

# IDENTITIES AND INEQUALITIES IN CYCLIC QUADRILATERALS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper are proved several metric identities in cyclic quadrilaterals.

Notations:

If  $ABCD$  is a cyclic quadrilateral denote:

$AB = a; BC = b; CD = c; DA = d; AC = e; BD = f; \Delta$  - area;  $s$  - semiperimeter;

$r_a, r_b, r_c, r_d$  - exradii;  $R$  - circumradii.

By Bretschneider's formula:

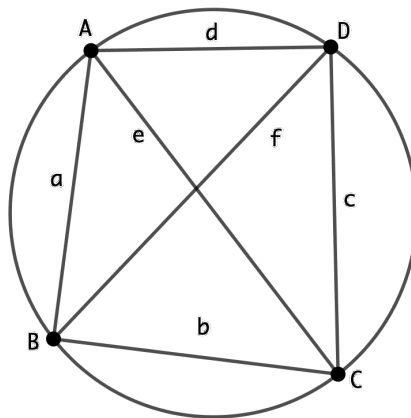
$$(1) \quad \Delta = \sqrt{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(s-d) - abcd \cos^2\left(\frac{A+C}{2}\right)}$$

$A + C = B + D = \pi; \sin A = \sin C; \sin B = \sin D; \cos A - \cos C; \cos B = -\cos D$

Replace  $A + C = \pi$  in (1) and we obtain:

$$(2) \quad \Delta = \sqrt{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(s-d)}$$

which is called Brahmagupta's formula.



Ptolemy's theorem states that:

$$(3) \quad ef = ac + bd$$

Proposition 1:

In any  $ABCD$  cyclic quadrilateral holds:

$$(4) \quad \cos A = \frac{a^2 - b^2 - c^2 + d^2}{2(ad + bc)} = -\cos C$$

*Proof.* By the law of cosine in  $\triangle ABD; \triangle BCD$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f^2 &= a^2 + d^2 - 2ad \cos A = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos C \\ a^2 - b^2 - c^2 + d^2 &= 2(ad \cos A - bc \cos(\pi - A)) \\ 2 \cos A(ad + bc) &= a^2 - b^2 - c^2 + d^2 \\ \cos A &= \frac{a^2 - b^2 - c^2 + d^2}{2(ad + bc)} \end{aligned}$$

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Proposition 2:

In any  $ABCD$  cyclic quadrilateral holds:

$$(5) \quad \sin A = \sin C = \frac{2\Delta}{ad + bc}$$

$$(6) \quad \sin B = \sin D = \frac{2\Delta}{ab + cd}$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= S[ABD] + S[BCD] = \frac{1}{2}ad \sin A + \frac{1}{2}bc \sin C \Rightarrow \\ 2\Delta &= ad \sin A + bc \sin(\pi - A) \\ 2\Delta &= (ad + bc) \sin A \Rightarrow \sin A = \frac{2\Delta}{ad + bc} = \sin C \\ \Delta &= S[ABC] + S[ACD] = \frac{1}{2}ab \sin B + \frac{1}{2}cd \sin D \\ 2\Delta &= ab \sin B + cd \sin(\pi - B) \\ 2\Delta &= \sin B(ab + cd) \Rightarrow \sin B = \frac{2\Delta}{ab + cd} = \sin D \end{aligned}$$

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Proposition 3:

In any  $ABCD$  cyclic quadrilateral holds:

$$(7) \quad \begin{aligned} \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} &= \frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{ad+bc} = \sin^2 \frac{C}{2}; \cos^2 \frac{B}{2} = \frac{(s-c)(s-d)}{ba+cd} = \sin^2 \frac{D}{2} \\ \cos^2 \frac{C}{2} &= \frac{(s-d)(s-a)}{cb+da} = \sin^2 \frac{A}{2}; \cos^2 \frac{D}{2} = \frac{(s-a)(s-b)}{dc+ab} = \sin^2 \frac{B}{2} \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} &= \frac{1 + \cos A}{2} = \frac{1 + \frac{a^2 - b^2 - c^2 + d^2}{2(ad+bc)}}{2} = \\ &= \frac{2(ad+bc) + a^2 - b^2 - c^2 + d^2}{4(ad+bc)} = \frac{(a+d)^2 - (b-c)^2}{4(ad+bc)} = \\ &= \frac{(a+d-b+c)(a+d+b-c)}{4(ad+bc)} = \frac{(2s-2b)(2s-2c)}{4(ad+bc)} = \frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{ad+bc} \end{aligned}$$

