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1601. For any complex number q with $\operatorname{Re}(q) \leq 1$, let

$$R(q) = \int_0^q \frac{e^x - 1}{x} \log^2 \left(\frac{q}{x} \right) dx$$

Then prove the following identity:

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-q} \left(1 + \frac{1}{q} \right) R(q) dq = 2(\zeta(3) + \zeta(4))$$

Proposed by Srinivasa Raghava-AIRMC-India

Solution 1 by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned} R(q) &= \int_0^q \frac{e^x - 1}{x} \log^2 \left(\frac{q}{x} \right) dx \stackrel{x=qt}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{e^{qt} - 1}{t} \log^2 t dt \stackrel{IBP}{=} \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{3} (e^{qt} - 1) \log^3 t \right]_0^1 - \frac{1}{3} \int_0^1 q e^{qt} \log^3 t dt = -\frac{1}{3} \int_0^1 q e^{qt} \log^3 t dt \\ \Omega &= \int_0^\infty e^{-q} \left(1 + \frac{1}{q} \right) R(q) dq = -\frac{1}{3} \int_0^1 \log^3 t \int_0^\infty (1 + q) e^{-q(1-t)} dq dt = \\ &= -\frac{1}{3} \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{(1-t)^2} + \frac{1}{1-t} \right) \log^3 t dt = -\frac{1}{3} \sum_{n=0}^\infty (n+2) \int_0^1 t^n \log^3 t dt \\ \int_0^1 t^n \log^3 t dt &\stackrel{t=e^{-y}}{=} - \int_0^\infty y^3 e^{-(n+1)y} dy = -\frac{\Gamma(4)}{(n+1)^4} = -\frac{6}{(n+1)^4} \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\Omega = 2 \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{n+2}{(n+1)^4} = 2 \sum_{n=0}^\infty \left(\frac{1}{(n+1)^3} + \frac{1}{(n+1)^4} \right) = 2(\zeta(3) + \zeta(4))$$

Solution 2 by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned} R(q) &= \int_0^q \frac{e^x - 1}{x} \log^2 \left(\frac{q}{x} \right) dx \stackrel{x=qt}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{e^{qt} - 1}{t} \log^2 t dt = \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{q^k}{k!} \int_0^1 t^{k-1} \log^2 t dt = 2 \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{q^k}{k^3 k!} \\ \Omega &= \int_0^\infty e^{-q} \left(1 + \frac{1}{q} \right) R(q) dq = 2 \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{1}{k^3 k!} \int_0^\infty (q^k + q^{k-1}) e^{-q} dq = \end{aligned}$$

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$$= 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^3 k!} (k! + (k-1)!) = 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^3} + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^4} = 2(\zeta(3) + \zeta(4))$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-q} \left(1 + \frac{1}{q}\right) R(q) dq = 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^3} + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^4} = 2(\zeta(3) + \zeta(4))$$

1602. For $x > 0$ let $u_1 = 4x^2 + 2(4k+1)x + 4k^2 + 2k$

$$u_2 = x^4 + 4kx^3 + (6k^2 + 1)x^2 + 2k(2k^2 + 1)x + k^4 + k^2$$

$$u_3(x) = x^4 + 4(k+1)x^3 + (6k^2 + 12k + 7)x^2 + 2(2k^3 + 6k^2 + 7k + 3)x + k^4 + 4k^3 + 7k^2 + 6k + 2$$

$$a_k(x) = \sqrt{u_1 + \sqrt{u_1 + \sqrt{u_1 + \dots}}}; b_k(x) = \sqrt{u_2 + \sqrt{u_2 + \sqrt{u_2 + \dots}}};$$

$$c_k(x) = \sqrt{u_3 + \sqrt{u_3 + \sqrt{u_3 + \dots}}}; \Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \int_2^3 \frac{a_k(x) dx}{b_k(x) \cdot c_k(x)} \right)$$

Prove that the roots of the equation $\sin \Omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{170}}(8u^3 - 60u^2 + 142u - 104)$ are in

arithmetic progression.

Proposed by Costel Florea-Romania

Solution by Adrian Popa-Romania

$$a_k(x) = \sqrt{u_1 + \sqrt{u_1 + \sqrt{u_1 + \dots}}} \Rightarrow a_k^2(x) - a_k(x) - u_1 = 0$$

$$a_k(x) = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4u_1}}{2} \text{ and } 1 + 4u_1 = (4x + (4k+1))^2 \Rightarrow$$

$$a_k(x) = \frac{1 + 4x + 4k + 1}{2} = 2x + 2k + 1$$

$$b_k(x) = \sqrt{u_2 + \sqrt{u_2 + \sqrt{u_2 + \dots}}}; b_k(x) = \sqrt{u_2 + b_k(1)} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow b_k^2(x) - b_k(x) - u_2 = 0 \Rightarrow b_k(x) = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4u_2}}{2} \Rightarrow b_k(x) = x^2 + 2kx + k^2 + 1$$

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$$c_k(x) = \sqrt{u_3 + \sqrt{u_3 + \sqrt{u_3 + \dots}}} = \sqrt{u_3 + c_k(x)} \Rightarrow c_k^2(x) - c_k(x) - u_3 = 0$$

$$c_k(x) = x^2 + 2(k+1)x + k^2 + 2k + 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a_k(x)}{b_k(x) \cdot c_k(x)} &= \frac{2x + 2k + 1}{(x^2 + 2kx + k^2 + 1)(x^2 + 2(k+1)x + (k+1)^2 + 1)} = \\ &= \frac{1}{x^2 + 2kx + k^2 + 1} - \frac{1}{x^2 + 2(k+1)x + (k+1)^2 + 1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \int_2^3 \left(\frac{1}{x^2 + 2kx + k^2 + 1} - \frac{1}{x^2 + 2(k+1)x + (k+1)^2 + 1} \right) dx = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_2^3 \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{x^2 + 2kx + k^2 + 1} - \frac{1}{x^2 + 2(k+1)x + (k+1)^2 + 1} \right) dx = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_2^3 \left(\frac{1}{x^2 + 2x + 2} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{x^2 + 2(n+1)x + (n+1)^2 + 1}}_{\rightarrow 0} \right) dx = \\ &= \int_2^3 \frac{1}{(x+1)^2 + 1} dx = [\tan^{-1}(x+1)]_2^3 = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{13} \Rightarrow \Omega = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{13} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Now, we have: $\tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\sqrt{1-\sin^2 x}} \Rightarrow \tan^2 x = \frac{\sin^2 x}{1-\sin^2 x} \Rightarrow \tan^2 x - \tan^2 x \cdot \sin^2 x = \sin^2 x$

$$\sin x = \frac{\tan x}{\sqrt{1 + \tan^2 x}} \Rightarrow \sin(\tan^{-1} x) = \frac{\tan(\tan^{-1} x)}{\sqrt{1 + \tan^2(\tan^{-1} x)}} \Rightarrow \sin \Omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{170}}$$

But: $\sin \Omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{170}} (8u^3 - 60u^2 + 142u - 104)$, then

$$8u^3 - 60u^2 + 142u - 105 = 0 \Leftrightarrow \left(u - \frac{5}{2}\right)(8u^2 - 40u + 42) = 0$$

$$u_1 = \frac{3}{2}, u_2 = \frac{5}{2}, u_3 = \frac{7}{2}. \text{ Then } u_2 = \frac{u_1 + u_3}{2}$$

1603. For $k \geq 2$, prove the following identity:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial k} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin x \log \left(\frac{\sin^2 x}{k - \sqrt{k^2 - \sin^2 x}} \right) dx = \coth^{-1} k$$

Proposed by Srinivasa Raghava-AIRMC-India

Solution by Asmat Qatea-Afghanistan

$$\because \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}} dx = \log(x + \sqrt{a^2 + x^2}) + C$$

