

TRIGONOMETRIC EQUATIONS [JEE ADVANCED PREVIOUS YEAR SOLVED PAPER]

JEE ADVANCED

Single Correct Answer Type

1. The equation $2\cos^2 \frac{x}{2} \sin^2 x = x^2 + x^{-2}$; $0 < x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ has

a. no real solution b. one real solution
c. more than one solution d. none of these

(IIT-JEE 1980)

2. The general solution of the trigonometric equation $\sin x + \cos x = 1$ is given by

a. $x = 2n\pi$, $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$
b. $x = 2n\pi + \pi/2$, $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$

c. $x = n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{4}$, $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$
d. none of these

(IIT-JEE 1981)

3. The general solution of the equation $\sin x - 3 \sin 2x + \sin 3x = \cos x - 3 \cos 2x + \cos 3x$ is ($n \in \mathbb{Z}$)

a. $n\pi + \frac{\pi}{8}$ b. $\frac{n\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{8}$

c. $(-1)^n \frac{n\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{8}$ d. $2n\pi + \cos^{-1} \frac{2}{3}$

(IIT-JEE 1989)

4. The equation $(\cos p - 1)x^2 + (\cos p)x + \sin p = 0$ in the variable x has real roots. Then p can take any value in the interval

a. $(0, 2\pi)$ b. $(-\pi, 0)$
c. $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ d. $(0, \pi)$ (IIT-JEE 1990)

5. The number of solutions of the equation $\tan x + \sec x = 2 \cos x$ lying in the interval $[0, 2\pi]$ is

a. 0 b. 1 c. 2 d. 3

(IIT-JEE 1993)

6. The general values of θ satisfying the equation $2 \sin^2 \theta - 3 \sin \theta - 2 = 0$ is ($n \in \mathbb{Z}$)

a. $n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{\pi}{6}$ b. $n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{\pi}{2}$
c. $n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{5\pi}{6}$ d. $n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{7\pi}{6}$

(IIT-JEE 1995)

7. The number of distinct real roots of $\begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \cos x & \cos x \\ \cos x & \sin x & \cos x \\ \cos x & \cos x & \sin x \end{vmatrix} = 0$ in the interval $-\frac{\pi}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$ is

a. 0 b. 2 c. 1 d. 3

(IIT-JEE 2001)

8. The number of integral values of k for which the equation $7 \cos x + 5 \sin x = 2k + 1$ has a solution is

a. 4 b. 8 c. 10 d. 12

(IIT-JEE 2002)

9. $\cos(\alpha - \beta) = 1$ and $\cos(\alpha + \beta) = 1/e$, where $\alpha, \beta \in [-\pi, \pi]$. Number of pairs of α, β which satisfy both the equations is

a. 0 b. 1 c. 2 d. 4

(IIT-JEE 2005)

10. The value of $\theta \in (0, 2\pi)$ for which the equation $2 \sin^2 \theta - 5 \sin \theta + 2 > 0$ is

a. $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \cup \left(\frac{5\pi}{6}, 2\pi\right)$ b. $\left(\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$

c. $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{8}\right) \cup \left(\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$ d. $\left(\frac{41\pi}{48}, \pi\right)$

(IIT-JEE 2006)

11. The number of solutions of the pair of equations

$$2 \sin^2 \theta - \cos 2\theta = 0$$

$$2 \cos^2 \theta - 3 \sin \theta = 0$$

in the interval $[0, 2\pi]$ is

a. 0 b. 1 c. 2 d. 4

(IIT-JEE 2007)

12. Let $f(x) = x^2$ and $g(x) = \sin x$ for all $x \in R$. Then the set of all x satisfying $(fogof)(x) = (gogof)(x)$, where $(fog)(x) = f(g(x))$, is

- a. $\pm \sqrt{n\pi}, n \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$
- b. $\pm \sqrt{n\pi}, n \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$
- c. $\frac{\pi}{2} + 2n\pi, n \in \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$
- d. $2n\pi, n \in \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ (IIT-JEE 2011)

13. For $x \in (0, \pi)$, the equation $\sin x + 2 \sin 2x - \sin 3x = 3$ has
- a. infinitely many solutions
 - b. three solutions
 - c. one solution
 - d. no solution (JEE Advanced 2014)

Multiple Correct Answers Type

1. The number of all the possible triplets (a_1, a_2, a_3) such that $a_1 + a_2 \cos(2x) + a_3 \sin^2(x) = 0$ for all x is
- a. 0
 - b. 1
 - c. 3
 - d. infinite (IIT-JEE 1987)

2. The values of θ lying between $\theta = 0$ and $\theta = \pi/2$ and satisfying the equation

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 + \sin^2 \theta & \cos^2 \theta & 4 \sin 4\theta \\ \sin^2 \theta & 1 + \cos^2 \theta & 4 \sin 4\theta \\ \sin^2 \theta & \cos^2 \theta & 1 + 4 \sin 4\theta \end{vmatrix} = 0 \text{ are}$$

- a. $7\pi/24$
- b. $5\pi/24$
- c. $11\pi/24$
- d. $\pi/24$ (IIT-JEE 1988)

3. The number of values of x in the interval $[0, 5\pi]$ satisfying the equation $3 \sin^2 x - 7 \sin x + 2 = 0$ is
- a. 0
 - b. 5
 - c. 6
 - d. 10 (IIT-JEE 1998)

4. Let $2 \sin^2 x + 3 \sin x - 2 > 0$ and $x^2 - x - 2 < 0$ (x is measured in radians). Then x lies in the interval

- a. $\left(\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$
- b. $\left(-1, \frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$
- c. $(-1, 2)$
- d. $\left(\frac{\pi}{6}, 2\right)$ (IIT-JEE 1994)

5. For $0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$, the solution(s) of

$$\sum_{m=1}^6 \operatorname{cosec} \left(\theta + \frac{(m-1)\pi}{4} \right) \operatorname{cosec} \left(\theta + \frac{m\pi}{4} \right) = 4\sqrt{2}$$

is (are)

