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Euler's Inequality Revisited

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A quadrilateral ABCD is called a *double circle quadrilateral* if it has a circumcircle and an inscribed circle. In a previous article (see reference 1), we proved Euler's inequality for a double circle quadrilateral, $R \ge r\sqrt{2}$, where R and r denote the radii of the circumcircle and inscribed circle respectively. Here we shall find two expressions, involving the angles of such a quadrilateral, which lie between $r\sqrt{2}/R$ and 1. We denote the lengths of the sides AB, BC, CD, and DA by a, b, c, and d respectively, put $s = \frac{1}{2}(a + b + c + d)$, and denote the area of ABCD by Δ .

Theorem 1 Let ABCD be a double circle quadrilateral. Then we obtain

$$\frac{r\sqrt{2}}{R} \le \frac{1}{2} \left(\sin\frac{A}{2}\cos\frac{B}{2} + \sin\frac{B}{2}\cos\frac{C}{2} + \sin\frac{C}{2}\cos\frac{D}{2} + \sin\frac{D}{2}\cos\frac{A}{2} \right) \le 1.$$

In order to prove Theorem 1, we first prove the following lemma.

Lemma 1 In a double circle quadrilateral ABCD, we have

$$\sin A \sin B = \frac{r^2 + r\sqrt{r^2 + 4R^2}}{2R^2}.$$

Proof By reference 1, we have

$$\sin \mathbf{B} = \frac{2\Delta}{ab+cd}, \qquad \sin \mathbf{A} = \frac{2\Delta}{ad+bc}, \qquad \Delta = rs,$$
$$R = \frac{1}{4\Delta}\sqrt{(ab+cd)(ac+bd)(ad+bc)}.$$

Hence,

$$\frac{\sqrt{1+\sin A \sin B}}{\sin A \sin B} = \frac{\sqrt{(ab+cd)(ad+bc)}}{4\Delta^2} \sqrt{4\Delta^2 + (ab+cd)(ad+bc)}.$$

By reference 1, we obtain

$$a + c = b + d = s$$
, $\sqrt{abcd} = \Delta$, $R \ge r\sqrt{2}$,

so that

$$\begin{split} \sqrt{4\Delta^2 + (ab + cd)(ad + bc)} &= \sqrt{4abcd + (a^2bd + c^2bd) + (acb^2 + acd^2)} \\ &= \sqrt{bd(a^2 + 2ac + c^2) + ac(b^2 + 2bd + d^2)} \\ &= \sqrt{s^2bd + s^2ac} \\ &= s\sqrt{ac + bd}. \end{split}$$