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of Trig Identities: Part IV

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Δ sin of 3 - angle sum into sin & cos of summands

$$\bullet \sin(A + B + C)$$

$$= \sin A \cos B \cos C$$

$$+ \cos A \sin B \cos C$$

$$+ \cos A \cos B \sin C$$

$$- \sin A \sin B \sin C$$

$$= 2 \cos A \cos B \cos C - \begin{vmatrix} \sin A & \cos B & \cos C \\ \cos A & \sin B & \cos C \\ \cos A & \cos B & \sin C \end{vmatrix}$$

Δ cos of 3 - angle sum into sin & cos of summands

$$\bullet \cos(A + B + C)$$

$$= \cos A \cos B \cos C$$

$$- \cos A \sin B \sin C$$

$$- \sin A \cos B \sin C$$

$$- \sin A \sin B \cos C$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \cos A & \sin B & \sin C \\ \sin A & \cos B & \sin C \\ \sin A & \sin B & \cos C \end{vmatrix} - 2 \sin A \sin B \sin C$$

Δ looking at the two preceding formulas for
 $\sin(A + B + C)$ & $\cos(A + B + C)$,
to pass from one to the other
interchange \sin & \cos
and change the sign of the RHS

Δ tan of 3 - angle sum into tan of summands

- $\tan(A + B + C)$

$$= \frac{\tan A + \tan B + \tan C - \tan A \tan B \tan C}{1 - \tan A \tan B - \tan A \tan C - \tan B \tan C}$$

wh

$$\text{numerator} = 2 - \begin{vmatrix} \tan A & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \tan B & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \tan C \end{vmatrix}$$

&

$$\text{denominator} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \tan B & \tan C \\ \tan A & 1 & \tan C \\ \tan A & \tan B & 1 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \tan A \tan B \tan C$$

Δ cot of 3 - angle sum into cot of summands

$$\bullet \cot(A + B + C)$$

$$= \frac{\cot A + \cot B + \cot C - \cot A \cot B \cot C}{1 - \cot A \cot B - \cot A \cot C - \cot B \cot C}$$

wh

$$\text{numerator} = 2 - \begin{vmatrix} \cot A & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \cot B & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \cot C \end{vmatrix}$$

&

$$\text{denominator} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cot B & \cot C \\ \cot A & 1 & \cot C \\ \cot A & \cot B & 1 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \cot A \cot B \cot C$$

Δ looking at the two preceding formulas for
 $\tan(A + B + C)$ & $\cot(A + B + C)$,
to pass from one to the other
interchange \tan & \cot

Δ to write down the formula for the tangent of the sum of finitely many angles into the tangents of the individual angles, form a quotient in which

- the numerator

is the alternating sum

of the odd - numbered symmetric functions

of the tangents of the individual angles

&

- the denominator

is the alternating sum

of the even - numbered symmetric functions

of the tangents of the individual angles

Δ a somewhat similar rule holds for the cotangent but depends on the parity of the number of angles

