac{1 - \tan^2 A}{\sec^2 A}$$
$$\equiv \frac{1}{\sec^2 A} (1 - \tan^2 A)$$
$$\equiv \cos^2 A \left(1 - \frac{\sin^2 A}{\cos^2 A}\right)$$
$$\equiv \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A$$
$$\equiv (1 - \sin^2 A) - \sin^2 A$$
$$\equiv 1 - 2 \sin^2 A \equiv \text{R.H.S.}$$

(f) R.H.S. 
$$\equiv \sec^2 \theta \csc^2 \theta$$
  
 $\equiv \sec^2 \theta (1 + \cot^2 \theta)$   
 $\equiv \sec^2 \theta + \frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta} \times \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta}$   
 $\equiv \sec^2 \theta + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta}$   
 $\equiv \sec^2 \theta + \csc^2 \theta \equiv \text{L.H.S.}$ 

(g) L.H.S. 
$$\equiv \csc A \sec^2 A$$

$$\equiv \operatorname{cosec} A \left( 1 + \tan^2 A \right)$$

$$\equiv \operatorname{cosec} A + \frac{1}{\sin A} \times \frac{\sin^2 A}{\cos^2 A}$$

$$\equiv \operatorname{cosec} A + \frac{\sin A}{\cos^2 A}$$

$$\equiv \operatorname{cosec} A + \frac{\sin A}{\cos A} \times \frac{1}{\cos A}$$

$$\equiv \operatorname{cosec} A + \tan A \operatorname{sec} A \equiv \operatorname{R.H.S.}$$

(h) L.H.S. 
$$\equiv (\sec \theta - \sin \theta) (\sec \theta + \sin \theta)$$
  
 $\equiv \sec^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta$   
 $\equiv (1 + \tan^2 \theta) - (1 - \cos^2 \theta)$   
 $\equiv 1 + \tan^2 \theta - 1 + \cos^2 \theta$   
 $\equiv \tan^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta \equiv \text{R.H.S.}$ 

## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise D, Question 7

## **Question:**

Given that 3  $\tan^2 \theta + 4 \sec^2 \theta = 5$ , and that  $\theta$  is obtuse, find the exact value of  $\sin \theta$ .

#### **Solution:**

$$3 \tan^{2} \theta + 4 \sec^{2} \theta = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \tan^{2} \theta + 4 (1 + \tan^{2} \theta) = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \tan^{2} \theta + 4 + 4 \tan^{2} \theta = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 7 \tan^{2} \theta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{2} \theta = \frac{1}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cot^{2} \theta = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow \csc^{2} \theta - 1 = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow \csc^{2} \theta = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^{2} \theta = \frac{1}{8}$$

As  $\theta$  is obtuse (2nd quadrant), so  $\sin \theta$  is +ve.

So 
$$\sin \theta = \sqrt{\frac{1}{8}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}$$

### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise D, Question 8

### **Question:**

Giving answers to 3 significant figures where necessary, solve the following equations in the given intervals:

(a) 
$$\sec^2 \theta = 3 \tan \theta$$
,  $0 \le \theta \le 360^\circ$ 

(b) 
$$\tan^2 \theta - 2 \sec \theta + 1 = 0, -\pi \le \theta \le \pi$$

(c) 
$$\csc^2 \theta + 1 = 3 \cot \theta$$
,  $-180^{\circ} \le \theta \le 180^{\circ}$ 

(d) 
$$\cot \theta = 1 - \csc^2 \theta$$
,  $0 \le \theta \le 2\pi$ 

(e) 
$$3 \sec \frac{1}{2}\theta = 2 \tan^2 \frac{1}{2}\theta$$
,  $0 \le \theta \le 360^\circ$ 

(f) 
$$(\sec \theta - \cos \theta)^2 = \tan \theta - \sin^2 \theta, 0 \le \theta \le \pi$$

(g) 
$$\tan^2 2\theta = \sec 2\theta - 1$$
,  $0 \le \theta \le 180^\circ$ 

(h) 
$$\sec^2 \theta - (1 + \sqrt{3}) \tan \theta + \sqrt{3} = 1, 0 \le \theta \le 2\pi$$

#### **Solution:**

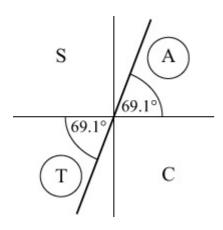
(a) 
$$\sec^2 \theta = 3 \tan \theta$$
  $0 \le \theta \le 360^\circ$ 

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \tan^2 \theta = 3 \tan \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^2 \theta - 3 \tan \theta + 1 = 0$$

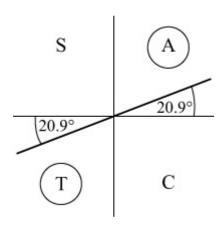
$$\tan \theta = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$
 (equation does not factorise).

For 
$$\tan \theta = \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$
, calculator value is 69.1°



Solutions are 69.1°, 249°

For  $\tan \theta = \frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2}$ , calculator value is 20.9°



Solutions are 20.9°, 201°

Set of solutions: 20.9°, 69.1°, 201°, 249° (3 s.f.)

(b) 
$$\tan^2 \theta - 2 \sec \theta + 1 = 0$$
  $-\pi \le \theta \le \pi$ 

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

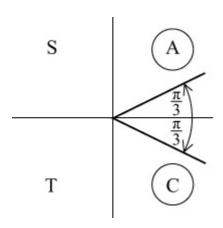
$$\Rightarrow \sec^2 \theta - 2 \sec \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sec \theta (\sec \theta - 2) = 0$$

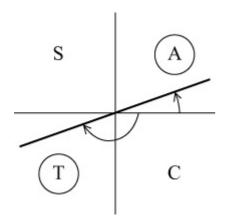
$$\Rightarrow$$
 sec  $\theta = 2$  (as sec  $\theta$  cannot be 0)

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$ 

$$\Rightarrow \theta = -\frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{\pi}{3}$$



(c) 
$$\csc^2 \theta + 1 = 3 \cot \theta - 180^\circ \le \theta \le 180^\circ$$
  
 $\Rightarrow (1 + \cot^2 \theta) + 1 = 3 \cot \theta$   
 $\Rightarrow \cot^2 \theta - 3 \cot \theta + 2 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow (\cot \theta - 1) (\cot \theta - 2) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \cot \theta = 1 \operatorname{or} \cot \theta = 2$   
 $\Rightarrow \tan \theta = 1 \operatorname{or} \tan \theta = \frac{1}{2}$ 

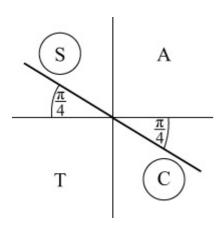


$$\tan \theta = 1 \implies \theta = -135^{\circ}, 45^{\circ}$$
  
 $\tan \theta = \frac{1}{2} \implies \theta = -153^{\circ}, 26.6^{\circ}$ 

(d) 
$$\cot \theta = 1 - \csc^2 \theta$$
  $0 \le \theta \le 2\pi$   
 $\Rightarrow \cot \theta = 1 - (1 + \cot^2 \theta)$   
 $\Rightarrow \cot \theta = -\cot^2 \theta$   
 $\Rightarrow \cot^2 \theta + \cot \theta = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \cot \theta (\cot \theta + 1) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \cot \theta = 0 \text{ or } \cot \theta = -1$ 

For  $\cot \theta = 0$  refer to graph:  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$ 

