

USING IDENTITIES TO SIMPLIFY EXPRESSIONS AND PROVE RESULTS

Prove the following identities (questions 1 to 21):

$$1 \quad \frac{\sin A + \cos A \tan B}{\cos A - \sin A \tan B} = \tan(A+B)$$

$$2 \quad \frac{\sin 2\theta \cos \theta - \cos 2\theta \sin \theta}{\cos 2\theta \cos \theta + \sin 2\theta \sin \theta} = \tan \theta$$

$$3 \quad \frac{\tan A - \tan B}{\tan A + \tan B} = \frac{\sin(A-B)}{\sin(A+B)}$$

$$4 \quad \sin(\theta + \alpha) \sin(\theta - \alpha) = \sin^2 \theta - \sin^2 \alpha$$

$$1) \quad \frac{\sin A + \cos A \tan B}{\cos A - \sin A \tan B} = \frac{\frac{\sin A + \cos A \tan B}{\cos A}}{\frac{\cos A - \sin A \tan B}{\cos A}} = \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B} = \tan(A+B)$$

$$2) \quad \frac{\sin 2\theta \cos \theta - \cos 2\theta \sin \theta}{\cos 2\theta \cos \theta + \sin 2\theta \sin \theta} = \frac{\sin(2\theta - \theta)}{\cos(2\theta - \theta)} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \tan \theta$$

$$3) \quad \frac{\tan A - \tan B}{\tan A + \tan B} = \frac{\left(\frac{\sin A}{\cos A} - \frac{\sin B}{\cos B}\right)}{\left(\frac{\sin A}{\cos A} + \frac{\sin B}{\cos B}\right)} = \frac{\left(\frac{\sin A}{\cos A} - \frac{\sin B}{\cos B}\right) \times \frac{\cos A \cos B}{\cos A \cos B}}{\left(\frac{\sin A}{\cos A} + \frac{\sin B}{\cos B}\right) \times \frac{\cos A \cos B}{\cos A \cos B}}$$

$$= \frac{\sin A \cos B - \sin B \cos A}{\sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B} = \frac{\sin(A-B)}{\sin(A+B)}$$

$$4) \quad \sin(\theta + \alpha) \sin(\theta - \alpha) = [\sin \theta \cos \alpha + \cos \theta \sin \alpha][\sin \theta \cos \alpha - \cos \theta \sin \alpha]$$

$$= (\sin \theta \cos \alpha)^2 - \sin \theta \cos \theta \sin \alpha \cos \alpha + \sin \theta \cos \theta \sin \alpha \cos \alpha - (\cos \theta \sin \alpha)^2$$

$$= (\sin \theta \cos \alpha)^2 - (\cos \theta \sin \alpha)^2$$

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

but $\cos^2 \alpha = 1 - \sin^2 \alpha$ and $\cos^2 \theta = 1 - \sin^2 \theta$

$$= \sin^2 \theta (1 - \sin^2 \alpha) - (1 - \sin^2 \theta) \sin^2 \alpha$$

$$= \sin^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \alpha - \sin^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \alpha$$

$$= \sin^2 \theta - \sin^2 \alpha$$

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Prove the following identities (questions 1 to 21):

$$9 \quad \frac{\cos \theta + \sin \theta}{\cos \theta - \sin \theta} + \frac{\cos \theta - \sin \theta}{\cos \theta + \sin \theta} = 2 \sec 2\theta$$

$$10 \quad \frac{1 - \cos x}{\sin x} = \tan \frac{x}{2}$$

$$11 \quad \frac{\sin A + \sin(90^\circ - A) + 1}{\sin A - \sin(90^\circ - A) + 1} = \cot \frac{A}{2}$$

$$12 \quad \frac{\sin x + 1 - \cos x}{\sin x - 1 + \cos x} = \frac{1 + \tan \frac{x}{2}}{1 - \tan \frac{x}{2}}$$

