

STEP/Trigonometry: Exercises - Overview (30/6/23)

Q1

How many solutions does the equation

$$\sin(2\cos(2x) + 2) = 0 \text{ have, for } 0 \leq x \leq 2\pi?$$

Q2

What is the period of $2 \sin\left(3x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + 3 \cos\left(\frac{2x}{3} - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)$?

Q3

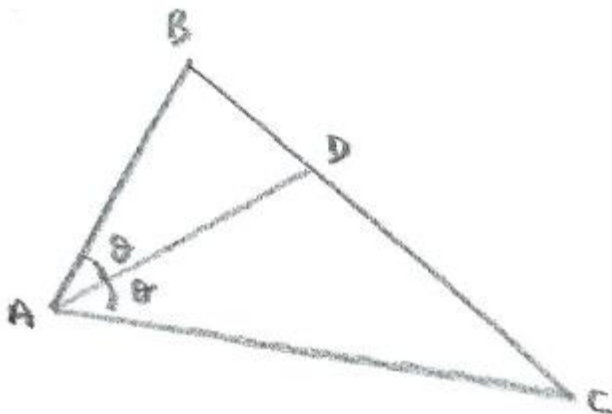
Solve $\sin\theta = \cos 4\theta$ for $0 < \theta < \pi$

Q4

Angle Bisector Theorem

Referring to the diagram below, the Angle Bisector theorem says

that $\frac{BD}{DC} = \frac{AB}{AC}$. Prove the Angle Bisector Theorem.



Q5

Show that $\arctan\left(\frac{1+a}{\sqrt{1-a^2}}\right) - \arctan\left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{1-a^2}}\right) = \arctan\left(\frac{\sqrt{1-a}}{\sqrt{1+a}}\right)$

Q6

Show that $\frac{\sec\theta+1-\tan\theta}{\sec\theta+1+\tan\theta} \equiv \sec\theta - \tan\theta$

Q7

Write $\sqrt{2(1-\cos\theta)}$ and $\sqrt{2(1+\cos\theta)}$ in the form $a\sin(b\theta)$ or $a\cos(b\theta)$

Q8

Show that $\cos^4\theta + \sin^4\theta = 1 - \frac{1}{2}\sin^2(2\theta)$

Q9

Show that $\sec^2\theta(\operatorname{cosec}\theta - \sin\theta) \equiv \operatorname{cosec}\theta$

Q10

Show that $\tan\theta + \cot\theta \equiv \sec\theta\operatorname{cosec}\theta$

Q11

Prove that $\frac{1+\operatorname{cosec}\theta}{\cot\theta} = \frac{1+\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{1-\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}$

Q12

Express $-\cos\theta$ in the form $\cos\alpha$ (where α is to be found in terms of θ), using an algebraic method.

Q13

Show that

(i) $\cos^4\theta - \sin^4\theta = \cos 2\theta$

(ii) $\cos^4\theta + \sin^4\theta = 1 - \frac{1}{2}\sin^2(2\theta)$