

PAST EXAMINATION QUESTIONS: TRIG IDENTITIES + EQNS.

1. (a) Prove the identity $\tan^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta = \tan^2 \theta \sin^2 \theta$.
 (b) If A, B and C are the angles of a triangle and $\tan A = 1$ and $\tan B = 2$ show, without using tables or calculators, that $\tan C = 3$. (J78/P2/12)
2. Given that $\tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$ and that $180^\circ < \theta < 270^\circ$, find, without using tables or calculators, value of (i) $\tan 2\theta$, (ii) $\tan 3\theta$, (iii) $\tan \frac{1}{2}\theta$. For this particular value of θ , verify that
- $$\sin \theta = \frac{2 \tan \frac{1}{2}\theta}{1 + \tan^2 \frac{1}{2}\theta}. \quad (\text{N78/P1/16})$$
3. The equation of a curve is given, in terms of a parameter θ , by $x = \cos \theta + \sin \theta, y = \cos \theta + 2 \sin \theta$. Express $\sin \theta$ and $\cos \theta$ in terms of x and y and hence obtain the cartesian equation of the curve. (J79/P1/14b)
4. By squaring $\sin^2 A + \cos^2 A$, or otherwise, show that $\sin^4 A + \cos^4 A = \frac{1}{4} (3 + \cos 4A)$. (J79/P1/15a)
5. Given that $\sin(x + \theta) = 2 \cos(x - \theta)$, express $\tan x$ in terms of $\sin \theta$ and $\cos \theta$. (J79/P2/12a)
6. Prove that the maximum value of $6 \sin x + 8 \cos x$ is 10. (N79/P1/14a)
7. A curve is defined parametrically by $x = 3 \sin t, y = \cos 2t$. Find the cartesian equation of the curve. (N79/P2/12b)
8. Prove that (i) $2 \sin(A + 45^\circ) \cos(A + 45^\circ) = \cos 2A$. (ii) $2 \cos(B + 45^\circ) \cos(B - 45^\circ) = \cos 2B$. (N79/P2/14a)
9. (a) Given that $\tan 2A = 1$ and that A is acute show, without using tables or calculators, that $\tan A = \sqrt{2} - 1$.
 (b) Given that $\sin \theta = s$, and θ is acute, express in terms of s , (i) $\cos 2B$, (ii) $\sin 2B$ (iii) $\tan 2B$. (J80/P2/14)
10. (a) Given that $\cos A = \frac{3}{4}$ find, without using tables or calculators, the value of (i) $\cos 2A$, (ii) $\cos 4A$.
 (b) If $\tan B = 3 \tan C$ prove that $\tan(B - C) = \frac{\sin 2C}{2 - \cos 2C}$. (N80/P2/14)
11. (a) A, B, C are the angles of a triangle such that $\cos A = \frac{3}{5}$ and $\cos B = \frac{5}{13}$. Without using tables or a calculator find the value of (i) $\tan 2A$, (ii) $\cos(A + B)$, (iii) $\cos C$.
 (b) Prove the identity $\frac{\sin 2\theta}{1 + \cos 2\theta} = \tan \theta$. (J81/P1/14)
12. Find the value of x between 0° and 360° for which $(\cos x - \sin x)$ has a maximum value. (J81/p1/15b)
13. (a) Given that $\sin A = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3}$ and that A is obtuse find, without using tables or calculators, the value of (i) $\cos 2A$, (ii) $\sin 2A$, (iii) $\sin 4A$. Answers may be left in surd form.
 (b) Prove the identity $\tan(A + 45^\circ) + \tan(A - 45^\circ) = 2 \tan 2A$. (N81/P1/14)

2. (i) $3\frac{3}{7}$

(ii) $-2\frac{29}{44}$

(iii) -3

3. $y - x, 2x - y, 5x^2 - 6xy + 2y^2 = 1$

5. $\frac{\sin \theta - 2 \cos \theta}{2 \sin \theta - \cos \theta}$

7. $y = 1 - \frac{2}{9}x^2$

9. (b) (i) $1 - 2s^2$

(ii) $2s\sqrt{1-s^2}$

(iii) $\frac{2s\sqrt{1-s^2}}{1-2s^2}$

10. (a) (i) $\frac{1}{8}$

(ii) $-\frac{31}{32}$

11. (a) (i) $-\frac{24}{7}$

(ii) $-\frac{33}{65}$

(iii) $\frac{33}{65}$

12. 315°

(a) (i) $-\frac{1}{9}$

13. (ii) $-\frac{4\sqrt{5}}{9}$

(iii) $\frac{8\sqrt{5}}{81}$