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Solutions

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Solution 1:

To evaluate $\sin^{-1}(\sqrt{3}/2)$, we need to recall the common angle values in trigonometry.

$$\sin 30^\circ = 1/2$$

$$\sin 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}/2$$

Since $\sin^{-1}$ is the inverse function of $\sin$, we have:

$$\sin^{-1}(\sqrt{3}/2) = 60^\circ$$

Converting to radians:

$$60^\circ \times (\pi/180^\circ) = \pi/3 \text{ radians}$$

Therefore, **$\sin^{-1}(\sqrt{3}/2) = \pi/3 \text{ radians or } 60^\circ$** .

Solution 2:

Let's approach this step-by-step:

First, recall that $\cos^{-1}(-1/2) = 2\pi/3 \text{ radians or } 120^\circ$.

This is because $\cos 120^\circ = -1/2$.

Next, $\sin^{-1}(1/2) = \pi/6 \text{ radians or } 30^\circ$.

This is because $\sin 30^\circ = 1/2$.

Now, we can add these values:

$$\cos^{-1}(-1/2) + \sin^{-1}(1/2) = 2\pi/3 + \pi/6$$

$$= 4\pi/6 + \pi/6$$

$$= 5\pi/6 \text{ radians or } 150^\circ$$

Therefore, $\cos^{-1}(-1/2) + \sin^{-1}(1/2) = 5\pi/6$ radians or 150° .

Solution 3:

To solve this equation, we need to apply the tangent function to both sides:

$$\tan(\tan^{-1}(x)) = \tan(\pi/6)$$

The $\tan$ and $\tan^{-1}$ on the left side cancel out, leaving:

$$x = \tan(\pi/6)$$

We know that $\tan(\pi/6) = 1/\sqrt{3}$

Therefore, $x = 1/\sqrt{3}$.

Solution 4:

To find the derivative of $y = \cos^{-1}(3x)$, we can use the chain rule and the derivative formula for arccosine:

The derivative of $\cos^{-1}(x)$ is $-1/\sqrt{1-x^2}$.

Let $u = 3x$, then $y = \cos^{-1}(u)$

$$dy/dx = dy/du \times du/dx$$

$$= (-1/\sqrt{1-u^2}) \times 3$$

$$= -3/\sqrt{1-(3x)^2}$$

$$= -3/\sqrt{1-9x^2}$$

Therefore, the derivative of $y = \cos^{-1}(3x)$ is $dy/dx = -3/\sqrt{1-9x^2}$.

Solution 5:

Let's approach this step-by-step:

$$\tan^{-1}(1) = \pi/4 \text{ radians or } 45^\circ$$

To find $\tan^{-1}(1/3)$, we can use the formula:

$$\tan^{-1}(1/3) = \pi/2 - \tan^{-1}(3) = \pi/2 - \pi/3 = \pi/6$$

Now, we can add these values:

$$\tan^{-1}(1) + \tan^{-1}(1/3) = \pi/4 + \pi/6$$

$$= 3\pi/12 + 2\pi/12$$

$$= 5\pi/12 \text{ radians or } 75^\circ$$

Therefore, **$\tan^{-1}(1) + \tan^{-1}(1/3) = 5\pi/12$ radians or 75° .**

Solution 6:

Let's solve this step-by-step:

First, divide both sides by 2:

$$\sin^{-1}(x) = \pi/6$$

Now, apply the sine function to both sides:

$$\sin(\sin^{-1}(x)) = \sin(\pi/6)$$

The sin and $\sin^{-1}$ on the left side cancel out:

$$x = \sin(\pi/6)$$

We know that $\sin(\pi/6) = 1/2$

Therefore, **$x = 1/2$ is the solution to the equation $2\sin^{-1}(x) = \pi/3$.**

Solution 7:

To find the domain of $f(x) = \tan^{-1}(2x+1)$, we need to consider the domain of the arctangent function.

The arctangent function ($\tan^{-1}$) is defined for all real numbers.

Therefore, $2x+1$ can be any real number.

