

# HOSSAM GHANEM

## (11) 7.6 Hyperbolic functions (A)

### Definition

$$\sinh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$$

$$\cosh x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$$

$$\tanh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}$$

$$\operatorname{csch} x = \frac{2}{e^x - e^{-x}}$$

$$\operatorname{sech} x = \frac{2}{e^x + e^{-x}}$$

$$\operatorname{coth} x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{e^x - e^{-x}}$$

$$\cosh^2 x - \sinh^2 x = 1$$

$$\cosh^2 x = \frac{1}{2}(\cosh 2x + 1)$$

$$1 - \operatorname{sech}^2 x = \tanh^2 x$$

$$\sinh 2x = 2 \sinh x \cosh x$$

$$1 + \operatorname{csch}^2 x = \operatorname{coth}^2 x$$

$$\sinh^2 x = \frac{1}{2}(\cosh 2x - 1)$$

$$\cosh 2x = \cosh^2 x + \sinh^2 x$$

$$\tanh 2x = \frac{2 \tanh x}{1 + \tanh^2 x}$$

### Limits

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sinh x = \infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \sinh x = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \cosh x = \infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \cosh x = \infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \operatorname{csch} x = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \operatorname{csch} x = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \operatorname{sech} x = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \operatorname{sech} x = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \tanh x = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \tanh x = -1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \operatorname{coth} x = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \operatorname{coth} x = -1$$

Example 1

Simplify  $\tanh\left(\ln \frac{e}{x}\right)$

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Solution

$$\tanh\left(\ln \frac{e}{x}\right) = \frac{e^{\ln \frac{e}{x}} - e^{-\ln \frac{e}{x}}}{e^{\ln \frac{e}{x}} + e^{-\ln \frac{e}{x}}} = \frac{\frac{e}{x} - \frac{x}{e}}{\frac{e}{x} + \frac{x}{e}} = \frac{ex\left(\frac{e}{x} - \frac{x}{e}\right)}{ex\left(\frac{e}{x} + \frac{x}{e}\right)} = \frac{e^2 - x^2}{e^2 + x^2}$$

Example 2

Simplify  $\cosh\left(\frac{1}{2}\ln(x+1) - \ln 2\right)$

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and find its value in a rational form.

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \cosh\left(\frac{1}{2}\ln(x+1) - \ln 2\right) &= \cosh \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{x+1}}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ e^{\ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{x+1}}{2}\right)} + e^{-\ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{x+1}}{2}\right)} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\sqrt{x+1}}{2} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{x+1}} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{x+1+4}{2\sqrt{x+1}} = \frac{x+5}{4\sqrt{x+1}} \end{aligned}$$

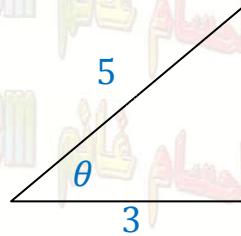
Example 3

Find the exact value of  $\sec\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)\right) + \tanh(\ln 2)$

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Solution

Let  $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) = \theta$   
 $\therefore \tan \theta = \frac{4}{3}$



$$\therefore \sec\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)\right) = \sec(\theta) = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\tanh(\ln 2) = \frac{e^{\ln 2} - e^{-\ln 2}}{e^{\ln 2} + e^{-\ln 2}} = \frac{2 - \frac{1}{2}}{2 + \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{4 - 1}{4 + 1} = \frac{3}{5}$$



$$\therefore \sec\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)\right) + \tanh(\ln 2) = \frac{5}{3} + \frac{3}{5} = \frac{25 + 9}{15} = \frac{34}{15}$$

Example 4Solve, for  $x$ , the equation

$$\coth(\ln x) = 3$$

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Solution

$$\coth(\ln x) = 3 \rightarrow x > 0$$

$$\frac{e^{\ln x} + e^{-\ln x}}{e^{\ln x} - e^{-\ln x}} = 3$$

$$\frac{x + \frac{1}{x}}{x - \frac{1}{x}} = 3$$

$$\frac{x^2 + 1}{x^2 - 1} = 3$$

$$x^2 + 1 = 3x^2 - 3$$

$$2x^2 = 4$$

$$x^2 = 2$$

$$x = \sqrt{2}$$

Example 5

Prove that

$$\frac{\coth(2 \ln x) + 1}{\coth(2 \ln x) - 1} = x^4$$

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Solution

$$\begin{aligned}
 L.H.S &= \frac{\coth(2 \ln x) + 1}{\coth(2 \ln x) - 1} = \frac{\coth(\ln x^2) + 1}{\coth(\ln x^2) - 1} = \frac{\sin(\ln x^2)(\coth(\ln x^2) + 1)}{\sin(\ln x^2)(\coth(\ln x^2) - 1)} = \frac{\cosh(\ln x^2) + \sin(\ln x^2)}{\cosh(\ln x^2) - \sin(\ln x^2)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{1}{2}(e^{\ln x^2} + e^{-\ln x^2}) + \frac{1}{2}(e^{\ln x^2} - e^{-\ln x^2})}{\frac{1}{2}(e^{\ln x^2} + e^{-\ln x^2}) - \frac{1}{2}(e^{\ln x^2} - e^{-\ln x^2})} = \frac{e^{\ln x^2}}{e^{-\ln x^2}} = \frac{x^2}{\frac{1}{x^2}} = x^4 = R.H.S
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 6