We have:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial}{\partial k} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin x \log \left(\frac{\sin^2 x}{k - \sqrt{k^2 - \sin^2 x}} \right) dx = \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^3 x \cdot \frac{1 - \frac{2k}{2\sqrt{k^2 - \sin^2 x}}}{\frac{(k - \sqrt{k^2 - \sin^2 x})^2}{\sin^2 x}} dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin x}{\sqrt{k^2 - \sin^2 x}} dx = \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin x}{\sqrt{k^2 - 1 + \cos^2 x}} dx \stackrel{\cos x = u}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{du}{\sqrt{k^2 - 1 + u^2}} = \log(u + \sqrt{u^2 + k^2 - 1}) \Big|_0^1 = \\ &= \log(1 + k) - \frac{1}{2} \log(k^2 - 1) = \\ &= \log(k + 1) - \frac{1}{2} \log(k + 1) - \frac{1}{2} \log(k - 1) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{k + 1}{k - 1} \right) = \coth^{-1} k \end{aligned}$$

1604. Find:

$$\Omega = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x^4 (\sqrt{\tan x} + \sqrt{\cot x}) dx$$

Proposed by Sujeethan Balendran-SriLanka

Solution by Cornel Ioan Vălean-Romania

Using well-known result:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{4^n} \binom{2n}{n} \cos(2nx) = \frac{\cos \frac{x}{2}}{\sqrt{2 \cos x}}; |x| < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

which by simple rearrangements may be brought to the following useful form:

$$2\sqrt{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4^n} \binom{2n}{n} \cos(4nx) = \sqrt{\tan x} + \sqrt{\cot x}$$

and this is exactly what we need in our proof.

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So, we write and obtain that:

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x^4 (\sqrt{\tan x} + \sqrt{\cot x}) dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x^4 \left(2\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4^n} \binom{2n}{n} \cos(4nx) \right) dx = \\ &= \frac{\pi^5}{40\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\pi^3}{2^{\frac{7}{2}}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2 4^n} \binom{2n}{n} - \frac{3\pi}{2^{\frac{9}{2}}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4 4^n} \binom{2n}{n} = \\ &= \frac{3 \log 2}{4\sqrt{2}} \pi \zeta(2) + \frac{\log^4 2}{8\sqrt{2}} \pi + \frac{79}{1920\sqrt{2}} \pi^5 - \frac{5 \log^2 2}{16\sqrt{2}} \pi^3,\end{aligned}$$

where the binoharmonic series are both well-known in the mathematical literature, and straightforward (one reduces to trivial primitives, and the other one reduces to Beta

function limits). So, we have that:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2 4^n} \binom{2n}{n} = \frac{\pi^2}{6} - 2 \log^2(2)$$

and for the other one we get

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4 4^n} \binom{2n}{n} = \frac{\pi^4}{40} - 4 \log(2) \zeta(3) + \frac{1}{3} \log^2(2) \pi^2 - \frac{2}{3} \log^4(2)$$

1605. Prove that:

$$\int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{\cos^2(\pi x) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + x\right)}{(1+x^2)\Gamma(1+x)} + \frac{\sin(2\pi x) \Gamma(x)}{2(1+x^2)\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + x\right)} \right) dx = \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{\pi(1+e^{-2\pi})\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} - i\right)}{2\Gamma(1-i)} \right)$$

Proposed by Sujeethan Balendran-SriLanka

Solution by Felix Marin-Venezuela

$$\begin{aligned}J &= \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{\cos^2(\pi x) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + x\right)}{(1+x^2)\Gamma(1+x)} + \frac{\sin(2\pi x) \Gamma(x)}{2(1+x^2)\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + x\right)} \right) dx = \\ &= \sqrt{\pi} \operatorname{Re} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\pi x} \left(\frac{-\frac{1}{2}}{x} \right) \frac{dx}{1+x^2} \right) =\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sqrt{\pi} \operatorname{Re} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\pi x} \left(\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{(1 + e^{i\phi})^{-\frac{1}{2}} d\phi}{e^{ix\phi} 2\pi} \right) \right) \frac{dx}{1+x^2} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-\pi} \operatorname{Im} \left(\oint_{|z|=1} z^{-1-i} (1+z)^{-\frac{1}{2}} dz \right) \epsilon \rightarrow 0^+ \\
 &\sim \operatorname{Im} \left[- \int_{-1}^{-\epsilon} \frac{(-x)^{-1-i} e^{i\pi(-1-i)}}{\sqrt{1+x}} dx - \int_{\pi}^{-\pi} \epsilon^{-1-i} e^{i(-1-i)} \epsilon e^{i\theta} i d\theta \right] \\
 &\quad - \operatorname{Im} \left(\int_{-\epsilon}^{-1} \frac{(-x)^{-1-i} e^{-i\pi(-1-i)}}{\sqrt{1+x}} dx \right) = \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} e^{-\pi} \cdot \operatorname{Im} \left(e^{\pi} \int_{\epsilon}^1 x^{-1-i} (1-x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} dx + 2i \sinh(\pi) \epsilon^{-i} - e^{-\pi} \int_{\epsilon}^1 x^{-1-i} (1-x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} dx \right) \\
 &= \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} e^{-\pi} \cdot \operatorname{Im} \left(2 \sinh(\pi) \int_{\epsilon}^1 x^{-1-i} (1-x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} dx + 2i \sinh(\pi) \epsilon^{-i} \right) = \\
 &= \frac{\pi(1 - e^{-2\pi})}{2} \operatorname{Im} \left(\frac{\Gamma(-i)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} - i\right)} \right) \cong 1.2473
 \end{aligned}$$

1606. Find:

$$\Omega = \int_0^{\infty} \sinh^{-1}(\operatorname{csch} x) dx$$

Proposed by Abdul Mukhtar-Nigeria

Solution 1 by Asmat Qatea-Afghanistan

$\because \sinh^{-1} x = \log(x + \sqrt{1+x^2})$ and $\operatorname{csch} x = \frac{2}{e^x - e^{-x}}$, we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \int_0^{\infty} \log \left(\frac{2}{e^x - e^{-x}} + \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2}{e^x - e^{-x}} \right)^2} \right) dx = \int_0^{\infty} \log \left(\frac{2 + e^x + e^{-x}}{e^x - e^{-x}} \right) dx = \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \log \left(\frac{2e^{-x} + e^{-2x} + 1}{1 - e^{-2x}} \right) dx \stackrel{e^{-x}=u}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{u} \log \left(\frac{u^2 + 2u + 1}{1 - u^2} \right) du = \\
 &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{u} \log \left(\frac{1+u}{1-u} \right) du = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{u} \log(1+u) du - \int_0^1 \frac{1}{u} \log(1-u) du =
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= - \int_0^1 \frac{1}{u} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k u^k}{k} du - \int_0^1 \frac{1}{u} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{-u^k}{k} du = \\
 &= - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k} \int_0^1 u^{k-1} du + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \int_0^1 u^{k-1} du = - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k^2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{12} + \frac{\pi^2}{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \int_0^{\infty} \sinh^{-1}(\operatorname{csch} x) dx = \frac{\pi^2}{4}$$

