

Geometry Algebra Style

Varsity Practice 11/1/20

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1 Warm-Up Problems

- (1984 AIME #13) Find the value of $10 \cot(\cot^{-1} 3 + \cot^{-1} 7 + \cot^{-1} 13 + \cot^{-1} 21)$.
- (1997 AIME #11) Let $x = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{44} \cos n^\circ}{\sum_{n=1}^{44} \sin n^\circ}$. What is the greatest integer that does not exceed $100x$?
- (1998 AIME #5) Given that $A_k = \frac{k(k-1)}{2} \cos \frac{k(k-1)\pi}{2}$, find $|A_{19} + A_{20} + \cdots + A_{98}|$.

2 Problem Set

- (2003 AIME I #4) Given that $\log_{10} \sin x + \log_{10} \cos x = -1$ and that $\log_{10}(\sin x + \cos x) = \frac{1}{2}(\log_{10} n - 1)$, find n .
- (2008 AIME I #8) Find the positive integer n such that $\arctan \frac{1}{3} + \arctan \frac{1}{4} + \arctan \frac{1}{5} + \arctan \frac{1}{n} = \frac{\pi}{4}$.
- (2011 AIME I #9) Suppose x is in the interval $[0, \pi/2]$ and $\log_{24 \sin x}(24 \cos x) = \frac{3}{2}$. Find $24 \cot^2 x$.
- (2012 AIME II #9) Let x and y be real numbers such that $\frac{\sin x}{\sin y} = 3$ and $\frac{\cos x}{\cos y} = \frac{1}{2}$. The value of $\frac{\sin 2x}{\sin 2y} + \frac{\cos 2x}{\cos 2y}$ can be expressed in the form $\frac{p}{q}$, where p and q are relatively prime positive integers. Find $p + q$.
- (2013 AIME I #8) The domain of the function $f(x) = \arcsin(\log_m(nx))$ is a closed interval of length $\frac{1}{2013}$, where m and n are positive integers and $m > 1$. Find the remainder when the smallest possible sum $m + n$ is divided by 1000.
- (2015 AIME I #13) With all angles measured in degrees, the product $\prod_{k=1}^{45} \csc^2(2k-1)^\circ = m^n$, where m and n are integers greater than 1. Find $m + n$.
- (2019 AIME I #8) Let x be a real number such that $\sin^{10} x + \cos^{10} x = \frac{11}{36}$. Then $\sin^{12} x + \cos^{12} x = \frac{m}{n}$ where m and n are relatively prime positive integers. Find $m + n$. (Hint: Use binomial theorem to reduce terms)
- (1992 USAMO #2) Prove $\frac{1}{\cos 0^\circ \cos 1^\circ} + \frac{1}{\cos 1^\circ \cos 2^\circ} + \cdots + \frac{1}{\cos 88^\circ \cos 89^\circ} = \frac{\cos 1^\circ}{\sin^2 1^\circ}$.
- (1995 USAMO #2) A calculator is broken so that the only keys that still work are the \sin , \cos , \tan , \sin^{-1} , \cos^{-1} , and \tan^{-1} buttons. The display initially shows 0. Given any positive rational number q , show that pressing some finite sequence of buttons will yield q . Assume that the calculator does real number calculations with infinite precision. All functions are in terms of radians.

10. (1996 USAMO #1) Prove that the average of the numbers $n \sin n^\circ$ ($n = 2, 4, 6, \dots, 180$) is $\cot 1^\circ$.
11. (1963 IMO #5) Prove that $\cos \frac{\pi}{7} - \cos \frac{2\pi}{7} + \cos \frac{3\pi}{7} = \frac{1}{2}$.
12. (1965 IMO #1) Determine all values x in the interval $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$ which satisfy the inequality

$$2 \cos x \leq \left| \sqrt{1 + \sin 2x} - \sqrt{1 - \sin 2x} \right| \leq \sqrt{2}.$$

13. (1966 IMO #4) Prove that for every natural number n , and for every real number $x \neq \frac{k\pi}{2^t}$ ($t = 0, 1, \dots, n$; k any integer)

$$\frac{1}{\sin 2x} + \frac{1}{\sin 4x} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sin 2^n x} = \cot x - \cot 2^n x$$

14. (1969 IMO #2) Let a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n be real constants, x a real variable, and

$$f(x) = \cos(a_1 + x) + \frac{1}{2} \cos(a_2 + x) + \frac{1}{4} \cos(a_3 + x) + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \cos(a_n + x).$$

Given that $f(x_1) = f(x_2) = 0$, prove that $x_2 - x_1 = m\pi$ for some integer m .