- a. $\pi/4$
- b. $\pi/6$
- c. $\pi/12$
- d. $5\pi/12$ (IIT-JEE 2009)

6. Let $\theta, \phi \in [0, 2\pi]$ be such that $2 \cos \theta (1 - \sin \phi) = \sin^2 \theta \left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2} + \cot \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \cos \phi - 1$, $\tan(2\pi - \theta) > 0$ and $-1 < \sin \theta < -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$. Then ϕ cannot satisfy

- a. $0 < \phi < \frac{\pi}{2}$
- b. $\frac{\pi}{2} < \phi < \frac{4\pi}{3}$
- c. $\frac{4\pi}{3} < \phi < \frac{3\pi}{2}$
- d. $\frac{3\pi}{2} < \phi < 2\pi$

(IIT-JEE 2012)

Linked Comprehension Type

1. Let $f(x) = (1-x)^2 \sin^2 x + x^2$ for all $x \in R$.

Consider the statements:

P : There exists some $x \in R$ such that $f(x) + 2x = 2(1+x^2)$.

Q : There exists some $x \in R$ such that $2f(x) + 1 = 2x(1+x)$.

Then

- a. both P and Q are true
- b. P is true and Q is false
- c. P is false and Q is true
- d. both P and Q are false

(IIT-JEE 2012)

Matching Column Type

1. Match the statements/expressions in Column I with the statements/expressions in Column II.

Column I	Column II
(a) The minimum value of $\frac{x^2 + 2x + 4}{x+2}$ is	(p) 0
(b) Let A and B be 3×3 matrices of real numbers, where A is symmetric, B is skew symmetric, and $(A+B)(A-B) = (A-B)(A+B)$. If $(AB)^t = (-1)^k AB$, where $(AB)^t$ is the transpose of the matrix AB , then the possible values of k are	(q) 1
(c) Let $a = \log_3 \log_3 2$. An integer k satisfying $1 < 2^{(-k+3^{-a})} < 2$, must be less than	(r) 2
(d) If $\sin \theta = \cos \phi$, then the possible values of $\frac{1}{\pi} \left(\theta \pm \phi - \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$ are	(s) 3

(IIT-JEE 2008)

2. Match the statements/expressions in Column I with the statements/expressions in Column II.

Column I	Column II
(a) Root(s) of the equation $2 \sin^2 \theta + \sin^2 2\theta = 2$	(p) $\frac{\pi}{6}$
(b) Points of discontinuity of the function $f(x) = \left[\frac{6x}{\pi} \right] \cos \left[\frac{3x}{\pi} \right]$, where $[y]$ denotes the largest integer less than or equal to y	(q) $\frac{\pi}{4}$

(c) Volume of the parallelepiped with its edges represented by the vectors $\hat{i} + \hat{j}$, $\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}$ and $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \pi\hat{k}$	(r) $\frac{\pi}{3}$
(d) Angle between vectors \vec{a} and \vec{b} where \vec{a}, \vec{b} and \vec{c} are unit vectors satisfying $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \sqrt{3}\vec{c} = \vec{0}$	(s) $\frac{\pi}{2}$
	(t) π

(IIT-JEE 2009)

Integer Answer Type

1. The number of all possible values of θ , where $0 < \theta < \pi$, for which the system of equations

$$(y+z)\cos 3\theta = (xyz)\sin 3\theta$$

$$x\sin 3\theta = \frac{2\cos 3\theta}{y} + \frac{2\sin 3\theta}{z}$$

$$(xyz)\sin 3\theta = (y+2z)\cos 3\theta + y\sin 3\theta$$

have a solution (x_0, y_0, z_0) with $y_0 z_0 \neq 0$ is

(IIT-JEE 2010)

2. The number of values of θ in the interval $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ such that $\theta \neq \frac{n\pi}{5}$ for $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2$ and $\tan \theta = \cot 5\theta$ as well as $\sin 2\theta = \cos 4\theta$ is

(IIT-JEE 2010)

3. The number of distinct solutions of the equation

$$\frac{5}{4} \cos^2 2x + \cos^4 x + \sin^4 x + \cos^6 x + \sin^6 x = 2$$

in the interval $[0, 2\pi]$ is

(JEE Advanced 2015)

Answer Key

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Single Correct Answer Type

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|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|
| 1. a. | 2. c. | 3. b. | 4. d. | 5. c. |
| 6. d. | 7. c. | 8. b. | 9. d. | 10. a. |
| 11. c. | 12. a. | 13. d. | | |

Multiple Correct Answers Type

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|---------------|-----------|-------|-------|-----------|
| 1. d. | 2. a., c. | 3. c. | 4. d. | 5. c., b. |
| 6. a., c., d. | | | | |

Linked Comprehension Type

1. c.

Matching Column Type

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| 1. (d) – (p, r) | 2. (a) – (q, s) |
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Fill in the Blanks Type

- The solution set of the system of equations $x + y = 2\pi/3$, $\cos x + \cos y = 3/2$, where x and y are real, is _____. (IIT-JEE 1986)
- The set of all x in the interval $[0, \pi]$ for which $2\sin^2 x - 3\sin x + 1 \geq 0$ is _____. (IIT-JEE 1987)
- The general value of θ satisfying the equation $\tan^2 \theta + \sec 2\theta = 1$ is _____. (IIT-JEE 1996)
- The real roots of the equation $\cos^7 x + \sin^4 x = 1$ in the interval $(-\pi, \pi)$ are ____, ____, and _____. (IIT-JEE 1997)

True/False Type

- There exists a value of θ between 0 and 2π that satisfies the equation $\sin^4 \theta - 2\sin^2 \theta - 1 = 0$. (IIT-JEE 1984)