We can express this as an inequality:

$$-\infty < 2x+1 < \infty$$

Solving for x :

$$-\infty < 2x+1 < \infty$$

$$-\infty - 1 < 2x < \infty - 1$$

$$-\infty < 2x < \infty$$

$$-\infty < x < \infty$$

Therefore, **the domain of $f(x) = \tan^{-1}(2x+1)$ is all real numbers, or $(-\infty, \infty)$.**

Solution 8:

To evaluate this expression, let's think about the range of $\sin^{-1}$ and the value of $\sin(5\pi/4)$:

The range of $\sin^{-1}$ is $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$.

$$\sin(5\pi/4) = -\sqrt{2}/2$$

$$\sin^{-1}(\sin(5\pi/4)) = \sin^{-1}(-\sqrt{2}/2)$$

$$\text{We know that } \sin(-\pi/4) = -\sqrt{2}/2$$

Since $-\pi/4$ is within the range of $\sin^{-1}$, we have:

$$\sin^{-1}(-\sqrt{2}/2) = -\pi/4$$

Therefore, **$\sin^{-1}(\sin(5\pi/4)) = -\pi/4$ radians or -45° .**

Solution 9:

Let's approach this step-by-step:

First, recall that $\tan^{-1}(1/\sqrt{3}) = \pi/6$ radians or 30° .

Next, note that $\cot^{-1}(x) = \tan^{-1}(1/x)$.

So, $\cot^{-1}(\sqrt{3}) = \tan^{-1}(1/\sqrt{3}) = \pi/6$ radians or 30° .

Now, we can add these values:

$$\tan^{-1}(1/\sqrt{3}) + \cot^{-1}(\sqrt{3}) = \pi/6 + \pi/6 = \pi/3 \text{ radians or } 60^\circ$$

Therefore, **$\tan^{-1}(1/\sqrt{3}) + \cot^{-1}(\sqrt{3}) = \pi/3$ radians or 60° .**

Solution 10:

This integral is the definition of the arcsine function. Let's solve it step-by-step:

$$\int 1/\sqrt{1-x^2} \, dx = \sin^{-1}(x) + C$$

Now, we need to evaluate this from 0 to $1/2$:

$$[\sin^{-1}(x)]_0^{1/2} = \sin^{-1}(1/2) - \sin^{-1}(0)$$

We know that:

$$\sin^{-1}(1/2) = \pi/6$$

$$\sin^{-1}(0) = 0$$

Therefore:

$$[\sin^{-1}(x)]_0^{1/2} = \pi/6 - 0 = \pi/6$$

Thus, **the integral of $1/\sqrt{1-x^2}$ dx from 0 to $1/2$ is $\pi/6$.**

Solution 11:

Let $y = \cos^{-1}(x)$. Then $\cos y = x$.

From the Pythagorean identity, we know that $\sin^2 y + \cos^2 y = 1$.

Substituting $\cos y = x$, we get:

$$\sin^2 y + x^2 = 1$$

Solving for $\sin y$:

$$\sin y = \sqrt{1-x^2}$$

Now, $\sin^{-1}(\sin y) = y = \cos^{-1}(x)$

Therefore, $\sin^{-1}(\sqrt{1-x^2}) = \cos^{-1}(x)$

This means that for any x in the domain of both functions:

$$\cos^{-1}(x) + \sin^{-1}(x) = \cos^{-1}(x) + \sin^{-1}(\sqrt{1-x^2}) = \pi/2$$

Therefore, **this equation is true for all x in the interval $[-1, 1]$.**

Solution 12:

Let's approach this step-by-step:

First, $\cot^{-1}(-1) = 3\pi/4$ radians or 135° .

This is because $\cot 135^\circ = -1$.

Next, $\tan^{-1}(1) = \pi/4$ radians or 45° .

This is because $\tan 45^\circ = 1$.

Now, we can subtract:

$$\cot^{-1}(-1) - \tan^{-1}(1) = 3\pi/4 - \pi/4 = \pi/2 \text{ radians or } 90^\circ$$

Therefore, **$\cot^{-1}(-1) - \tan^{-1}(1) = \pi/2$ radians or 90° .**

Solution 13:

The domain of $\sin^{-1}$ is $[-1, 1]$. So:

$$-1 \leq 2x-1 \leq 1$$

Solving these inequalities:

$$0 \leq 2x \leq 2$$

$$0 \leq x \leq 1$$

When $x = 0$, $2x-1 = -1$, so $\sin^{-1}(2x-1) = -\pi/2$

When $x = 1$, $2x-1 = 1$, so $\sin^{-1}(2x-1) = \pi/2$

Since $\sin^{-1}$ is a continuous and increasing function, its range will be all values between these extremes.

