

For any positive integer n , let $S_n: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$S_n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{1 + k(k+1)x^2}{x} \right),$$

where for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $\cot^{-1}(x) \in (0, \pi)$ and $\tan^{-1}(x) \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$. Then which of the following statements is (are) **TRUE** ?

- (A) $S_{10}(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1+11x^2}{10x} \right)$, for all $x > 0$
- (B) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cot(S_n(x)) = x$, for all $x > 0$
- (C) The equation $S_3(x) = \frac{\pi}{4}$ has a root in $(0, \infty)$
- (D) $\tan(S_n(x)) \leq \frac{1}{2}$, for all $n \geq 1$ and $x > 0$

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Sol: \rightarrow

$$\begin{aligned} S_n(x) &= \sum_{k=1}^n \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{1 + k(k+1)x^2}{x} \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{1 + k(k+1)x^2} \right) \quad \left(\because \cot^{-1}(x) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{(k+1)x - kx}{1 + k(k+1)x^2} \right) \quad \left(\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x-y}{1+xy} \right) = \tan^{-1}(x) - \tan^{-1}(y) \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left[\tan^{-1}((k+1)x) - \tan^{-1}(kx) \right] \\ &= \cancel{\tan^{-1}(2x)} - \tan^{-1}(x) \\ &\quad + \cancel{\tan^{-1}(3x)} - \cancel{\tan^{-1}(2x)} \\ &\quad + \cancel{\tan^{-1}(4x)} - \cancel{\tan^{-1}(3x)} \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &\quad \tan^{-1}((n+1)x) - \cancel{\tan^{-1}(nx)} \end{aligned}$$

$$S_n(x) = \tan^{-1}(n+1)x - \tan^{-1}(x)$$

$$(A) \quad S_{10}(x) = \tan^{-1}(11x) - \tan^{-1}(x) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{11x-x}{1+11x^2}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{10x}{1+11x^2}\right)$$

$$\therefore S_{10}(x) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{10x}{1+11x^2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \cot^{-1}\left(\frac{10x}{1+11x^2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1+11x^2}{10x}\right)$$

Hence, (A) is correct.

$$(B) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cot(S_n(x)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cot(\tan^{-1}(n+1)x - \tan^{-1}(x))$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cot\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{(n+1)x-x}{1+(n+1)x^2}\right)\right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cot\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{nx}{1+(n+1)x^2}\right)\right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cot\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{\frac{1}{n} + (1+\frac{1}{n})x^2}\right)\right)$$

$$= \cot\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{x^2}\right)\right) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$$

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

Hence, (B) is correct.

$$(C) \quad S_3(x) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1}(4x) - \tan^{-1}(x) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 3x = 1+4x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{4x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0} \rightarrow \mathcal{D} < 0 \quad \text{No real root} \quad (C) \text{ is incorrect}$$

$$(D) \quad \tan(S_n(x)) = \tan(\tan^{-1}(n+1)x - \tan^{-1}(x)) = \tan\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{nx}{1+(n+1)x^2}\right)\right)$$

$$\therefore \tan(S_n(x)) = \frac{nx}{1+(n+1)x^2} \quad (\because \tan(\tan^{-1}(y)) = y \quad \forall y \in \mathbb{R})$$

$$\therefore \tan(S_n(x)) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{nx} + \frac{(n+1)x^2}{nx}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{nx} + x + \frac{x}{n}}$$

$$\text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \frac{1}{\frac{1}{nx} + x + \frac{x}{n}} = \frac{1}{x}; \text{ say } x=1 \\ \text{Value} = 1$$

$\therefore \tan(S_n(x))$ is not $\leq \frac{1}{2} \forall n \geq 1$ and $x > 0$

(D) is incorrect.

Hence correct ans is (AB)