

5.3 Multiple Angle Formulae :

Consider

$$\sin(A+B) = \sin A \cdot \cos B + \cos A \cdot \sin B$$

If $A = B$

$$\sin 2A = \sin A \cdot \cos A + \cos A \cdot \sin A$$

$$\boxed{\sin 2A = 2 \sin A \cdot \cos A}$$

Consider

$$\cos(A+B) = \cos A \cdot \cos B - \sin A \cdot \sin B$$

If $A = B$

$$\boxed{\cos 2A = \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A} \quad \dots(2)$$

From above equation

$$\cos 2A = \cos^2 A - (1 - \cos^2 A) \dots [\sin^2 A = 1 - \cos^2 A]$$

$$\cos 2A = \cos^2 A - 1 + \cos^2 A$$

$$\boxed{\cos 2A = 2\cos^2 A - 1} \quad \dots(3)$$

Similarly

$$\cos 2A = (1 - \sin^2 A) - \sin^2 A \quad [\cos^2 A = 1 - \sin^2 A]$$

$$\cos 2A = (1 - \sin^2 A) - \sin^2 A$$

$$\boxed{\cos 2A = 1 - 2\sin^2 A} \quad \dots(4)$$

Consider

$$\tan(A+B) = \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \cdot \tan B}$$

If $A = B$

$$\tan 2A = \frac{\tan A + \tan A}{1 - \tan A \cdot \tan A}$$

$$\boxed{\tan 2A = \frac{2 \tan A}{1 - \tan^2 A}} \quad \dots(5)$$

Now

$$\sin 3A = \sin(2A + A)$$

$$\sin 3A = \sin 2A \cdot \cos A + \cos 2A \cdot \sin A \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sin 2A = 2 \sin A \cdot \cos A \\ \cos 2A = 1 - 2 \sin^2 A \end{array} \right.$$

$$\sin 3A = 2 \sin A \cdot \cos A \cdot \cos A + (1 - 2 \sin^2 A) \cdot \sin A$$

$$\sin 3A = 2 \sin A \cdot \cos^2 A + \sin A - 2 \sin^3 A$$

$$\sin 3A = 2\sin A(1 - \sin^2 A) + \sin A - 2\sin^3 A - \cos^2 A = 1 - \sin^2 A$$

$$\sin 3A = 2\sin A - 2\sin^3 A + \sin A - 2\sin^3 A$$

$$\boxed{\sin 3A = 3\sin A - 4\sin^3 A} \quad \dots(6)$$

Again consider

$$\cos 3A = \cos(2A + A)$$

$$\cos 3A = \cos 2A \cdot \cos A - \sin 2A \cdot \sin A$$

$$\cos 3A = (2\cos^2 A - 1)\cos A - 2\sin A \cdot \cos A \cdot \sin A$$

$$\cos 3A = 2\cos^3 A - \cos A - 2\cos A \cdot \sin^2 A$$

$$\cos 3A = 2\cos^3 A - \cos A - 2\cos A(1 - \cos^2 A)$$

$$\cos 3A = 2\cos^3 A - \cos A - 2\cos A + 2\cos^3 A$$

$$\boxed{\cos 3A = 4\cos^3 A - 3\cos A} \quad \dots(7)$$

Similarly

$$\tan 3A = \tan(2A + A)$$

$$\tan 3A = \frac{\tan 2A + \tan A}{1 - \tan 2A \cdot \tan A}$$

$$\tan 3A = \frac{\frac{2\tan A}{1 - \tan^2 A} + \tan A}{1 - \frac{2\tan A}{1 - \tan^2 A} \cdot \tan A}$$

$$\tan 3A = \frac{2\tan A + \tan A(1 - \tan^2 A)}{(1 - \tan^2 A) - 2\tan^2 A}$$

$$\tan 3A = \frac{2\tan A + \tan A - \tan^3 A}{1 - \tan^2 A - 2\tan^2 A}$$

$$\boxed{\tan 3A = \frac{3\tan A - \tan^3 A}{1 - 3\tan^2 A}} \quad \dots(8)$$

5.4 Worked Examples on Multiple Angles :

1. Show that, i) $\sin^2 A = \frac{1 - \cos 2A}{2}$ ii) $\cos^2 A = \frac{1 + \cos 2A}{2}$

Solution :

i) $\cos 2A = \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A$
 $\cos 2A = (1 - \sin^2 A) - \sin^2 A \quad (\because \cos^2 A = 1 - \sin^2 A)$
 $\cos 2A = 1 - 2 \sin^2 A$
 $2 \sin^2 A = 1 - \cos 2A$

$$\sin^2 A = \frac{1 - \cos 2A}{2}$$

ii) We have

$$\cos 2A = \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A$$
$$\cos 2A = \cos^2 A - (1 - \cos^2 A) \quad (\because \sin^2 A = 1 - \cos^2 A)$$
$$\cos 2A = 2 \cos^2 A - 1$$
$$2 \cos^2 A = 1 + \cos 2A$$

$$\cos^2 A = \frac{1 + \cos 2A}{2}$$

2. Prove that $\cos^4 \theta - \sin^4 \theta = \cos 2\theta$ (Nov./Dec. 2018)

Solution : LHS = $\cos^4 \theta - \sin^4 \theta$
 $= (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta)(\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta)$ [Factorise]
 $= (\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta) \quad [\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1]$
 $= \cos 2\theta = \text{RHS}$

3. If $\cos A = \frac{1}{2}$ find $\cos 2A$ (May 2014)

Solution : $\cos 2A = 2 \cos^2 A - 1$

$$= 2 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} - 1 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

4. If $\sin A = \frac{1}{2}$ find the numerical value of $\sin 2A$ (Nov./Dec. 2011)

Solution : $\sin A = \frac{1}{2}$ $\cos A = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 A}$

$$\cos A = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{4}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\therefore \sin 2A = 2 \sin A \cdot \cos A$$

$$\sin 2A = 2 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

5. If $\sin \theta = \frac{3}{5}$ find the value of $\sin 2\theta$ (Nov./Dec. 2011)

Solution : $\sin \theta = \frac{3}{5}$, $\cos \theta = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{9}{25}}$

$$\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta$$

$$= 2 \times \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{4}{5} = \frac{24}{25}$$

7. Prove that $\frac{1 + \cos 2x}{\sin 2x} = \cot x$

(April/May 2017)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Solution : LHS} &= \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{\sin 2x} && (\cos 2x = 2\cos^2 x - 1) \\ &= \frac{2\cos^2 x}{2\sin x \cos x} \\ &= \cot x = \text{RHS} \end{aligned}$$

8. Show that $\sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{1 + \cos 2\theta}} = \tan \theta$

(May 2006)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Solution : LHS} &= \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{1 + \cos 2\theta}} = \sqrt{\frac{1 - (1 - 2\sin^2 \theta)}{1 + (2\cos^2 \theta - 1)}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{2\sin^2 \theta}{2\cos^2 \theta}} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \\ &= \tan \theta = \text{RHS} \end{aligned}$$

9. Prove that $\tan A + \cot A = 2\operatorname{cosec}(2A)$

$$\text{Solution : LHS} = \tan A + \cot A$$

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{\sin A}{\cos A} + \frac{\cos A}{\sin A}$$

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{\sin^2 A + \cos^2 A}{\sin A \cos A}$$

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{2 \times 1}{2 \sin A \cos A}$$

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{2}{\sin 2A} = 2\operatorname{cosec} 2A = \text{RHS}$$