Δ product of sin & cos of 3 angles as sum

$$\bullet 4 \sin A \sin B \sin C$$

$$= -\sin(A + B + C)$$

$$+\sin(-A + B + C)$$

$$+\sin(A - B + C)$$

$$+\sin(A + B - C)$$

$$\bullet 4 \sin A \sin B \cos C$$

$$= -\cos(A + B + C)$$

$$+ \cos(-A + B + C)$$

$$+ \cos(A - B + C)$$

$$- \cos(A + B - C)$$

$$\bullet 4 \sin A \cos B \sin C$$

$$= -\cos(A + B + C)$$

$$+ \cos(-A + B + C)$$

$$- \cos(A - B + C)$$

$$+ \cos(A + B - C)$$

$$\bullet 4 \sin A \cos B \cos C$$

$$= \sin(A + B + C)$$

$$- \sin(-A + B + C)$$

$$+ \sin(A - B + C)$$

$$+ \sin(A + B - C)$$

$$\bullet 4 \cos A \sin B \sin C$$

$$= -\cos(A + B + C)$$

$$-\cos(-A + B + C)$$

$$+\cos(A - B + C)$$

$$+\cos(A + B - C)$$

$$\bullet 4 \cos A \sin B \cos C$$

$$= \sin(A + B + C)$$

$$+ \sin(-A + B + C)$$

$$- \sin(A - B + C)$$

$$+ \sin(A + B - C)$$

$$\bullet 4 \cos A \cos B \sin C$$

$$= \sin(A + B + C)$$

$$+ \sin(-A + B + C)$$

$$+ \sin(A - B + C)$$

$$- \sin(A + B - C)$$

$$\bullet 4 \cos A \cos B \cos C$$

$$= \cos(A + B + C)$$

$$+ \cos(-A + B + C)$$

$$+ \cos(A - B + C)$$

$$+ \cos(A + B - C)$$

Δ some three - angle identities

- $\sin A + \sin B + \sin C$

$$= \sin(A + B + C) + 4 \sin \frac{A + B}{2} \sin \frac{B + C}{2} \sin \frac{C + A}{2}$$

- $\cos A + \cos B + \cos C$

$$= -\cos(A + B + C) + 4 \cos \frac{A + B}{2} \cos \frac{B + C}{2} \cos \frac{C + A}{2}$$

- $\tan A + \tan B + \tan C$

$$= \tan A \tan B \tan C + \frac{\sin(A + B + C)}{\cos A \cos B \cos C}$$

- $\cot A + \cot B + \cot C$

$$= \cot A \cot B \cot C - \frac{\cos(A + B + C)}{\sin A \sin B \sin C}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \bullet \sin(A - B) + \sin(B - C) + \sin(C - A) \\ &= -4 \sin \frac{A - B}{2} \sin \frac{B - C}{2} \sin \frac{C - A}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \bullet \cos(A - B) + \cos(B - C) + \cos(C - A) \\ &= 4 \cos \frac{A - B}{2} \cos \frac{B - C}{2} \cos \frac{C - A}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \bullet \sin^2 (A + B + C) \\
& + \sin^2 (-A + B + C) \\
& + \sin^2 (A - B + C) \\
& + \sin^2 (A + B - C) \\
& = 2 - 2 \cos 2A \cos 2B \cos 2C
\end{aligned}$$

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& + \cos^2 (-A + B + C) \\
& + \cos^2 (A - B + C) \\
& + \cos^2 (A + B - C) \\
& = 2 + 2 \cos 2A \cos 2B \cos 2C
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \bullet \sin 4 A + \sin 4 B + \sin 4 C \\ & = 4 \sin 2 A \sin 2 B \sin 2 C \\ & + 2 \sin 2(A + B + C) \\ & + 8 \cos(A + B + C) \\ & \times \sin(-A + B + C) \\ & \times \sin(A - B + C) \\ & \times \sin(A + B - C) \end{aligned}$$

Δ some trig eqns that are true
for all angles A, B, C
such that their sum is a straight angle:
 $A + B + C = 180^\circ = \pi^r$;
hence these formulas hold
for the angles A, B, C of any triangle

$$\bullet \sin A + \sin B + \sin C = 4 \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}$$

$$\bullet \sin A + \sin B - \sin C = 4 \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}$$

$$\bullet \sin A - \sin B + \sin C = 4 \sin \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}$$

$$\bullet -\sin A + \sin B + \sin C = 4 \cos \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}$$

$$\bullet \cos A + \cos B + \cos C = 1 + 4 \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2}$$

$$\bullet \cos A + \cos B - \cos C = 4 \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} - 1$$

$$\bullet \cos A - \cos B + \cos C = 4 \cos \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2} - 1$$

$$\bullet -\cos A + \cos B + \cos C = 4 \sin \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2} - 1$$