For  $\cot \theta = -1$ ,  $\tan \theta = -1$ 



So 
$$\theta = \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}$$

Set of solutions:  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $\frac{3\pi}{4}$ ,  $\frac{3\pi}{2}$ ,  $\frac{7\pi}{4}$ 

(e) 
$$3 \sec \frac{1}{2}\theta = 2 \tan^2 \frac{1}{2}\theta$$
  $0 \le \theta \le 360^\circ$   
 $\Rightarrow 3 \sec \frac{1}{2}\theta = 2 \left(\sec^2 \frac{1}{2}\theta - 1\right)$  (use  $1 + \tan^2 A = \sec^2 A$  with  $A = \frac{1}{2}\theta$ )  
 $\Rightarrow 2 \sec^2 \frac{1}{2}\theta - 3 \sec \frac{1}{2}\theta - 2 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \left(2 \sec \frac{1}{2}\theta + 1\right) \left(\sec \frac{1}{2}\theta - 2\right) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \sec \frac{1}{2}\theta = -\frac{1}{2}\operatorname{or} \sec \frac{1}{2}\theta = 2$ 

Only  $\sec \frac{1}{2}\theta = 2$  applies as  $\sec A \le -1$  or  $\sec A \ge 1$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\cos \frac{1}{2}\theta = \frac{1}{2}$ 

As 
$$0 \leq \theta \leq 360^{\circ}$$

so 
$$0 \le \frac{1}{2}\theta \le 180^{\circ}$$

Calculator value is 60°

This is the only value in the interval.

So 
$$\frac{1}{2}\theta = 60^{\circ}$$
  
 $\Rightarrow \theta = 120^{\circ}$ 

(f) 
$$(\sec \theta - \cos \theta)^2 = \tan \theta - \sin^2 \theta$$
  $0 \le \theta \le \pi$   
 $\Rightarrow \sec^2 \theta - 2 \sec \theta \cos \theta + \cos^2 \theta = \tan \theta - \sin^2 \theta$   
 $\Rightarrow \sec^2 \theta - 2 + \cos^2 \theta = \tan \theta - \sin^2 \theta$   $\left(\sec \theta \cos \theta = \cos \theta + \cos^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta\right)$ 

$$\frac{1}{\cos\theta} \times \cos\theta = 1$$

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

$$\Rightarrow$$
 1 + tan<sup>2</sup>  $\theta$  - 2 + 1 = tan  $\theta$ 

$$\Rightarrow \tan^2 \theta - \tan \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\tan \theta (\tan \theta - 1) = 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\tan \theta = 0$  or  $\tan \theta = 1$ 

$$\tan \theta = 0 \implies \theta = 0, \pi$$

$$\tan \theta = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Set of solutions: 0,  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ ,  $\pi$ 

(g) 
$$\tan^2 2\theta = \sec 2\theta - 1$$
  $0 \le \theta \le 180^\circ$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\sec^2 2\theta - 1 = \sec 2\theta - 1$ 

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

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

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\sec 2\theta = 0$  (not possible) or  $\sec 2\theta = 1$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\cos 2\theta = 1$   $0 \le 2\theta \le 360^{\circ}$ 

Refer to graph of  $y = \cos \theta$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $2\theta = 0^{\circ}, 360^{\circ}$ 

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 0^{\circ}, 180^{\circ}$$

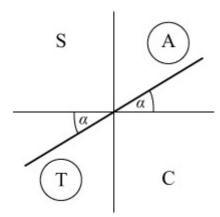
(h) 
$$\sec^2 \theta - (1 + \sqrt{3}) \tan \theta + \sqrt{3} = 1$$
  $0 \le \theta \le 2\pi$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $(1 + \tan^2 \theta) - (1 + \sqrt{3}) \tan \theta + \sqrt{3} = 1$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\tan^2 \theta - (1 + \sqrt{3}) \tan \theta + \sqrt{3} = 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $(\tan \theta - \sqrt{3}) (\tan \theta - 1) = 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\tan \theta = \sqrt{3} \text{ or } \tan \theta = 1$ 



First answer ( $\alpha$ ) for  $\tan \theta = \sqrt{3}$  is  $\frac{\pi}{3}$ 

Second solution is  $\pi + \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{4\pi}{3}$ 

First answer for  $\tan \theta = 1$  is  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ 

Second solution is  $\pi + \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{5\pi}{4}$ 

Set of solutions:  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ ,  $\frac{\pi}{3}$ ,  $\frac{5\pi}{4}$ ,  $\frac{4\pi}{3}$ 

### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise D, Question 9

#### **Question:**

Given that  $\tan^2 k = 2 \sec k$ .

- (a) find the value of sec k.
- (b) deduce that  $\cos k = \sqrt{2-1}$
- (c) hence solve, in the interval  $0 \le k \le 360^\circ$ ,  $\tan^2 k = 2 \sec k$ , giving your answers to 1 decimal place.

#### **Solution:**

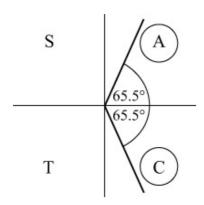
(a) 
$$\tan^2 k = 2 \sec k$$
  
 $\Rightarrow (\sec^2 k - 1) = 2 \sec k$   
 $\Rightarrow \sec^2 k - 2 \sec k - 1 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \sec k = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{8}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{2}}{2} = 1 \pm \sqrt{2}$ 

As sec k has no values between -1 and 1 sec  $k = 1 + \sqrt{2}$ 

(b) 
$$\cos k = \frac{1}{1+\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{(1+\sqrt{2})(\sqrt{2}-1)} = \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{2-1} = \sqrt{2}-1$$

(c) Solutions of  $\tan^2 k = 2 \sec k$ ,  $0 \le k \le 360^\circ$  are solutions of  $\cos k = \sqrt{2-1}$  Calculator solution is  $65.5^\circ$ 

$$\Rightarrow k = 65.5^{\circ}, 360^{\circ} - 65.5^{\circ} = 65.5^{\circ}, 294.5^{\circ} (1 \text{ d.p.})$$



## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise D, Question 10

### **Question:**

Given that  $a = 4 \sec x$ ,  $b = \cos x$  and  $c = \cot x$ ,

- (a) express b in terms of a
- (b) show that  $c^2 = \frac{16}{a^2 16}$

#### **Solution:**

(a) As 
$$a = 4 \sec x$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\sec x = \frac{a}{4}$ 

$$\Rightarrow \cos x = \frac{4}{a}$$

As 
$$\cos x = b$$

$$\Rightarrow b = \frac{4}{a}$$

(b) 
$$c = \cot x$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $c^2 = \cot^2 x$ 

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{c^2} = \tan^2 x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{c^2} = \sec^2 x - 1 \quad (\text{use } 1 + \tan^2 x \equiv \sec^2 x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{a^2}{16} - 1 \qquad \left( \sec x = \frac{a}{4} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 16 =  $a^2c^2 - 16c^2$  (multiply by 16 $c^2$ )

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $c^2 (a^2 - 16) = 16$ 

$$\Rightarrow c^2 = \frac{16}{a^2 - 16}$$

### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise D, Question 11

### **Question:**

Given that  $x = \sec \theta + \tan \theta$ ,

- (a) show that  $\frac{1}{x} = \sec \theta \tan \theta$ .
- (b) Hence express  $x^2 + \frac{1}{r^2} + 2$  in terms of  $\theta$ , in its simplest form.