Solution 2 by Ose Favour-Nigeria

$$\because \operatorname{csch} x = \frac{2}{e^x - e^{-x}} \text{ and } \operatorname{coth} x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{e^x - e^{-x}}$$

$$\Omega = \int_0^{\infty} \log(\operatorname{csch} x + \operatorname{coth} x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} \log(e^x + e^{-x} + 2) dx - \int_0^{\infty} \log(e^x - e^{-x}) dx$$

$$= \Phi - \Psi$$

$$\Phi \stackrel{u=e^{-x}}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{u} \log\left(\frac{1}{u} + u + 2\right) du = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{u} \log\left(\frac{(u+1)^2}{u}\right) du =$$

$$= 2 \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1+u)}{u} du - \int_0^1 \frac{\log u}{u} du = \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \operatorname{li}(1)$$

$$\Psi = \int_0^{\infty} \log(e^x(1 - e^{-2x})) dx \stackrel{u=e^{-x}}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{u} \log\left(\frac{1-u^2}{u}\right) du =$$

$$= \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1-u^2)}{u} du - \int_0^1 \frac{\log u}{u} du = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \int_0^1 u^{2n-1} du - \operatorname{li}(1) =$$

$$= - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} - \operatorname{li}(1) = - \frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) - \operatorname{li}(1) = - \frac{\pi^2}{12} - \operatorname{li}(1)$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \int_0^{\infty} \sinh^{-1}(\operatorname{csch} x) dx = \frac{\pi^2}{4}$$

Solution 3 by proposer

$$\Omega = \int_0^{\infty} \sinh^{-1}(\operatorname{csch} x) dx = (x \cdot \sinh^{-1} x \cdot \operatorname{csch} x)_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x \cdot \cosh x}{\sinh^2 x} \cdot \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1 + \operatorname{csch}^2 x}} =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x}{\sqrt{\cosh^2 x}} \cdot \frac{\cosh x}{\sinh x} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x}{\sinh x} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2x dx}{e^x - e^{-x}} = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2x dx}{e^x(1 - e^{-2x})} = \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2x \cdot e^{-2x}}{1 - e^{-2x}} dx = \int_0^{\infty} 2x \cdot e^{-x} \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (e^{-2x})^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} 2x \cdot e^{-(2n+1)x} dx \stackrel{t=(2n+1)x}{=} \\
 &= 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} dt = 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Gamma(2) = 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2} = \\
 &= 2 \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n)^2} \right\} = \frac{\pi^2}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

1607. Prove that:

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x e^{\pi x}}{(1 + 4x^2)^2 (e^{2\pi x} - 1)} dx = \frac{1}{16} (2G - 1)$$

Where $G = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{(2n-1)^2}$ – Catalan's constant.

Proposed by Ngulmun George Baite-India

Solution 1 by Felix Marin-Venezuela

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x e^{\pi x}}{(1 + 4x^2)^2 (e^{2\pi x} - 1)} dx &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x}{(1 + 4x^2)(2 \sinh(\pi x))} dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{8} \left\{ i \int_0^{\infty} \frac{[1 + 2(ix)]^{-2} - [1 + 2(-ix)]^2}{2 \sinh(\pi x)} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Where $\{*\}'$'s enclosed expression can be evaluated with the *Abel-Plana Formula*.

Namely,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x e^{\pi x}}{(1 + 4x^2)^2 (e^{2\pi x} - 1)} dx &= \frac{1}{8} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (1 + 2n)^{-2} - \left[\frac{1}{2} (1 + 2x)^{-2} \right]_{x=0} \right\} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{8} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^2} - \frac{1}{2} \right\} = \frac{1}{16} (2G - 1) \cong 0.0520
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Ajetunmobi Abdulqoyyum-Nigeria

$$\because \sinh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sinh(x)} = \frac{2}{e^x - e^{-x}} \Rightarrow \operatorname{csch}(x) = \frac{2e^x}{e^{2x} - 1}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{csch}(\pi x) = \frac{2e^{\pi x}}{e^{2\pi x} - 1} \Rightarrow \frac{e^{\pi x}}{e^{2\pi x} - 1} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{csch}(\pi x)$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_0^\infty \frac{x e^{\pi x}}{(1 + 4x^2)^2 (e^{2\pi x} - 1)} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \frac{x \cdot \operatorname{csch}(\pi x)}{(1 + 4x^2)^2} dx \stackrel{(*)}{=} \\ &\left(\because \operatorname{csch}(x) = \frac{1}{x} + 2x \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2 \pi^2 + x^2} \Rightarrow \operatorname{csch}(\pi x) = \frac{1}{\pi x} + \frac{2x}{\pi} \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2 + x^2} \right) \\ &\stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{1}{2} \left(\int_0^\infty \frac{x}{(1 + 4x^2)^2} \left(\frac{1}{\pi x} + \frac{2x}{\pi} \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2 + x^2} \right) dx = \right. \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{(1 + 4x^2)^2} + \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^n \int_0^\infty \frac{x^2}{(n^2 + x^2)(1 + 4x^2)^2} dx \right) \\ A &= \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{(1 + 4x^2)^2} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{(1 + x^2)^2} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{8} \\ B &= \int_0^\infty \frac{x^2}{(n^2 + x^2)(1 + 4x^2)^2} dx = \\ &= \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{4n^2}{(4n^2 - 1)^2(4x^2 + 1)} - \frac{1}{(4x^2 + 1)^2(4n^2 - 1)} - \frac{n^2}{(4n^2 - 1)^2(n^2 + x^2)} \right) dx = \\ &= \frac{4n^2}{4n^2 - 1} \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{4x^2 + 1} - \frac{1}{4n^2 - 1} \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{(1 + 4x^2)^2} - \frac{n^2}{(4n^2 - 1)^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{n^2 + x^2} = \\ &= \frac{n^2 \pi}{(4n^2 - 1)^2} - \frac{\pi}{8(4n^2 - 1)} - \frac{n\pi}{2(4n^2 - 1)^2} \\ \Omega &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{8} + 2 \left(\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{n^2(-1)^n}{(4n^2 - 1)^2} - \frac{1}{8} \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^n}{4n^2 - 1} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^n n}{(4n^2 - 1)^2} \right) \right) \\ C &= \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{n^2(-1)^n}{(4n^2 - 1)^2} = \frac{1}{4} \left(\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^n}{4n^2 - 1} + \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^n}{(4n^2 - 1)^2} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^n \left(\frac{1}{2n - 1} - \frac{1}{2n + 1} \right) + \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n - 1)^2(2n + 1)^2} \right) = \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{\pi}{4} - \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - 1 \right) \right) \right) + \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^n}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2n+1} - \frac{1}{2n-1} + \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(2n-1)^2} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{\pi}{32}$$

$$D = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^n}{4n^2 - 1} = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n-1)(2n+1)} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$E = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^n n}{(4n^2 - 1)^2} = \sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^n \left(\frac{n}{(2n-1)^2(2n+1)^2} \right) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^n \left(\frac{1}{(2n-1)^2} - \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2} \right) = \frac{1}{8} - \frac{G}{4}$$

Hence,

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{8} + 2 \left(-\frac{\pi}{32} - \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) - \frac{1}{16} + \frac{G}{8} \right) \right) = \frac{1}{16} (2G - 1)$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x e^{\pi x}}{(1 + 4x^2)^2 (e^{2\pi x} - 1)} dx = \frac{1}{16} (2G - 1)$$

1608. Prove that:

$$\Omega = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(1 + \tan^4 x) \cos^2 x dx = \frac{\pi \log(6 + 4\sqrt{2})}{4} - \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Proposed by Ajetunmobi Abdulqoyyum-Nigeria

Solution 1 by Kartick Chandra Betal-India

$$\Omega = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(1 + \tan^4 x) \cos^2 x dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\log(1 + x^4)}{(1 + x^2)^2} dx =$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^2 \{ \log(1 + x^4) - 4 \log x \}}{(1 + x^2)^2} dx$$

$$2\Omega = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\log(1 + x^4)}{1 + x^2} dx - 4 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^2 \log x}{(1 + x^2)^2} dx$$

