

## Some Trigonometry Problems for Enrichment<sup>1</sup>

1. If  $\theta$ ,  $2\theta$  and  $3\theta$  are the angles of a triangle, evaluate  $\cos^2 \theta + \cos^2 2\theta + \cos^2 3\theta$ .
2. A triangle has sides of length 2, 2, and  $\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}$ . Find the value of each of the equal angles.
3. Find the greatest possible area for an isosceles triangle whose equal sides are each 4 units long.
4. Solve for  $x$  in the interval  $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$ :  $2 \sin^3 x - 5 \sin^2 x + 2 \sin x = 0$ .
5. In triangle  $ABC$ , the angles  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  satisfy the equation

$$\cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B \sin C = 1.$$

Determine all possible values for  $C$ .

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<sup>1</sup>borrowed from some books of Canadian Mathematics Competition Problems produced by the University of Waterloo