

# TRIGONOMETRIC RATIOS

## REVISION OF KEY CONCEPTS AND FORMULAE

1. An angle is considered as the figure obtained by rotating a given ray about its end-point. The revolving ray is called the generating line of the angle. In Fig. 9.1, the initial position  $OA$  is called the initial side and the final position  $OB$  is called the terminal side of the angle.

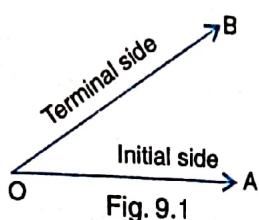


Fig. 9.1

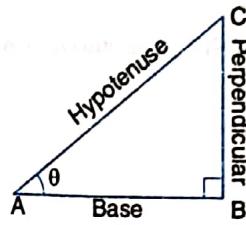


Fig. 9.2

2. The measure of an angle is the amount of rotation from the initial side to the terminal side.  
 3. If  $ABC$  is a right triangle right angled at  $B$  and  $\angle BAC = \theta$  (see Fig. 9.2), then with reference to angle  $\theta$ , Base =  $AB$ , Perpendicular =  $BC$  and, Hypotenuse =  $AC$ . Therefore,

$$(i) \sin \theta = \frac{\text{Perpendicular}}{\text{Hypotenuse}} = \frac{BC}{AC}$$

$$(ii) \cos \theta = \frac{\text{Base}}{\text{Hypotenuse}} = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

$$(iii) \tan \theta = \frac{\text{Perpendicular}}{\text{Base}} = \frac{BC}{AB}$$

$$(iv) \operatorname{cosec} \theta = \frac{\text{Hypotenuse}}{\text{Perpendicular}} = \frac{AC}{BC}$$

$$(v) \sec \theta = \frac{\text{Hypotenuse}}{\text{Base}} = \frac{AC}{AB}$$

$$(vi) \cot \theta = \frac{\text{Base}}{\text{Perpendicular}} = \frac{AB}{BC}$$

$$4. (i) \operatorname{cosec} \theta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \quad (ii) \sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \quad (iii) \cot \theta = \frac{1}{\tan \theta} \quad (iv) \sin \theta \operatorname{cosec} \theta = 1$$

$$(v) \cos \theta \sec \theta = 1 \quad (vi) \tan \theta \cot \theta = 1 \quad (vii) \tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \quad (viii) \cot \theta = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

5. The trigonometric ratios for angles  $0^\circ, 30^\circ, 45^\circ, 60^\circ$  and  $90^\circ$  are given in the following table.

$\theta$ T. ratios	$0^\circ$	$30^\circ$	$45^\circ$	$60^\circ$	$90^\circ$
$\sin \theta$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	1
$\cos \theta$	1	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
$\tan \theta$	0	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	1	$\sqrt{3}$	Not defined
$\operatorname{cosec} \theta$	Not defined	2	$\sqrt{2}$	$\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$	1
$\sec \theta$	1	$\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$	$\sqrt{2}$	2	Not defined
$\cot \theta$	Not defined	$\sqrt{3}$	1	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	0

6. The values of  $\sin \theta$  and  $\cos \theta$  never exceed 1, whereas the values of  $\sec \theta$  and  $\operatorname{cosec} \theta$  are always greater than or equal to 1.

### SOLVED EXAMPLES

#### MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS (MCQs)

**EXAMPLE 1** Which of the following is not defined?

- (a)  $\cos 0^\circ$       (b)  $\tan 45^\circ$       (c)  $\sec 90^\circ$       (d)  $\sin 90^\circ$

**Ans.** (c)

**SOLUTION** By using definitions of various trigonometric ratios, we find that  $\sec 90^\circ$  is undefined.

**ALITER**  $\sec 90^\circ = \frac{1}{\cos 90^\circ} = \frac{1}{0}$ , which is undefined.

**EXAMPLE 2** For  $0^\circ \leq \theta < 90^\circ$ , the maximum value of  $\frac{1}{\sec \theta}$  is

- (a) 1      (b) 0      (c) undefined      (d)  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

**Ans.** (a)

**SOLUTION** We find that  $\frac{1}{\sec \theta} = \cos \theta$ , which attains all values between 0 and 1 (including 1 but excluding 0) as  $\theta$  varies between  $0^\circ$  to  $90^\circ$ . Hence, the maximum value of  $\frac{1}{\sec \theta}$  is 1.

**EXAMPLE 3** If  $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$ , then  $\cos \theta - \sec \theta$  is equal to

- (a)  $\frac{3}{2}$       (b)  $-\frac{3}{2}$       (c)  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$       (d)  $-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

**Ans.** (b)

**SOLUTION** We have,  $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$ . Therefore,  $\sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} = 2$ . Hence,  $\cos \theta - \sec \theta = \frac{1}{2} - 2 = -\frac{3}{2}$

**ALITER**  $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = 60^\circ \Rightarrow \sec \theta = \sec 60^\circ = 2$

Hence,  $\cos \theta - \sec \theta = \frac{1}{2} - 2 = -\frac{3}{2}$ .