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(1 + \tan^4 x) dx + 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\log x}{(1 + x^2)^2} dx =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(1 - 2 \sin^2 x \cos^2 x) dx - 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(\cos x) dx + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1 - x^2}{(x^2 + 1)^2} \log x dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log\left(1 - \frac{\sin^2 2x}{2}\right) dx + \pi \log 2 - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1 - \frac{1}{x^2}}{\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2} \log x dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\pi} \log\left(1 - \frac{\sin^2 x}{2}\right) dx + \pi \log 2 - \frac{\log x}{x + \frac{1}{x}} \Big|_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log\left\{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x\right\} dx + \pi \log 2 - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1 + x^2} = \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{2} \log\left(\frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + 1}{2}\right) + \pi \log 2 - \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{\pi}{4} \log\left(\frac{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}{8} \cdot 16\right) - \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{\pi}{4} \log(6 + 4\sqrt{2}) - \frac{\pi}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Jack Desire-Nigeria

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(1 + \tan^4 x) \cos^2 x dx = \\
 &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 x \log(\cos^4 x + \sin^4 x) dx - 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 x \log(\cos x) dx = \\
 &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 x \log((\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x)^2 - 2 \sin^2 x \cos^2 x) dx - 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 x \log(\cos x) dx \\
 &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 x \log(1 - 2 \sin^2 x \cos^2 x) dx - 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 x \log(\cos x) dx \\
 \Omega_1 &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 x \log(1 - 2 \sin^2 x \cos^2 x) dx = - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 x \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^k \sin^{2k} x \cos^{2k} x}{k} dx = \\
 &= - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^k}{k} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2k} x \cos^{2k+2} x dx = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^k}{k} \left(\frac{\Gamma\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(k + \frac{3}{2}\right)}{2\Gamma(2k + 2)} \right) = \\
 &= - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{k-1}}{k} \left(\frac{\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right)}{(2k + 1)\Gamma(2k + 1)} \right) = - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{k-2}}{k} \left(\frac{\Gamma^2\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma(2k + 1)} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\therefore \frac{\Gamma(k)\Gamma\left(k+\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma(2k)} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2^{2k-1}} \Rightarrow \frac{\Gamma\left(k+\frac{1}{2}\right)\Gamma(k+1)}{\Gamma(2k+1)} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2^{2k}}; \frac{\Gamma\left(k+\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma(2k+1)} = \sqrt{\pi}/2^{2k}\Gamma(k+1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega_1 &= -\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{k-2}}{k} \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma\left(k+\frac{1}{2}\right)}{2^{2k}\Gamma(k+1)} \right) = -\sqrt{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-k-2}}{k} \left(\frac{\Gamma\left(k+\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma(k+1)} \right) = \\ &= -\pi \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-k-2}}{k} \binom{-\frac{1}{2}}{k} (-1)^k = -\frac{\pi}{4} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-k}}{k} \binom{-\frac{1}{2}}{k} (-1)^k = \\ &= -\frac{\pi}{4} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} x^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x^k (-1)^k \binom{-\frac{1}{2}}{k} dx = -\frac{\pi}{4} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{x} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x}} - 1 \right) dx \stackrel{\sqrt{1-x}=u}{=} \\ &= -\frac{\pi}{2} \int_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}^1 \frac{1}{1-u^2} \left(\frac{1}{u} - 1 \right) u du = -\frac{\pi}{2} \int_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}^1 \frac{1-u}{1-u^2} du = -\frac{\pi}{2} \log(1+u) \Big|_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}^1 = \\ &= -\frac{\pi}{2} \log\left(\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{1+\sqrt{2}}\right) = -\frac{\pi}{2} \log(4-2\sqrt{2})\end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega_2 &= 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 x \log(\cos x) dx = 4 \frac{\partial}{\partial a} \Big|_{a=2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^a x dx = 4\sqrt{\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial a} \left(\frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{a}{2}+\frac{1}{2}\right)}{2\Gamma\left(\frac{a}{2}+1\right)} \right) = \\ &= 2\sqrt{\pi} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}\psi\left(\frac{a}{2}+\frac{1}{2}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{a}{2}+\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{a}{2}+1\right)} - \frac{\frac{1}{2}\Gamma\left(\frac{a}{2}+\frac{1}{2}\right)\psi\left(\frac{a}{2}+1\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{a}{2}+1\right)} \right) = \\ &= \sqrt{\pi} \left(\frac{\psi\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)}{\Gamma(2)} - \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)\psi(2)}{\Gamma(2)} \right) = \frac{\pi}{2} \left(\psi\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) - \psi(2) \right) = \frac{\pi}{2} (2 - 2\log 2)\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \Omega_1 - \Omega_2 = -\frac{\pi}{2} \log(4-2\sqrt{2}) - \frac{\pi}{2} (1-2\log 2) = -\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2} \log(2+\sqrt{2}) = \\ &= -\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4} \log(6+4\sqrt{2})\end{aligned}$$

1609. If $x \in \mathbb{R}_+$ and $F(x) = \int_0^x \frac{e^t-1}{t} \log\left(\frac{x}{t}\right) dt$ then prove:

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} F(x) dx = \zeta(2)$$

Proposed by Angad Singh-India

Solution 1 by Togrul Ehmedov-Azerbaijan

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_0^\infty e^{-x} \int_0^x \frac{e^t - 1}{t} \log\left(\frac{x}{t}\right) dt dx \stackrel{\substack{x=t=z \\ t=\frac{x}{z}}}{=} \int_0^\infty e^{-x} \int_1^\infty \frac{e^{\frac{x}{z}} - 1}{x} \cdot \log z \cdot \frac{x dz}{z^2} dx = \\
 & = \int_0^\infty e^{-x} \int_1^\infty \left(e^{\frac{x}{z}} - 1\right) \cdot \frac{\log z}{z} dz dx = \int_1^\infty \int_0^\infty \left(e^{-x(1-\frac{1}{z})} - e^{-x}\right) \cdot \frac{\log z}{z} dx dz = \\
 & = \int_1^\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{\log z}{z} \int_0^\infty \left(e^{-\frac{x(z-1)}{z}} - e^{-x}\right) dx dz = \\
 & = \int_1^\infty \frac{\log z}{z} \left[\frac{z}{1-z} e^{-\frac{x(z-1)}{z}} + e^{-x} \right]_0^\infty dz = \int_1^\infty \frac{\log z}{z} \left(\frac{z}{z-1} - 1 \right) dz = \\
 & = \int_1^\infty \frac{\log z}{z(z-1)} dz = - \int_0^1 \frac{\log z}{1-z} dz = - \sum_{k=1}^\infty z^{k-1} \log z dz = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{1}{k^2} = \zeta(2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Ajenikoko Gbolahan-Nigeria

$$F(x) = \int_0^x \frac{e^t - 1}{t} \log\left(\frac{x}{t}\right) dt \stackrel{u=\frac{x}{t}}{=} \int_1^\infty \frac{e^{\frac{x}{u}} - 1}{\frac{x}{u}} \log u \frac{x du}{u^2} = \int_1^\infty \frac{e^{\frac{x}{u}} - 1}{u} \log u du$$

Then,

$$\Psi = \int_0^\infty e^{-x} F(x) dx = \int_0^\infty e^{-x} \int_1^\infty \frac{e^{\frac{x}{u}} - 1}{u} \log u du dx = \int_0^\infty \int_1^\infty \frac{e^{-x+\frac{x}{u}} - e^{-x}}{u} \log u du dx$$

Using Fubini's theorem to switch order of integration.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Psi &= \int_1^\infty \frac{\log u}{u} \int_0^\infty \left(e^{-x+\frac{x}{u}} - e^{-x}\right) dx du = \int_1^\infty \frac{\log u}{u} \left(\frac{u}{u-1} - 1\right) du = \\
 &= \int_1^\infty \left(\frac{\log u}{u-1} - \frac{\log u}{u} - \frac{\log u}{u}\right) du \\
 &\because \int_1^\infty \frac{\log u}{u} du \text{ does not converges}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Psi = \int_1^\infty \frac{\log u}{u-1} du = - \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \Big|_{s=0} \int_1^\infty x^{n+s} ds = - \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{1}{-(n+1)^2} = \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} = \zeta(2)$$