Subjective Type

- Find the coordinates of the points of intersection of the curves $y = \cos x$, $y = \sin 3x$ if $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$. (IIT-JEE 1982)
- Find all the solution of $4\cos^2 x \sin x - 2\sin^2 x = 3\sin x$. (IIT-JEE 1983)
- Find the values of $x \in (-\pi, \pi)$ which satisfy the equation $8^{(\tan x + |\cos x| + |\cos^2 x| + |\cos^3 x| + \dots)} = 4^3$. (IIT-JEE 1984)
- Find all values of θ in the interval $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ satisfying the equation $(1 - \tan \theta)(1 + \tan \theta)\sec^2 \theta + 2^{\tan^2 \theta} = 0$. (IIT-JEE 1996)

Integer Answer Type

1. 3 2. 3 3. 8

Fill in the Blanks Type

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| 1. ϕ | 2. $\left[0, \frac{\pi}{6}\right] \cup \left\{\frac{\pi}{2}\right\} \cup \left[\frac{5\pi}{6}, \pi\right]$ |
| 3. $n\pi, n\pi \pm \frac{\pi}{3}$ $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ | 4. $-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}, 0$ |

True/False Type

1. False

Subjective Type

1. $\left(\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right), \left(\frac{\pi}{8}, \cos\frac{\pi}{8}\right), \left(-\frac{3\pi}{8}, \cos\frac{3\pi}{8}\right)$

2. $x = n\pi, m\pi \pm (-1)^m \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{4}\right); m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$

3. $\pm\frac{\pi}{3}, \pm\frac{2\pi}{3}$ 4. $\pm\frac{\pi}{3}$

Hints and Solutions

$$\Rightarrow x = n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{4}$$

where $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$

3. b. The given equation is

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

$$\text{or } 2 \sin 2x \cos x - 3 \sin 2x = 2 \cos 2x \cos x - 3 \cos 2x$$

$$\text{or } \sin 2x(2 \cos x - 3) = \cos 2x(2 \cos x - 3)$$

$$\text{or } \sin 2x = \cos 2x \quad \left(\text{as } \cos x \neq \frac{3}{2}\right)$$

$$\text{or } \tan 2x = 1 \Rightarrow 2x = n\pi + \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{n\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{8}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

4. d. The given equation is

$$(\cos p - 1)x^2 + (\cos p)x + \sin p = 0$$

For this equation to have real roots, $D \geq 0$. Thus,

$$\cos^2 p - 4 \sin p (\cos p - 1) \geq 0$$

$$\text{or } \cos^2 p - 4 \sin p \cos p + 4 \sin^2 p + 4 \sin p - 4 \sin^2 p \geq 0$$

$$\text{or } (\cos p - 2 \sin p)^2 + 4 \sin p (1 - \sin p) \geq 0$$

For every real value of p , we have

$$(\cos p - 2 \sin p)^2 \geq 0 \text{ and } \sin p (1 - \sin p) \geq 0$$

$$\therefore D \geq 0, \forall \sin p \in (0, \pi)$$

5. c. The given equation is

$$\tan x + \sec x = 2 \cos x$$

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

$$\text{or } \sin x + 1 = 2 \cos^2 x = 2 - 2 \sin^2 x$$

$$\text{or } 2 \sin^2 x + \sin x - 1 = 0$$

$$\text{or } (2 \sin x - 1)(\sin x + 1) = 0$$

$$\text{or } \sin x = \frac{1}{2}, -1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{3\pi}{2} \in [0, 2\pi]$$

But for $x = 3\pi/2$, $\tan x$ and $\sec x$ are not defined.

Therefore, there are only two solutions.

6. d. The given equation is

$$2 \sin^2 \theta - 3 \sin \theta - 2 = 0$$

$$\text{or } (2 \sin \theta + 1)(\sin \theta - 2) = 0$$

$$\text{or } \sin \theta = -\frac{1}{2} \quad [\because \sin \theta - 2 = 0 \text{ is not possible}]$$

$$\text{or } \sin \theta = \sin(-\pi/6) = \sin(7\pi/6)$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = n\pi + (-1)^n (-\pi/6) \text{ or } \theta = n\pi + [(-1)^n 7\pi/6]$$

Thus, $\theta = n\pi + (-1)^n 7\pi/6, n \in \mathbb{Z}$

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Single Correct Answer Type

1. a. The given equation is

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

$$\text{where } 0 < x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = 2 \cos^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \sin^2 x = (1 + \cos x) \sin^2 x$$

$$\because 1 + \cos x < 2 \text{ and } \sin^2 x \leq 1 \text{ for } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\therefore (1 + \cos x) \sin^2 x < 2$$

$$\text{and R.H.S.} = x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \geq 2$$

Therefore, for $0 < x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$, the given equation is not possible for

any real value of x .

2. c. $\sin x + \cos x = 1$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{or } \sin x \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \cos x \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \sin\frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\text{or } \sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \sin\frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{\pi}{4}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

7. c. To simplify the determinant, let $\sin x = a$; $\cos x = b$. Then the equation becomes

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & b \\ b & a & b \\ b & b & a \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Operating $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1$; $C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_2$, we get

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b-a & 0 \\ b & a-b & b-a \\ b & 0 & a-b \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{or } a(a-b)^2 - (b-a)[b(a-b) - b(b-a)] = 0$$

$$\text{or } a(a-b)^2 - 2b(b-a)(a-b) = 0$$

$$\text{or } (a-b)^2(a-2b) = 0$$

$$\text{or } a = b \text{ or } a = 2b$$

$$\text{or } \frac{a}{b} = 1 \text{ or } \frac{a}{b} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = 1 \text{ or } \tan x = 2$$

$$\text{But we have } -\frac{\pi}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \leq \tan x \leq \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 \leq \tan x \leq 1$$

$$\therefore \tan x = 1 \Rightarrow x = \pi/4$$

Therefore, there is only one real root.