**EXAMPLE 4** If  $0^\circ \leq A, B \leq 90^\circ$  such that  $\sin A = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\cos B = \frac{1}{2}$ , then  $A + B =$

- (a)  $0^\circ$       (b)  $60^\circ$       (c)  $90^\circ$       (d)  $30^\circ$

**Ans.** (c)

**SOLUTION** We have,

$$\sin A = \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \cos B = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow A = 30^\circ \text{ and } B = 60^\circ \Rightarrow A + B = 90^\circ$$

**EXAMPLE 5** In Fig. 9.3,  $\triangle ABC$  is right-angled at  $B$  and  $\tan A = \frac{4}{3}$ . If  $AC = 5 \text{ cm}$ , then the length of  $BC$  is

- (a) 4 cm      (b) 12 cm      (c) 3 cm      (d) 9 cm

**Ans.** (a)

**SOLUTION** We have,

$$\tan A = \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{BC}{AB} = \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow AB = \frac{3}{4} BC$$

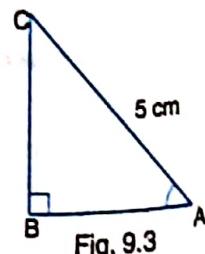


Fig. 9.3

Applying Pythagoras Theorem in  $\triangle ABC$ , we obtain

$$AB^2 + BC^2 = AC^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{3}{4}BC\right)^2 + BC^2 = 25 \Rightarrow 9BC^2 + 16BC^2 = 400 \Rightarrow 25BC^2 = 400 \Rightarrow BC^2 = 16 \Rightarrow BC = 4$$

**EXAMPLE 6** If  $A$  is an acute angle in a right triangle  $ABC$ , right angled at  $B$ , then the value of  $\sin A + \cos A$  is

- (a) equal to 1      (b) greater than 1      (c) less than 1      (d) 2

**Ans.** (b)

**SOLUTION** In  $\triangle ABC$ , we find that

$$\sin A = \frac{BC}{AC} \text{ and } \cos A = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin A + \cos A = \frac{BC}{AC} + \frac{AB}{AC} = \frac{AB + BC}{AC} \quad \dots(i)$$

In  $\triangle ABC$ , the sum of any two sides is greater than the third side.

$$\therefore AB + BC > AC \Rightarrow \frac{AB + BC}{AC} > 1 \Rightarrow \sin A + \cos A > 1$$



Fig. 9.4

**EXAMPLE 7** If  $\operatorname{cosec} \theta = 2$  and  $\cot \theta = \sqrt{3}a$ , then the value of  $a$  is

- (a) 1      (b) 2      (c)  $\sqrt{3}$       (d)  $2/\sqrt{3}$

**Ans.** (a)

**SOLUTION** We have,  $\operatorname{cosec} \theta = 2$  and  $\cot \theta = \sqrt{3}a$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AC}{BC} = 2 \text{ and } \frac{AB}{BC} = \sqrt{3}a$$

$$\Rightarrow BC = \frac{1}{2}AC \text{ and } AB = \sqrt{3}a BC$$

$$\Rightarrow BC = \frac{1}{2}AC \text{ and } AB = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a AC \quad \dots(ii)$$

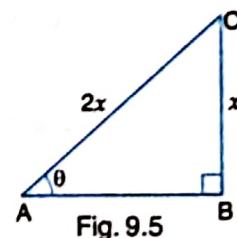


Fig. 9.5

Applying Pythagoras Theorem in  $\triangle ABC$ , we obtain

$$AB^2 + BC^2 = AC^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{4}a^2 AC^2 + \frac{1}{4}AC^2 = AC^2 \quad [\text{Using (ii)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{4}a^2 + \frac{1}{4} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{3}{4}a^2 = \frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow a^2 = 1 \Rightarrow a = 1$$

**ALITER** We have,  $\operatorname{cosec} \theta = \frac{2}{1}$ . So, consider a right triangle  $ABC$  with hypotenuse ( $= AC$ ) =  $2x$  and perpendicular ( $= BC$ ) =  $x$ . Applying Pythagoras Theorem in  $\triangle ABC$ , we obtain

$$AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 \Rightarrow 4x^2 = AB^2 + x^2 \Rightarrow AB = \sqrt{3}x$$

$$\therefore \cot \theta = \frac{AB}{BC} \Rightarrow \cot \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}x}{x} \Rightarrow \cot \theta = \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow \sqrt{3}a = \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow a = 1$$

**EXAMPLE 8** In Fig. 9.6,  $\tan A - \cot C$  is equal to

- (a) 0      (b)  $\frac{5}{12}$       (c)  $\frac{7}{13}$       (d)  $-\frac{7}{13}$



Ans. (b)

SOLUTION We have,  $AE = BC = 5 \text{ cm}$ 

$$\therefore AD = 14 \text{ cm} \Rightarrow AE + DE = 14 \text{ cm} \Rightarrow DE = (14 - 5) \text{ cm} = 9 \text{ cm}$$

In right triangle  $ABC$ , we obtain

$$AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 13^2 = AB^2 + 5^2 \Rightarrow AB^2 = 169 - 25 = 144 \Rightarrow AB = 12 \text{ cm} \Rightarrow CE = 12 \text{ cm}$$

In right triangle  $CED$ , we obtain

$$\tan \theta = \frac{CE}{DE} = \frac{12}{9} = \frac{4}{3}$$

EXAMPLE 13 If  $\tan \theta = \frac{4}{5}$ , then the value of  $\frac{5 \sin \theta - 2 \cos \theta}{5 \sin \theta + 2 \cos \theta}$  is

- (a)  $\frac{1}{3}$       (b)  $\frac{2}{5}$       (c)  $\frac{3}{5}$       (d) 6

Ans. (a)

SOLUTION We have,  $\tan \theta = \frac{4}{5}$ .Dividing numerator and denominator by  $\cos \theta$ , we obtain

$$\frac{5 \sin \theta - 2 \cos \theta}{5 \sin \theta + 2 \cos \theta} = \frac{\frac{5 \sin \theta}{\cos \theta} - \frac{2 \cos \theta}{\cos \theta}}{\frac{5 \sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + \frac{2 \cos \theta}{\cos \theta}} = \frac{5 \tan \theta - 2}{5 \tan \theta + 2} = \frac{5 \times \frac{4}{5} - 2}{5 \times \frac{4}{5} + 2} = \frac{4 - 2}{4 + 2} = \frac{1}{3}$$

