

Q.) In a spherical triangle ABC, show that :

$$\tan\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \cot \frac{c}{2} = \frac{\cos\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)}$$

Sol:-

$$\tan \frac{A}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{\sin(s-b) \sin(s-c)}{\sin s \sin(s-a)}}$$

$$\text{and } \tan \frac{C}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{\sin(s-a) \sin(s-b)}{\sin s \sin(s-c)}}$$

$$\therefore \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2} = \frac{\sin(s-b)}{\sin s}$$

$$\text{Similarly } \tan \frac{B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2} = \frac{\sin(s-a)}{\sin s}$$

$$\tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2} = \frac{\sin(s-c)}{\sin s}$$

$$\text{Now } \tan \frac{A+B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2} = \frac{(\tan \frac{A}{2} + \tan \frac{B}{2}) \tan \frac{C}{2}}{1 - \tan \frac{A}{2} \tan \frac{B}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{\sin(s-b)}{\sin s} + \frac{\sin(s-a)}{\sin s}}{1 - \frac{\sin(s-c)}{\sin s}}$$

$$= \frac{\sin(s-b) + \sin(s-a)}{\sin s - \sin(s-c)}$$

$$\text{or, } \tan \frac{A+B}{2} \tan \frac{C}{2} = \frac{2 \sin \frac{2s-a-b}{2} \cos \frac{a-b}{2}}{2 \sin \frac{s-s+c}{2} \cos \frac{s+s-c}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\cos \frac{a-b}{2}}{\cos \frac{a+b}{2}} \left[\because 2s = a+b+c \right]$$

$$\therefore \tan \frac{A+B}{2} = \frac{\cos \frac{a-b}{2}}{\cos \frac{a+b}{2}} \cot \frac{c}{2}$$

Again we know that

$$\tan \frac{a}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{-\cos S \cos (s-A)}{\cos (s-B) \cos (s-c)}}$$

$$\therefore \tan \frac{a}{2} \cot \frac{c}{2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{-\cos S \cos (s-A)}{\cos (s-B) \cos (s-c)}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\cos (s-A) \cos (s-B)}{-\cos S \cos (s-c)}}$$

$$= \frac{\cos (s-A)}{\cos (s-c)}$$

Similarly $\tan \frac{b}{2} \cot \frac{c}{2} = \frac{\cos (s-B)}{\cos (s-c)}$

and $\tan \frac{a}{2} \tan \frac{b}{2} = \frac{-\cos S}{\cos (s-c)}$

$$\text{Now } \tan \frac{a+b}{2} \cot \frac{c}{2} = \frac{\tan \frac{a}{2} + \tan \frac{b}{2}}{1 - \tan \frac{a}{2} \tan \frac{b}{2}} \cot \frac{c}{2}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\cos (s-A)}{\cos (s-c)} + \frac{\cos (s-B)}{\cos (s-c)}}{1 + \frac{\cos S}{\cos (s-c)}} = \frac{\cos (s-A) + \cos (s-B)}{\cos (s-c) + \cos S}$$

$$\text{or, } \tan \frac{a+b}{2} \cot \frac{c}{2} = \frac{2 \cos \frac{2s-A-B}{2} \cos \frac{A-B}{2}}{2 \cos \frac{s-c-s}{2} \cos \frac{s-c+s}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\cos \frac{A-B}{2}}{\cos \frac{A+B}{2}} \quad \therefore A+B+C = 2s$$

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$$\therefore \tan \frac{a+b}{2} = \frac{\cos \frac{A-B}{2}}{\cos \frac{A+B}{2}} \tan \frac{c}{2}$$

Similarly we can prove that

$$\tan \frac{a-b}{2} = \frac{\sin \frac{A-B}{2}}{\sin \frac{A+B}{2}} \tan \frac{c}{2}$$