

Mathematics

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(Chapter 2)(Inverse Trigonometric Functions)

(Class XII)

(Exemplar Problems)

Long Answer (L.A.)

Question 15:

Show that $\sin^{-1} \frac{5}{13} + \cos^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = \tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16}$.

Answer 15:

$$\text{LHS} = \sin^{-1} \frac{5}{13} + \cos^{-1} \frac{3}{5}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \frac{5}{\sqrt{13^2 - 5^2}} + \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{5^2 - 3^2}}{3}$$

$$\left[\text{as } \sin^{-1} \frac{a}{b} = \tan^{-1} \frac{a}{\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}} \text{ and } \cos^{-1} \frac{a}{b} = \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}}{a} \right]$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \frac{5}{12} + \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3}$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{\frac{5}{12} + \frac{4}{3}}{1 - \frac{5}{12} \times \frac{4}{3}} \right]$$

$$\left[\text{as } \tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x + y}{1 - xy} \right) \right]$$



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$$= \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{\frac{15 + 48}{12 \times 3}}{\frac{12 \times 3 - 5 \times 4}{12 \times 3}} \right]$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{63}{36} \right]$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \frac{63}{16}$$

= RHS

