**Topic**: Hyperbolic identities

**Question**: Which of the following hyperbolic trigonometric identities is false?

## **Answer choices:**

$$A \qquad \operatorname{csch}(x) = \frac{1}{\sinh(x)}$$

$$\mathsf{B} \qquad \mathsf{tanh}(x) = \frac{\sinh(x)}{\cosh(x)}$$

$$C \qquad \sinh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$$

$$D \qquad \cosh^2(x) + \sinh^2(x) = 1$$



### Solution: D

The following list includes the basic hyperbolic identities.

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

$$\operatorname{csch}(x) = \frac{1}{\sinh(x)}$$

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

$$\operatorname{sech}(x) = \frac{1}{\cosh(x)}$$

$$\tanh(x) = \frac{\sinh(x)}{\cosh(x)}$$

$$\coth(x) = \frac{1}{\tanh(x)}$$

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

$$\tanh^2(x) + \operatorname{sech}^2(x) = 1$$

$$\coth^2(x) - \operatorname{csch}^2(x) = 1$$

Answer choices A, B and C are all known identities, but answer choice D is not. It's similar to the identity  $\cosh^2(x) - \sinh^2(x) = 1$ , but the sign is wrong, so answer choice D is the correct answer.

**Topic**: Hyperbolic identities

**Question**: Which of the following hyperbolic trigonometric identities is true?

## **Answer choices:**

$$\mathsf{A} \qquad \cosh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$$

$$\mathsf{B} \qquad \mathsf{sech}(x) = \frac{1}{\cosh(x)}$$

$$C \qquad coth(x) = \frac{1}{csch(x)}$$

$$D \qquad \coth^2(x) + \operatorname{csch}^2(x) = 1$$



### Solution: B

The following list includes the basic hyperbolic identities

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

$$\operatorname{csch}(x) = \frac{1}{\sinh(x)}$$

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

$$\operatorname{sech}(x) = \frac{1}{\cosh(x)}$$

$$\tanh(x) = \frac{\sinh(x)}{\cosh(x)}$$

$$\coth(x) = \frac{1}{\tanh(x)}$$

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

$$\tanh^2(x) + \operatorname{sech}^2(x) = 1$$

$$\coth^2(x) - \operatorname{csch}^2(x) = 1$$

Let's look at our answer choices.

Answer choice A,  $cosh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$  should be  $cosh(x) = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$ 

Answer choice B,  $\operatorname{sech}(x) = \frac{1}{\cosh(x)}$  is correct

Answer choice C,  $coth(x) = \frac{1}{csch(x)}$  should be  $coth(x) = \frac{1}{tanh(x)}$ 

Answer choice D,  $\coth^2(x) + \operatorname{csch}^2(x) = 1$  should be  $\coth^2(x) - \operatorname{csch}^2(x) = 1$ 

So answer choice B is the correct choice.

**Topic**: Hyperbolic identities

**Question**: Is the identity true or false?

$$\cosh^2(x) - \sinh^2(x) = \tanh^2(x) + \operatorname{sech}^2(x)$$

# **Answer choices**:

A True

B False

### Solution: A

The following list includes the basic hyperbolic identities.

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

$$\operatorname{csch}(x) = \frac{1}{\sinh(x)}$$

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

$$\operatorname{sech}(x) = \frac{1}{\cosh(x)}$$

$$\tanh(x) = \frac{\sinh(x)}{\cosh(x)}$$

$$coth(x) = \frac{1}{\tanh(x)}$$

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

$$\tanh^2(x) + \operatorname{sech}^2(x) = 1$$

$$\coth^2(x) - \operatorname{csch}^2(x) = 1$$

#### Given

$$\cosh^2(x) - \sinh^2(x) = \tanh^2(x) + \operatorname{sech}^2(x)$$

we can use the identity  $\cosh^2(x) - \sinh^2(x) = 1$  to substitute into the given equation, and we get

$$1 = \tanh^2(x) + \operatorname{sech}^2(x)$$

Then, we'll use the identity  $tanh^2(x) + sech^2(x) = 1$  to substitute into the right side of the equation and we get

$$1 = 1$$

Therefore, we've proven that the given equation is true.