

NCERT Solutions for Class-XI Maths

Chapter-2 Exercise-3.4 NCERT Math Class 11

1. Find the principal and general solutions of the equation $\tan x = \sqrt{3}$
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It is known that $\tan \frac{\pi}{3} = \sqrt{3}$ and $\tan \left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) = \tan \left(\pi + \frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \tan \frac{\pi}{3} = \sqrt{3}$

Therefore, the principal solutions are $x = \frac{\pi}{3}$ and $\frac{4\pi}{3}$.

Now, $\tan x = \tan \frac{\pi}{3}$

$\Rightarrow x = n\pi + \frac{\pi}{3}$, where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

Therefore, the general solution is $x = n\pi + \frac{\pi}{3}$, where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

2. $\sec x = 2$
2. Given equation is $\sec x = 2$

Now $\sec \frac{\pi}{3} = 2$ and $\sec \frac{5\pi}{3} = \sec \left(2\pi - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \sec \frac{\pi}{3} = 2$

\therefore the principal solutions of the equation are $\frac{\pi}{3}$ and $\frac{5\pi}{3}$

The general solution is given by

$$\sec x = \sec \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos x = \cos \frac{\pi}{3} \quad (\because \sec x = \frac{1}{\cos x})$$

$$\Rightarrow 2n\pi \pm \frac{\pi}{3}, \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } \mathbb{Z} \text{ is set of integers}$$

\therefore General solution of the equation is

$$x = 2n\pi \pm \frac{\pi}{3}, \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } \mathbb{Z} \text{ is set of integers}$$

3. Find the principal and general solutions of the equation $\cot x = -\sqrt{3}$
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It is known that $\cot \frac{\pi}{6} = \sqrt{3}$

$\therefore \cot \left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = -\cot \frac{\pi}{6} = -\sqrt{3}$ and $\cot \left(2\pi - \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = -\cot \frac{\pi}{6} = -\sqrt{3}$

i.e., $\cot \frac{5\pi}{6} = -\sqrt{3}$ and $\cot \frac{11\pi}{6} = -\sqrt{3}$

Therefore, the principal solutions are $x = \frac{5\pi}{6}$ and $\frac{11\pi}{6}$.

$$\text{Now, } \cot x = \cot \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = \tan \frac{5\pi}{6} \left[\cot x = \frac{1}{\tan x} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow x = n\pi + \frac{5\pi}{6}, \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Therefore, the general solution is $x = n\pi + \frac{5\pi}{6}$, where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

4. $\operatorname{cosec} x = -2$

4. Given equation is $\operatorname{cosec} x = -2$

We know that $\operatorname{cosec} \frac{\pi}{6} = 2$

$$\therefore \operatorname{cosec} \left(\pi + \frac{\pi}{6} \right) = -\operatorname{cosec} \frac{\pi}{6} = -2 \text{ and } \operatorname{cosec} \left(2\pi - \frac{\pi}{6} \right) = -\operatorname{cosec} \frac{\pi}{6} = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{cosec} \frac{7\pi}{6} = -2 \text{ and } \operatorname{cosec} \frac{11\pi}{6} = -2$$

$$\therefore \text{the principal solutions are } x = \frac{7\pi}{6} \text{ and } \frac{11\pi}{6}$$

Now considering $\operatorname{cosec} x = \operatorname{cosec} \frac{7\pi}{6}$
 $\Rightarrow \sin x = \sin \frac{7\pi}{6} \left(\because \operatorname{cosec} x = \frac{1}{\sin x} \right)$

$$\Rightarrow x = n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{7\pi}{6}, \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } \mathbb{Z} \text{ is set of integers}$$

5. Find the general solution of the equation $\cos 4x = \cos 2x$

5. $\cos 4x = \cos 2x$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 4x - \cos 2x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -2\sin \left(\frac{4x+2x}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{4x-2x}{2} \right) = 0$$

$$\left[\because \cos A - \cos B = -2\sin \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{A-B}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 3x \sin x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 3x = 0 \text{ or } \sin x = 0$$

$$\therefore 3x = n\pi \text{ or } x = n\pi, \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{n\pi}{3} \text{ or } x = n\pi, \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