#### **Solution:**

(a) 
$$x = \sec \theta + \tan \theta$$
  

$$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{\sec \theta + \tan \theta}$$

$$= \frac{\sec \theta - \tan \theta}{(\sec \theta + \tan \theta) (\sec \theta - \tan \theta)}$$

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

$$= \sec \theta - \tan \theta \quad (as 1 + \tan^2 \theta = \sec^2 \theta \implies \sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta = 1)$$

(b) 
$$x + \frac{1}{x} = \sec \theta + \tan \theta + \sec \theta - \tan \theta = 2 \sec \theta$$
  

$$\Rightarrow \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = 4 \sec^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 2x \times \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2} = 4 \sec^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 = 4 \sec^2 \theta$$

### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise D, Question 12

## **Question:**

Given that  $2 \sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta = p$  show that  $\csc^2 \theta = \frac{p-1}{p-2}, p \neq 2$ .

#### **Solution:**

$$2 \sec^{2} \theta - \tan^{2} \theta = p$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2 + 2 \tan^{2} \theta - \tan^{2} \theta = p$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{2} \theta = p - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \cot^{2} \theta = \frac{1}{p - 2} \left( \cot \theta = \frac{1}{\tan \theta} \right)$$

$$\csc^{2} \theta = 1 + \cot^{2} \theta = 1 + \frac{1}{p - 2} = \frac{(p - 2) + 1}{p - 2} = \frac{p - 1}{p - 2}$$

## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise E, Question 1

## **Question:**

Without using a calculator, work out, giving your answer in terms of  $\pi$ , the value of:

- (a) arccos 0
- (b) arcsin(1)
- (c) arctan(-1)
- (d)  $\arcsin \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$
- (e)  $\arcsin \left( -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$
- (f)  $\arctan \left( -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right)$
- (g) arcsin  $\left(\sin\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$
- (h) arcsin  $\left(\sin\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$

#### **Solution:**

(a)  $\arccos 0$  is the angle  $\alpha$  in  $0 \le \alpha \le \pi$  for which  $\cos \alpha = 0$ 

Refer to graph of 
$$y = \cos \theta \implies \alpha = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

So arccos 
$$0 = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

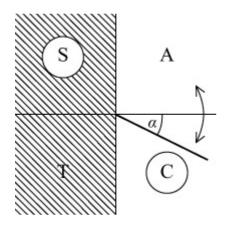
(b) arcsin 1 is the angle  $\alpha$  in  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \le \alpha \le \frac{\pi}{2}$  for which  $\sin \alpha = 1$ 

Refer to graph of 
$$y = \sin \theta \implies \alpha = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

So arcsin  $1 = \frac{\pi}{2}$ 

(c) arctan ( -1 ) is the angle  $\alpha$  in  $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$  for which  $\tan \alpha = -1$ 

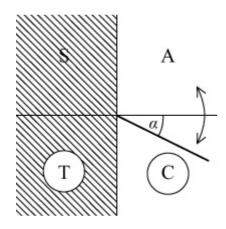
So arctan  $(-1) = -\frac{\pi}{4}$ 



(d)  $\arcsin\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$  is the angle  $\alpha$  in  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \le \alpha \le \frac{\pi}{2}$  for which

$$\sin\alpha = -\frac{1}{2}$$

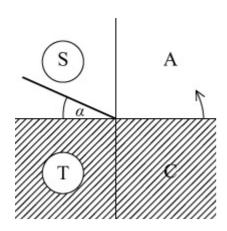
So arcsin  $\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{\pi}{6}$ 



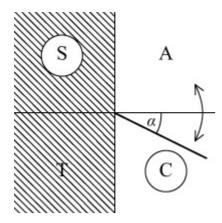
(e)  $\arccos\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$  is the angle  $\alpha$  in  $0 \le \alpha \le \pi$  for which  $\cos \alpha = -$ 

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

So arccos  $\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = \frac{3\pi}{4}$ 



(f)  $\arctan\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$  is the angle  $\alpha$  in  $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$  for which  $\tan \alpha = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ So  $\arctan\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = -\frac{\pi}{6}$ 

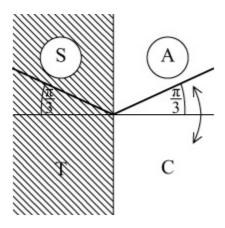


(g)  $\arcsin\left(\sin\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$  is the angle  $\alpha$  in  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \le \alpha \le \frac{\pi}{2}$  for which  $\sin\alpha = \sin\frac{\pi}{3}$ 

So arcsin  $\left(\sin\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{\pi}{3}$ 

(h)  $\arcsin\left(\sin\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$  is the angle  $\alpha$  in  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \le \alpha \le \frac{\pi}{2}$  for which  $\sin\alpha = \sin\frac{2\pi}{3}$ 

So arcsin  $\left(\sin\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{\pi}{3}$ 



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### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise E, Question 2

### **Question:**

Find the value of:

(a) 
$$\arcsin \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \arcsin \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

(b) 
$$\arccos\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \arccos\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

(c) 
$$\arctan (1) - \arctan (-1)$$

#### **Solution:**

(a) 
$$\arcsin\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \arcsin\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{6} + \left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = 0$$

(b) 
$$\arccos\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \arccos\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{2\pi}{3} = -\frac{\pi}{3}$$

(c) 
$$\arctan (1) - \arctan (-1) = \frac{\pi}{4} - \left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise E, Question 3

### **Question:**

Without using a calculator, work out the values of:

(a) 
$$\sin \left( \arcsin \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

(b) 
$$\sin \left[ \arcsin \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$$

(c) 
$$tan [arctan (-1)]$$

#### **Solution:**

(a) 
$$\sin \left( \arcsin \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$\arcsin \frac{1}{2} = \alpha \text{ where } \sin \alpha = \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{\pi}{2} \le \alpha \le \frac{\pi}{2}$$

So arcsin 
$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\sin \left( \arcsin \frac{1}{2} \right) = \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$ 

(b) 
$$\sin \left[ \arcsin \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$\arcsin\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \alpha \text{ where } \sin\alpha = -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{\pi}{2} \le \alpha \le \frac{\pi}{2}$$

So arcsin 
$$\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\sin \left[ \arcsin \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right) \right] = \sin \left( -\frac{\pi}{6} \right) = -\frac{1}{2}$ 

(c) 
$$tan [arctan (-1)]$$

$$\arctan(-1) = \alpha \text{ where } \tan \alpha = -1, -\frac{\pi}{2} < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

So 
$$\arctan(-1) = -\frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan[\arctan(-1)] = \tan\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -1$$

(d) 
$$\cos(\arccos 0)$$
  
 $\arccos 0 = \alpha \text{ where } \cos \alpha = 0, 0 \le \alpha \le \pi$   
So  $\arccos 0 = \frac{\pi}{2}$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
 cos ( arccos 0 ) = cos  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  = 0

# **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

**Exercise E, Question 4** 

# **Question:**

Without using a calculator, work out the exact values of:

(a) 
$$\sin \left[ \arccos \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$$

(b) 
$$\cos \left[ \arcsin \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$$

(c) 
$$\tan \left[ \arccos \left( -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) \right]$$

(d) sec [ arctan ( 
$$\sqrt{3}$$
 ) ]

(e) cosec 
$$[\arcsin(-1)]$$

(f) 
$$\sin \left[ 2 \arcsin \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) \right]$$

## **Solution:**

(a) 
$$\sin \left( \arccos \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

