# 3.4 Trigonometric Proof

## **Question Paper**

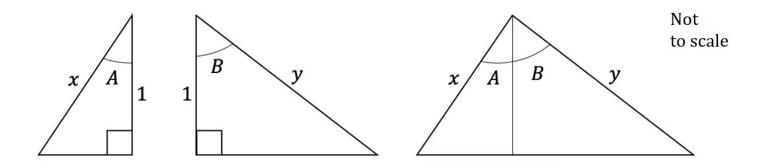
| Course     | CIE A Level Maths       |
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| Section    | 3. Trigonometry         |
| Topic      | 3.4 Trigonometric Proof |
| Difficulty | Very Hard               |

Time allowed: 60

Score: /48

Percentage: /100

Consider the three triangles, all of height 1, as shown below.



By applying the area of a triangle formula  $A = \frac{1}{2}ab \sin C$  to each one, prove that,

$$\sin(A+B) \equiv \sin A \cos B + \sin B \cos A$$

Briefly explain why this only proves the result for A and B being acute angles.

[6 marks]

Prove the identity

$$\tan 4\theta \equiv \frac{4 \tan \theta (1 - \tan^2 \theta)}{1 - 6 \tan^2 \theta + \tan^4 \theta}$$

[4 marks]

#### Question 3

Prove the identity

$$-16 \cot 2\theta \csc^3 2\theta \equiv \sec^4 \theta - \csc^4 \theta$$

[5 marks]

Show that

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}\cos\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)}{\sin\left(\theta - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)} \equiv \tan\theta - 1$$

[4 marks]

#### Question 5a

(a) Show that

$$\sin 3\theta \equiv 3\sin\theta\cos^2\theta - \sin^3\theta$$

[4 marks]

#### Question 5b

(b) Hence, or otherwise, show that

$$\frac{\cos 3\theta - \cos \theta}{\sin 3\theta \sin \theta} \equiv \frac{4\cos \theta}{1 - 4\cos^2 \theta} \qquad \theta \neq k\pi$$

[5 marks]

#### Question 6

Show that

$$4\cos^2\left(x - \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \equiv 3 - 2\sin^2 x + \sqrt{3}\sin 2x$$

[5 marks]

Show that

$$\tan\left(\frac{2x+\pi}{4}\right) \equiv \sec x + \tan x$$

[6 marks]

#### **Question 8**

Show that

$$\frac{1}{\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\cos\theta - \frac{1}{2}\sin\theta\right)^2} + \frac{1}{\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\sin\theta + \frac{1}{2}\cos\theta\right)^2} \equiv 4\csc^2\left(2\theta + \frac{\pi}{3}\right)$$

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[9 marks]