- $\sin 2A + \sin 2B + \sin 2C = 4 \sin A \sin B \sin C$
- $\sin 3A + \sin 3B + \sin 3C + 4 \cos \frac{3}{2}A \cos \frac{3}{2}B \cos \frac{3}{2}C = 0$
- $\sin 4A + \sin 4B + \sin 4C + 4 \sin 2A \sin 2B \sin 2C = 0$
- $\cos 2A + \cos 2B + \cos 2C + 4 \cos A \cos B \cos C + 1 = 0$
- $\cos 3A + \cos 3B + \cos 3C + 4 \sin \frac{3}{2}A \sin \frac{3}{2}B \sin \frac{3}{2}C = 0$
- $\cos 4A + \cos 4B + \cos 4C + 1 = 4 \cos 2A \cos 2B \cos 2C$

$$\begin{aligned} & \bullet \sin \frac{A}{2} + \sin \frac{B}{2} + \sin \frac{C}{2} \\ &= 1 + 4 \sin \frac{1}{4}(A+B) \sin \frac{1}{4}(B+C) \sin \frac{1}{4}(C+A) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \bullet \cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2} \\ &= 4 \cos \frac{1}{4}(A+B) \cos \frac{1}{4}(B+C) \cos \frac{1}{4}(C+A) \end{aligned}$$

- $\tan A + \tan B + \tan C = \tan A \tan B \tan C$
- $\cot A \cot B + \cot B \cot C + \cot C \cot A = 1$
- $(\cot A + \cot B + \cot C)^2 = \cot^2 A + \cot^2 B + \cot^2 C + 2$
- $\cot \frac{A}{2} + \cot \frac{B}{2} + \cot \frac{C}{2} = \cot \frac{A}{2} \cot \frac{B}{2} \cot \frac{C}{2}$
- $\tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \tan \frac{A}{2} = 1$
- $\left(\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \right)^2 = \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} + \tan^2 \frac{B}{2} + \tan^2 \frac{C}{2} + 2$

- $\sin^2 A + \sin^2 B + \sin^2 C = 2 + 2 \cos A \cos B \cos C$

- $\sin^2 A + \sin^2 B - \sin^2 C = 2 \sin A \sin B \cos C$

- $\sin^2 A - \sin^2 B + \sin^2 C = 2 \sin A \cos B \sin C$

- $-\sin^2 A + \sin^2 B + \sin^2 C = 2 \cos A \sin B \sin C$

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

- $\cos^2 A + \cos^2 B - \cos^2 C = 1 - 2 \sin A \sin B \cos C$

- $\cos^2 A - \cos^2 B + \cos^2 C = 1 - 2 \sin A \cos B \sin C$

- $-\cos^2 A + \cos^2 B + \cos^2 C = 1 - 2 \cos A \sin B \sin C$

$$\bullet \frac{\sin 2A}{\tan B + \tan C} = \frac{\sin 2B}{\tan C + \tan A} = \frac{\sin 2C}{\tan A + \tan B}$$

$$= 2 \cos A \cos B \cos C$$

$$\bullet \frac{\sin A + \sin B}{\cos A + \cos B} = \cot \frac{C}{2} \quad \& \quad \text{cyclicly}$$

Metatheorem.

- the formula $F(A, B, C)$ is valid

\Rightarrow

- the formula $F\left(A - \pi, B + \frac{\pi}{2}, C + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ is valid

& cyclicly

- the formula $F(-A, \pi - B, \pi - C)$ is valid

& cyclicly

- the formula $F(A + \pi, B + \pi, C - 2\pi)$ is valid

- the formula $F(\pi - 2A, \pi - 2B, \pi - 2C)$ is valid

- the formula $F(3A, 3B - \pi, 3C - \pi)$ is valid

& cyclicly

- the formula $F\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{A}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{B}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{C}{2}\right)$ is valid

- etc

T. let

$A, B, C \in$ the angles of a triangle ABC

then

(1) considering $\sin A + \sin B + \sin C$
as a function of the triangle ABC :

$$\bullet 0 < \sin A + \sin B + \sin C \leq \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$$

$$\bullet \sin A + \sin B + \sin C = \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$$

$\Leftrightarrow ABC \in \text{eq } \Delta$

$\bullet \sin A + \sin B + \sin C$ assumes all values
in the left - open right - closed real interval

from 0 to $\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$

(2) considering $\sin 2A + \sin 2B + \sin 2C$
as a function of the triangle ABC:

$$\bullet 0 < \sin 2A + \sin 2B + \sin 2C \leq \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$$

$$\bullet \sin 2A + \sin 2B + \sin 2C = \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$$

