

Trigonometry Functions - Class XI

Past Year JEE Questions

Questions

Question: 01

If $\cos(\alpha + \beta) = 3/5$, $\sin(\alpha - \beta) = 5/13$ and $0 < \alpha, \beta < \frac{\pi}{4}$, then $\tan(2\alpha)$ is equal to :

- A. 21/16
- B. 63/52
- C. 33/52
- D. 63/16

Solutions

Solution: 01

Explanation

Given $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{4}$

and $0 < \beta < \frac{\pi}{4}$

$\therefore 0 > -\beta > -\frac{\pi}{4}$

$\therefore 0 < \alpha + \beta < \frac{\pi}{2}$

and $-\frac{\pi}{4} < \alpha - \beta < \frac{\pi}{4}$

As $\cos(\alpha + \beta) = 3/5$

so $\tan(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{4}{3}$

As $\sin(\alpha - \beta) = 5/13$

so $\tan(\alpha - \beta) = \frac{5}{12}$

Now $\tan(2\alpha) = \tan(\alpha + \beta + \alpha - \beta)$

$$= \frac{\tan(\alpha + \beta) + \tan(\alpha - \beta)}{1 - \tan(\alpha + \beta) \tan(\alpha - \beta)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{4}{3} + \frac{5}{12}}{1 - \frac{4}{3} \times \frac{5}{12}} = \frac{63}{16}$$