

Interesting integral

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Prove that:

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-x^2} \operatorname{erf}(x) \log(x) dx = \left(\frac{2\pi - \gamma(\pi + 2) - 2(1 + \pi) \log(2) + 4G}{16\sqrt{\pi}} \right)$$

Solution

Let

$$\omega(n, x) = \int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-x^2} \operatorname{erf}(nx) \log(x) dx \quad \forall n > 0, \omega(0, x) = 0$$

for $x^2 = t$

$$\omega(n, t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} \sqrt{t} e^{-t} \operatorname{erf}(n\sqrt{t}) \log(\sqrt{t}) dt$$

$$\rightarrow \omega(n, t) = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\infty} \sqrt{t} e^{-t} \operatorname{erf}(n\sqrt{t}) \log(t) dt$$

$$\frac{\delta\omega(n, t)}{\delta n} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} t e^{-t(1+n^2)} \log(t) dt$$

Taking

$$I = \int_0^{\infty} x^{\alpha} e^{-\beta x} dx$$

Putting $u = \beta x$

$$I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{u^{\alpha}}{\beta^{\alpha+1}} e^{-u} du = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)}{\beta^{\alpha+1}}$$

$$I(\alpha) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} t^{\alpha} e^{-t(1+n^2)} dt \quad I'(1) = \frac{\delta\omega(n, t)}{\delta n}$$

$$I(\alpha) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)}{(1 + n^2)^{\alpha+1}} \right)$$

$$I'(\alpha) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)(\psi(\alpha + 1) - \log(1 + n^2))}{(1 + n^2)^{\alpha+1}} \right)$$

$$\frac{\delta\omega(n, t)}{\delta n} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{\Gamma(2)(\psi(2) - \log(1 + n^2))}{(1 + n^2)^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{\delta\omega(n, t)}{\delta n} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{(\psi(2) - \log(1 + n^2))}{(1 + n^2)^2} \right)$$

Integrating w.r.t n

$$\omega(n, t) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^n \left(\frac{(\psi(2) - \log(1 + x^2))}{(1 + x^2)^2} \right) dx + C$$

$$\omega(0, t) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^0 \left(\frac{(\psi(2) - \log(1 + x^2))}{(1 + x^2)^2} \right) dx + C$$

Recall $\int_a^b f(x)dx$ where a=b=0, Is zero.

Therefore C=0 We can define $\omega(n, t)$ as

$$\omega(n, t) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^n \left(\frac{(\psi(2) - \log(1 + x^2))}{(1 + x^2)^2} \right) dx$$

For n=1

$$\omega(1, t) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^1 \left(\frac{(\psi(2) - \log(1 + x^2))}{(1 + x^2)^2} \right) dx$$

This integral can be separated into two. Let

$$\omega_1(1, t) = \frac{\psi(2)}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{(1 + x^2)^2} dx$$

Putting $x = \tan u$

$$\omega_1(1, t) = \frac{\psi(2)}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \cos^2 u du = \frac{\psi(2)(\pi + 2)}{16\sqrt{\pi}}$$

Also

$$\omega_2(1, t) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^1 \left(\frac{\log(1 + x^2)}{(1 + x^2)^2} \right) dx$$

Putting $x = \tan t$

$$\omega_2(1, t) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \left(\frac{\log(1 + \tan^2 t)}{(1 + \tan^2 t)^2} \right) \sec^2 t dx = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\log(\sec^2 t)}{\sec^2 t} dt$$

$$\omega_2(1, t) = -\frac{2}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \cos^2 t \log(\cos t) dt$$

Applying IBP

$$\omega_2(1, t) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} (t + \sin t \cos t) \log(\cos(t)) \right)_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \left(\frac{1}{2} (t + \sin t \cos t) \tan t dt \right) \right)$$

$$\omega_2(1, t) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(-\frac{1}{16}(2 + \pi) \log(2) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} (t \tan t + \sin^2 t) dt \right)$$

$$\omega_2(1, t) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(-\frac{1}{16}(2 + \pi) \log(2) + \frac{\pi}{16} - \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} t \tan t dt \right)$$

Let

$$I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} t \tan t dt$$

Applying IBP

$$I = \frac{\pi \log(2)}{8} + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \log(\cos t) dt$$

Let

$$I_1 = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \log(\sin t) dt \quad \text{and} \quad I_2 = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \log(\cos t) dt$$

$$I_1 - I_2 = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \log(\tan t) dt$$

$$I_1 - I_2 = \int_0^1 \frac{\log u}{1 + u^2} du \quad u = \tan t$$

Since

$$G = - \int_0^1 \frac{\log u}{1 + u^2} du, \quad I_1 - I_2 = -G$$

$$I_1 + I_2 = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \log(\sin(2t)) - \log(2) dt$$

$$I_1 + I_2 = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(\sin(t)) dt - \frac{\pi \log(2)}{4}$$

since $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(\sin(t)) dt$ is a well known integral

$$I_1 + I_2 = -\frac{\pi \log(2)}{4} + \frac{\pi \log(2)}{4} = -\frac{\pi \log(2)}{2}$$

Now

$$I_1 + I_2 - I_1 + I_2 = -\frac{\pi \log(2)}{2} + G \Rightarrow I_2 = \frac{G}{2} - \frac{\pi \log(2)}{4}$$

$$I = \frac{\pi \log(2)}{8} + \frac{G}{2} - \frac{\pi \log(2)}{4} = \frac{4G - \pi \log(2)}{8}$$

Since

$$\omega_2(1, t) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(-\frac{1}{16}(2 + \pi) \log(2) + \frac{\pi}{16} - \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{2} I \right)$$

$$\omega_2(1, t) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(-\frac{1}{16}(2 + \pi) \log(2) + \frac{\pi}{16} - \frac{2}{16} + \frac{4G - \pi \log(2)}{16} \right)$$

$$\omega_2(1, t) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{-2 \log(2) - 2\pi \log(2) + \pi - 2 + 4G}{16} \right)$$

Now

$$\omega(1, t) = \frac{\psi(2)(\pi + 2)}{16\sqrt{\pi}} + \left(\frac{-2 \log(2) - 2\pi \log(2) + \pi - 2 + 4G}{16\sqrt{\pi}} \right)$$

$$\omega(1, t) = \frac{(\pi + 2)\psi(2) - 2(1 + \pi) \log(2) + \pi - 2 + 4G}{16\sqrt{\pi}}$$

Since $\psi(2) = 1 - \gamma$

$$\omega(1, t) = \frac{(\pi + 2)(1 - \gamma) - 2(1 + \pi) \log(2) + \pi - 2 + 4G}{16\sqrt{\pi}}$$

$$\omega(1, t) = \frac{2\pi - \gamma(\pi + 2) - 2(1 + \pi) \log(2) + 4G}{16\sqrt{\pi}}$$

Hence

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-x^2} \mathbf{erf}(x) \log(x) dx = \left(\frac{2\pi - \gamma(\pi + 2) - 2(1 + \pi) \log(2) + 4G}{16\sqrt{\pi}} \right)$$