$\Leftrightarrow ABC \in \text{eq } \Delta$

$\bullet \sin 2A + \sin 2B + \sin 2C$ assumes all values
in the left - open right - closed real interval

from 0 to $\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$

(3) considering $\sin 3A + \sin 3B + \sin 3C$
as a function of the triangle ABC:

- $-2 < \sin 3A + \sin 3B + \sin 3C \leq \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$

- $\sin 3A + \sin 3B + \sin 3C = 0$

$\Leftrightarrow A = 60^\circ$ or $B = 60^\circ$ or $C = 60^\circ$

- $\sin 3A + \sin 3B + \sin 3C = \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$

$\Leftrightarrow ABC \in \text{isos } \Delta \text{ with apex angle } 140^\circ$

- $\sin 3A + \sin 3B + \sin 3C$ assumes all values
in the left - open right - closed real interval

from -2 to $\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$

(4) considering $\sin 4A + \sin 4B + \sin 4C$
as a function of the triangle ABC:

$$\bullet -\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3} \leq \sin 4A + \sin 4B + \sin 4C \leq \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$$

$$\bullet \sin 4A + \sin 4B + \sin 4C = \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$$

$\Leftrightarrow ABC \in \text{isos } \Delta \text{ with apex angle } 120^\circ$

$$\bullet \sin 4A + \sin 4B + \sin 4C = 0$$

$\Leftrightarrow ABC \in \text{rt } \Delta$

$$\bullet \sin 4A + \sin 4B + \sin 4C = -\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$$

$\Leftrightarrow ABC \in \text{eq } \Delta$

$\bullet \sin 4A + \sin 4B + \sin 4C$ assumes all values
in the closed real interval

from $-\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$ to $\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$

□ Chebyshev polynomials

△ the Chebyshev polynomials
of the first kind

=_{ab} CP1

=_{dn} $T_n(x)$ ($n \in \text{nonneg int var}$; $x \in \text{real var}$)

=_{dr}

- $T_0(x) = 1$
- $T_1(x) = x$
- $T_{n+2}(x) = 2x T_{n+1}(x) - T_n(x)$

△ the Chebyshev polynomials
of the second kind

=_{ab} CP2

=_{dn} $U_n(x)$ ($n \in \text{nonneg int var}$; $x \in \text{real var}$)

=_{dr}

- $U_0(x) = 1$
- $U_1(x) = 2x$
- $U_{n+2}(x) = 2x U_{n+1}(x) - U_n(x)$

Δ relations between CP1 & CP2

- $T_{n+1}(x) = U_{n+1}(x) - x U_n(x)$ ($n \in \text{nonneg int}$)
- $U_{n+1}(x) = \frac{x T_n(x) - T_{n+1}(x)}{1 - x^2}$ ($n \in \text{nonneg int}$)

Δ the general multiple - angle formulas
 for the cosine & sine
 into the Chebyshev polynomials

- $\bullet \cos n A = T_n (\cos A)$ wh $n \in$ pos int
- $\bullet \cos nA = (-1)^{\frac{n}{2}} T_n (\sin A)$ wh $n \in$ even pos int
- $\bullet \cos nA = (-1)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \cos A U_{n-1} (\sin A)$ wh $n \in$ odd pos int

- $\bullet \sin n A = \sin A U_{n-1} (\cos A)$ wh $n \in$ pos int
- $\bullet \sin nA = (-1)^{\frac{n}{2}-1} \cos A U_{n-1} (\sin A)$ wh $n \in$ even pos int
- $\bullet \sin nA = (-1)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} T_n (\sin A)$ wh $n \in$ odd pos int

△ the Chebyshev polynomials of the first kind listed explicitly for degrees up to 10

- $T_0(x) = 1$
- $T_1(x) = x$
- $T_2(x) = 2x^2 - 1$
- $T_3(x) = 4x^3 - 3x$
- $T_4(x) = 8x^4 - 8x^2 + 1$
- $T_5(x) = 16x^5 - 20x^3 + 5x$
- $T_6(x) = 32x^6 - 48x^4 + 18x^2 - 1$
- $T_7(x) = 64x^7 - 112x^5 + 56x^3 - 7x$
- $T_8(x) = 128x^8 - 256x^6 + 160x^4 - 32x^2 + 1$
- $T_9(x) = 256x^9 - 576x^7 + 432x^5 - 120x^3 + 9x$
- $T_{10}(x) = 512x^{10} - 1280x^8 + 1120x^6 - 400x^4 + 50x^2 - 1$

