

# Mathematics

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## (Chapter 2)(Inverse Trigonometric Functions)

(Class XII)

### (Exemplar Problems)

#### Long Answer (L.A.)

#### Question 19:

If  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n$  is an arithmetic progression with common difference  $d$ , then evaluate the following expression

$$\tan \left[ \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{d}{1+a_1a_2} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{d}{1+a_2a_3} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{d}{1+a_3a_4} \right) + \dots + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{d}{1+a_{n-1}a_n} \right) \right]$$

#### Answer 19:

Given that:

$$\tan \left[ \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{d}{1+a_1a_2} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{d}{1+a_2a_3} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{d}{1+a_3a_4} \right) + \dots + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{d}{1+a_{n-1}a_n} \right) \right]$$

$$= \tan \left[ \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{a_2-a_1}{1+a_1a_2} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{a_3-a_2}{1+a_2a_3} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{a_4-a_3}{1+a_3a_4} \right) + \dots + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{a_n-a_{n-1}}{1+a_{n-1}a_n} \right) \right]$$

$$[d = a_2 - a_1 = a_3 - a_2 = a_4 - a_3. \text{ as } a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, \dots \text{ are in AP}]$$

$$= \tan [(\tan^{-1}a_2 - \tan^{-1}a_1) + (\tan^{-1}a_3 - \tan^{-1}a_2) + (\tan^{-1}a_4 - \tan^{-1}a_3) + \dots + (\tan^{-1}a_n - \tan^{-1}a_{n-1})]$$

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

$$= \tan [(\tan^{-1}a_n - \tan^{-1}a_1)]$$

$$= \tan \left[ \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{a_n - a_1}{1 + a_n a_1} \right) \right]$$

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



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$$= \frac{a_n - a_1}{1 + a_n a_1}$$