EXAMPLE 14 If  $2 \tan A = 3$ , then the value of  $\frac{4 \sin A + 3 \cos A}{4 \sin A - 3 \cos A}$  is

- (a)  $\frac{7}{\sqrt{13}}$       (b)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}$       (c) 3      (d) does not exist

Ans. (c)

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SOLUTION We have,  $2 \tan A = 3 \Rightarrow \tan A = \frac{3}{2}$ 

$$\therefore \frac{4 \sin A + 3 \cos A}{4 \sin A - 3 \cos A} = \frac{\frac{4 \sin A + 3 \cos A}{\cos A}}{\frac{4 \sin A - 3 \cos A}{\cos A}} \quad [\text{Dividing numerator and denominator by } \cos A]$$

$$= \frac{4 \tan A + 3}{4 \tan A - 3} = \frac{4 \times \frac{3}{2} + 3}{4 \times \frac{3}{2} - 3} = \frac{9}{3} = 3$$

EXAMPLE 15 In Fig. 9.10,  $ABCD$  is an isosceles trapezium, its perimeter is

- (a)  $(8 + 4\sqrt{2})$  units      (b)  $(10 + 2\sqrt{2})$  units      (c)  $(10 + 4\sqrt{2})$  units      (d)  $(11 + 4\sqrt{2})$  units

Ans. (c)

SOLUTION In  $\triangle AED$ , we obtain

$$\tan 45^\circ = \frac{AE}{DE} \Rightarrow 1 = \frac{2}{DE} \Rightarrow ED = 2 \Rightarrow CF = 2$$

Again in  $\triangle AED$ , we obtain

$$\sin 45^\circ = \frac{AE}{AD} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{2}{AD} \Rightarrow AD = 2\sqrt{2}$$

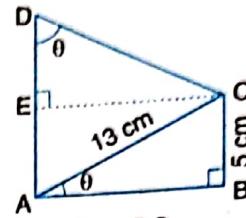


Fig. 9.9

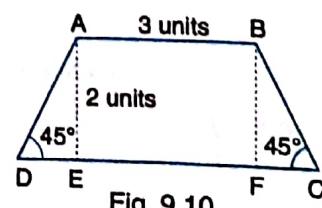


Fig. 9.10

$$CD = CF + EF + ED = 2 + 3 + 2 = 7$$

$$\therefore \text{Perimeter} = AB + BC + CD + AD = 3 + 2\sqrt{2} + 7 + 2\sqrt{2} = (10 + 4\sqrt{2}) \text{ units}$$

**EXAMPLE 16** In Fig. 9.11,  $AM = MC$  and  $\angle C$  is a right angle, then  $\sin^2 \alpha - \cos^2 \alpha$  is equal to

- (a)  $\frac{4b^2 - 3a^2}{5a^2 - 4b^2}$       (b)  $\frac{5a^2 - 4b^2}{4b^2 - 3a^2}$       (c)  $\frac{4a^2 - 5b^2}{3b^2 - 4a^2}$       (d)  $\frac{3b^2 - 4a^2}{4a^2 - 5b^2}$

**Ans.** (b)

**SOLUTION** Applying Pythagoras Theorem in right triangle  $ABC$ , we obtain

$$AB^2 = AC^2 + BC^2 \Rightarrow b^2 = a^2 + BC^2 \Rightarrow BC = \sqrt{b^2 - a^2}$$

Thus, in right triangle  $BCM$ , we obtain:  $BC = \sqrt{b^2 - a^2}$  and  $CM = a/2$ .

Applying Pythagoras Theorem in  $\triangle BCM$ , we obtain

$$BM^2 = BC^2 + CM^2 \Rightarrow BM^2 = b^2 - a^2 + \frac{a^2}{4} = \frac{4b^2 - 3a^2}{4} \Rightarrow BM = \frac{\sqrt{4b^2 - 3a^2}}{2}$$

In  $\triangle ECM$ , we obtain

$$\sin \alpha = \frac{CM}{BM} = \frac{\frac{a}{2}}{\frac{\sqrt{4b^2 - 3a^2}}{2}} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{4b^2 - 3a^2}} \text{ and } \cos \alpha = \frac{BC}{BM} = \frac{BC}{\frac{\sqrt{4b^2 - 3a^2}}{2}} = \frac{2\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}}{\sqrt{4b^2 - 3a^2}}$$

$$\therefore \sin^2 \alpha - \cos^2 \alpha = \frac{a^2}{4b^2 - 3a^2} - \frac{4(b^2 - a^2)}{4b^2 - 3a^2} = \frac{5a^2 - 4b^2}{4b^2 - 3a^2}$$

**EXAMPLE 17** In Fig. 9.12, the value of  $DE$  is

- (a)  $5\sqrt{2}$  units      (b) 10 units      (c)  $10\sqrt{2}$  units      (d)  $15\sqrt{2}$  units

**Ans.** (c)

**SOLUTION** Clearly,  $CD = AB = 10$  units. In right triangle  $DCE$ , we obtain

$$\tan 45^\circ = \frac{CE}{CD} \Rightarrow 1 = \frac{CE}{10} \Rightarrow CE = 10 \text{ units}$$

Again in  $\triangle DCE$ , we obtain

$$\sin 45^\circ = \frac{CE}{DE} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{10}{DE} \Rightarrow DE = 10\sqrt{2} \text{ units}$$

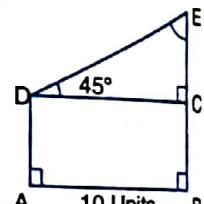


Fig. 9.12

**EXAMPLE 18** A pendulum of length  $\sqrt{3}$  m is attached to a point 2.3 m from the ground. It swings through an angle of  $30^\circ$  on each side of the vertical. The height above the ground at ends of its path is