8. b. We know that

$$-\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \leq a \cos \theta + b \sin \theta \leq \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\sqrt{74} \leq 7 \cos x + 5 \sin x \leq \sqrt{74}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\sqrt{74} \leq 2k+1 \leq \sqrt{74}$$

$$\Rightarrow -8 \leq 2k+1 \leq 8 \Rightarrow -4.5 \leq k \leq 3.5$$

Considering only integral values, which means k can take eight integral values.

9. d. Given that $\cos(\alpha - \beta) = 1$ and $\cos(\alpha + \beta) = 1/e$

where $\alpha, \beta \in [-\pi, \pi]$

$$\text{Now } \cos(\alpha - \beta) = 1 \Rightarrow \alpha - \beta = 0 \text{ or } \alpha = \beta$$

$$\therefore \cos(\alpha + \beta) = 1/e \Rightarrow \cos 2\alpha = 1/e$$

$$\because 0 < 1/e < 1 \text{ and } 2\alpha \in [-2\pi, 2\pi]$$

There will be two values of 2α satisfying $\cos 2\alpha = 1/e$ in $[0, 2\pi]$ and two in $[-2\pi, 0]$.

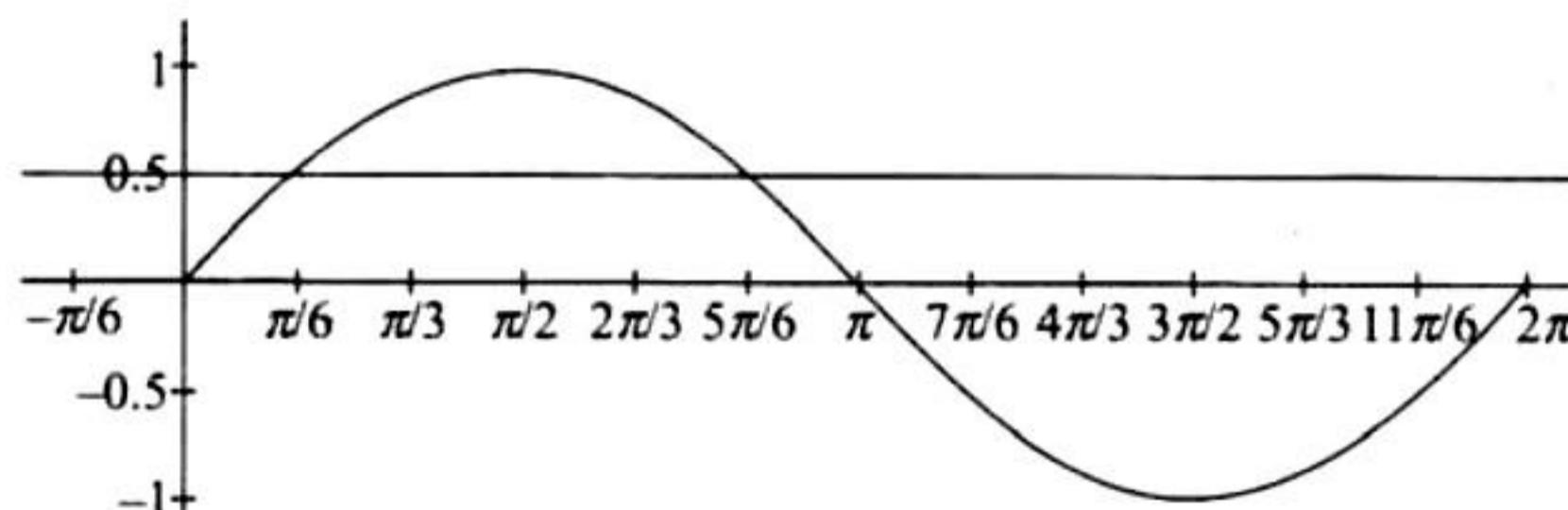
Therefore, there will be four values of α in $[-2\pi, 2\pi]$ and correspondingly four values of β . Hence, there are four sets of (α, β) .

10. a. $2 \sin^2 \theta - 5 \sin \theta + 2 > 0$

$$\text{or } (\sin \theta - 2)(2 \sin \theta - 1) > 0$$

$$\text{or } \sin \theta < 1/2$$

$$[\because -1 \leq \sin \theta \leq 1]$$



From the graph $x \in (0, \pi/6) \cup (5\pi/6, 2\pi)$

11. c. $2 \sin^2 \theta - \cos 2\theta = 0$

$$\text{or } 1 - 2 \cos 2\theta = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}, \frac{7\pi}{3}, \frac{11\pi}{3}$$

$$\text{or } \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{7\pi}{6}, \frac{11\pi}{6}$$

where $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$.

$$\text{Also } 2 \cos^2 \theta - 3 \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\text{or } 2 \sin^2 \theta + 3 \sin \theta - 2 = 0$$

$$\text{or } (2 \sin \theta - 1)(\sin \theta + 2) = 0$$

$$\text{or } \sin \theta = 1/2$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \pi/6, 5\pi/6, \text{ where } \theta \in [0, 2\pi]$$

$$\text{Combining Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get } \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

Therefore, there are two solutions.

12. a. $(fogof)(x) = \sin^2(\sin x^2)$

$$(gof)(x) = \sin(\sin x^2)$$

$$\therefore \sin^2(\sin x^2) = \sin(\sin x^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(\sin x^2)[\sin(\sin x^2) - 1] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(\sin x^2) = 0 \text{ or } 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x^2 = n\pi \text{ or } 2m\pi + \pi/2, \text{ where } m, n \in I$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = n\pi \Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{n\pi}, n \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}.$$

13. d. $\sin x + 2 \sin 2x - \sin 3x = 3$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x + 4 \sin x \cos x - 3 \sin x + 4 \sin^3 x = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x [-2 + 4 \cos x + 4(1 - \cos^2 x)] = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x [2 - (4 \cos^2 x - 4 \cos x + 1) + 1] = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 - (2 \cos x - 1)^2 = 3 \cosec x$$

Now R.H.S. ≥ 3

But L.H.S. < 3

Hence, no solution.