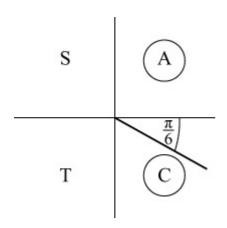
$$\arccos \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\sin \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

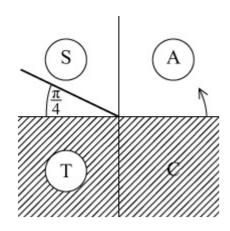
(b) 
$$\cos \left[ \arcsin \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$\arcsin\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$



(c) 
$$\tan \left[ \arccos \left( -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) \right]$$
  
 $\arccos \left( -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) = \alpha \text{ where } \cos \alpha = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, 0 \le \alpha \le \pi$ 



So arccos 
$$\left(-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$
  
 $\tan \frac{3\pi}{4} = -1$ 

(d) sec ( arctan  $\sqrt{3}$  ) arctan  $\sqrt{3} = \frac{\pi}{3}$  (the angle whose tan is  $\sqrt{3}$ )

$$\sec \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{1}{\cos \frac{\pi}{3}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} = 2$$

(e) cosec [  $\arcsin(-1)$  ]  $\arcsin(-1) = \alpha \text{ where } \sin \alpha = -1, -\frac{\pi}{2} \le \alpha \le \frac{\pi}{2}$ 

So arcsin 
$$(-1) = -\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 cosec [ arcsin ( -1 ) ] =  $\frac{1}{\sin(-\frac{\pi}{2})}$  =  $\frac{1}{-1}$  = -1

(f) 
$$\sin \left[ 2 \arcsin \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) \right]$$
  
 $\arcsin \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \frac{\pi}{4}$   
 $\sin \left[ 2 \arcsin \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) \right] = \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = 1$ 

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# **Solutionbank**Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics

Exercise E, Question 5

# **Question:**

Given that  $\arcsin k = \alpha$ , where 0 < k < 1 and  $\alpha$  is in radians, write down, in terms of  $\alpha$ , the first two positive values of x satisfying the equation  $\sin x = k$ .

#### **Solution:**

As k is positive, the first two positive solutions of  $\sin x = k$  are  $\arcsin k$  and  $\pi - \arcsin k$  i.e.  $\alpha$  and  $\pi - \alpha$  (Try a few examples, taking specific values for k).

# **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise E, Question 6

# **Question:**

Given that x satisfies arcsin x = k, where  $0 < k < \frac{\pi}{2}$ ,

- (a) state the range of possible values of x
- (b) express, in terms of x,
- (i)  $\cos k$  (ii)  $\tan k$

Given, instead, that  $-\frac{\pi}{2} < k < 0$ ,

(c) how, if at all, would it affect your answers to (b)?

## **Solution:**

(a)  $\arcsin x$  is the angle  $\alpha$  in  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \le \alpha \le \frac{\pi}{2}$  such that  $\sin \alpha = x$ 

In this case  $x = \sin k$  where  $0 < k < \frac{\pi}{2}$ 

As sin is an increasing function

$$\sin 0 < x < \sin \frac{\pi}{2}$$

i.e. 
$$0 < x < 1$$

(b) (i) 
$$\cos k = \pm \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 k} = \pm \sqrt{1 - x^2}$$

k is in the 1st quadrant  $\Rightarrow \cos k > 0$ 

So 
$$\cos k = \sqrt{1 - x^2}$$

(ii) 
$$\tan k = \frac{\sin k}{\cos k} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}$$

(c)k is now in the 4th quadrant, where cos k is positive. So the value of cos k remains the same and there is no change to tan k.

## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise E, Question 7

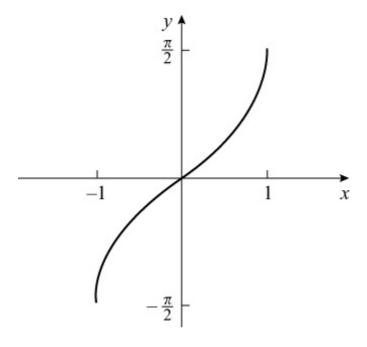
# **Question:**

The function f is defined as  $f: x \to \arcsin x$ ,  $-1 \le x \le 1$ , and the function g is such that g(x) = f(2x).

- (a) Sketch the graph of y = f(x) and state the range of f.
- (b) Sketch the graph of y = g(x).
- (c) Define g in the form  $g: x \to \dots$  and give the domain of g.
- (d) Define  $g^{-1}$  in the form  $g^{-1}: x \to \dots$

#### **Solution:**

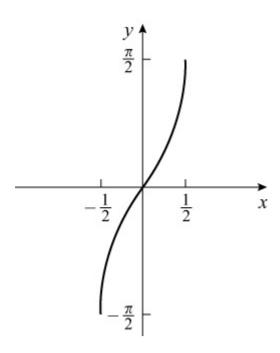
(a)  $y = \arcsin x$ 



Range:  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \le f(x) \le \frac{\pi}{2}$ 

(b) Using the transformation work, the graph of y = f(2x) is the graph of y = f(x) stretched in the x direction by scale factor  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

$$y = g(x)$$



(c) 
$$g: x \to \arcsin 2x$$
,  $-\frac{1}{2} \le x \le \frac{1}{2}$ 

(d) Let 
$$y = \arcsin 2x$$
  
 $\Rightarrow 2x = \sin y$   
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2} \sin y$ 

So 
$$g^{-1}: x \to \frac{1}{2} \sin x$$
,  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \le x \le \frac{\pi}{2}$ 

# **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise E, Question 8

# **Question:**

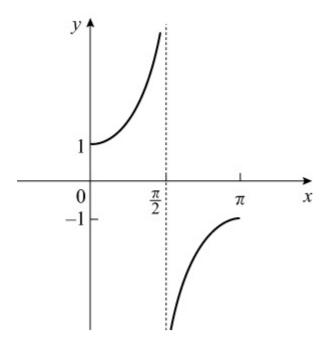
(a) Sketch the graph of  $y = \sec x$ , with the restricted domain

$$0 \leq x \leq \pi, \ x \neq \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

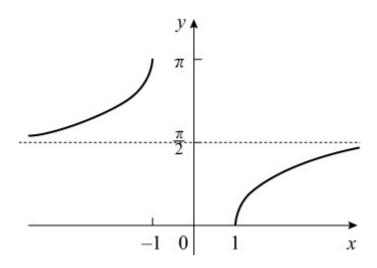
(b) Given that arcsec x is the inverse function of  $\sec x$ ,  $0 \le x \le \pi$ ,  $x \ne \frac{\pi}{2}$ , sketch the graph of  $y = \operatorname{arcsec} x$  and state the range of  $\operatorname{arcsec} x$ .

## **Solution:**

(a) 
$$y = \sec x$$



(b) Reflect the above graph in the line y = x



Range:  $0 \le \operatorname{arcsec} x \le \pi$ ,  $\operatorname{arcsec} x \ne \frac{\pi}{2}$ 

# **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 1

# **Question:**

Solve  $\tan x = 2 \cot x$ , in the interval  $-180^{\circ} \le x \le 90^{\circ}$ . Give any non-exact answers to 1 decimal place.