6. $\cos 3x + \cos x - \cos 2x = 0$

6. Given equations is $\cos 3x + \cos x - \cos 2x = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos \frac{(3x+x)}{2} \cos \frac{3x-x}{2} - \cos 2x = 0 \left(\because \cos A + \cos B = 2 \cos \frac{a+b}{2} \cos \frac{A-B}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos 2x \cos x - \cos 2x = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \cos 2x(2\cos x - 1) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \cos 2x = 0 \text{ or } 2\cos x - 1 = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \cos 2x = 0 \text{ or } \cos x = \frac{1}{2} \\ &\therefore 2x = (2n + 1)\frac{\pi}{2} \text{ or } \cos x = \cos \frac{\pi}{3}, \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } \mathbb{Z} \text{ is set of integers} \\ &\Rightarrow x = (2n + 1)\frac{\pi}{4} \text{ or } x = 2n\pi \pm \frac{\pi}{3}, \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } \mathbb{Z} \text{ is set of integers} \end{aligned}$$

7. Find the general solution of the equation $\sin 2x + \cos x = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} 7. \quad &\sin 2x + \cos x = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow 2\sin x \cos x + \cos x = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \cos x(2\sin x + 1) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \cos x = 0 \text{ or } 2\sin x + 1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } \cos x = 0 \Rightarrow \cos x = (2n + 1)\frac{\pi}{2}, \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$2\sin x + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x = \frac{-1}{2} = -\sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \sin \left(\pi + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \sin \left(\pi + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \sin \frac{7\pi}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{7\pi}{6}, \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{Therefore, the general solution is } (2n + 1)\frac{\pi}{2} \text{ or } n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{7\pi}{6}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

8. $\sec^2 2x = 1 - \tan 2x$

8. Given equation is

$$\sec^2 2x = 1 - \tan 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \tan^2 2x = 1 - \tan 2x \quad (\because \sec^2 \theta = 1 + \tan^2 \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^2 2x + \tan 2x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan 2x (\tan 2x + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan 2x = 0 \text{ or } (\tan 2x + 1) = 0$$

$$\text{Now } \tan 2x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan 2x = \tan 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = n\pi + 0, \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } \mathbb{Z} \text{ is set of integers}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{n\pi}{2}, \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{Now } (\tan 2x + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan 2x = -1 = -\tan \frac{\pi}{4} = \tan \left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \tan \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = n\pi + \frac{3\pi}{4}, \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{n\pi}{2} + \frac{3\pi}{8}, \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } \mathbb{Z} \text{ is set of integers}$$

The general solution of the equation is

$$\frac{n\pi}{2} \text{ or } \frac{n\pi}{2} + \frac{3\pi}{8}, \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } \mathbb{Z} \text{ is set of integers}$$

9. Find the general solution of the equation $\sin x + \sin 3x + \sin 5x = 0$

9. $\sin x + \sin 3x + \sin 5x = 0$

$$(\sin x + \sin 5x) + \sin 3x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[2\sin \left(\frac{x+5x}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{x-5x}{2} \right) \right] + \sin 3x = 0 \left[\sin A + \sin B = 2\sin \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{A-B}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin 3x \cos (-2x) + \sin 3x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin 3x \cos 2x + \sin 3x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 3x(2\cos 2x + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 3x = 0 \text{ or } 2\cos 2x + 1 = 0$$

Now, $\sin 3x = 0 \Rightarrow 3x = n\pi$, where $n \in Z$

$$\text{i.e., } x = \frac{n\pi}{3}, \text{ where } n \in Z$$

$$2\cos 2x + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2x = \frac{-1}{2} = -\cos \frac{\pi}{3} = \cos \left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{3} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2x = \cos \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 2n\pi \pm \frac{2\pi}{3}, \text{ where } n \in Z$$

$$\Rightarrow x = n\pi \pm \frac{\pi}{3}, \text{ where } n \in Z$$

Therefore, the general solution is $\frac{n\pi}{3}$ or $n\pi \pm \frac{\pi}{3}, n \in Z$