- (a) 0.9 m      (b) 0.6 m      (c) 0.7 m      (d) 0.8 m

**Ans.** (d)

**SOLUTION** In right triangle  $AMO$ , we obtain

$$\cos 30^\circ = \frac{OM}{OA} \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{OM}{\sqrt{3}} \Rightarrow OM = \frac{3}{2} \text{ m} = 1.5 \text{ m}$$

$$\therefore AP = BR = MQ$$

$$\Rightarrow AP = BR = OQ - OM = 2.3 \text{ m} - 1.5 \text{ m} = 0.8 \text{ m}$$

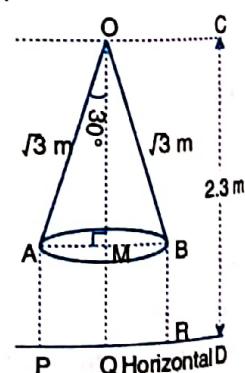


Fig. 9.13

**EXAMPLE 19** Given that  $\sin(A + 2B) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$  and  $\cos(A + 4B) = 0$ , where  $A$  and  $B$  are acute angles. The value of  $A$  is

- (a)  $30^\circ$       (b)  $45^\circ$       (c)  $60^\circ$       (d)  $90^\circ$

Ans. (a)

**SOLUTION** We have,  $\sin(A + 2B) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$  and  $\cos(A + 4B) = 0$

$$\sin(A + 2B) = \sin 60^\circ \text{ and } \cos(A + 4B) = \cos 90^\circ$$

$$\therefore A + 2B = 60^\circ \text{ and } A + 4B = 90^\circ$$

$$\therefore 2A + 4B = 120^\circ \text{ and } A + 4B = 90^\circ \Rightarrow (2A + 4B) - (A + 4B) = 120^\circ - 90^\circ \Rightarrow A = 30^\circ$$

**EXAMPLE 20**  $\frac{3}{4} \tan^2 30^\circ - \sec^2 45^\circ + \sin^2 60^\circ$  is equal to

- (a)  $-1$       (b)  $\frac{5}{6}$       (c)  $-\frac{3}{2}$       (d)  $\frac{1}{6}$

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Ans. (a)

**SOLUTION**  $\frac{3}{4} \tan^2 30^\circ - \sec^2 45^\circ + \sin^2 60^\circ$

$$= \frac{3}{4} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right)^2 - (\sqrt{2})^2 + \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{3} - 2 + \frac{3}{4} = 1 - 2 = -1$$

**EXAMPLE 21** If  $\sin \alpha = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$  and  $\cos \beta = 0$ , then the value of  $\tan(\beta - \alpha)$  is

- (a)  $1$       (b)  $\sqrt{3}$       (c)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$       (d)  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

Ans. (c)

**SOLUTION** We have,

$$\sin \alpha = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \text{ and } \cos \beta = 0 \Rightarrow \sin \alpha = \sin 60^\circ \text{ and } \cos \beta = \cos 90^\circ \Rightarrow \alpha = 60^\circ \text{ and } \beta = 90^\circ$$

$$\therefore \tan(\beta - \alpha) = \tan(90^\circ - 60^\circ) = \tan 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

**EXAMPLE 22** If  $\sin \theta + \cos \theta = \sqrt{2} \cos \theta$ ,  $\theta \neq 90^\circ$ , then  $\tan \theta =$

- (a)  $\sqrt{2} - 1$       (b)  $\sqrt{2} + 1$       (c)  $\sqrt{2}$       (d)  $-\sqrt{2}$

Ans. (a)

**SOLUTION** We have,

$$\sin \theta + \cos \theta = \sqrt{2} \cos \theta \Rightarrow \sin \theta = (\sqrt{2} - 1) \cos \theta \Rightarrow \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \sqrt{2} - 1 \Rightarrow \tan \theta = \sqrt{2} - 1$$

**EXAMPLE 23** In a  $\Delta ABC$ , right angled at  $B$ , the value of  $\sin(A + C)$  is

- (a)  $0$       (b)  $1$       (c)  $\frac{1}{2}$       (d)  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

Ans. (b)

**SOLUTION** In  $\Delta ABC$ , it is given that  $\angle B = 90^\circ$

$$\therefore A + B + C = 180^\circ \Rightarrow A + 90^\circ + C = 180^\circ \Rightarrow A + C = 90^\circ \Rightarrow \sin(A + C) = \sin 90^\circ = 1$$

**EXAMPLE 24** If  $\sin \theta - \cos \theta = 0$ , then the value of  $\sin^4 \theta + \cos^4 \theta$  is

- (a)  $1$       (b)  $\frac{1}{2}$       (c)  $\frac{1}{4}$       (d)  $\frac{3}{4}$

Ans. (b)

**SOLUTION** We have,

$$\therefore \sin \theta - \cos \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \sin \theta = \cos \theta \Rightarrow \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = 1 \Rightarrow \tan \theta = 1 \Rightarrow \theta = 45^\circ$$

$$\therefore \sin^4 \theta + \cos^4 \theta = (\sin 45^\circ)^4 + (\cos 45^\circ)^4 = \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^4 + \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^4 = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

**EXAMPLE 25**  $\sec \theta$  when expressed in terms of  $\cot \theta$ , is equal to

- (a)  $\frac{1 + \cot^2 \theta}{\cot \theta}$       (b)  $\sqrt{1 + \cot^2 \theta}$       (c)  $\frac{\sqrt{1 + \cot^2 \theta}}{\cot \theta}$       (d)  $\frac{\sqrt{1 - \cot^2 \theta}}{\cot \theta}$