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Proposition 4:

In any  $\Delta ABCD$  cyclic quadrilateral holds:

$$\begin{aligned} \tan^2 \frac{A}{2} &= \frac{(s-a)(s-d)}{(s-b)(s-c)} = \cot^2 \frac{C}{2}; \tan^2 \frac{B}{2} = \frac{(s-b)(s-a)}{(s-c)(s-d)} = \cot^2 \frac{D}{2} \\ (8) \quad \tan^2 \frac{C}{2} &= \frac{(s-c)(s-b)}{(s-d)(s-a)} = \cot^2 \frac{A}{2}; \tan^2 \frac{D}{2} = \frac{(s-d)(s-c)}{(s-a)(s-b)} = \cot^2 \frac{B}{2} \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.*

$$\tan^2 \frac{A}{2} = \frac{\sin^2 \frac{A}{2}}{\cos^2 \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{\frac{(s-d)(s-a)}{ad+bc}}{\frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{ad+bc}} = \frac{(s-a)(s-d)}{(s-b)(s-c)} = \tan^2 \left( \frac{\pi - C}{2} \right) = \cot^2 \frac{C}{2}$$

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Proposition 5: (GIRARD'S IDENTITY)

In any  $ABCD$  cyclic quadrilateral holds:

$$(9) \quad (ab + cd)(ac + bd)(ad + bc) = 16R^2\Delta^2$$

*Proof.* In  $\Delta ABD$ :  $\frac{f}{2\sin A} = R$ ; In  $\Delta ABC$ :  $\frac{e}{2\sin B} = R$

By proposition (2):

$$(10) \quad \frac{f}{2 \cdot \frac{2\Delta}{ad+bc}} = R \Rightarrow f = \frac{4\Delta R}{ad + bc}$$

$$(11) \quad \frac{e}{2 \cdot \frac{2\Delta}{ab+cd}} = R \Rightarrow e = \frac{4\Delta R}{ab + cd}$$

By multiplying (10); (11):

$$ef = \frac{16\Delta^2 R^2}{(ad + bc)(ab + cd)}$$

By Ptolemy's theorem:  $ef = ac + bd$ , hence:

$$\begin{aligned} ac + bd &= \frac{16R^2\Delta^2}{(ad + bc)(ab + cd)} \\ (ab + cd)(ac + bd)(ad + bc) &= 16R^2\Delta^2 \end{aligned}$$

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Proposition 6 (circumradii)

In any  $\Delta ABCD$  cyclic quadrilateral holds:

$$(12) \quad R = \frac{\sqrt{(ab + cd)(ac + bd)(ad + bc)}}{4\Delta}$$

*Proof.* By Girard's identity:

$$\begin{aligned} (ab + cd)(ac + bd)(ad + bc) &= 16R^2\Delta^2 \\ R^2 &= \frac{(ab + cd)(ac + bd)(ad + bc)}{16\Delta^2} \\ R &= \frac{\sqrt{(ab + cd)(ac + bd)(ad + bc)}}{4\Delta} \end{aligned}$$

□

Proposition 7 (diagonals)

In any  $ABCD$  cyclic quadrilateral holds:

$$e = \sqrt{\frac{(ad + bc)(ac + bd)}{ab + cd}}; f = \sqrt{\frac{(ab + cd)(ac + bd)}{ad + bc}}$$

*Proof.* By (10); (11):

$$\begin{aligned} e &= \frac{4\Delta R}{ab + cd} \stackrel{(9)}{=} \frac{1}{ab + cd} \sqrt{(ab + cd)(ac + bd)(ad + bc)} = \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{(ad + bc)(ac + bd)}{ab + cd}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \frac{4\Delta R}{ad + bc} \stackrel{(9)}{=} \frac{1}{ad + bc} \sqrt{(ab + cd)(ac + bd)(ad + bc)} = \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{(ac + bd)(ad + bc)}{ab + cd}} \end{aligned}$$

The circles tangent to a side of the cyclic quadrilateral and tangent to the extensions of its two other sides has radii  $r_a, r_b, r_c, r_d$  called exradii.  $\square$

Proposition 8 (exradii)

In any  $ABCD$  cyclic quadrilateral holds:

