

# Lecture 19: Problems on 'Inverse trigonometric functions'

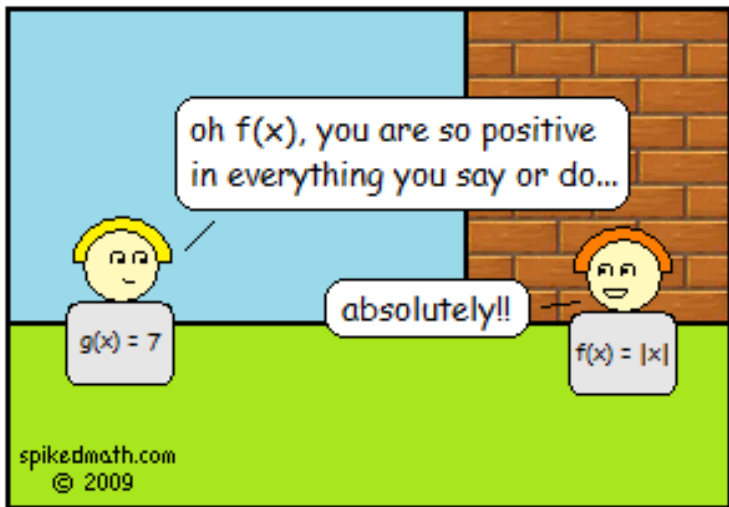
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Problem.

The number of solutions of the equation

$$\cos^{-1}(x) + \cos^{-1}(2x) + \cos^{-1}(3x) = -\pi$$

is

- (a) 0
- (b) 1
- (c) 2
- (d) None of these

Problem.

If

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

Then,

- (a)  $x \in [0, \pi]$
- (b)  $x \in (0, \pi)$
- (c)  $x \in [\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}]$
- (d) None of these

Problem.

Provided  $x, y, z$  are positive and  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = r^2$ , the value of

$$\tan^{-1} \left( \frac{yz}{xr} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{zx}{yr} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{xy}{zr} \right)$$

is

- (a)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$
- (b)  $\frac{\pi}{4}$
- (c)  $\pi$
- (d) none of these

Problem.

Solve for  $x$ :

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

given  $-\sqrt{2} < x < \frac{1}{3}$

- (a) there is no solution other than  $x = -1$
- (b) there is a solution other than  $x = -1$
- (c) option (d) is impossible
- (d) None of these

Problem.

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{2k}{k^4 + k^2 + 2} \right)$$

equals to

- (a)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$
- (b)  $\frac{\pi}{4}$
- (c)  $\frac{\pi}{3}$
- (d) None of these

Problem.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\sqrt{n} - \sqrt{n-1}}{\sqrt{n(n+1)}} \right)$$

equals to

- (a)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$
- (b)  $\frac{\pi}{4}$
- (c)  $\frac{\pi}{3}$
- (d) None of these



Problem.

$$\sin^{-1}(x) + \sin^{-1}(y) + \sin^{-1}(z) = \pi$$

If,  $x\sqrt{1-x^2} + y\sqrt{1-y^2} + z\sqrt{1-z^2} = k(xyz)$ , then  $k$  is

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) None of these

Problem.

The interval where  $\sin^{-1}(x) < \cos^{-1}(x)$  is

- (a)  $\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} < x < \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
- (b)  $0 < x < \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
- (c)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} < x < 1$
- (d) None of these

Problem.

$$(\tan^{-1}(x))^2 + (\cot^{-1}(x))^2 = \frac{5\pi^2}{8}$$

- (a) has exactly one solution
- (b) has exactly two solutions
- (c) has no solutions
- (d) None of these

Problem.

If

$$\lfloor \sin^{-1}(\tan^{-1}(x)) \rfloor = 1$$

Then,

- (a)  $x \in [0, \tan(\pi - 1)]$
- (b)  $x \in [-\infty, \sin^{-1}(1)]$
- (c)  $x \in [\tan(\sin 1), \infty)$
- (d) None of these

Problem.

If  $p > q > 0$  and  $pr < -1 < qr$ , then

$$\tan^{-1} \left( \frac{p-q}{1+pq} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{q-r}{1+qr} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{r-p}{1+rp} \right)$$

equals to


- (a) 0
- (b)  $\pi$
- (c)  $\frac{3\pi}{2}$
- (d) None of these

### Problem.

Let  $\tan^{-1}(x), \tan^{-1}(y), \tan^{-1}(z)$  be in an AP (arithmetic progression) and  $x, y, z$  be in an AP (a different AP) with  $y$  not being either  $0, 1$  or  $-1$  and  $y^2 < 1, xz < 1$ . Then,

- (a)  $x, y, z$  are in GP (geometric progression)
- (b)  $xy + yz + zx = 0$
- (c)  $x = y = z$
- (d) None of these

$$1 + i [(2i + \ln e)(1 - i) + \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{3x^2 - 3}{x - 1}\right) - 9] = 0$$



damn, all that  
work for nothing!

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