**Ans.** (c)

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**SOLUTION**  $1 + \cot^2 \theta = \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta \Rightarrow \sqrt{1 + \cot^2 \theta} = \operatorname{cosec} \theta$

$$\therefore \frac{\sqrt{1 + \cot^2 \theta}}{\cot \theta} = \frac{\operatorname{cosec} \theta}{\cot \theta} = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \times \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} = \sec \theta$$

**EXAMPLE 26** If  $\tan \theta = \frac{5}{12}$ , then the value of  $\frac{\sin \theta + \cos \theta}{\sin \theta - \cos \theta}$  is

- (a)  $-\frac{17}{7}$       (b)  $\frac{17}{7}$       (c)  $\frac{17}{13}$       (d)  $-\frac{7}{13}$

**Ans.** (a)

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**SOLUTION** 
$$\frac{\sin \theta + \cos \theta}{\sin \theta - \cos \theta} = \frac{\frac{\sin \theta + \cos \theta}{\cos \theta}}{\frac{\sin \theta - \cos \theta}{\cos \theta}} = \frac{\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + 1}{\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} - 1} = \frac{\tan \theta + 1}{\tan \theta - 1} = \frac{\frac{5}{12} + 1}{\frac{5}{12} - 1} = \frac{17}{-7} = -\frac{17}{7}$$
 [Dividing the numerator and denominator by  $\cos \theta$ ]

$$= \frac{\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + 1}{\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} - 1} = \frac{\tan \theta + 1}{\tan \theta - 1} = \frac{\frac{5}{12} + 1}{\frac{5}{12} - 1} = \frac{17}{-7} = -\frac{17}{7}$$

**EXAMPLE 27** If  $\tan(A + B) = \sqrt{3}$  and  $\tan(A - B) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ ,  $A > B$ , then the value of  $A$  is

- (a)  $30^\circ$       (b)  $45^\circ$       (c)  $60^\circ$       (d)  $90^\circ$

**Ans.** (b)

**SOLUTION** We have,

$$\tan(A + B) = \sqrt{3} \text{ and } \tan(A - B) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \Rightarrow \tan(A + B) = \tan 60^\circ \text{ and } \tan(A - B) = \tan 30^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow A + B = 60^\circ \text{ and } A - B = 30^\circ \Rightarrow (A + B) + (A - B) = 60^\circ + 30^\circ \Rightarrow 2A = 90^\circ \Rightarrow A = 45^\circ$$

**EXAMPLE 28**  $\frac{2 \tan 30^\circ}{1 + \tan^2 30^\circ}$  is equal to

- (a)  $\sin 60^\circ$       (b)  $\cos 60^\circ$       (c)  $\tan 60^\circ$       (d)  $\sin 30^\circ$

**Ans.** (a)

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**SOLUTION** 
$$\frac{2 \tan 30^\circ}{1 + \tan^2 30^\circ} = \frac{2 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}{1 + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2} = \frac{\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}}{1 + \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \sin 60^\circ$$

**EXAMPLE 29** In Fig. 9.14, lengths of sides  $BC$  and  $AB$  are respectively

- (a)  $12 \text{ cm}, 3\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}$       (b)  $3 \text{ cm}, 3\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}$       (c)  $12 \text{ cm}, 6\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}$       (d)  $18 \text{ cm}, 9\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}$

**Ans.** (b)

**SOLUTION** In  $\triangle ABC$ , we have

$$\sin 30^\circ = \frac{BC}{AC} \text{ and } \cos 30^\circ = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = \frac{BC}{6} \text{ and } \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{AB}{6} \Rightarrow BC = 3 \text{ cm, } AB = 3\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}$$

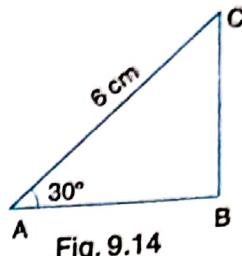


Fig. 9.14

**EXAMPLE 30** In an acute angled triangle  $ABC$ , if  $\sin(A + B - C) = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\cos(B + C - A) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ . Then measure of angle  $B$  is

- (a)  $37\frac{1}{2}^\circ$       (b)  $45^\circ$       (c)  $75^\circ$       (d)  $62.5^\circ$

**Ans.** (a)

**SOLUTION** We have,  $\sin(A + B - C) = \frac{1}{2}$  and,  $\cos(B + C - A) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(A + B - C) = \sin 30^\circ \text{ and } \cos(B + C - A) = \cos 45^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow A + B - C = 30^\circ \text{ and } B + C - A = 45^\circ \Rightarrow (A + B - C) + (B + C - A) = 30^\circ + 45^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 2B = 75^\circ \Rightarrow B = 37\frac{1}{2}^\circ$$

**EXAMPLE 31** In a  $\triangle ABC$ , if  $\angle B = 90^\circ$ ,  $BC = 5 \text{ cm}$ ,  $AC - AB = 1 \text{ cm}$ . Then the value of  $\frac{1 + \sin C}{1 + \cos C}$  is

- (a)  $\frac{18}{25}$       (b)  $\frac{36}{31}$       (c)  $\frac{25}{18}$       (d)  $\frac{31}{36}$

**Ans.** (c)

**SOLUTION** Let  $AB = x \text{ cm}$ . Then,  $AC - AB = 1 \text{ cm}$  gives  $AC = (x + 1) \text{ cm}$ .

Applying Pythagoras Theorem in  $\triangle ABC$ , we obtain

$$AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 \Rightarrow (x + 1)^2 = x^2 + 25 \Rightarrow 2x + 1 = 25 \Rightarrow x = 12$$

$$\therefore AB = 12 \text{ cm and } AC = 13 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Thus, } \sin C = \frac{AB}{AC} = \frac{12}{13} \text{ and } \cos C = \frac{BC}{AC} = \frac{5}{13}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \frac{1 + \sin C}{1 + \cos C} = \frac{1 + \frac{12}{13}}{1 + \frac{5}{13}} = \frac{25}{18}$$

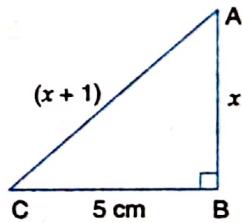


Fig. 9.15

#### ASSERTION-REASON BASED MCQs

Each of the following examples contains STATEMENT-1 (Assertion) and STATEMENT-2 (Reason) and has following four choices (a), (b), (c) and (d), only one of which is the correct answer. Mark the correct choice.