#### **Solution:**

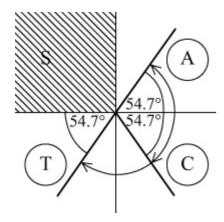
$$\tan x = 2 \cot x, -180^{\circ} \le x \le 90^{\circ}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = \frac{2}{\tan x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^2 x = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = \pm \sqrt{2}$$

Calculator value for  $\tan x = + \sqrt{2}$  is 54.7°



Solutions are required in the 1st, 3rd and 4th quadrants. Solution set:  $-125.3^{\circ}$ ,  $-54.7^{\circ}$ ,  $+54.7^{\circ}$ 

# **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 2

# **Question:**

Given that  $p = 2 \sec \theta$  and  $q = 4 \cos \theta$ , express p in terms of q.

## **Solution:**

$$p = 2 \sec \theta \implies \sec \theta = \frac{p}{2}$$
  
 $q = 4 \cos \theta \implies \cos \theta = \frac{q}{4}$ 

$$\sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \implies \frac{p}{2} = \frac{1}{\frac{q}{4}} = \frac{4}{q} \implies p = \frac{8}{q}$$

## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 3

# **Question:**

Given that  $p = \sin \theta$  and  $q = 4 \cot \theta$ , show that  $p^2q^2 = 16 (1 - p^2)$ .

#### **Solution:**

$$p = \sin \theta \implies \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = \csc \theta$$

$$q = 4 \cot \theta \implies \cot \theta = \frac{q}{4}$$
Using  $1 + \cot^2 \theta \equiv \csc^2 \theta$ 

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{q^2}{16} = \frac{1}{p^2} \quad \text{(multiply by } 16p^2\text{)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 16p^2 + p^2q^2 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow p^2q^2 = 16 - 16p^2 = 16 \text{ (} 1 - p^2\text{ )}$$

# **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 4

## **Question:**

Give any non-exact answers to 1 decimal place.

- (a) Solve, in the interval  $0 < \theta < 180^{\circ}$ ,
- (i)  $\csc \theta = 2 \cot \theta$
- (ii)  $2 \cot^2 \theta = 7 \csc \theta 8$
- (b) Solve, in the interval  $0 \le \theta \le$  (i) sec (  $2\theta 15$   $^{\circ}$  ) = cosec 135  $^{\circ}$
- (ii)  $\sec^2 \theta + \tan \theta = 3$
- (c) Solve, in the interval  $0 \le x \le$  $2\pi$
- (i) cosec  $\left(x + \frac{\pi}{15}\right) = -\sqrt{2}$
- (ii)  $\sec^2 x = \frac{4}{3}$

## **Solution:**

(a) (i)  $\csc \theta = 2 \cot \theta$ ,  $0 < \theta < 180^{\circ}$ 

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

$$\Rightarrow$$
 2 cos  $\theta = 1$ 

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\theta = 60^{\circ}$ 

(ii)  $2 \cot^2 \theta = 7 \csc \theta - 8, 0 < \theta < 180^\circ$ 

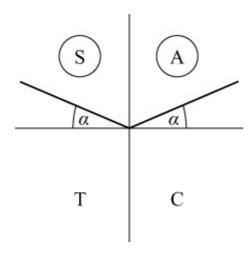
$$\Rightarrow$$
 2 (cosec<sup>2</sup>  $\theta - 1$ ) = 7 cosec $\theta - 8$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
 2  $\csc^2 \theta - 7 \csc \theta + 6 = 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $(2 \csc \theta - 3) (\csc \theta - 2) = 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\csc \theta = \frac{3}{2} \text{ or } \csc \theta = 2$ 

So 
$$\sin \theta = \frac{2}{3}$$
 or  $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}$ 



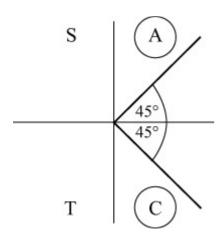
Solutions are  $\alpha^{\circ}$  and  $(180 - \alpha)^{\circ}$  where  $\alpha$  is the calculator value. Solutions set:  $41.8^{\circ}$ ,  $138.2^{\circ}$ ,  $30^{\circ}$ ,  $150^{\circ}$  i.e.  $30^{\circ}$ ,  $41.8^{\circ}$ ,  $138.2^{\circ}$ ,  $150^{\circ}$ 

(b) (i) 
$$\sec (2\theta - 15^{\circ}) = \csc 135^{\circ}, 0 \le \theta \le 360^{\circ}$$
  
 $\Rightarrow \cos (2\theta - 15^{\circ}) = \frac{1}{\csc 135^{\circ}} = \sin 135^{\circ} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ 

Solve cos (
$$2\theta - 15^{\circ}$$
) =  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ ,  $-15^{\circ}$   $\leq 2\theta - 15^{\circ}$   $\leq 705^{\circ}$ 

The calculator value is  $\cos^{-1} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) = 45^{\circ}$ 

cos is positive, so (  $2\theta$  – 15  $^{\circ}$  ) is in the 1st and 4th quadrants.



So 
$$(2\theta - 15^{\circ}) = 45^{\circ}, 315^{\circ}, 405^{\circ}, 675^{\circ}$$
  
 $\Rightarrow 2\theta = 60^{\circ}, 330^{\circ}, 420^{\circ}, 690^{\circ}$   
 $\Rightarrow \theta = 30^{\circ}, 165^{\circ}, 210^{\circ}, 345^{\circ}$ 

(ii) 
$$\sec^2 \theta + \tan \theta = 3, 0 \le \theta \le 360^\circ$$
  
 $\Rightarrow 1 + \tan^2 \theta + \tan \theta = 3$   
 $\Rightarrow \tan^2 \theta + \tan \theta - 2 = 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow (\tan \theta - 1) (\tan \theta + 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\tan \theta = 1 \text{ or } \tan \theta = -2$ 

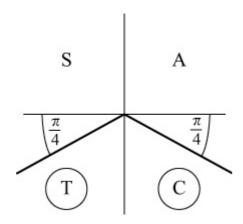
$$\tan \theta = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \theta = 45 \, ^{\circ} \, , \, 180 \, ^{\circ} \, + 45 \, ^{\circ} \, , \, i.e. \, 45^{\circ}, \, 225^{\circ}$$

$$\tan \theta = -2 \implies \theta = 180^{\circ} + (-63.4)^{\circ}, 360^{\circ} + (-63.4^{\circ}), i.e.$$
  $116.6^{\circ}, 296.6^{\circ}$ 

(c) (i) cosec 
$$\left(x + \frac{\pi}{15}\right) = -\sqrt{2}, 0 \le x \le 2\pi$$
  
 $\Rightarrow \sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{15}\right) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ 

Calculator value is  $\sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = -\frac{\pi}{4}$ 

 $\sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{15}\right)$  is negative, so  $x + \frac{\pi}{15}$  is in 3rd and 4th quadrants.



So 
$$x + \frac{\pi}{15} = \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}$$
  

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{5\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{15}, \frac{7\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{15} = \frac{75\pi - 4\pi}{60}, \frac{105\pi - 4\pi}{60} = \frac{71\pi}{60}, \frac{101\pi}{60}$$

(ii) 
$$\sec^2 x = \frac{4}{3}, 0 \le x \le 2\pi$$
  

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 x = \frac{3}{4}$$

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

Calculator value for  $\cos x = + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$  is  $\frac{\pi}{6}$ 

As  $\cos x$  is  $\pm$ , x is in all four quadrants.

Solutions set: 
$$x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \pi - \frac{\pi}{6}, \pi + \frac{\pi}{6}, 2\pi - \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{7\pi}{6}, \frac{11\pi}{6}$$

## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 5

# **Question:**

Given that  $5 \sin x \cos y + 4 \cos x \sin y = 0$ , and that  $\cot x = 2$ , find the value of  $\cot y$ .