$$9) \quad \frac{\cos \theta + \sin \theta}{\cos \theta - \sin \theta} + \frac{\cos \theta - \sin \theta}{\cos \theta + \sin \theta} = \frac{(\cos \theta + \sin \theta)^2 + (\cos \theta - \sin \theta)^2}{(\cos \theta - \sin \theta) \times (\cos \theta + \sin \theta)}$$

$$= \frac{2 \cos^2 \theta \sin^2 \theta + 1 + 1 - 2 \cos \theta \sin \theta}{\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta} = \frac{2}{\cos 2\theta} = 2 \sec 2\theta$$

$$10) \quad \frac{1 - \cos x}{\sin x} = \frac{2 \sin^2(x/2)}{2 \sin(x/2) \cos(x/2)} = \frac{\sin(x/2)}{\cos(x/2)} = \tan(x/2)$$

$$11) \quad \frac{\sin A + \sin(90 - A) + 1}{\sin A - \sin(90 - A) + 1} = \frac{[2 \sin(A/2) \cos(A/2)] + [2 \cos^2(A/2) - 1] + 1}{[2 \sin(A/2) \cos(A/2)] - [1 - 2 \sin^2(A/2)] + 1}$$

$$= \frac{\sin(A/2) \cos(A/2) + \cos^2(A/2)}{2 \sin(A/2) \cos(A/2) + \sin^2(A/2)} = \frac{\cos(A/2) [\sin(A/2) + \cos(A/2)]}{\sin(A/2) [\sin(A/2) + \cos(A/2)]}$$

$$= \frac{\cos(A/2)}{\sin(A/2)} = \cot \tan \frac{A}{2}$$

$$12) \quad \frac{\sin x + 1 - \cos x}{\sin x - 1 + \cos x} = \frac{\sin x + 1 - \cos x}{\sin x} = \frac{1 + \left(\frac{1 - \cos x}{\sin x}\right)}{1 - \left(\frac{1 - \cos x}{\sin x}\right)}$$

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

$$= \frac{1 + \frac{\sin(x/2)}{\cos(x/2)}}{1 - \frac{\sin(x/2)}{\cos(x/2)}} = \frac{1 + \tan(x/2)}{1 - \tan(x/2)}$$

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14 $\cos(A + B + C) = \cos A \cos B \cos C - \cos A \sin B \sin C - \cos B \sin C \sin A - \cos C \sin A \sin B$

What is the resulting identity if B is replaced by $(90^\circ - C)$?

$$\cos(A + (90 - C) + C) = \cos A \cos(90 - C) \cos C - \cos A \sin(90 - C) \sin C$$

$$- \cos(90 - C) \sin C \sin A - \cos C \sin A \sin(90 - C)$$

$$\cos(A + 90) = \cos A \cancel{\sin C} \cos C - \cos A \cancel{\cos C} \sin C$$

$$- \sin C \sin C \sin A - \cos C \sin A \cos C$$

$$\cos(A + 90) = -\sin A (\sin^2 C + \cos^2 C)$$

So $\cos(A + 90) = -\sin A$.

21 $\frac{1 - \tan \theta \tan 2\theta}{1 + \tan \theta \tan 2\theta} = 4 \cos^2 \theta - 3$

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

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

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

$$= \frac{1 - 3 \tan^2 \theta}{\sec^2 \theta} = \frac{1}{\sec^2 \theta} - 3 \frac{\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta}}{\frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta}} = \cos^2 \theta - 3 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$= \cos^2 \theta - 3(1 - \cos^2 \theta) = 4 \cos^2 \theta - 3$$

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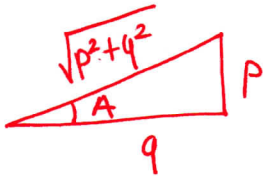
22 If $\tan A = \frac{p}{q}$, express the following in terms of p and q .

