

Evaluate $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos(B - A) & \cos(C - A) \\ \cos(A - B) & 1 & \cos(C - B) \\ \cos(A - C) & \cos(B - C) & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

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$$= \begin{vmatrix} \cos(A - A) & \cos(B - A) & \cos(C - A) \\ \cos(A - B) & \cos(B - B) & \cos(C - B) \\ \cos(A - C) & \cos(B - C) & \cos(C - C) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \cos A \cos A + \sin A \sin A & \cos B \cos A + \sin B \sin A & \cos C \cos A + \sin C \sin A \\ \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B & \cos B \cos B + \sin B \sin B & \cos C \cos B + \sin C \sin B \\ \cos A \cos C + \sin A \sin C & \cos B \cos C + \sin B \sin C & \cos C \cos C + \sin C \sin C \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \cos A & \sin A & 1 \\ \cos B & \sin B & 1 \\ \cos C & \sin C & 1 \end{vmatrix} \times \begin{vmatrix} \cos A & \cos B & \cos C \\ \sin A & \sin B & \sin C \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

A

$\cos A \cos B \cos C$

B

1

C

0

D

$\cos A + \cos B + \cos C$