Prove the identity:

$$\frac{\operatorname{sech} x}{1 - \tanh x} = \cosh x + \sinh x$$

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Solution

$$\begin{aligned}
 L.H.S &= \frac{\operatorname{sech} x}{1 - \tanh x} = \frac{\cosh x \operatorname{sech} x}{\cosh x (1 - \tanh x)} = \frac{1}{\cosh x - \sinh x} = \frac{\cosh x + \sinh x}{(\cosh x - \sinh x)(\cosh x + \sinh x)} \\
 &= \frac{\cosh x + \sinh x}{\cosh^2 x - \sinh^2 x} = \cosh x + \sinh x = R.H.S
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 7

Prove that

$$\operatorname{sech}(\ln x) + \operatorname{csch}(\ln x) = \frac{4x^3}{x^4 - 1}$$

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Solution

$$\begin{aligned}
 \operatorname{sech}(\ln x) + \operatorname{csch}(\ln x) &= \frac{2}{e^{\ln x} + e^{-\ln x}} + \frac{2}{e^{\ln x} - e^{-\ln x}} = \frac{2}{x + \frac{1}{x}} + \frac{2}{x - \frac{1}{x}} = \frac{2x}{x^2 + 1} + \frac{2x}{x^2 - 1} \\
 &= \frac{2x(x^2 - 1) + 2x(x^2 + 1)}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 - 1)} = \frac{2x(x^2 - 1 + x^2 + 1)}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 - 1)} = \frac{2x(2x^2)}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 - 1)} = \frac{4x^2}{x^4 - 1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 8Prove that for all real numbers  $x$ 

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$$\operatorname{sech}^2 x = \frac{2 \operatorname{sech} 2x}{1 + \operatorname{sech} 2x}$$

Solution

$$R.H.S = \frac{2 \operatorname{sech} 2x}{1 + \operatorname{sech} 2x} = \frac{2}{\cosh 2x + 1} = \frac{2}{\frac{1}{2}(e^{2x} + e^{-2x}) + 1} = \frac{4}{e^{2x} + e^{-2x} + 2}$$

$$L.H.S = \operatorname{sech}^2 x = \left( \frac{2}{e^x + e^{-x}} \right)^2 = \frac{4}{e^{2x} + e^{-2x} + 2} = R.H.S$$

$$\therefore \operatorname{sech}^2 x = \frac{2 \operatorname{sech} 2x}{1 + \operatorname{sech} 2x}$$

Example 9

Prove the identity

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$$2 \tan^{-1} e^x - \tan^{-1}(\sinh x) = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty$$

Solution

$$\text{Let } f(x) = 2 \tan^{-1} e^x$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{2e^x}{e^{2x} + 1}$$

$$\text{Let } g(x) = \tan^{-1}(\sinh x)$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{\cosh x}{\sinh^2 x + 1} = \frac{\cosh x}{\cosh^2 x} = \frac{1}{\cosh x} = \frac{2}{e^x + e^{-x}} = \frac{e^x \cdot 2}{e^x(e^x + e^{-x})} = \frac{2e^x}{e^{2x} + 1}$$

$$f'(x) = g'(x)$$

$$f(x) = g(x) + c$$

$$f(x) - g(x) = c$$

$$2 \tan^{-1} e^x - \tan^{-1}(\sinh x) = c$$

$$\text{at } x = 0$$

$$2 \tan^{-1}(1) - \tan^{-1}(0) = c$$

$$2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} - \tan^{-1}(0) = c$$

$$\frac{\pi}{2} - 0 = c$$

$$c = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\therefore \tan^{-1} e^x - \tan^{-1}(\sinh x) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Example 10Given that  $x = \ln(\csc \theta + \cot \theta)$ 

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Show that  $\csc \theta = \cosh x$ 

Solution

$$x = \ln(\csc \theta + \cot \theta) \quad \therefore e^x = \csc \theta + \cot \theta$$

$$R.H.S = \cosh x = \frac{1}{2}(e^x + e^{-x}) = \frac{1}{2}\left(\csc \theta + \cot \theta + \frac{1}{\csc \theta + \cot \theta}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\left(\csc \theta + \cot \theta + \frac{1}{\csc \theta + \cot \theta} \cdot \frac{\csc \theta - \cot \theta}{\csc \theta - \cot \theta}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\left(\csc \theta + \cot \theta + \frac{\csc \theta - \cot \theta}{\csc^2 \theta + \cot^2 \theta}\right) = \frac{1}{2}(\csc \theta + \cot \theta + \csc \theta - \cot \theta)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(2 \csc \theta) = \csc \theta = L.H.S$$

# Homework

1Calculate  $\coth(\ln 2)$ 23 November 2007 A  
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Verify the following identities:

$$\cosh(\ln x) - \sinh(\ln x) = \frac{1}{x} \quad \text{for } x > 0$$

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Show that

$$\cosh(\ln(\tan x)) = \csc(2x), \quad \text{for } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

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State whether each of the following statements is true or false-explain your answer

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$$\cosh 4x - \sinh 4x = e^{-4x}$$

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Prove that

$$\cosh 2x = \cosh^2 x + \sinh^2 x$$

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Prove that

$$\cosh 2x = \frac{\coth x + \tanh x}{2}$$

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Solve the equation

$$e^{3x} + \sinh x = 0$$

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(2 pts. ) Prove that

$$\cosh(x + y) = \cosh(x) \cosh(y) + \sinh(x) \sinh(y) \text{ for all } x \text{ and } y \text{ in } \mathbb{R}.$$

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(3 pts. ) Prove that

$$\tanh(\log_3 x) = \frac{x^{2/\ln 3} - 1}{x^{2/\ln 3} + 1}$$

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