(a) $q \sin A \cos A + p \sin^2 A$

(b) $p \sin 2A + q \cos 2A$

$$a) q \sin A \cos A + p \sin^2 A = q \times \frac{p}{\sqrt{p^2+q^2}} \times \frac{q}{\sqrt{p^2+q^2}} + p \times \frac{p^2}{p^2+q^2}$$

$$= \frac{pq^2 + p \times p^2}{p^2+q^2} = p \frac{(p^2+q^2)}{p^2+q^2} = p$$



$$b) p \sin 2A + q \cos 2A = 2p \sin A \cos A + q (2 \cos^2 A - 1)$$

$$\text{but } \sin A = \frac{p}{\sqrt{p^2+q^2}} \quad \text{and} \quad \cos A = \frac{q}{\sqrt{p^2+q^2}}$$

$$\text{So } p \sin 2A + q \cos 2A = 2p \times \frac{p}{\sqrt{p^2+q^2}} \times \frac{q}{\sqrt{p^2+q^2}} + q \left[\frac{2q^2}{(\sqrt{p^2+q^2})^2} - 1 \right]$$

$$= \frac{2p^2q}{(p^2+q^2)} + q \left[\frac{2q^2 - (p^2+q^2)}{p^2+q^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{2p^2q + q \times (q^2 - p^2)}{p^2+q^2}$$

$$= \frac{p^2q + q \times q^2}{p^2+q^2}$$

$$= \frac{q(p^2+q^2)}{p^2+q^2} = q$$

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23 If A , B and C are the angles of a triangle, prove that $\cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B + \cos C = 0$.

$$\cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B + \cos C = \cos(A+B) + \cos C$$

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \cos(A+B) + \cos(180 - (A+B))$$

as $A+B+C = 180^\circ$ (sum of angles of triangle)

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \cos(A+B) + (-\cos(A+B))$$

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} = 0$$

↑ 24 Given that $\sin 18^\circ = \frac{1}{4}(\sqrt{5}-1)$, find $\cos 36^\circ$ in surd form.

$$\cos 36 = \cos(2 \times 18) = 1 - 2 \times \sin^2(18)$$

$$\cos 36 = 1 - 2 \times \left[\frac{1}{4}(\sqrt{5}-1) \right]^2$$

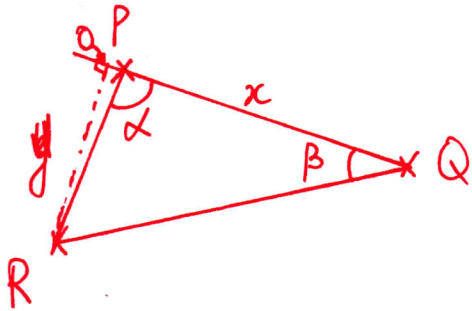
$$\cos 36 = 1 - \frac{2}{16} \times [5 - 2\sqrt{5} + 1] = 1 - \frac{1}{8} [6 - 2\sqrt{5}]$$

$$\cos 36 = 1 - \frac{6}{8} + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{5}$$

$$\cos 36 = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{4}$$

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26 Three points P, Q, R are in a horizontal plane. Angles RPQ and RQP are α and β respectively. If PQ is x units in length, show that the perpendicular distance y from R to PQ is given by $y = \frac{x \tan \alpha \tan \beta}{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta}$.



$$\tan(180 - \alpha) = \frac{y}{OP}$$

$$\text{but } \tan(180 - \alpha) = \frac{\sin(180 - \alpha)}{\cos(180 - \alpha)} = -\tan \alpha$$

$$\text{so } y = -OP \tan \alpha \quad \text{or } OP = \frac{-y}{\tan \alpha}$$

$$\text{Further } \tan \beta = \frac{y}{OQ} \quad \text{so } y = OQ \tan \beta \quad \text{or } OQ = \frac{y}{\tan \beta}$$

$$\text{Now } x = OQ - OP = \frac{y}{\tan \beta} - \left(\frac{-y}{\tan \alpha} \right)$$

$$\text{So } x = \frac{y}{\tan \beta} + \frac{y}{\tan \alpha} = y \left[\frac{1}{\tan \beta} + \frac{1}{\tan \alpha} \right]$$