#### **Solution:**

$$5 \sin x \cos y + 4 \cos x \sin y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5 \sin x \cos y}{\sin x \sin y} + \frac{4 \cos x \sin y}{\sin x \sin y} = 0 \quad \text{(divide by } \sin x \sin y\text{)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5 \cos y}{\sin y} + \frac{4 \cos x}{\sin x} = 0$$
So 
$$5 \cot y + 4 \cot x = 0$$
As 
$$\cot x = 2$$

$$5 \cot y + 8 = 0$$

$$5 \cot y = -8$$

$$\cot y = -\frac{8}{5}$$

#### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 6

#### **Question:**

Show that:

(a) 
$$(\tan \theta + \cot \theta) (\sin \theta + \cos \theta) \equiv \sec \theta + \csc \theta$$

(b) 
$$\frac{\csc x}{\csc x - \sin x} \equiv \sec^2 x$$

(c) 
$$(1 - \sin x)$$
  $(1 + \csc x) \equiv \cos x \cot x$ 

(d) 
$$\frac{\cot x}{\csc x - 1} - \frac{\cos x}{1 + \sin x} \equiv 2 \tan x$$

(e) 
$$\frac{1}{\csc \theta - 1} + \frac{1}{\csc \theta + 1} \equiv 2 \sec \theta \tan \theta$$

(f) 
$$\frac{(\sec\theta - \tan\theta) (\sec\theta + \tan\theta)}{1 + \tan^2\theta} \equiv \cos^2\theta$$

#### **Solution:**

(a) L.H.S. 
$$\equiv (\tan \theta + \cot \theta) (\sin \theta + \cos \theta)$$
  
 $\equiv \left(\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}\right) (\sin \theta + \cos \theta)$   
 $\equiv \left(\frac{\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta}{\cos \theta \sin \theta}\right) (\sin \theta + \cos \theta)$   
 $\equiv \left(\frac{1}{\cos \theta \sin \theta}\right) (\sin \theta + \cos \theta)$   
 $\equiv \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta \sin \theta} + \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta \sin \theta}$   
 $\equiv \frac{1}{\cos \theta} + \frac{1}{\sin \theta}$   
 $\equiv \sec \theta + \csc \theta \equiv \text{R.H.S.}$ 

(b)

L.H.S. 
$$\equiv \frac{\cos cx}{\cos cx - \sin x}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\frac{1}{\sin x}}{\frac{1}{\sin x} - \sin x}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\frac{1}{\sin x}}{\frac{1 - \sin^2 x}{\sin x}}$$

$$\equiv \frac{1}{\sin x} \times \frac{\sin x}{1 - \sin^2 x}$$

$$\equiv \frac{1}{1 - \sin^2 x}$$

$$\equiv \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} \quad (\text{using } \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x \equiv 1)$$

$$\equiv \sec^2 x \equiv \text{R.H.S.}$$

(c) L.H.S. 
$$\equiv (1 - \sin x) (1 + \csc x)$$
  
 $\equiv 1 - \sin x + \csc x - \sin x \csc x$   
 $\equiv 1 - \sin x + \csc x - 1$   $\left( \operatorname{as } \operatorname{cosec} x = \frac{1}{\sin x} \right)$   
 $\equiv \operatorname{cosec} x - \sin x$   
 $\equiv \frac{1}{\sin x} - \sin x$   
 $\equiv \frac{1 - \sin^2 x}{\sin x}$   
 $\equiv \frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin x}$   
 $\equiv \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \times \cos x$   
 $\equiv \cos x \cot x \equiv \text{R.H.S.}$ 

(d)

L.H.S. 
$$\equiv \frac{\cot x}{\csc x - 1} - \frac{\cos x}{1 + \sin x}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\frac{\cos x}{\sin x}}{\frac{1}{\sin x} - 1} - \frac{\cos x}{1 + \sin x}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\frac{\cos x}{\sin x}}{\frac{1 - \sin x}{\sin x}} - \frac{\cos x}{1 + \sin x}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\cos x}{1 - \sin x} - \frac{\cos x}{1 + \sin x}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\cos x(1 + \sin x) - \cos x(1 - \sin x)}{(1 - \sin x)(1 + \sin x)}$$

$$\equiv \frac{2\cos x \sin x}{1 - \sin^2 x}$$

$$\equiv \frac{2\cos x \sin x}{\cos^2 x}$$

$$\equiv 2\frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

$$\equiv 2\tan x \equiv \text{R.H.S.}$$

(f) L.H.S. 
$$\equiv \frac{(\sec \theta - \tan \theta) (\sec \theta + \tan \theta)}{1 + \tan^2 \theta}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta}{\sec^2 \theta}$$

$$\equiv \frac{(1 + \tan^2 \theta) - \tan^2 \theta}{\sec^2 \theta}$$

$$\equiv \frac{1}{\sec^2 \theta}$$

$$\equiv \cos^2 \theta \equiv \text{R.H.S.}$$

## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 7

# **Question:**

(a) Show that 
$$\frac{\sin x}{1 + \cos x} + \frac{1 + \cos x}{\sin x} \equiv 2 \csc x$$
.

(b) Hence solve, in the interval 
$$-2\pi \le x \le 2\pi$$
,  $\frac{\sin x}{1 + \cos x} + \frac{1 + \cos x}{\sin x} = -\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}$ .

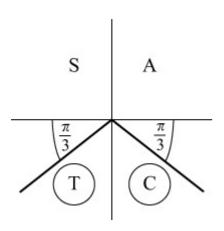
#### **Solution:**

(b) Solve 
$$2 \operatorname{cosec} x = -\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}, -2\pi \le x \le 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{cosec} x = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$$

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

Calculator value is  $-\frac{\pi}{3}$ 



Solutions in 
$$-2\pi \le x \le 2\pi$$
 are  $-\frac{\pi}{3}$ ,  $-\pi + \frac{\pi}{3}$ ,  $\pi + \frac{\pi}{3}$ ,  $2\pi - \frac{\pi}{3}$ , i.e.  $-\frac{\pi}{3}$ ,  $-\frac{2\pi}{3}$ ,  $\frac{4\pi}{3}$ ,  $\frac{5\pi}{3}$ 

# **Solutionbank**Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics

Exercise F, Question 8

# **Question:**

Prove that 
$$\frac{1+\cos\theta}{1-\cos\theta} \equiv (\csc\theta + \cot\theta)^2$$
.

#### **Solution:**

R.H.S. 
$$\equiv (\csc\theta + \cot\theta)^2$$
  
 $\equiv \left(\frac{1}{\sin\theta} + \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta}\right)^2$   
 $\equiv \frac{(1+\cos\theta)^2}{\sin^2\theta}$   
 $\equiv \frac{(1+\cos\theta)^2}{1-\cos^2\theta}$   
 $\equiv \frac{(1+\cos\theta)(1+\cos\theta)}{(1+\cos\theta)(1-\cos\theta)}$   
 $\equiv \frac{1+\cos\theta}{1-\cos\theta} \equiv \text{L.H.S.}$ 

# **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 9

# **Question:**

Given that  $\sec A = -3$ , where  $\frac{\pi}{2} < A < \pi$ ,

- (a) calculate the exact value of  $\tan A$ .
- (b) Show that  $\csc A = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4}$ .

#### **Solution:**

(a) 
$$\sec A = -3$$
,  $\frac{\pi}{2} < A < \pi$ , i.e. A is in 2nd quadrant.