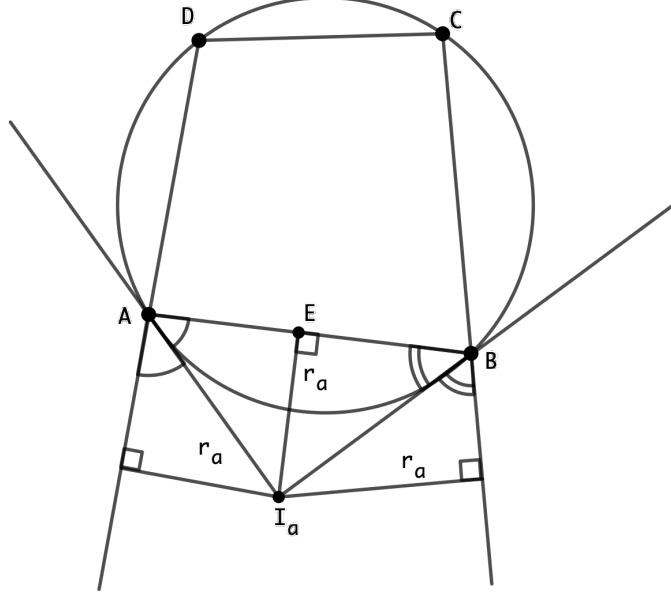
$$(13) \quad r_a = \frac{a}{\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2}} = \frac{\Delta a}{(s - a)(a - c)}$$

$$r_b = \frac{b}{\tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{\Delta b}{(s - b)(b + d)}$$

$$r_c = \frac{c}{\tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{D}{2}} = \frac{\Delta c}{(s - c)(a + c)}$$

$$r_d = \frac{d}{\tan \frac{D}{2} + \tan \frac{A}{2}} = \frac{\Delta d}{(s - d)(b + d)}$$

*Proof.* Denote  $I_a$  - centre of excircle tangent to  $AB$ .



$$(14) \quad \tan(\angle I_a A E) = \frac{I_a E}{A E} = \frac{r_a}{A E}$$

$$(15) \quad \tan(\angle I_a A E) = \tan\left(\frac{\pi - A}{2}\right) = \cot \frac{A}{2}$$

By (14); (15):

$$(16) \quad \frac{r_a}{A E} = \cot \frac{A}{2} \Rightarrow A E = r_a \tan \frac{A}{2}$$

$$(17) \quad \tan(\angle I_a B E) = \frac{I_a E}{B E} = \frac{r_a}{B E}$$

$$(18) \quad \tan(\angle I_a B E) = \tan\left(\frac{\pi - B}{2}\right) = \cot \frac{B}{2}$$

By (17); (18):

$$(19) \quad \frac{r_a}{B E} = \cot \frac{B}{2} \Rightarrow B E = r_a \tan \frac{B}{2}$$

$$a = A B = A E + E B \stackrel{(16);(19)}{=} r_a \tan \frac{A}{2} + r_a \tan \frac{B}{2} =$$

$$= r_a \left( \tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} \right) \Rightarrow r_a = \frac{a}{\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2}}$$

$$r_a = \frac{a}{\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2}} = \frac{a \Delta}{\Delta \tan \frac{A}{2} + \Delta \tan \frac{B}{2}} =$$

$$\stackrel{(2)}{=} \frac{a \Delta}{\sqrt{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(s-d)} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(s-a)(s-d)}{(s-b)(s-c)}} + \sqrt{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(s-d)} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(s-b)(s-a)}{(s-c)(s-d)}}} =$$

$$= \frac{a \Delta}{(s-a)(s-d) + (s-b)(s-a)} = \frac{a \Delta}{(s-a)(2s-b-d)} = \frac{a \Delta}{(s-a)(a+c)}$$

□

Proposition 9:

In any  $ABCD$  cyclic quadrilateral holds:

$$\frac{r_a^2}{a^3} + \frac{r_b^2}{b^3} + \frac{r_c^2}{c^3} + \frac{r_d^2}{d^3} \geq \frac{2}{s}$$

*Proof.* By (13):

$$\frac{r_a}{a} = \frac{\Delta}{(s-a)(a+c)}; \frac{r_c}{c} = \frac{\Delta}{(s-c)(a+c)}$$

By adding:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r_a}{a} + \frac{r_c}{c} &= \frac{\Delta}{a+c} \left( \frac{1}{s-a} + \frac{1}{s-c} \right) = \\ (20) \quad &= \frac{\Delta}{a+c} \cdot \frac{s-c+s-a}{(s-a)(s-c)} = \frac{\Delta}{a+c} \cdot \frac{b+d}{(s-a)(s-c)} \end{aligned}$$