△ the Chebyshev polynomials of the second kind listed explicitly for degrees up to 10

- $U_0(x) = 1$
- $U_1(x) = 2x$
- $U_2(x) = 4x^2 - 1$
- $U_3(x) = 8x^3 - 4x$
- $U_4(x) = 16x^4 - 12x^2 + 1$
- $U_5(x) = 32x^5 - 32x^3 + 6x$
- $U_6(x) = 64x^6 - 80x^4 + 24x^2 - 1$
- $U_7(x) = 128x^7 - 192x^5 + 80x^3 - 8x$
- $U_8(x) = 256x^8 - 448x^6 + 240x^4 - 40x^2 + 1$
- $U_9(x) = 512x^9 - 1024x^7 + 672x^5 - 160x^3 + 10x$
- $U_{10}(x) = 1024x^{10} - 2304x^8 + 1792x^6 - 560x^4 + 60x^2 - 1$

Δ explicit formulas for the Chebyshev polynomials

- $T_n(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2^{n-1} \binom{n}{0} x^n - \frac{n}{n-1} 2^{n-3} \binom{n-1}{1} x^{n-2} \\ &+ \frac{n}{n-2} 2^{n-5} \binom{n-2}{2} x^{n-4} - \frac{n}{n-3} 2^{n-7} \binom{n-3}{3} x^{n-6} + \dots \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} (-1)^k \frac{n}{n-k} 2^{n-2k-1} \binom{n-k}{k} x^{n-2k} \end{aligned}$$

wh $n \in \text{pos int}$

- $U_n(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2^n \binom{n}{0} x^n - 2^{n-2} \binom{n-1}{1} x^{n-2} \\ &+ 2^{n-4} \binom{n-2}{2} x^{n-4} - 2^{n-6} \binom{n-3}{3} x^{n-6} + \dots \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} (-1)^k 2^{n-2k} \binom{n-k}{k} x^{n-2k} \end{aligned}$$

wh $n \in \text{nonneg int}$

Δ note on notation

- T was chosen for CP1 probably because a transliteration of the Russian name Chebyshev into German begins with T

eg

Tschebischeff;

there is no 'tee' in the Russian name written in the Cyrillic alphabet

- U was chosen for CP2 probably because U is the alphabetic successor to T

Δ bioline

Pafnuti Lvovich Chebyshev

1821 - 1894

Russian

algebraist, analyst, geometer, number theorist, probabilist, applied mathematician

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△ some trig inequalities

let

- $x, y \in \text{real var}$
- x, y have the geometric interpretation of being angles measured in radians

then

- $\sin x < x < \tan x \quad \left(0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$
- $\tan x < x < \sin x \quad \left(-\frac{\pi}{2} < x < 0 \right)$
- $\frac{2}{\pi} < \frac{\sin x}{x} < 1 \quad \left(-\frac{\pi}{2} < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \ \& \ x \neq 0 \right)$
- $\cos x < \frac{\sin x}{x} < 1 \quad \left(-\pi \leq x \leq \pi \ \& \ x \neq 0 \right)$
- $\exists \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$

- the Aristarchus inequalities

$$\frac{\sin x}{\sin y} < \frac{x}{y} < \frac{\tan x}{\tan y} \quad \left(0 < y < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$$

Δ bioline

Aristarchus of Samos

ca 310 - ca 230 BCE

Greek

mathematician, astronomer;

first to maintain that

the Earth rotates & revolves around the Sun

& to calculate (by correct geometric argument)

the sizes & distances of the Sun & the Moon,

the results being the best of the time

but inaccurate because more exact numerical observations

were not possible then;

found a more precise value for the length of the solar year;

a lunar crater is named in his honor,

a peak in its center being the brightest formation on the Moon

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