As 
$$1 + \tan^2 A = \sec^2 A$$
  
 $1 + \tan^2 A = 9$   
 $\tan^2 A = 8$   
 $\tan A = \pm \sqrt{8} = \pm 2\sqrt{2}$   
As A is in 2nd quadrant,  $\tan A$  is  $-$  ve.

So 
$$\tan A = -2\sqrt{2}$$

(b) 
$$\sec A = -3$$
, so  $\cos A = -\frac{1}{3}$ 

As 
$$\tan A = \frac{\sin A}{\cos A}$$

$$\sin A = \cos A \times \tan A = -\frac{1}{3} \times -2 \sqrt{2} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}$$

So 
$$\csc A = \frac{3}{2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2\times 2} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4}$$

## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 10

## **Question:**

Given that  $\sec \theta = k$ ,  $|k| \ge 1$ , and that  $\theta$  is obtuse, express in terms of k:

- (a)  $\cos \theta$
- (b)  $\tan^2 \theta$
- (c)  $\cot \theta$
- (d) cosec  $\theta$

#### **Solution:**

$$\sec \theta = k, |k| \ge |$$

 $\theta$  is in the 2nd quadrant  $\Rightarrow$  k is negative

(a) 
$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sec \theta} = \frac{1}{k}$$

(b) Using 
$$1 + \tan^2 \theta = \sec^2 \theta$$
  
 $\tan^2 \theta = k^2 - 1$ 

(c) 
$$\tan \theta = \pm \sqrt{k^2 - 1}$$

In the 2nd quadrant,  $\tan \theta$  is – ve.

So 
$$\tan \theta = -\sqrt{k^2 - 1}$$

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

(d) Using 
$$1 + \cot^2 \theta = \csc^2 \theta$$

$$\csc^2 \theta = 1 + \frac{1}{k^2 - 1} = \frac{k^2 - 1 + 1}{k^2 - 1} = \frac{k^2}{k^2 - 1}$$

So 
$$\csc \theta = \pm \frac{k}{\sqrt{k^2 - 1}}$$

In the 2nd quadrant, cosec  $\theta$  is +ve.

As k is – ve, 
$$\csc \theta = \frac{-k}{\sqrt{k^2 - 1}}$$

## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 11

# **Question:**

Solve, in the interval  $0 \le x \le 2\pi$ , the equation sec  $\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 2$ , giving your answers in terms of  $\pi$ .

#### **Solution:**

$$\sec\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 2, 0 \le x \le 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{2}, 0 \le x \le 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow x + \frac{\pi}{4} = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{2}, 2\pi - \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\pi}{3}, 2\pi - \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\operatorname{So} x = \frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{3} - \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{4\pi - 3\pi}{12}, \frac{20\pi - 3\pi}{12} = \frac{\pi}{12}, \frac{17\pi}{12}$$

## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 12

# **Question:**

Find, in terms of  $\pi$ , the value of arcsin  $\left(\begin{array}{c} \frac{1}{2} \end{array}\right)$  – arcsin  $\left(\begin{array}{c} -\frac{1}{2} \end{array}\right)$ .

#### **Solution:**

 $\arcsin\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$  is the angle in the interval  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \le \text{angle} \le \frac{\pi}{2}$  whose sine is  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

So 
$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

Similarly, arcsin 
$$\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{\pi}{6}$$

So arcsin 
$$\left(\begin{array}{c} \frac{1}{2} \end{array}\right)$$
 - arcsin  $\left(\begin{array}{c} -\frac{1}{2} \end{array}\right)$  =  $\frac{\pi}{6}$  -  $\left(\begin{array}{c} -\frac{\pi}{6} \end{array}\right)$  =  $\frac{\pi}{3}$ 

# **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 13

## **Question:**

Solve, in the interval  $0 \le x \le 2\pi$ , the equation  $\sec^2 x - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}\tan x - 2 = 0$ , giving your answers in terms of  $\pi$ .

#### **Solution:**

$$\sec^{2} x - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} \tan x - 2 = 0, 0 \le x \le 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + \tan^{2} x) - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} \tan x - 2 = 0$$

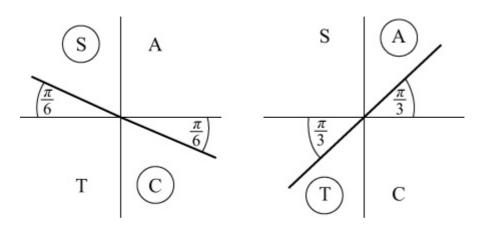
$$\tan^{2} x - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} \tan x - 1 = 0$$

(This does factorise but you may not have noticed!)

$$\left(\tan x + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\right) \left(\tan x - \sqrt{3}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \text{ or } \tan x = \sqrt{3}$$

Calculator values are  $-\frac{\pi}{6}$  and  $\frac{\pi}{3}$ .



Solution set:  $\frac{\pi}{3}$ ,  $\frac{5\pi}{6}$ ,  $\frac{4\pi}{3}$ ,  $\frac{11\pi}{6}$ 

# **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 14

## **Question:**

- (a) Factorise  $\sec x \csc x 2 \sec x \csc x + 2$ .
- (b) Hence solve  $\sec x \csc x 2 \sec x \csc x + 2 = 0$ , in the interval  $0 \le x \le 360^{\circ}$ .

#### **Solution:**

(a) 
$$\sec x \csc x - 2 \sec x - \csc x + 2$$
  
=  $\sec x (\csc x - 2) - (\csc x - 2)$   
=  $(\csc x - 2) (\sec x - 1)$ 

(b) So 
$$\sec x \csc x - 2 \sec x - \csc x + 2 = 0$$
  
 $\Rightarrow (\csc x - 2) (\sec x - 1) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \csc x = 2 \text{ or } \sec x = 1$   
 $\Rightarrow \sin x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } \cos x = 1$ 

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{2}$$
,  $0 \le x \le 360^{\circ}$   
 $\Rightarrow x = 30^{\circ}$ ,  $(180 - 30)^{\circ}$   
 $\cos x = 1$ ,  $0 \le x \le 360^{\circ}$ ,  
 $\Rightarrow x = 0^{\circ}$ ,  $360^{\circ}$  (from the graph)

Full set of solutions: 0°, 30°, 150°, 360°

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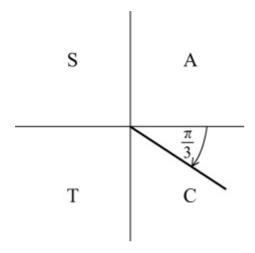
Exercise F, Question 15

# **Question:**

Given that arctan  $(x-2) = -\frac{\pi}{3}$ , find the value of x.

## **Solution:**

$$\arctan\left(x-2\right) = -\frac{\pi}{3}$$



$$\Rightarrow x - 2 = \tan \left( -\frac{\pi}{3} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 2 = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 2 = -\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $x = 2 - \sqrt{3}$ 

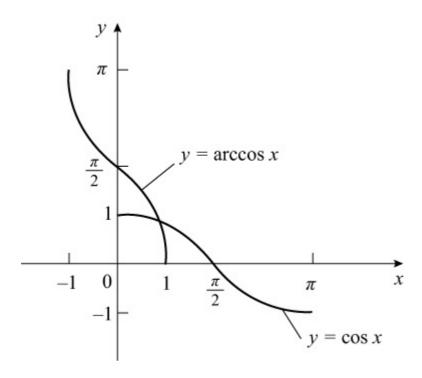
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Exercise F, Question 16

# **Question:**

On the same set of axes sketch the graphs of  $y = \cos x$ ,  $0 \le x \le \pi$ , and  $y = \arccos x$ ,  $-1 \le x \le 1$ , showing the coordinates of points in which the curves meet the axes.