- (a) Statement-1 and Statement-2 are True; Statement-2 is a correct explanation for Statement-1.
- (b) Statement-1 and Statement-2 are True; Statement-2 is not a correct explanation for Statement-1.
- (c) Statement-1 is True, Statement-2 is False.
- (d) Statement-1 is False, Statement-2 is True.

**EXAMPLE 32** Statement-1 (A): In Fig. 9.16, the trigonometric ratios of angle  $\theta$  depend only on the value of  $\theta$  and are independent of the position of the point  $P$  on the terminal side  $AY$  of angle  $\theta$ .

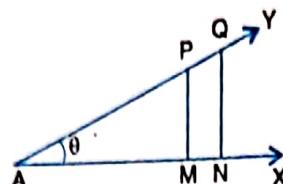


Fig. 9.16

**Statement-2 (R):** In a right triangle ABC right angled at B, if  $\angle BAC = \theta$ , then

$\sin \theta = \frac{BC}{AC} < 1$  and  $\cos \theta = \frac{AB}{AC} < 1$  because the hypotenuse AC is the longest side.

**Ans. (b)**

**SOLUTION** Statement-1 is true (see Theorem on page 462 of the main book).

Statement-2 is also true but it is not a correct explanation for statement-1. Hence, option (b) is correct.

**EXAMPLE 33** **Statement-1 (A):** For any acute angle  $\theta$ , the value of  $\sin \theta$  cannot be greater than 1.

**Statement-2 (R):** Hypotenuse is the longest side in any right angled triangle.

**Ans. (a)**

**SOLUTION** Both statements are true and statement-2 is the correct explanation for statement-1,

because  $\sin \theta = \frac{\text{Perpendicular}}{\text{Hypotenuse}} < 1$ .

**EXAMPLE 34** **Statement-1 (A):** For  $0 \leq \theta < 90^\circ$ ,  $\sec x + \cos x \geq 2$ .

**Statement-2 (R):** For any  $x > 0$ ,  $x + \frac{1}{x} \geq 2$ .

**Ans. (a)**

**SOLUTION** For any  $x > 0$ , we find that

$$\left( \sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right)^2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} - 2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{2} \geq 2$$

So, statement-2 is true. Since,  $\sec x = \frac{1}{\cos x}$ . Therefore,

$$\sec x + \cos x = \cos x + \frac{1}{\cos x} \geq 2$$

So, statement-1 is also true and statement-2 is the correct explanation for statement-1. Hence, option (a) is correct.

### PRACTICE EXERCISES

#### MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS (MCQs)

Mark the correct alternative in each of the following:

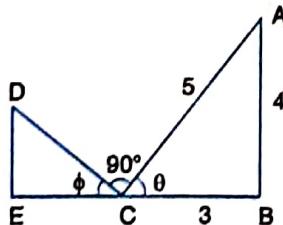
1. If  $\sin \theta = x$  and  $\sec \theta = y$ , then  $\tan \theta$  is equal to  
 (a)  $xy$       (b)  $x/y$       (c)  $y/x$       (d)  $1/xy$

2. Given that  $\sin \theta = \frac{a}{b}$ , then  $\tan \theta$  is equal to

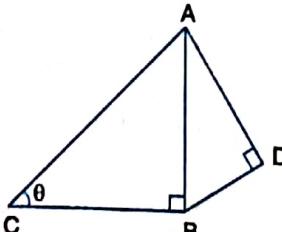
- (a)  $\frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$       (b)  $\frac{b}{\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}}$       (c)  $\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}}$       (d)  $\frac{a}{\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}}$