Solution 3 by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$F(x) = \int_0^x \frac{e^t - 1}{t} \log\left(\frac{x}{t}\right) dt \stackrel{t=xy}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{1 - e^{xy}}{y} \log y dt$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \int_0^\infty F(x) e^{-x} dx = \int_0^\infty \int_0^1 \frac{1 - e^{xy}}{y} \log y e^{-x} dt dx = \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{\log y}{y} \int_0^\infty (1 - e^{xy}) e^{-x} dx dy = \int_0^1 \frac{\log y}{y} \left(1 - \frac{1}{1-y}\right) dy = - \int_0^1 \frac{\log y}{1-y} dy = \\ &= - \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1-y)}{y} dy = Li_2(1) = \zeta(2)\end{aligned}$$

Solution 4 by Kartick Chandra Betal-India

$$\begin{aligned}F(x) &= \int_0^x \frac{e^t - 1}{t} \log\left(\frac{x}{t}\right) dt = - \int_0^1 \frac{e^{tx} - 1}{t} \log t dt = \int_0^1 \left(\log t \int_0^x e^{ty} dy\right) dt \\ \int_0^\infty e^{-x} F(x) dx &= - \int_0^\infty e^{-x} \left(\int_0^1 \log t \int_0^x e^{ty} dy\right) dt = \\ &= - \int_0^1 \log t \int_0^\infty e^{ty} \int_y^\infty e^{-x} dx dy dt = - \int_0^1 \log t \int_0^\infty e^{ty} \cdot e^{-y} dy dt = \\ &= - \int_0^1 \log t \frac{dt}{1-t} = - \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1-t)}{t} dt = \zeta(2)\end{aligned}$$

Solution 5 by Jack Desire-Nigeria

$$\begin{aligned}F(x) &= \int_0^x \frac{e^t - 1}{t} \log\left(\frac{x}{t}\right) dt = \int_0^x \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{t^{k-1}}{k!} \log\left(\frac{x}{t}\right) dx = \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{1}{k!} \int_0^x t^{k-1} \{\log x - \log t\} dt = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{1}{k!} \left\{ \frac{x^k \log x}{k} - \left(\frac{x^k \log x}{k} - \frac{x^k}{k^2} \right) \right\} = \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{x^k}{k^2} \right) \\ \int_0^\infty e^{-x} F(x) dx &= \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{1}{k! k^2} \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^k dx = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{1}{k^2 k!} \cdot k! = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{1}{k^2} = \zeta(2)\end{aligned}$$

Solution 6 by proposer

$$\begin{aligned}F(x) &= \int_0^x \frac{e^t - 1}{t} \log\left(\frac{x}{t}\right) dt = \int_0^x \int_t^x \frac{e^t - 1}{ty} dy dt = \int_0^x \int_0^y \frac{e^t - 1}{ty} dt dy = \\ &= \int_0^x \frac{1}{y} \int_0^y \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{t^{k-1}}{k!} dt dy = \int_0^x \frac{1}{y} \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{y^k}{k \cdot k!} dy = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{x^k}{k^2 \cdot k!}\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} F(x) dx = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2 \cdot k!} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} x^k dx = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} = \zeta(2)$$

1610. For $|x| \leq 1$, let $T(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\left((-1)^{\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)} + 1\right)x^n}{n^2 + n}$ then prove that:

$$\int_0^1 \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) (T(-x) + T(x)) dx = \frac{\pi^2}{24} - 1 + \log 2$$

Proposed by Srinivasa Raghava-AIRMC-India

Solution by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$T(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\left((-1)^{\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)} + 1\right)x^n}{n^2 + n}; \quad T(-x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\left((-1)^{\frac{1}{2}n(n+1)} + (-1)^n\right)x^n}{n^2 + n}$$

$$T(x) + T(-x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}\right) \left((-1)^{\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)} + (-1)^{\frac{1}{2}n(n+1)} + (-1)^n + 1\right) x^n$$

$$(-1)^{\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)} + (-1)^{\frac{1}{2}n(n+1)} + (-1)^n + 1 = \begin{cases} 4, & \text{if } n = 4k \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$T(x) + T(-x) = 4 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{4k} - \frac{1}{4k+1}\right) x^{4k}$$

$$\Omega = \int_0^1 \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) (T(-x) + T(x)) dx = 4 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{4k} - \frac{1}{4k+1}\right) \int_0^1 (x^{4k+1} + x^{4k-1}) dx =$$

$$= 4 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{4k} - \frac{1}{4k+1}\right) \left(\frac{1}{4k} + \frac{1}{4k+1}\right) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{4k^2} - \frac{1}{2k} + \frac{1}{2k+1}\right) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \zeta(2) - 1 + \underbrace{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots\right)}_{(\log 2)}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^1 \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) (T(-x) + T(x)) dx = \frac{\pi^2}{24} - 1 + \log 2$$

1611. Find:

$$\Omega(n) = \int \frac{x^{2n-1}(1-x^2)}{e^{nx^2}} dx, n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 1$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

Solution 1 by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega(n) &= \int \frac{x^{2n-1}(1-x^2)}{e^{nx^2}} dx \stackrel{t=x^2}{=} \frac{1}{2} \int t^{n-1} e^{-nt} dt - \frac{1}{2} \int t^n e^{-nt} dt \\ &\quad \frac{1}{2} \int t^{n-1} e^{-nt} dt \stackrel{IBP}{=} \frac{1}{2n} t^n e^{-nt} + \frac{1}{2} \int t^n e^{-nt} dt \\ \Omega(n) &= \frac{1}{2n} t^n e^{-nt} + C = \frac{x^{2n}}{2ne^{nx^2}} + C\end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Adrian Popa-Romania

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega(n) &= \int \frac{x^{2n-1}(1-x^2)}{e^{nx^2}} dx = \int x^{2n-1} e^{-nx^2} dx - \int x^{2n+1} e^{-nx^2} dx = I_1 - I_2 \\ I_1 &= \int x^{2n-1} e^{-nx^2} dx \stackrel{u=x^{2n-2} e^{-nx^2}}{=} \\ &= \frac{x^{2n} e^{-nx^2}}{2} - (n-1) \int x^{2n-1} e^{-nx^2} dx + n \int x^{2n+1} e^{-nx^2} dx = \\ &= \frac{x^{2n} e^{-nx^2}}{2} - (n-1) I_1 + n I_2 \\ n(I_1 - I_2) &= \frac{x^{2n} e^{-nx^2}}{2} \Rightarrow I_1 - I_2 = \Omega(n) = \frac{x^{2n} e^{-nx^2}}{2} + C\end{aligned}$$

Solution 3 by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega(n) &= \int \frac{x^{2n-1}(1-x^2)}{e^{nx^2}} dx = \int \frac{x^{2n-2}(1-x^2)}{e^{nx^2}} x dx \stackrel{x^2=t}{=} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int e^{-nt} t^{n-1} (1-t) dt = \\ &= \frac{1}{2n} e^{-nt} t^n - \frac{1}{2} \int e^{-nt} t^{n-1} dt + \frac{1}{2} \int e^{-nt} t^{n-1} dt = \\ &= \frac{1}{2n} e^{-nt} t^n + C = \frac{1}{2n} e^{-nx^2} x^{2n} + C\end{aligned}$$

Solution 4 by Almas Babirov-Azerbaijan

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega(n) &= \int \frac{x^{2n-1}(1-x^2)}{e^{nx^2}} dx = \int x^{2n-1} e^{-nx^2} dx - \int x^{2n+1} e^{-nx^2} dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2n} \int e^{-nx^2} d(x^2) + \frac{1}{2n} \int x^{2n} d(e^{-nx^2}) = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2n} \int e^{-nx} d(x^2) + \frac{1}{2n} x^{2n} e^{-nx^2} - \int e^{-nx^2} d(x^2) = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2n} x^{2n} e^{-nx^2} + C
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 5 by Gilmer Lopez-Cajamarca-Peru