#### **Solution:**



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# **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 17

# **Question:**

- (a) Given that  $\sec x + \tan x = -3$ , use the identity  $1 + \tan^2 x = \sec^2 x$  to find the value of  $\sec x \tan x$ .
- (b) Deduce the value of
- (i)  $\sec x$
- (ii)  $\tan x$
- (c) Hence solve, in the interval  $-180^{\circ} \le x \le 180^{\circ}$ ,  $\sec x + \tan x = -3$ . (Give answer to 1 decimal place).

#### **Solution:**

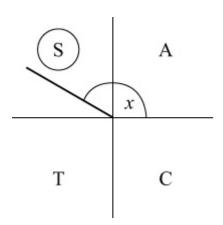
(a) As 
$$1 + \tan^2 x \equiv \sec^2 x$$
  
 $\sec^2 x - \tan^2 x \equiv 1$   
 $\Rightarrow (\sec x - \tan x) (\sec x + \tan x) \equiv 1$  (difference of two squares)  
As  $\tan x + \sec x = -3$  is given,  
so  $-3 (\sec x - \tan x) = 1$   
 $\Rightarrow \sec x - \tan x = -\frac{1}{3}$ 

(b) 
$$\sec x + \tan x = -3$$
  
and  $\sec x - \tan x = -\frac{1}{3}$ 

(i) Add the equations 
$$\Rightarrow$$
 2  $\sec x = -\frac{10}{3}$   $\Rightarrow$   $\sec x = -\frac{5}{3}$ 

(ii) Subtract the equation 
$$\Rightarrow$$
  $2 \tan x = -3 + \frac{1}{3} = -\frac{8}{3} \Rightarrow \tan x = -\frac{4}{3}$ 

(c) As  $\sec x$  and  $\tan x$  are both -ve,  $\cos x$  and  $\tan x$  are both -ve. So x must be in the 2nd quadrant.



Solving  $\tan x = -\frac{4}{3}$ , where x is in the 2nd quadrant, gives 180 ° +  $\left(-53.1 \, \circ \right) = 126.9 \, \circ$ 

## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 18

# **Question:**

Given that  $p = \sec \theta - \tan \theta$  and  $q = \sec \theta + \tan \theta$ , show that  $p = \frac{1}{q}$ .

#### **Solution:**

$$p = \sec \theta - \tan \theta, q = \sec \theta + \tan \theta$$
Multiply together:
$$pq = (\sec \theta - \tan \theta) (\sec \theta + \tan \theta) = \sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta = 1 \text{ (since } 1 + \tan^2 \theta = \sec^2 \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \frac{1}{q}$$

(There are several ways of solving this problem).

# **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 19

## **Question:**

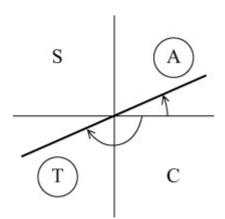
- (a) Prove that  $\sec^4 \theta \tan^4 \theta = \sec^2 \theta + \tan^2 \theta$ .
- (b) Hence solve, in the interval

$$-180^{\circ} \le \theta \le 180^{\circ}$$
,  $\sec^4 \theta = \tan^4 \theta + 3 \tan \theta$ . (Give answers to 1 decimal place).

#### **Solution:**

(a) L.H.S. 
$$\equiv \sec^4 \theta - \tan^4 \theta$$
  
 $\equiv (\sec^2 \theta + \tan^2 \theta) (\sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta)$   
 $\equiv (\sec^2 \theta + \tan^2 \theta) (1)$   
 $\equiv \sec^2 \theta + \tan^2 \theta \equiv \text{R.H.S.}$ 

(b) 
$$\sec^4 \theta = \tan^4 \theta + 3 \tan \theta$$
  
 $\Rightarrow \sec^4 \theta - \tan^4 \theta = 3 \tan \theta$   
 $\Rightarrow \sec^2 \theta + \tan^2 \theta = 3 \tan \theta$  [using part (a)]  
 $\Rightarrow (1 + \tan^2 \theta) + \tan^2 \theta = 3 \tan \theta$   
 $\Rightarrow 2 \tan^2 \theta - 3 \tan \theta + 1 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow (2 \tan \theta - 1) (\tan \theta - 1) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{or} \tan \theta = 1$ 



In the interval 
$$-180^{\circ} \le \theta \le 180^{\circ}$$
  
 $\tan \theta = \frac{1}{2} \implies \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2}, -180^{\circ} + \tan^{-1}$ 

$$\frac{1}{2} = 26.6^{\circ}, -153.4^{\circ}$$

$$\tan \theta = 1 \Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1} 1, -180^{\circ} + \tan^{-1} 1 = 45^{\circ}, -135^{\circ}$$
Set of solutions:  $-153.4^{\circ}, -135^{\circ}, 26.6^{\circ}, 45^{\circ} (3 \text{ s.f.})$ 

# **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise F, Question 20

# **Question:**

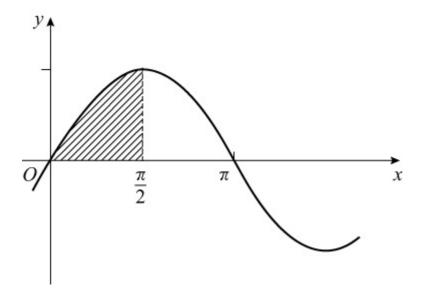
(Although integration is not in the specification for C3, this question only requires you to know that the area under a curve can be represented by an integral.)

- (a) Sketch the graph of  $y = \sin x$  and shade in the area representing  $\int_{0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin x \, dx$ .
- (b) Sketch the graph of  $y = \arcsin x$  and shade in the area representing  $\int_0^1 \arcsin x \, dx$ .
- (c) By considering the shaded areas explain why  $\int_{0}^{\infty}$

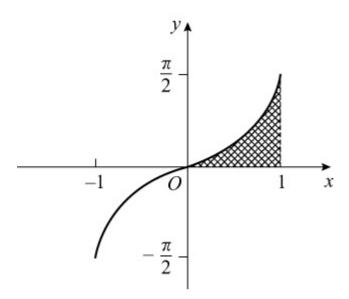
$$\frac{\pi}{2} \sin x \, dx + \int_0^1 \arcsin x \, dx = \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

# **Solution:**

(a) 
$$y = \sin x$$

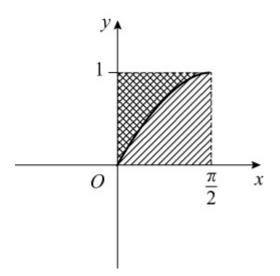


- $\int_{0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin x \, dx \text{ represents the area between } y = \sin x, x \text{-axis and } x = \frac{\pi}{2}.$
- (b)  $y = \arcsin x$ ,  $-1 \le x \le 1$



 $\int_{0}^{1} \arcsin x \, dx$  represents the area between the curve, x-axis and x = 1.

(c) The curves are the same with the axes interchanged. The shaded area in (b) could be added to the graph in (a) to form a rectangle with sides 1 and  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ , as in the diagram.



Area of rectangle =  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ 

So 
$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin x \, dx + \int_0^1 \arcsin x \, dx = \frac{\pi}{2}$$