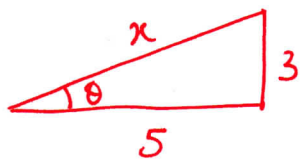
$$x = y \left[\frac{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta}{\tan \alpha \tan \beta} \right]$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{x \tan \alpha \tan \beta}{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta}$$

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$180^\circ < \theta < 270^\circ$ so III quadrant $\sin \theta < 0$ and $\cos \theta < 0$

29 If $\tan \theta = \frac{3}{5}$ and $\pi < \theta < \frac{3\pi}{2}$, find the value of: (a) $\sin \theta$ (b) $\cos \theta$ (c) $\cos 2\theta$



$$x^2 = 3^2 + 5^2 = 9 + 25 = 34$$

$$\text{so } x = \sqrt{34}$$

$$\text{so } \sin \theta = -\frac{3}{\sqrt{34}}$$

$$\text{and } \cos \theta = -\frac{5}{\sqrt{34}}$$

$$\text{c) } \cos 2\theta = 2 \cos^2 \theta - 1$$

$$= 2 \times \left(\frac{-5}{\sqrt{34}} \right)^2 - 1$$

$$= \frac{50}{34} - 1 = \frac{16}{34} = \frac{8}{17}$$

31 If $\operatorname{cosec} \alpha = -\frac{17}{8}$ and $\pi < \alpha < \frac{3\pi}{2}$, find the value of: (a) $\cot \alpha$ (b) $\tan 2\alpha$

$$\operatorname{cosec} \alpha = -\frac{17}{8} = \frac{1}{\sin \alpha} \quad \text{so } \sin \alpha = -\frac{8}{17}$$

$$\text{b) } \operatorname{cosec}^2 \alpha = 1 + \cot^2 \alpha \quad \text{so } \cot^2 \alpha = \operatorname{cosec}^2 \alpha - 1$$

$$\cot^2 \alpha = \left(\frac{17}{8} \right)^2 - 1 = \frac{225}{64} \quad \text{so } \cot \alpha = \frac{15}{8} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{positive} \\ \text{as both } \sin \alpha \\ \text{and } \cos \alpha \text{ are negative} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\text{c) } \tan 2\alpha = \frac{2 \tan \alpha}{1 - \tan^2 \alpha} \quad \text{But } \cot \alpha = \frac{15}{8} \quad \text{so } \tan \alpha = \frac{8}{15}$$

$$\tan 2\alpha = \frac{2 \times \frac{8}{15}}{1 - \left(\frac{8}{15} \right)^2} = \frac{\frac{16}{15}}{\frac{161}{225}} = \frac{16}{15} \div \frac{161}{225} = \frac{16}{15} \times \frac{225}{161} = \frac{240}{161}$$

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37 (a) By writing expansions for $\sin(A+B)$ and $\sin(A-B)$, find a simplified expression for $\sin(A+B) + \sin(A-B)$.

(b) By writing $\theta = A+B$ and $\phi = A-B$, find an expression for $\sin\theta + \sin\phi$ as the product of two trigonometric functions.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \sin(A+B) + \sin(A-B) &= \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B + \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B \\ &= 2 \sin A \cos B \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{b) } \text{If } \begin{cases} \theta = A+B \\ \phi = A-B \end{cases} \text{ then } \begin{cases} 2A = \theta + \phi \\ 2B = \theta - \phi \end{cases} \text{ so } \begin{cases} A = \frac{\theta + \phi}{2} \\ B = \frac{\theta - \phi}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{So } \sin\theta + \sin\phi = 2 \sin\left(\frac{\theta + \phi}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\theta - \phi}{2}\right)$$

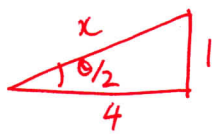
\uparrow 38 If $\sec\theta - \tan\theta = \frac{3}{5}$, show that $\sin\theta = \frac{8}{17}$. (Hint: Use t formulae.)