Multiple Correct Answers Type

1. d. Since $a_1 + a_2 \cos 2x + a_3 \sin^2 x = 0$ for all x

Putting $x = 0$ and $x = \pi/2$, we get

$$a_1 + a_2 = 0 \text{ and } a_1 - a_2 + a_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_2 = -a_1 \text{ and } a_3 = -2a_1$$

Therefore, the given equation becomes

$$a_1 - a_1 \cos 2x - 2a_1 \sin^2 x = 0, \forall x$$

$$\text{or } a_1(1 - \cos 2x - 2 \sin^2 x) = 0, \forall x$$

$$\text{or } a_1(2 \sin^2 x - 2 \sin^2 x) = 0, \forall x$$

The above is satisfied for all values of a_1 .

Hence, the infinite number of triplets $(a_1, -a_1, -2a_1)$ is possible.

Alternative Method:

$$a_1 + a_2 \cos 2x + a_3 \sin^2 x = 0 \text{ for real } x$$

$$\therefore a_1 + a_2(1 - 2 \sin^2 x) + a_3 \sin^2 x = 0 \text{ for real } x$$

$$\therefore (a_1 + a_2) + (a_3 - 2a_2) \sin^2 x = 0 \text{ for real } x$$

$$\therefore a_1 + a_2 = 0 \text{ and } a_3 - 2a_2 = 0$$

$$\therefore a_2 = -a_1 \text{ and } a_3 = 2a_2 = -2a_1$$

Hence, infinite number of triplets $(a_1, -a_1, -2a_1)$ exist.

2. a., c. We have

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1+\sin^2\theta & \cos^2\theta & 4\sin 4\theta \\ \sin^2\theta & 1+\cos^2\theta & 4\sin 4\theta \\ \sin^2\theta & \cos^2\theta & 1+4\sin 4\theta \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Operating $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2$, we get

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & \cos^2\theta & 4\sin 4\theta \\ 2 & 1+\cos^2\theta & 4\sin 4\theta \\ 1 & \cos^2\theta & 1+4\sin 4\theta \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Operating $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$; $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$, we get

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & \cos^2\theta & 1+4\sin 4\theta \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Expanding along R_1 , we get $1 + 4 \sin 4\theta + 1 = 0$

$$\text{or } 2(1 + 2 \sin 4\theta) = 0$$

$$\text{or } \sin 4\theta = -1/2 \Rightarrow 4\theta = \pi + \pi/6$$

$$\text{or } 2\pi - \pi/6$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\theta = 7\pi/6 \text{ or } 11\pi/6$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 7\pi/24 \text{ or } 11\pi/24$$

3. c. $3 \sin^2 x - 7 \sin x + 2 = 0$

$$\text{or } (\sin x - 2)(3 \sin x - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x = 1/3 = \sin \alpha, \text{ say } (\sin x = 2, \text{ not possible})$$

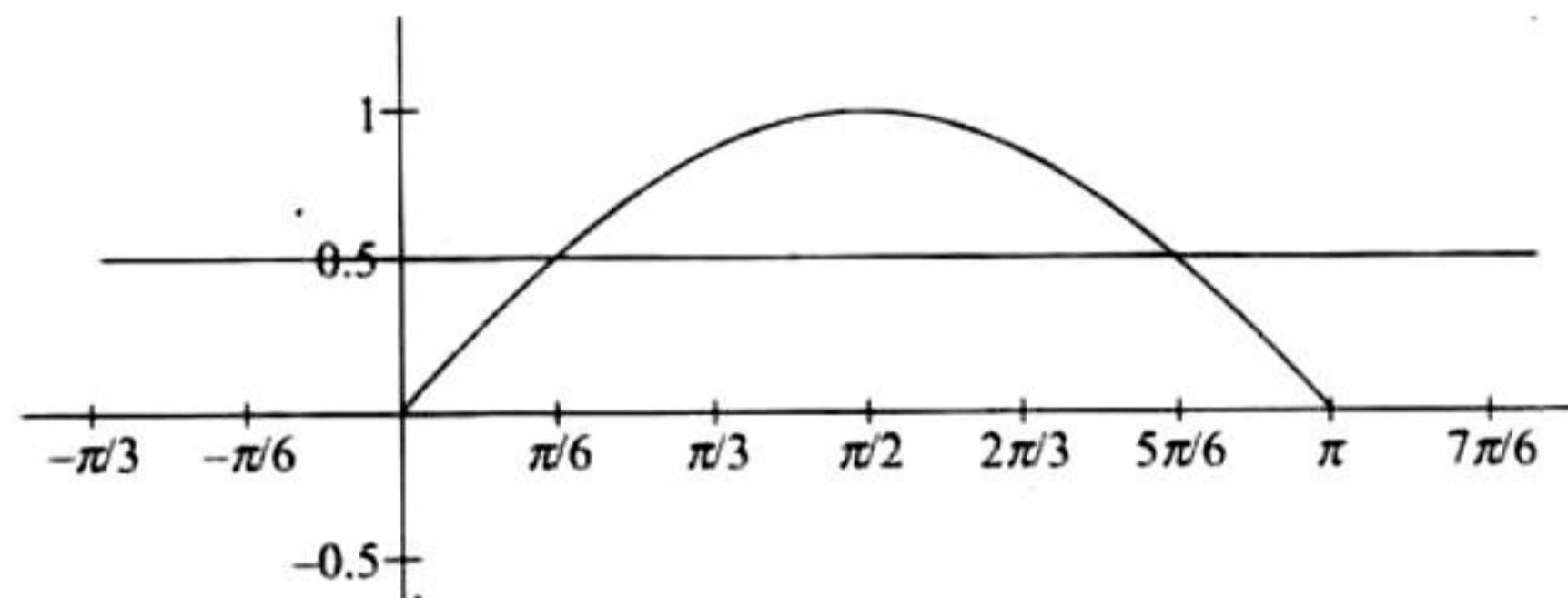
There exists two values in $(0, \pi)$, $(2\pi, 3\pi)$ and $(4\pi, 5\pi)$.