## TRIGONOMETRIC RATIOS

3. If  $4\tan\beta = 3$ , then  $\frac{4\sin\beta - 3\cos\beta}{4\sin\beta + 3\cos\beta} =$
- (a) 0      (b)  $1/3$       (c)  $2/3$       (d)  $7/25$
4. If  $\Delta ABC$  right angled at  $B$ . If  $\tan A = \sqrt{3}$ , then  $\cos A \cos C - \sin A \sin C = 0$
- (a) -1      (b) 0      (c) 1      (d)  $\sqrt{3}/2$
5. If the angle of  $\Delta ABC$  are in the ratio  $1 : 1 : 2$  respectively (the largest angle being angle  $C$ ), then the value of  $\frac{\sec A}{\operatorname{cosec} B} - \frac{\tan A}{\cot B}$  is
- (a) 0      (b)  $1/2$       (c) 1      (d)  $\sqrt{3}/2$
6. If  $\theta$  is an acute angle such that  $\cos\theta = \frac{3}{5}$ , then  $\frac{\sin\theta \tan\theta - 1}{2\tan^2\theta} =$
- (a)  $\frac{16}{625}$       (b)  $\frac{1}{36}$       (c)  $\frac{3}{160}$       (d)  $\frac{160}{3}$
7. If  $\tan\theta = \frac{a}{b}$ , then  $\frac{a\sin\theta + b\cos\theta}{a\sin\theta - b\cos\theta}$  is equal to
- (a)  $\frac{a^2 + b^2}{a^2 - b^2}$       (b)  $\frac{a^2 - b^2}{a^2 + b^2}$       (c)  $\frac{a+b}{a-b}$       (d)  $\frac{a-b}{a+b}$
8. If  $5\tan\theta - 4 = 0$ , then the value of  $\frac{5\sin\theta - 4\cos\theta}{5\sin\theta + 4\cos\theta}$  is
- (a)  $\frac{5}{3}$       (b)  $\frac{5}{6}$       (c) 0      (d)  $\frac{1}{6}$
9. If  $16\cot x = 12$ , then  $\frac{\sin x - \cos x}{\sin x + \cos x}$  equals
- (a)  $\frac{1}{7}$       (b)  $\frac{3}{7}$       (c)  $\frac{2}{7}$       (d) 0
10. If  $8\tan x = 15$ , then  $\sin x - \cos x$  is equal to
- (a)  $\frac{8}{17}$       (b)  $\frac{17}{7}$       (c)  $\frac{1}{17}$       (d)  $\frac{7}{17}$
11. If  $\tan\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}}$ , then  $\frac{\operatorname{cosec}^2\theta - \sec^2\theta}{\operatorname{cosec}^2\theta + \sec^2\theta} =$
- (a)  $\frac{5}{7}$       (b)  $\frac{3}{7}$       (c)  $\frac{1}{12}$       (d)  $\frac{3}{4}$
12. If  $\tan\theta = \frac{3}{4}$ , then  $\cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta =$
- (a)  $\frac{7}{25}$       (b) 1      (c)  $-\frac{7}{25}$       (d)  $\frac{4}{25}$
13. If  $\theta$  is an acute angle such that  $\tan^2\theta = \frac{8}{7}$ , then the value of  $\frac{(1+\sin\theta)(1-\sin\theta)}{(1+\cos\theta)(1-\cos\theta)}$  is
- (a)  $\frac{7}{8}$       (b)  $\frac{8}{7}$       (c)  $\frac{7}{4}$       (d)  $\frac{64}{49}$
14. If  $3\cos\theta = 5\sin\theta$ , then the value of  $\frac{5\sin\theta - 2\sec^3\theta + 2\cos\theta}{5\sin\theta + 2\sec^3\theta - 2\cos\theta}$  is
- (a)  $\frac{271}{979}$       (b)  $\frac{316}{2937}$       (c)  $\frac{542}{2937}$       (d) none of these
15. If  $\tan^2 45^\circ - \cos^2 30^\circ = x \sin 45^\circ \cos 45^\circ$ , then  $x =$
- (a) 2      (b) -2      (c)  $-\frac{1}{2}$       (d)  $\frac{1}{2}$



**Fig. 9.17**



**Fig. 9.18**

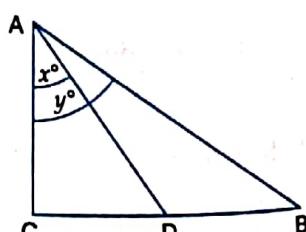


Fig. 2.10

26. In Fig. 9.18, if  $AD = 4 \text{ cm}$ ,  $BD = 3 \text{ cm}$  and  $CB = 12 \text{ cm}$ , then  $\cot \theta =$

(a)  $\frac{12}{5}$       (b)  $\frac{5}{12}$       (c)  $\frac{13}{12}$       (d)  $\frac{12}{13}$

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## CASE STUDY BASED MCQs

- In structural design a structure is composed of triangles that are interconnecting. A truss is one of the major types of engineering structures and is especially used in the design of bridges and buildings. Trusses are designed to support loads, such as the weight of people. A truss is exclusively made of long, straight members connected by joints at the end of each member.



**Fig. 9.20**

This is a single repeating triangle in a truss system.

- (i) In above triangle, what is the length of AC?



- (c) 8 ft      (d)  $\frac{8}{\sqrt{3}}$  ft

- (ii) What is the length of  $BC$ ?

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**Fig. 9.21**

- (a)  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}$  ft      (b)  $4\sqrt{3}$  ft      (c) 8 ft      (d)  $8\sqrt{3}$  ft

- (iii) If  $\sin A = \sin C$ , what will be the length of BC?



- (iv) Which of the following relation will be true in the triangle?

$$(a) \sin\left(\frac{A+C}{2}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{B}{2}\right)$$

$$(b) \quad \sin\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right) = \sin\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)$$

$$(c) \cos\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)$$

$$(d) \quad \cos\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)$$

- (v) If the length of  $AB$  doubles what will happen to the length of  $AC$ ?



- (c) become three times the original length      (d) become half of the original length

29. A trolley carries passengers from the ground level located at point  $A$  to up to the top of mountain chateau located at  $P$  as shown in Fig. 9.22. The point  $A$  is at a distance of 2000 m from point  $C$  at the base of mountain. Here  $\alpha = 30^\circ$ ,  $\beta = 60^\circ$ .