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega(n) &= \int \frac{x^{2n-1}(1-x^2)}{e^{nx^2}} dx = \int x^{2n-1} e^{-nx^2} dx - \int \frac{x^{2n} \cdot x}{e^{nx^2}} dx \stackrel{u=x^{2n}}{=} \\
 &= \int \frac{x^{2n-1}}{e^{nx^2}} dx - \left(-\frac{x^{2n}}{2ne^{nx^2}} + \int \frac{2n \cdot x^{2n-1}}{2ne^{nx^2}} dx \right) = \\
 &= \int \frac{x^{2n-1}}{e^{nx^2}} dx + \frac{x^{2n}}{2ne^{nx^2}} - \int \frac{x^{2n-1}}{e^{nx^2}} dx = \frac{x^{2n}}{2ne^{nx^2}} + C
 \end{aligned}$$

1612. Find:

$$\Omega = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\varepsilon}^1 \frac{x\sqrt{x} \log x}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx$$

Proposed by Vasile Mircea Popa-Romania

Solution 1 by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\varepsilon}^1 \frac{x\sqrt{x} \log x}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{x\sqrt{x}(1-x^2) \log x}{1-x^6} dx = \\
 &= \int_0^1 \frac{\left(x^{\frac{3}{2}} - x^{\frac{7}{2}}\right) \log x}{1-x^6} dx = \frac{1}{36} \int_0^1 \frac{\left(x^{\frac{5}{12}-1} - x^{\frac{3}{4}-1}\right) \log x}{1-x} dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{36} \left\{ \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{5}{12}\right) \right\} = \frac{1}{36} \left\{ \pi^2 - 8G - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{5}{12}\right) \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\varepsilon}^1 \frac{x\sqrt{x} \log x}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx = \frac{1}{36} \left\{ \pi^2 - 8G - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{5}{12}\right) \right\}$$

Solution 2 by Mohammad Rostami-Afghanistan

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\varepsilon}^1 \frac{x\sqrt{x} \log x}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{x\sqrt{x}(1-x^2) \log x}{1-x^6} dx = \\
 &= \int_0^1 \frac{x\sqrt{x}(1-x^2) \log x}{(1-x^2)(1+x^2+x^4)} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{x\sqrt{x}(1-x^2) \log x}{1-x^6} dx = \\
 &= \int_0^1 \frac{x\sqrt{x} \log x}{1-x^6} dx - \int_0^1 \frac{x^3\sqrt{x} \log x}{1-x^6} dx = I_1 - I_2 \\
 I_1 &= \int_0^1 \frac{x\sqrt{x} \log x}{1-x^6} dx = \int_0^1 x\sqrt{x} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^{6k} \frac{\partial}{\partial a} \Big|_{a=0} x^a dx = \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial a} \Big|_{a=0} \int_0^1 x^{6k+a+\frac{3}{2}} dx = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{6k+a+\frac{5}{2}} \right]_{a=0}' = \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{-1}{\left(6k+\frac{5}{2}\right)^2} = -\frac{1}{36} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(k+\frac{5}{12}\right)^2} = -\frac{1}{36} \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{5}{12}\right) \\
 I_2 &= \int_0^1 \frac{x^3\sqrt{x} \log x}{1-x^6} dx = \int_0^1 x^3\sqrt{x} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^{6n} \frac{\partial}{\partial b} \Big|_{b=0} x^b dx = \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial b} \Big|_{b=0} \int_0^1 x^{6n+b+\frac{7}{2}} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{6n+b+\frac{9}{2}} \right]_{b=0}' = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{-1}{\left(6n+\frac{9}{2}\right)^2} = \\
 &= -\frac{1}{36} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(n+\frac{9}{12}\right)^2} = -\frac{1}{36} \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{9}{12}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = I_1 - I_2 = \frac{1}{36} \left[\psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{5}{12}\right) \right]$$

Solution 3 by Abdul Mukhtar-Nigeria

$$\because x^4 + x^2 + 1 = \frac{1-x^6}{1-x^2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \int_0^1 \frac{x^{\frac{3}{2}} \log x - x^{\frac{7}{2}} \log x}{1 - x^6} dx = \int_0^1 \left(x^{\frac{3}{2}} \log x - x^{\frac{7}{2}} \log x \right) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^{6k} dx = \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_0^1 x^{6k+\frac{3}{2}} \log x dx - \int_0^1 x^{6k+\frac{7}{2}} \log x dx \right) \\
 H_1 &= \int_0^1 x^{6k+\frac{3}{2}} \log x dx; H_2 = \int_0^1 x^{6k+\frac{7}{2}} \log x dx \Rightarrow \Omega = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (H_1 - H_2) \\
 I_a &= \int_0^1 x^a \log x dx \stackrel{IBP}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{\log x}{a+1} d(x^{a+1}) = \frac{\log x}{a+1} x^{a+1} \Big|_0^1 - \frac{1}{a+1} \int_0^1 x^a dx = \\
 &= -\frac{1}{a+1} \int_0^1 x^a dx = -\frac{1}{(a+1)^2}; a > -1 \\
 H_1 &= -\frac{1}{\left(6k+\frac{5}{2}\right)^2} = -\frac{1}{36} \cdot \frac{1}{\left(k+\frac{5}{2}\right)^2} \\
 H_2 &= -\frac{1}{36} \cdot \frac{1}{\left(k+\frac{9}{2}\right)^2} = -\frac{1}{36} \cdot \frac{1}{\left(k+\frac{3}{4}\right)^2} \\
 \text{Therefore,} \\
 \Omega &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (H_1 - H_2) = \frac{1}{36} \left[\psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{5}{12}\right) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

1613. If $0 < a \leq b$ then:

$$3 \int_a^b \sqrt{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx \geq (b-a) \sqrt{(a^2 + ab + b^2)^2 + 3(a^2 + ab + b^2) + 9}$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

Solution by Kamel Gandoulli Rezgui-Tunisia

Let $f(t) = \sqrt{t^4 + t^2 + 1} > 0$; $a, b > 0$ and let $c = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 + ab + b^2}}{\sqrt{3}} \leq \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} b$. From M.V.T., we get:

$$\exists \alpha \in [a, b]: f(\alpha) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt$$

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$$f \nearrow \Rightarrow \alpha \geq \frac{a+b}{2}; \frac{\alpha}{\frac{a+b}{2}} \neq 0$$

$$\text{If } a \rightarrow 0, c \rightarrow \frac{b}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ and } \frac{a+b}{2} \rightarrow \frac{b}{2} \text{ then, } \frac{\alpha}{\frac{a+b}{2}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} = c \text{ impossible!}$$

$$c < \alpha \Rightarrow f(\alpha) \geq f(c) \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \geq f\left(\frac{\sqrt{a^2+ab+b^2}}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{(a^2+ab+b^2)^2 + 3(a^2+ab+b^2)} + 9}{3}$$

Therefore,

$$3 \int_a^b \sqrt{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx \geq (b-a) \sqrt{(a^2+ab+b^2)^2 + 3(a^2+ab+b^2)} + 9$$

1614. If $0 < a \leq b$ then:

$$\int_a^b \sinh x (e^{\sinh^2 x} + e^{\cosh^2 x}) dx \geq \frac{289}{105} \left(\sqrt[17]{\cosh^{18} b} - \sqrt[17]{\cosh^{18} a} \right)$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