Hence there are six solutions.

4. d. $2 \sin^2 x + 3 \sin x - 2 > 0$

$$(2 \sin x - 1)(\sin x + 2) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sin x - 1 > 0 \quad [\because -1 \leq \sin x \leq 1]$$



$$\Rightarrow \sin x > 1/2$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (\pi/6, 5\pi/6) \quad (\text{i})$$

$$\text{Also } x^2 - x - 2 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)(x+1) < 0 \Rightarrow -1 < x < 2 \quad (\text{ii})$$

Combining Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$x \in (\pi/6, 2)$$

5. c., d. $\sum_{m=1}^6 \operatorname{cosec}\left(\theta + \frac{(m-1)\pi}{4}\right) \operatorname{cosec}\left(\theta + \frac{m\pi}{4}\right) = 4\sqrt{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sin(\pi/4)} \left[\frac{\sin(\theta + \pi/4 - \theta)}{\sin \theta \cdot \sin(\theta + \pi/4)} + \frac{\sin((\theta + \pi/2) - (\theta + \pi/4))}{\sin(\theta + \pi/4) \cdot \sin(\theta + \pi/2)} + \dots + \frac{\sin((\theta + 3\pi/2) - (\theta + 5\pi/4))}{\sin(\theta + 3\pi/2) \cdot \sin(\theta + 5\pi/4)} \right] = 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sin(\pi/4)} \left[\frac{\sin(\theta + \pi/4)\cos \theta - \cos(\theta + \pi/4)\sin \theta}{\sin \theta \cdot \sin(\theta + \pi/4)} + \frac{\sin(\theta + \pi/2)\cos(\theta + \pi/4)}{\sin(\theta + \pi/4) \cdot \sin(\theta + \pi/2)} - \frac{\cos(\theta + \pi/2)\sin(\theta + \pi/4)}{\sin(\theta + \pi/4) \cdot \sin(\theta + \pi/2)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\sin(\theta + 3\pi/2)\cos(\theta + 5\pi/4)}{\sin(\theta + 3\pi/2) \cdot \sin(\theta + 5\pi/4)} - \frac{\cos(\theta + 3\pi/2)\sin(\theta + 5\pi/4)}{\sin(\theta + 3\pi/2) \cdot \sin(\theta + 5\pi/4)} \right] = 4\sqrt{2} \\ &\Rightarrow \sqrt{2} [\cot \theta - \cot(\theta + \pi/4) + \cot(\theta + \pi/4) - \cot(\theta + \pi/2) + \dots + \cot(\theta + 5\pi/4) - \cot(\theta + 3\pi/2)] = 4\sqrt{2} \\ &\Rightarrow \tan \theta + \cot \theta = 4 \\ &\Rightarrow \tan \theta = 2 \pm \sqrt{3} \\ &\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{12} \text{ or } \frac{5\pi}{12} \end{aligned}$$

6. a., c., d.

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \cos \theta (1 - \sin \varphi) &= \frac{2 \sin^2 \theta}{\sin \theta} \cos \varphi - 1 \\ &= 2 \sin \theta \cos \varphi - 1 \\ \therefore 2 \cos \theta - 2 \cos \theta \sin \varphi &= 2 \sin \theta \cos \varphi - 1 \\ \therefore 2 \cos \theta + 1 &= 2 \sin(\theta + \varphi) \\ \tan(2\pi - \theta) > 0 &\Rightarrow \tan \theta < 0 \\ \text{and } -1 < \sin \theta < -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \\ \Rightarrow \theta \in \left(\frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{3}\right) & \\ \Rightarrow 0 < \cos \theta < \frac{1}{2} & \\ \frac{1}{2} < \sin(\theta + \varphi) < 1 & \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{6} + 2\pi < \sin(\theta + \varphi) < \frac{5\pi}{6} + 2\pi & \\ 2\pi + \frac{\pi}{6} - \theta_{\max} < \varphi < 2\pi + \frac{5\pi}{6} - \theta_{\min} & \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2} < \varphi < \frac{4\pi}{3} & \end{aligned}$$

Linked Comprehension Type

1. c. $f(x) = (1-x)^2 \sin^2 x + x^2 \quad \forall x \in R$

For statement P:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) + 2x &= 2(1+x^2) \quad (\text{i}) \\ \Rightarrow (1-x)^2 \sin^2 x + x^2 + 2x &= 2 + 2x^2 \\ \Rightarrow (1-x)^2 \sin^2 x &= x^2 - 2x + 2 = (x-1)^2 + 1 \\ \Rightarrow (1-x)^2 (\sin^2 x - 1) &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow -(1-x)^2 \cos^2 x &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow (1-x)^2 \cos^2 x &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

So equation (i) will not have real solution.

So, P is wrong.

For statement Q:

$$\begin{aligned} 2(1-x)^2 \sin^2 x + 2x^2 + 1 &= 2x + 2x^2 \quad (\text{ii}) \\ 2(1-x)^2 \sin^2 x &= 2x - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$2 \sin^2 x = \frac{2x-1}{(1-x)^2}. \text{ Let } h(x) = \frac{2x-1}{(1-x)^2} - 2 \sin^2 x$$

$$\text{Clearly, } h(0) = -1, \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} h(x) = +\infty$$

So by IVT, equation (ii) will have solution.

So, Q is correct.

Matching Column Type

1. (d) – (p), (r)

$$\sin \theta = \cos \phi \Rightarrow \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) = \cos \phi$$

$$\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta = 2n\pi \pm \phi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\frac{1}{\pi}\left(\theta \pm \phi - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -2n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

\Rightarrow 0 and 2 are possible

Note: Solutions of the remaining parts are given in their respective chapters.

