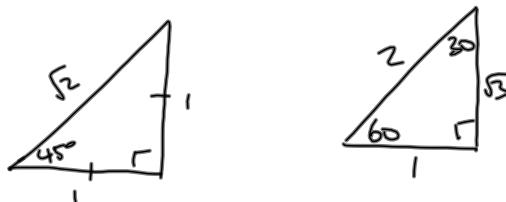


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**5** **Trigonometry 2**

**Section 5.5 Inverse trigonometric functions**

<u>A: Degrees</u>	30°	45°	60°
<u>A: Rads</u>	$\pi/6$	$\pi/4$	$\pi/3$
$\sin A$	$1/2$	$1/\sqrt{2}$	$\sqrt{3}/2$
$\cos A$	$\sqrt{3}/2$	$1/\sqrt{2}$	$1/2$
$\tan A$	$1/\sqrt{3}$	1	$\sqrt{3}$

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**Example 1**

Write down the value of each of the following angles in the range 0° to 90°.

- (i)  $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$       (ii)  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$       (iii)  $\tan^{-1}(\sqrt{3})$       (iv)  $\cos^{-1}(0.8)$ .

ANSWER

$$(i) \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 30^\circ$$

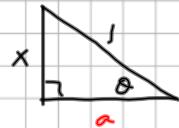
$$(ii) \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = 45^\circ$$

$$(iii) \tan(\sqrt{3}) = 60^\circ$$

$$(iv) \cos^{-1}(0.8) = 36.9^\circ$$

**Example 2**(i) Express  $\cos(\sin^{-1} x)$  in terms of  $x$ .(ii) Evaluate  $\sin(2 \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3})$ .

(i)



$$\text{let } \theta = \sin^{-1} x$$

$$\sin \theta = x = \frac{x}{1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1^2 &= x^2 + a^2 \\ 1 - x^2 &= a^2 \\ a &= \sqrt{1 - x^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\cos(\sin^{-1} x) = \cos \theta = \frac{\sqrt{1-x^2}}{1} = \sqrt{1-x^2}$$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{let } 2 \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3} &= 2\theta \\ \Rightarrow \theta &= \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sin(2 \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3}) = \sin 2\theta *$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 5 \\ 3 & \\ x^2 &= 4^2 + 3^2 = 25 \Rightarrow x = 5 \\ \sin \theta &= \frac{4}{5} \quad \cos \theta = \frac{3}{5} \end{aligned}$$

\* write in terms of  $\theta$  p.13  $\boxed{\sin 2\theta = 2 \cos \theta \sin \theta}$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(2\theta) = 2 \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)$$

$$= \frac{36}{25}$$