Solution by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

$$\text{Let } y = \cosh x \Rightarrow x = \cosh^{-1} y, dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{y^2-1}} dy$$

$$\sinh(\cosh^{-1} y) = \sqrt{y^2-1}$$

$$\Omega = \int_a^b \sinh x (e^{\sinh^2 x} + e^{\cosh^2 x}) dx =$$

$$= \int_{\cosh a}^{\cosh b} \sqrt{y^2-1} (e^{y^2} + e^{y^2-1}) \frac{dy}{\sqrt{y^2-1}} = \int_{\cosh a}^{\cosh b} (e^{y^2} + e^{y^2-1}) dy$$

$$\text{Let } f(y) = (e^{y^2} + e^{y^2-1}) - \frac{51}{35} y^{\frac{1}{17}} \Rightarrow f'(y) = 2y(e^{y^2} + e^{y^2-1}) - \frac{3}{35} y^{-\frac{33}{17}} =$$

$$= y \left(2(e^{y^2} + e^{y^2-1}) - \frac{3}{35} y^{-\frac{33}{17}} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow 2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{e} \right) = \frac{3}{35} y^{-\frac{33}{17}} e^{-y^2}$$

$$\log 2 + \log(1 + e) - 1 = \log\left(\frac{3}{35}\right) - \frac{33}{17} \log y - y^2; E$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \alpha_0 \cong 0.15. \text{ Let } \min f(\alpha) \cong 0.2 \Rightarrow e^{y^2} + e^{y^2-1} - \frac{51}{35} y^{\frac{1}{17}} \geq 0; \forall y \geq 0$$

$$\int_{\cosh a}^{\cosh b} (e^{y^2} + e^{y^2-1}) dy \geq \int_{\cosh a}^{\cosh b} \frac{51}{35} y^{\frac{1}{17}} dy$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_a^b \sinh x (e^{\cosh^2 x} + e^{\sinh^2 x}) dx \geq \frac{51}{35} \frac{y^{\frac{18}{17}}}{\frac{1}{17} + 1} \Big|_{\cosh a}^{\cosh b} =$$

$$= \frac{51}{35} \cdot \frac{17}{18} \left(\sqrt[17]{\cosh^{18} b} - \sqrt[17]{\cosh^{18} a} \right) = \frac{289}{105} \left(\sqrt[17]{\cosh^{18} b} - \sqrt[17]{\cosh^{18} a} \right)$$

Equality holds for $a = b$.

1615.

$$\Omega(n) = \sum_{k=2}^{n-1} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin^{2k+1} x \cos^k x + \sin^k x \cos^{2k+1} x}{\sin^{3k+3} x + \cos^{3k+3} x} dx$$

Find:

$$\omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\Omega(n)}{n}$$

Proposed by Costel Florea-Romania

Solution by Adrian Popa-Romania

$$I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin^{2k+1} x \cos^k x + \sin^k x \cos^{2k+1} x}{\sin^{3k+3} x + \cos^{3k+3} x} dx =$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin^k x \cos^k x (\sin^{k+1} x + \cos^{k+1} x)}{(\sin^{k+1} x + \cos^{k+1} x)(\sin^{2k+2} x - \sin^{k+1} x \cos^{k+1} x + \cos^{2k+2} x)} dx =$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin^k x \cos^k x}{\cos^{2k+2} x (\tan^{2k+2} x - \tan^{k+1} x + 1)} dx =$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\tan^k x}{\cos^2 x (\tan^{2k+2} x - \tan^{k+1} x + 1)} dx \stackrel{\tan^{k+1} x = t}{=} \frac{1}{k+1} \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{t^2 - t + 1} = \frac{1}{k+1} \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{\left(t - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{3}{4}} = \frac{1}{k+1} \cdot \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{t - \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \right) \Big|_0^1 =$$

$$= \frac{2\pi}{3\sqrt{3}(k+1)}$$

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$$\Omega(n) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{2\pi}{3\sqrt{3}(k+1)} = \frac{\pi}{3\sqrt{3}} \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n-1} \right)$$

$$\omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\Omega(n)}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\pi}{3\sqrt{3}} \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n-1} \right)}{n} \stackrel{C-S}{=} \frac{2\pi}{3\sqrt{3}} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n}}{n+1-n} = 0$$

1616. Find a closed form:

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{(4n+3)^2}$$

Proposed by Ajetunmobi Abdulqoyyum-Nigeria

Solution 1 by Kartick Chandra Betal-India

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{(4n+3)^2} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{4n+3} - \frac{3}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(4n+3)^2} = \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x^4)^n x^2 dx - \frac{3}{4} \int_0^1 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x^4)^n x^2 \log x dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{x^2}{1+x^4} dx - \frac{3}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{x^2 \log x}{1+x^4} dx = \frac{1}{4} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1+x^4} - \frac{3}{64} \int_0^1 \frac{x^{\frac{3}{4}-1} \log x}{1+x} dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1+x^4} - \frac{3}{64} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \left\{ \psi\left(\frac{s+1}{2}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \right\} \right]_{s=\frac{3}{4}} = \\ &= \frac{1}{32} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^{\frac{1}{4}-1}}{1+x} dx - \frac{3}{256} \left[\psi'\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - \psi'\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) \right] = \\ &= \frac{\pi\sqrt{2}}{32} - \frac{3}{256} \left\{ \psi'\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - \psi'\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Syed Sahabudeen-India

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{(4n+3)^2} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{4n+3} - \frac{3}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(4n+3)^2} = \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{8n+3} - \frac{1}{8n+7} - \frac{3}{(8n+3)^2} + \frac{3}{(8n+7)^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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We have:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{8n+3} - \frac{1}{8n+7} \right) = \frac{1}{8} \left(\psi\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) \right)$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{(8n+7)^2} - \frac{1}{(8n+3)^2} \right) = \frac{1}{64} \left(\psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) \right)$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{32} \left(\psi\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) \right) + \frac{3}{256} \left(\psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) \right)$$

Solution 3 by Jack Desire-Nigeria

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{(4n+3)^2} = \frac{1}{16} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{\left(n + \frac{3}{4}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{16} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n n \int_0^1 x^{n-\frac{1}{4}} (-\log x) dx = \\ &= -\frac{1}{16} \int_0^1 x^{-\frac{1}{4}} \log x dx \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x)^n n; \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x)^n = -\frac{x}{(1+x)^2} \right) \\ \Omega &= -\frac{1}{16} \int_0^1 x^{-\frac{1}{4}} \log x \left(-\frac{x}{(1+x)^2} \right) dx = \frac{1}{16} \int_0^1 \frac{x^{\frac{3}{4}} \log x}{(1+x)^2} dx \end{aligned}$$

Applying IBP, we have:

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{16} \cdot \frac{-x^{\frac{3}{4}} \log x}{1+x} \Big|_0^1 + \int_0^1 \left(\frac{x^{-\frac{1}{4}}}{1+x} + \frac{\frac{3}{4} x^{-\frac{1}{4}} \log x}{1+x} \right) dx$$

We know that:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \frac{x^a}{1+x} dx &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\psi\left(\frac{a}{2} + 1\right) - \psi\left(\frac{a}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right) \right) \\ \int_0^1 \frac{x^a \log x}{1+x} dx &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\psi'\left(\frac{a}{2} + 1\right) - \psi'\left(\frac{a}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right) \right] \\ \int_0^1 \frac{x^{-\frac{1}{4}}}{1+x} dx &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\psi\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) \right]; \frac{3}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{x^{-\frac{1}{4}} \log x}{1+x} dx = \frac{3}{16} \left[\psi'\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - \psi'\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) \right] \\ \Omega &= \frac{1}{16} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left[\psi\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) \right] + \frac{3}{16} \left[\psi'\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - \psi'\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \psi\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) &= \int_0^1 \frac{x^{-\frac{5}{8}} - x^{-\frac{1}{8}}}{1-x} dx \stackrel{x=u^8}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{u^{-5} - u^{-1}}{1-u^8} 8u^7 du = \\
 &= 8 \int_0^1 \frac{u^2 - u^6}{1-u^8} du = 8 \int_0^1 \frac{u^2}{1+u^4} du = 8 \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\frac{1}{u^2} + u^2} du = \\
 &= 4 \left(\int_0^1 \frac{1 - \frac{1}{u^2}}{\left(u + \frac{1}{u}\right)^2 - 2} du + \int_0^1 \frac{1 + \frac{1}{u^2}}{\left(u - \frac{1}{u}\right)^2 + 2} du \right) = \\
 &= 4 \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \log \left(\frac{u + \frac{1}{u} - \sqrt{2}}{u + \frac{1}{u} + \sqrt{2}} \right) \Big|_0^1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{u^2 - 1}{u\sqrt{2}} \right) \Big|_0^1 \right) = \\
 &= \sqrt{2} \log \left(\frac{2 - \sqrt{2}}{2 + \sqrt{2}} \right) + \pi\sqrt{2} = \pi\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2} \log(3 - 2\sqrt{2})
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{32} (\pi\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2} \log(3 - 2\sqrt{2})) + \frac{3}{256} \left[\psi'\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - \psi'\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) \right]$$