2. (a) – (q), (s)

We have $2\sin^2 \theta + \sin^2 2\theta = 2$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin^2 \theta + 4\sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta = 2$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 3\sin^2 \theta - 2\sin^4 \theta - 1 = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Note: Solutions of the remaining parts are given in their respective chapters.

Integer Answer Type

1. (1) Let $xyz = t$

$$t \sin 3\theta - y \cos 3\theta - z \cos 3\theta = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$t \sin 3\theta - 2y \sin 3\theta - 2z \cos 3\theta = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$t \sin 3\theta - y(\cos 3\theta + \sin 3\theta) - 2z \cos 3\theta = 0 \quad (3)$$

$y_0 \cdot z_0 \neq 0$ hence homogeneous equation has non-trivial solution.

$$\therefore D = \begin{vmatrix} \sin 3\theta & -\cos 3\theta & -\cos 3\theta \\ \sin 3\theta & -2 \sin 3\theta & -2 \cos 3\theta \\ \sin 3\theta & -(\cos 3\theta + \sin 3\theta) & -2 \cos 3\theta \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 3\theta \cos 3\theta (\sin 3\theta - \cos 3\theta) = 0$$

If $\sin 3\theta = 0$, then from equation (2)

$z = 0$, which is not possible

If $\cos 3\theta = 0$ and $\sin 3\theta \neq 0$, then

$$t \cdot \sin 3\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0$$

From equation (2), $y = 0$ which is not possible

If $\sin 3\theta - \cos 3\theta = 0$, then

$$\tan 3\theta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\theta = n\pi + \frac{\pi}{4}, n \in I$$

$$\Rightarrow x \cdot y \cdot z \sin 3\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{n\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi}{12}, n \in I$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0, \sin 3\theta \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{12}, \frac{5\pi}{12}, \frac{9\pi}{12}$$

Hence, three solutions.

2. (3) $\tan \theta = \cot 5\theta$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 6\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\cos^3 2\theta - 3\cos 2\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2\theta = 0 \text{ or } \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad (i)$$

$$\sin 2\theta = \cos 4\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin^2 2\theta + \sin 2\theta - 1 = 0$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2\theta = 0 \text{ and } \sin 2\theta = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\theta = -\frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = -\frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\text{or } \cos 2\theta = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \sin 2\theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6} \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{12}, \frac{5\pi}{12}$$

$$\therefore \theta = -\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{12}, \frac{5\pi}{12}$$

$$3. (8) \frac{5}{4} \cos^2 2x + \cos^4 x + \sin^4 x + \cos^6 x + \sin^6 x = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{4} \cos^2 2x + (\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x)^2 - 2\sin^2 x \cos^2 x$$

$$+ (\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x)^3 - 3\sin^2 x \cos^2 x (\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x) = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{4} \cos^2 2x + 1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 2x + 1 - \frac{3}{4} \sin^2 2x = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 2x = \sin^2 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^2 2x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan 2x = \pm 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = n\pi \pm \frac{\pi}{4}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = (4n \pm 1)\frac{\pi}{8}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{3\pi}{8}, \frac{5\pi}{8}, \frac{7\pi}{8}, \frac{9\pi}{8}, \frac{11\pi}{8}, \frac{13\pi}{8}, \frac{15\pi}{8}$$

So, number of solutions = 8.

Fill in the Blanks Type

1. We have $\cos x + \cos y = \frac{3}{2}$

$$\text{or } 2\cos\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right)\cos\left(\frac{x-y}{2}\right) = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{or } 2\cos\frac{\pi}{3}\cos\left(\frac{x-y}{2}\right) = \frac{3}{2} \quad [\text{using: } x+y = 2\pi/3]$$

$$\text{or } \cos\left(\frac{x-y}{2}\right) = \frac{3}{2}, \text{ which is not possible.}$$

Hence, the system of equations has no solution.

2. We have $2\sin^2 x - 3\sin x + 1 \geq 0$

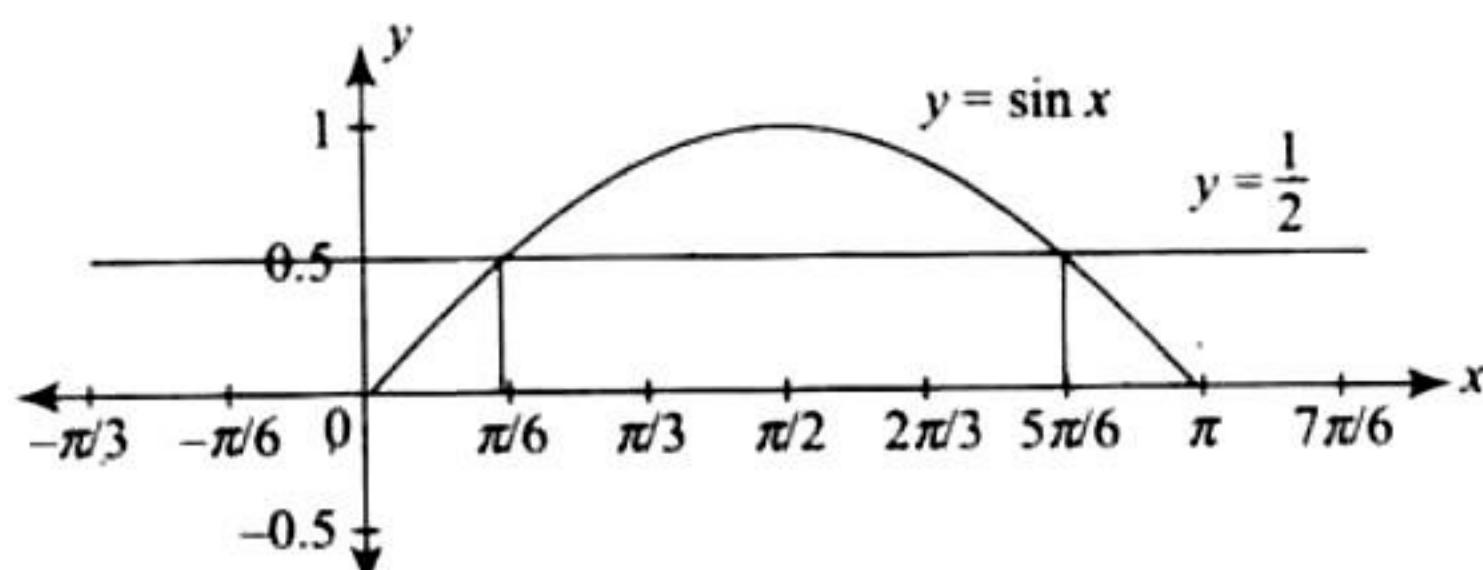
$$\text{or } (2\sin x - 1)(\sin x - 1) \geq 0$$