Therefore, **the range of $f(x) = \sin^{-1}(2x-1)$ is $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$.**

Solution 14:

Recall the formula for $\tan(A+B)$: $\tan(A+B) = (\tan A + \tan B) / (1 - \tan A \tan B)$

In our case, $\tan(\pi/4) = \tan(\tan^{-1}(x) + \tan^{-1}(2x))$

We know that $\tan(\pi/4) = 1$, so:

$$1 = (x + 2x) / (1 - x(2x))$$

$$1 = 3x / (1 - 2x^2)$$

Cross multiply:

$$1 - 2x^2 = 3x$$

Rearrange:

$$2x^2 + 3x - 1 = 0$$

This is a quadratic equation. We can solve it using the quadratic formula:

$$x = [-3 \pm \sqrt{(9+8)}] / 4 = (-3 \pm \sqrt{17}) / 4$$

The positive solution satisfies the original equation:

$$x = (-3 + \sqrt{17}) / 4 \approx 0.5616$$

Therefore, **the solution to $\tan^{-1}(x) + \tan^{-1}(2x) = \pi/4$ is**

$$x = (-3 + \sqrt{17}) / 4.$$

Solution 15:

First, let's evaluate $\cos(7\pi/6)$:

$$\cos(7\pi/6) = \cos(\pi + \pi/6) = -\cos(\pi/6) = -\sqrt{3}/2$$

Now we have:

$$\sin^{-1}(-\sqrt{3}/2)$$

Recall that $\sin^{-1}$ is the inverse function of $\sin$ in the range $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$.

$$\text{We know that } \sin(-\pi/3) = -\sqrt{3}/2$$

Since $-\pi/3$ is within the range of $\sin^{-1}$, we have:

$$\sin^{-1}(-\sqrt{3}/2) = -\pi/3$$

Therefore, **$\sin^{-1}(\cos(7\pi/6)) = -\pi/3$ radians or -60° .**

Solution 16:

To evaluate $\cos^{-1}(-\sqrt{2}/2)$, let's recall some common angle values:

$$\cos(3\pi/4) = -\sqrt{2}/2$$

The range of $\cos^{-1}$ is $[0, \pi]$, and $3\pi/4$ is within this range.

Since $\cos^{-1}$ is the inverse function of $\cos$, we have:

$$\cos^{-1}(-\sqrt{2}/2) = 3\pi/4$$

Therefore, **$\cos^{-1}(-\sqrt{2}/2) = 3\pi/4$ radians or 135° .**

Solution 17:

Let $\theta = \sin^{-1}(x)$. Then $\sin \theta = x$.

From the Pythagorean identity, we know that $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$.

Substituting $\sin \theta = x$, we get:

$$x^2 + \cos^2 \theta = 1$$

Solving for $\cos \theta$:

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

$$\text{Now, } \cos^{-1}(\cos \theta) = \theta = \sin^{-1}(x)$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \cos^{-1}(\sqrt{1-x^2}) = \sin^{-1}(x)$$

This means that for any x in the interval $[0, 1]$:

$$\sin^{-1}(x) + \sin^{-1}(\sqrt{1-x^2}) = \sin^{-1}(x) + \cos^{-1}(\sqrt{1-x^2}) = \pi/2$$

Hence, **$\sin^{-1}(x) + \sin^{-1}(\sqrt{1-x^2})$ simplifies to $\pi/2$ for $0 \leq x \leq 1$.**

Solution 18:

First, divide both sides by 2:

$$\tan^{-1}(x) = \pi/6$$

Now, apply the tangent function to both sides:

$$\tan(\tan^{-1}(x)) = \tan(\pi/6)$$

The $\tan$ and $\tan^{-1}$ on the left side cancel out:

$$x = \tan(\pi/6)$$

We know that $\tan(\pi/6) = 1/\sqrt{3}$

Therefore, **$x = 1/\sqrt{3}$ is the solution to the equation $2\tan^{-1}(x) = \pi/3$.**

Solution 19:

To find the derivative of $y = \tan^{-1}(x^2)$, we can use the chain rule and the derivative formula for arctangent:

The derivative of $\tan^{-1}(x)$ is $1/(1+x^2)$.

Let $u = x^2$, then $y = \tan^{-1}(u)$

Using the chain rule:

$$dy/dx = dy/du \times du/dx$$

$$= [1/(1+u^2)] \times [2x]$$

$$= 1/(1+(x^2)^2) \times 2x$$

$$= 2x/(1+x^4)$$

Therefore, **the derivative of $y = \tan^{-1}(x^2)$ is $dy/dx = 2x/(1+x^4)$.**

Solution 20:

First, $\sin^{-1}(1/2) = \pi/6$ radians or 30° .

This is because $\sin 30^\circ = 1/2$.

Next, $\cos^{-1}(1/2) = \pi/3$ radians or 60° .

This is because $\cos 60^\circ = 1/2$.

Now, we can add these values:

$$\sin^{-1}(1/2) + \cos^{-1}(1/2) = \pi/6 + \pi/3$$

$$= \pi/2 \text{ radians or } 90^\circ$$

Therefore, **$\sin^{-1}(1/2) + \cos^{-1}(1/2) = \pi/2$ radians or 90° .**