Analogous:

$$(21) \quad \frac{r_b}{b} + \frac{r_d}{d} = \frac{\Delta}{b+c} \cdot \frac{a+c}{(s-a)(s-c)}$$

By adding (20); (21):

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r_a}{a} + \frac{r_b}{b} + \frac{r_c}{c} + \frac{r_d}{d} &= \frac{\Delta}{a+c} \cdot \frac{b+d}{(s-a)(s-c)} + \frac{\Delta}{b+d} \cdot \frac{a+c}{(s-b)(s-c)} \geq \\ &\stackrel{\text{AM-GM}}{=} \Delta \cdot 2 \sqrt{\frac{(b+d)(a+c)}{(a+c)(b+d)(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(s-d)}} = \\ (21) \quad &= \Delta \cdot \frac{2}{\Delta} = 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r_a}{a^2} + \frac{r_b}{b^2} + \frac{r_c}{c^2} + \frac{r_d}{d^2} &= \frac{\left(\frac{r_a}{a}\right)^2}{\frac{r_a}{a}} + \frac{\left(\frac{r_b}{b}\right)^2}{\frac{r_b}{b}} + \frac{\left(\frac{r_c}{c}\right)^2}{\frac{r_c}{c}} + \frac{\left(\frac{r_d}{d}\right)^2}{\frac{r_d}{d}} \geq \\ &\stackrel{\text{BERGSTRÖM}}{\geq} \frac{\left(\frac{r_a}{a} + \frac{r_b}{b} + \frac{r_c}{c} + \frac{r_d}{d}\right)^2}{a+b+c+d} \stackrel{(21)}{\geq} \frac{2^2}{2s} = \frac{2}{s} \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $a = b = c = d$  ( $ABCD$  - square) □

Proposition 10:

In any  $ABCD$  cyclic quadrilateral holds:

$$\frac{a}{r_a^2} + \frac{b}{r_b^2} + \frac{c}{r_c^2} + \frac{d}{r_d^2} \geq \frac{32}{s}$$

*Proof.* By (13):

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a}{r_a} &= \tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2}; \frac{b}{r_b} = \tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} \\ \frac{c}{r_c} &= \tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{D}{2}; \frac{d}{r_d} = \tan \frac{D}{2} + \tan \frac{A}{2} \end{aligned}$$

By adding:

$$(22) \quad \frac{a}{r_a} + \frac{b}{r_b} + \frac{c}{r_c} + \frac{d}{r_d} = 2 \left( \tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{D}{2} \right)$$

Let be  $f : (0, \frac{\pi}{2}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; f(x) = \tan \frac{x}{2}; f'(x) = \frac{1}{2 \cos^2 \frac{x}{2}}$

$$f''(x) = \frac{-(2 \cos^2 \frac{x}{2})'}{\cos^4 \frac{x}{2}} = \frac{4 \sin \frac{x}{2} \cos \frac{x}{2}}{\cos^4 \frac{x}{2}} = \frac{2 \sin x}{\cos^3 \frac{x}{2}} > 0; f - \text{convexe}$$

By Jensen's inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2} + \tan \frac{C}{2} + \tan \frac{D}{2} &\geq 4 \tan \left( \frac{\frac{A}{2} + \frac{B}{2} + \frac{C}{2} + \frac{D}{2}}{2} \right) = \\ (23) \quad &= 4 \tan \left( \frac{A + B + C + D}{8} \right) = 4 \tan \left( \frac{2\pi}{8} \right) = 4 \tan \frac{\pi}{4} = 4 \end{aligned}$$

By (22); (23):

$$\begin{aligned} (24) \quad &\frac{a}{r_a} + \frac{b}{r_b} + \frac{c}{r_c} + \frac{d}{r_d} \geq 2 \cdot 4 = 8 \\ &\frac{a}{r_a^2} + \frac{b}{r_b^2} + \frac{c}{r_c^2} + \frac{d}{r_d^2} = \frac{(\frac{a}{r_a})^2}{a} + \frac{(\frac{b}{r_b})^2}{b} + \frac{(\frac{c}{r_c})^2}{c} + \frac{(\frac{d}{r_d})^2}{d} \geq \\ &\stackrel{\text{BERGSTRÖM}}{\geq} \frac{(\frac{a}{r_a} + \frac{b}{r_b} + \frac{c}{r_c} + \frac{d}{r_d})^2}{a + b + c + d} \stackrel{(24)}{\geq} \frac{8^2}{2s} = \frac{32}{s} \end{aligned}$$

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