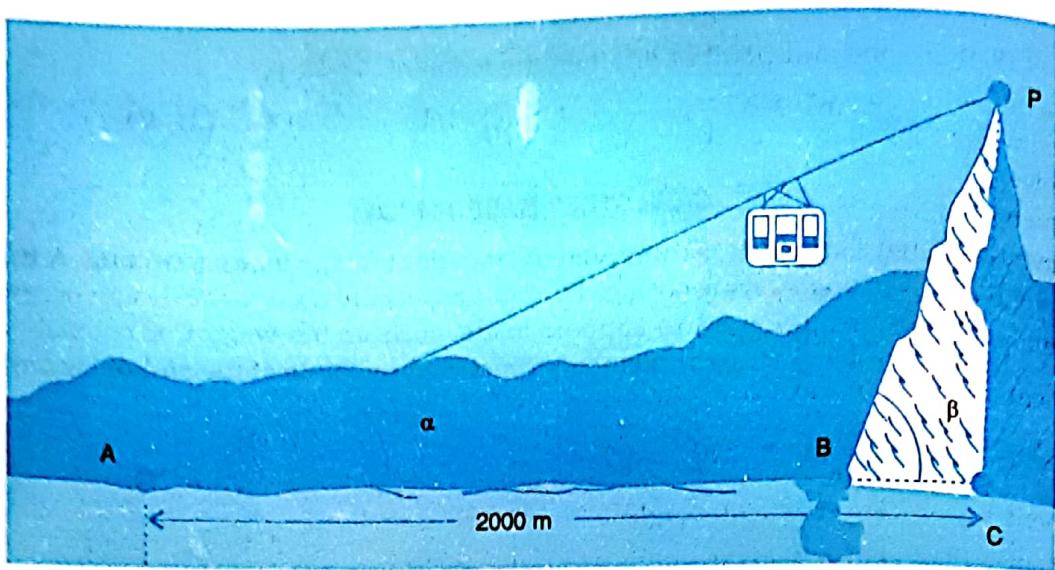


Fig. 9.22

- (i) Assuming the cable is held tight what will be the length of cable?
- (a) 2000 m      (b)  $2000\sqrt{3}$  m      (c)  $4000\sqrt{3}$  m      (d)  $\frac{4000}{\sqrt{3}}$  m
- (ii) What will be height of the mountain?
- (a) 1000 m      (b)  $\frac{2000}{\sqrt{3}}$  m      (c) 2000 m      (d)  $2000\sqrt{3}$  m
- (iii) What will be the slant height of the mountain?
- (a) 4000 m      (b)  $\frac{4000}{3}$  m      (c)  $4000\sqrt{3}$  m      (d)  $\frac{4000}{\sqrt{3}}$  m
- (iv) What will be the length of BC?
- (a) 1000 m      (b)  $\frac{2000}{3}$  m      (c)  $1000\sqrt{3}$  m      (d)  $\frac{1000}{\sqrt{3}}$  m
- (v) What will be the distance of point A to the foot of the mountain located at B?
- (a)  $4000\sqrt{3}$  m      (b)  $4000\sqrt{6}$  m      (c)  $\frac{4000}{\sqrt{3}}$  m      (d)  $\frac{4000}{3}$  m
30. Kite festival is celebrated in many countries at different times of the year. In India, every year 14th January is celebrated as International Kite Day. On this day many people visit India and participate in the festival by flying various kinds of kites. The picture given below, shows kites flying together.

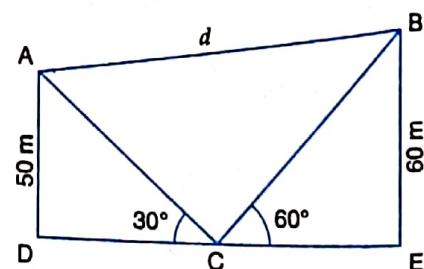
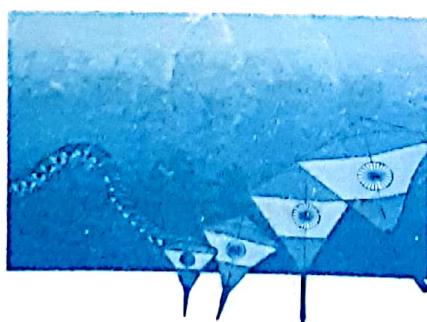


Fig. 9.23

- In Fig. 9.23, the angles of elevation of two kites (Points A and B) from the hands of a man (Point C) are found to be  $30^\circ$  and  $60^\circ$  respectively. Taking  $AD = 50$  m and  $BE = 60$  m, find
- (i) the lengths of strings used (take them straight) for kites A and B as shown in the figure.  
(ii) the distance 'd' between these two kites.

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**ASSERTION-REASON BASED MCQs**

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 (c) Statement-1 is true, Statement-2 is false.  
 (d) Statement-1 is false, Statement-2 is true.

31. Statement-1 (A): For any acute angle  $\theta$ , values of  $\tan \theta$  never exceeds  $\sqrt{3}$ .

Statement-2 (R): For  $0 \leq \theta < 90^\circ$ ,  $\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$ .

32. Statement-1 (A): For any acute angle  $\theta$  ( $0 \leq \theta < 90^\circ$ ),  $\sec \theta \geq 1$

Statement-2 (R): For any acute angle  $\theta$  ( $0 < \theta \leq 90^\circ$ ),  $\operatorname{cosec} \theta \geq 1$

33. Statement-1 (A): For  $0 < \theta \leq 90^\circ$ ,  $\sin \theta + \operatorname{cosec} \theta \geq 2$ .

Statement-2 (R):  $x + \frac{1}{x} \geq 2$  for all  $x > 0$ .

**ANSWERS**

1. (a)	2. (d)	3. (a)	4. (b)	5. (a)	6. (c)	7. (a)
8. (c)	9. (a)	10. (d)	11. (d)	12. (a)	13. (a)	14. (a)
15. (d)	16. (a)	17. (a)	18. (b)	19. (d)	20. (a)	21. (d)
22. (a)	23. (c)	24. (b)	25. (d)	26. (a)	27. (b)	
28. (i) (c)	(ii) (b)	(iii) (b)	(iv) (a)	(v) (b)		
29. (i) (d)	(ii) (b)	(iii) (b)	(iv) (b)	(v) (d)		
30. (i) $100 \text{ m}, 40\sqrt{3} \text{ m}$	(ii) $121.65 \text{ m}$					
31. (d)	32. (b)	33. (a)				