with $t = \tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$

$$\begin{aligned} \sec\theta - \tan\theta &= \frac{1}{\cos\theta} - \tan\theta = \frac{1 - \sin\theta}{\cos\theta} = \frac{1 - \frac{2t}{1+t^2}}{\frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}} = \frac{1-2t+t^2}{1-t^2} \\ &= \frac{(1-t)^2}{(1-t)(1+t)} = \frac{1-t}{1+t} = \frac{3}{5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } 5(1-t) = 3(1+t) \Leftrightarrow -5t + 5 = 3 + 3t \Leftrightarrow 8t = 2 \quad \text{so } t = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\text{So } \tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{4}$$



$x^2 = 1^2 + 4^2 = 17$ so $x = \sqrt{17}$
 $\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}$ and $\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = \frac{4}{\sqrt{17}}$

$$\text{so } \sin\theta = 2 \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = 2 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}} \times \frac{4}{\sqrt{17}} = \frac{8}{17}$$

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39 If $4 \tan(\alpha - \beta) = 3 \tan \alpha$, prove that $\tan \beta = \frac{\sin 2\alpha}{7 + \cos 2\alpha}$.

$$4 \tan(\alpha - \beta) = 4 \times \left[\frac{\tan \alpha - \tan \beta}{1 + \tan \alpha \tan \beta} \right] = 3 \tan \alpha$$

$$\text{so } 4[\tan \alpha - \tan \beta] = 3 \tan \alpha [1 + \tan \alpha \tan \beta]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4 \tan \alpha - 4 \tan \beta = 3 \tan \alpha + 3 \tan^2 \alpha \tan \beta$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \tan \beta [-4 - 3 \tan^2 \alpha] = 3 \tan \alpha - 4 \tan \alpha = -\tan \alpha$$

$$\text{So } \tan \beta = \frac{\tan \alpha}{4 + 3 \tan^2 \alpha} = \frac{\frac{\sin \alpha}{\cos \alpha}}{4 + 3 \frac{\sin^2 \alpha}{\cos^2 \alpha}} \times \frac{\cos^2 \alpha}{\cos^2 \alpha}$$

$$\tan \beta = \frac{\sin \alpha \cos \alpha}{4 \cos^2 \alpha + 3 \sin^2 \alpha}$$

$$\tan \beta = \frac{2 \sin \alpha \cos \alpha}{2 [4 \cos^2 \alpha + 3(1 - \cos^2 \alpha)]}$$

$$\tan \beta = \frac{\sin 2\alpha}{2 [\cos^2 \alpha + 3]}$$

$$\tan \beta = \frac{\sin 2\alpha}{2 \cos^2 \alpha + 6}$$

$$\text{but } \cos 2\theta = 2\cos^2 \theta - 1$$

$$\text{so } 2\cos^2 \theta = \cos 2\theta + 1$$

$$\therefore \tan \beta = \frac{\sin 2\alpha}{\cos 2\alpha + 1 + 6} = \frac{\sin 2\alpha}{7 + \cos 2\alpha}$$

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40 Use the factors of $x^3 - y^3$ to show that $\cos^6 \theta - \sin^6 \theta = \left(1 - \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2\theta\right) \cos 2\theta$.