$$\text{or } \left(\sin x - \frac{1}{2}\right)(\sin x - 1) \geq 0$$

$$\text{or } \sin x \leq \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } \sin x \geq 1$$

But we know that $\sin x \leq 1$ and $\sin x \geq 0$ for $x \in [0, \pi]$.

Therefore, either $\sin x = 1$ or $0 \leq \sin x \leq \frac{1}{2}$



$$\Rightarrow \text{either } x = \pi/2 \text{ or } x \in [0, \pi/6] \cup [5\pi/6, \pi]$$

Combining, we get $x \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{6}\right] \cup \left\{\frac{\pi}{2}\right\} \cup \left[\frac{5\pi}{6}, \pi\right]$.

3. $\tan^2 \theta + \sec 2\theta = 1$

$$t^2 + \frac{1+t^2}{1-t^2} = 1, \text{ where } t = \tan \theta$$

or $t^2(t^2 - 3) = 0$

or $\tan \theta = 0, \pm \sqrt{3}$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = n\pi \text{ and } \theta = n\pi \pm \pi/3, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

4. $\cos^7 x = 1 - \sin^4 x$

$$= (1 - \sin^2 x)(1 + \sin^2 x)$$

$$= \cos^2 x (1 + \sin^2 x)$$

$$\therefore \cos x = 0 \text{ or } x = \pi/2, -\pi/2,$$

or $\cos^5 x = 1 + \sin^2 x$

$$\cos^5 x \leq 1 \text{ but } 1 + \sin^2 x \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^5 x = 1 + \sin^2 x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos x = 1 \text{ and } \sin x = 0.$$

[both these imply $x = 0$]

Hence, $x = -\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}$ and 0.

True/False Type

1. Given that equation is $\sin^4 \theta - 2 \sin^2 \theta - 1 = 0$. Therefore,

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

But $\sin^2 \theta$ cannot be negative. Therefore,

$$\sin^2 \theta = \sqrt{2} + 1$$

But as $-1 \leq \sin \theta \leq 1$, $\therefore \sin^2 \theta \neq \sqrt{2} + 1$

Thus, there is no value of θ which satisfies the given equation.

Therefore, statement is false.

Subjective Type

1. At the intersection point of $y = \cos x$ and $y = \sin 3x$, we have $\cos x = \sin 3x$

$$\text{or } \cos x = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - 3x\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2n\pi \pm \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - 3x\right), n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

or $x = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{8}, -\frac{3\pi}{8}$ [since $-\pi/2 \leq x \leq \pi/2$]

Thus, the points are $\left(\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right), \left(\frac{\pi}{8}, \cos \frac{\pi}{8}\right)$

and $\left(-\frac{3\pi}{8}, \cos \frac{3\pi}{8}\right)$

2. The given equation is

$$4 \cos^2 x \sin x - 2 \sin^2 x = 3 \sin x$$

or $4 \cos^2 x \sin x - 2 \sin^2 x - 3 \sin x = 0$

or $4(1 - \sin^2 x) \sin x - 2 \sin^2 x - 3 \sin x = 0$

or $\sin x [4 \sin^2 x + 2 \sin x - 1] = 0$

\Rightarrow either $\sin x = 0$ or $4 \sin^2 x + 2 \sin x - 1 = 0$

If $\sin x = 0 \Rightarrow x = n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$

If $4 \sin^2 x + 2 \sin x - 1 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{4}$$

$\therefore x = m\pi + (-1)^m \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{4} \right), m \in \mathbb{Z}$

Thus, $x = n\pi, m\pi \pm (-1)^m \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{4} \right)$

where m and n are integers.

3. The given equation is

$$8(1 + |\cos x| + |\cos^2 x| + |\cos^3 x| + \dots) = 4^3$$

or $2^{3(1 + |\cos x| + |\cos^2 x| + |\cos^3 x| + \dots)} = 2^6$

or $3(1 + |\cos x| + |\cos^2 x| + |\cos^3 x| + \dots) = 6$

or $1 + |\cos x| + |\cos^2 x| + |\cos^3 x| + \dots = 2$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{1 - |\cos x|} = 2$$

$$\text{or } |\cos x| = \frac{1}{2}$$

$\Rightarrow x = \pi/3, -\pi/3, 2\pi/3, -2\pi/3, \dots$

The values of $x \in (-\pi, \pi)$ are $\pm \pi/3, \pm 2\pi/3$.

4. Given that $(1 - \tan \theta)(1 + \tan \theta) \sec^2 \theta + 2^{\tan^2 \theta} = 0$

or $(1 - \tan^2 \theta)(1 + \tan^2 \theta) + 2^{\tan^2 \theta} = 0$

Let us put $\tan^2 \theta = t$. Then

$$(1 - t)(1 + t) + 2^t = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 1 - t^2 + 2^t = 0$$

It is clearly satisfied by $t = 3$ as $-8 + 8 = 0$. We get

$$\tan^2 \theta = 3$$

Therefore, $\theta = \pm \pi/3$ in the given interval.