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“A mathematician is a machine for turning coffee into theorems.”

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Verifying Trigonometric Identities with Simple Arguments Involving the Product of Three Trigonometric Functions: Problems with Solutions (Part 24)

97. $\tan \theta \cdot \csc \theta \cdot \csc \theta = \cot \theta \cdot \sec \theta \cdot \sec \theta.$

SOLUTIONS

1. $\sin \theta \cdot \sin \theta \cdot \csc \theta = \sin \theta \cdot \sin \theta \cdot \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = \sin \theta \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta} = \sin \theta \cdot 1 = \sin \theta.$

2. $\cos \theta \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \sec \theta = \cos \theta \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \frac{1}{\cos \theta} = \cos \theta \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta} = \cos \theta \cdot 1 = \cos \theta.$

3. $\sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \sec \theta = \sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \frac{1}{\cos \theta} = \sin \theta \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta} = \sin \theta \cdot 1 = \sin \theta.$

4. $\cos \theta \cdot \sin \theta \cdot \csc \theta = \cos \theta \cdot \sin \theta \cdot \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = \cos \theta \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta} = \cos \theta \cdot 1 = \cos \theta.$

5. $\sin \theta \cdot \tan \theta \cdot \csc \theta = \sin \theta \cdot \tan \theta \cdot \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = \tan \theta \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta} = \tan \theta \cdot 1 = \tan \theta.$

$$6. \cos \theta \cdot \cot \theta \cdot \sec \theta = \cos \theta \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot 1 = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = \cot \theta.$$

$$7. \sin \theta \cdot \tan \theta \cdot \cot \theta = \sin \theta \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = \sin \theta \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta} = \sin \theta \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = \sin \theta.$$

$$8. \cos \theta \cdot \cot \theta \cdot \tan \theta = \cos \theta \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \cos \theta \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta} = \cos \theta \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = \cos \theta.$$

$$9. \sin \theta \cdot \sec \theta \cdot \csc \theta = \sin \theta \cdot \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} = \sec \theta.$$

$$10. \cos \theta \cdot \csc \theta \cdot \sec \theta = \cos \theta \cdot \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos \theta} = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = \csc \theta.$$

$$11. \sin \theta \cdot \csc \theta \cdot \csc \theta = \sin \theta \cdot \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = \csc \theta.$$

$$12. \cos \theta \cdot \sec \theta \cdot \sec \theta = \cos \theta \cdot \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos \theta} = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} = \sec \theta.$$

$$13. \sin \theta \cdot \csc \theta \cdot \cot \theta = \sin \theta \cdot \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot 1 = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = \cot \theta.$$

$$14. \cos \theta \cdot \sec \theta \cdot \tan \theta = \cos \theta \cdot \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot 1 = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \tan \theta.$$

$$15. \tan \theta \cdot \csc \theta \cdot \cot \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = \csc \theta.$$

$$16. \cot \theta \cdot \sec \theta \cdot \tan \theta = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} = \sec \theta.$$

$$17. \tan \theta \cdot \tan \theta \cdot \cot \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \tan \theta.$$

$$18. \cot \theta \cdot \cot \theta \cdot \tan \theta = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = \cot \theta.$$

“Only he who never plays, never loses.”