$$\begin{aligned}\cos^6 \theta - \sin^6 \theta &= (\cos^2 \theta)^3 - (\sin^2 \theta)^3 && \text{but } a^3 - b^3 = (a-b)(a^2 + ab + b^2) \\ &= [\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta] [(\cos^2 \theta)^2 + (\cos^2 \theta)(\sin^2 \theta) + (\sin^2 \theta)^2] \\ &= \cos 2\theta [\cos^4 \theta + (\cos \theta \sin \theta)^2 + \sin^4 \theta] \\ &= \cos 2\theta \left[\cos^2 \theta \times \cos^2 \theta + \left(\frac{\sin 2\theta}{2}\right)^2 + \sin^2 \theta \times \sin^2 \theta \right] \\ &= \cos 2\theta \left[\cos^2 \theta \times (1 - \sin^2 \theta) + \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2\theta + \sin^2 \theta (1 - \cos^2 \theta) \right] \\ &= \cos 2\theta \left[\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta + \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2\theta - \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta \right] \\ &= \cos 2\theta \left[1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta + \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2\theta \right] \\ &= \cos 2\theta \left[1 - \frac{1}{2} \times (2 \sin \theta \cos \theta)^2 + \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2\theta \right] \\ &= \cos 2\theta \left[1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 2\theta + \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2\theta \right] \\ &= \cos 2\theta \left[1 - \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2\theta \right]\end{aligned}$$

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41 If $\tan \theta = t$, express $\sin 2\theta$ and $\cos 2\theta$ in terms of t . Find the values of t for which $(k+1)\sin 2\theta + (k-1)\cos 2\theta = k+1$.

$$\text{if } \tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = t \quad \text{then } \sin \theta = \frac{2t}{1+t^2} \quad \text{and } \cos \theta = \frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}$$

$$\text{So if } \tan \theta = t \quad \text{then } \sin 2\theta = \frac{2t}{1+t^2} \quad \text{and } \cos 2\theta = \frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}$$

$$(k+1)\sin 2\theta + (k-1)\cos 2\theta = (k+1) \times \frac{2t}{1+t^2} + (k-1) \times \frac{(1-t^2)}{1+t^2}$$

$$\underline{\hspace{10em}} = \frac{(k+1) \times 2t + (k-1) \times (1-t^2)}{1+t^2}$$

For this to be equal to $(k+1)$ we must have:

$$(k+1)2t + (k-1)(1-t^2) = (k+1)(1+t^2)$$

$$\text{i.e.: } t^2[-k+1-k-1] + t[2(k+1)] + [k-1-k-1] = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -2k t^2 + 2(k+1)t - 2 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow k t^2 - (k+1)t + 1 = 0$$

$$\Delta = (k+1)^2 - 4k = k^2 + 2k + 1 - 4k = k^2 - 2k + 1 = (k-1)^2$$

$$\text{So } t = \frac{(k+1) - (k-1)}{2k} = \frac{2}{2k} = \frac{1}{k}$$

$$\text{or } t = \frac{(k+1) + (k-1)}{2k} = \frac{2k}{2k} = 1$$

two possible values of t , 1 or $\frac{1}{k}$

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44 If $\tan \alpha = k \tan \beta$, show that $(k-1) \sin(\alpha+\beta) = (k+1) \sin(\alpha-\beta)$.

Proving $(k-1) \sin(\alpha+\beta) = (k+1) \sin(\alpha-\beta)$

is the same than proving that $\frac{(k-1) \sin(\alpha+\beta)}{(k+1) \sin(\alpha-\beta)} = 1$

$$\frac{(k-1) \sin(\alpha+\beta)}{(k+1) \sin(\alpha-\beta)} = \frac{(k-1) [\sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta]}{(k+1) [\sin \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \sin \beta]}$$

$$= \frac{k-1}{k+1} \times \left[\frac{\sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta}{\sin \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \sin \beta} \right]$$

$$= \frac{k-1}{k+1} \times \left[\frac{\frac{\tan \alpha}{\tan \beta} + 1}{\frac{\tan \alpha}{\tan \beta} - 1} \right] \quad \text{but } \frac{\tan \alpha}{\tan \beta} = k, \text{ so}$$

$$= \frac{k-1}{k+1} \times \left[\frac{k+1}{k-1} \right] = 1$$

So indeed $\frac{(k-1) \sin(\alpha+\beta)}{(k+1) \sin(\alpha-\beta)} = 1$

$$\therefore (k-1) \sin(\alpha+\beta) = (k+1) \sin(\alpha-\beta).$$