Solution 4 by Ajenikoko Gbolahan-Nigeria

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{(4n+3)^2} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{(-1)^n}{4n+3} - \frac{3(-1)^n}{4n+3} \right]$$

Using that:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n+k} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n+k} - \frac{1}{2n+3+k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{8n+3} - \frac{1}{8n+7} \right] - \frac{3}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{(8n+3)^2} - \frac{1}{(8n+7)^2} \right] = \\
 &= \frac{1}{32} \left[\Phi\left(1, 1, \frac{3}{8}\right) - \Phi\left(1, 1, \frac{7}{8}\right) \right] - \frac{3}{32} \left[\Phi\left(1, 2, \frac{3}{8}\right) - \Phi\left(1, 2, \frac{7}{8}\right) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\Phi(a, b, c)$ – Lerch transcendent function.

Solution 5 by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{(4n+3)^2} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (4n+3-3)}{(4n+3)^2} = \frac{1}{4} \underbrace{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{4n+3}}_A - \frac{3}{4} \underbrace{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(4n+3)^2}}_B$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \int_0^1 x^{4n+2} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{x^2}{1+x^4} dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}} \int_0^1 \left(\frac{2x}{x^2 - x\sqrt{2} + 1} - \frac{2x}{x^2 + x\sqrt{2} + 1} \right) dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}} \int_0^1 \left(\frac{2x - \sqrt{2}}{x^2 - x\sqrt{2} + 1} - \frac{2x + \sqrt{2}}{x^2 + x\sqrt{2} + 1} \right) dx + \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\left(x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}} \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\left(x - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}} \log \left(\frac{2 - \sqrt{2}}{2 + \sqrt{2}} \right) + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2} - 1) + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2} + 1) = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \log(\sqrt{2} - 1) + \frac{\pi}{4\sqrt{2}} \\
 B &= \frac{1}{64} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(n + \frac{3}{8}\right)^2} - \frac{1}{\left(n + \frac{7}{8}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{64} \left\{ \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{(4n+3)^2} = \frac{1}{8\sqrt{2}} \log(\sqrt{2} - 1) + \frac{\pi}{16\sqrt{2}} + \frac{3}{256} \left\{ \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) \right\}$$

1617. Let be the function $f: [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ continuous such that:

$(f(f(x))) = (2^{x+1} + x - 1)f(x), \forall x \geq 0$. Prove that: f invertible and find

$$\Omega = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{-1}(x)}{x}$$

Proposed by Florică Anastase-Romania

Solution 1 by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

If $x, x' \geq 0$ such that $f(x) = f'(x) \Rightarrow f(f(x)) = f(f(x'))$

$$\begin{cases} f(f(x)) = (2^{x+1} + x - 1)f(x) \\ f(f(x')) = (2^{x'+1} + x' - 1)f(x') \end{cases}$$

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$h(x) = 2^{x+1} + x - 1 = e^{(x+1)\log 2} + x - 1$ injective because h is increasing and continuous, then

$x = x' \Rightarrow f$ is injective.

If $y \in \mathbb{R}_+ \Rightarrow \exists t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ such that $(2^{t+1} + t - 1)f(t) = y$

Because $\alpha(2^{t+1} + t - 1) = y$ is bijective $\forall \alpha \geq 0 \Rightarrow f$ is surjective. So, f is invertible.

$$f(f(f^{-1}(x))) = (2^{x+1} + x - 1)x \Rightarrow f(x) = (2^{x+1} + x - 1)x$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x} = 1 \Rightarrow f(0) = 0 \Rightarrow f^{-1}(0) = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(f^{-1}(t))}{f^{-1}(t)} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{t}{f^{-1}(t)} = 1$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{-1}(x)}{x} = 1$$

Solution 2 by Surjeet Singhania-India

First of all we will show f is bijective function. Here we go.

Put $x = 0$ in functional equation we will get $(f \circ f)(0) = f(0)$

Claim $f(0) = 0$, if not then $f(0) = m \in \mathbb{R}_+$ implies $f(m) = m$.

Put $x = m$ in equation $f(m) = (2^{m+1} + m - 1)f(m) \Rightarrow$

$2^{m+1} + m - 1 = 1$ only $m = 0$ satisfy equation. Hence, $f(m)$ is only solution for $m = 0$.

Now, $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}_+, \frac{(f \circ f)(x)}{f(x)} = 2^{x+1} + x - 1 = g(x)$, where g is continuous and increasing

function, so g is bijective.

Suppose f is not injective then for some $x_1 \neq x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow$

$$\frac{(f \circ f)(x_1)}{f(x_1)} = \frac{(f \circ f)(x_2)}{f(x_2)} \Rightarrow g(x_1) = g(x_2). \text{ Contradiction, then } g \text{ is injective, hence } f \text{ is injective}$$

function.

If f is not surjective, then $\exists y \in \mathbb{R}_+$ such that no $x \in \mathbb{R}_+, f(x) = y$ since we prove f is

injective function $(f \circ f)(x) \neq f(y) \Rightarrow g(y) \neq \frac{f(y)}{f(x)}$. Contradiction, then g is surjective,

hence f is surjective, then f is bijective. So, f is invertible.

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$$\text{Since } f(0) = 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f^{-1}(x) = 0$$

$$\Omega = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{-1}(x)}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{(f \circ f)(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2^{x+1} + x - 1} = 1$$

Solution 3 by proposer

$$\text{a) Let } f(0) = a, a \in [0, \infty)$$

$$\text{For } x = 0 \Rightarrow (f(f(0))) = f(0) \Rightarrow f(a) = a \Rightarrow a \text{ fix point of } f.$$

$$\text{For } x = a \Rightarrow (f(f(a))) = (2^{a+1} + a - 1)f(a) \Rightarrow a = (2^{a+1} + a - 1)a \Rightarrow$$

$$a = 0 \text{ unique fix point of } f.$$

Let $g: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) = f(x) - x$ which isn't zero and have same sign on $(0, \infty)$.

$$\text{Let } b \in (0, \infty) \text{ with } f(b) \neq 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$g(f(b)) = f(f(b)) - f(b) = (2^{b+1} + b - 2)f(b) > 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$f(x) > 0, \forall x \in [0, \infty) \text{ and how } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty \Rightarrow f([0, \infty)) = [0, \infty) \Rightarrow f \text{ surjective.}$$

$$\text{Let } x_1, x_2 \in [0, \infty) \text{ with } f(x_1) = f(x_2)$$

$$\text{Then } f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Leftrightarrow f(f(x_1)) = f(f(x_2)) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$(2^{1+x_1} + x_1 - 1)f(x_1) = (2^{1+x_2} + x_2 - 1)f(x_2) \Leftrightarrow x_1 = x_2 \Leftrightarrow f \text{ injective.}$$

So, f bijective and exist $f^{-1}: [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ inverse.

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{-1}(x)}{x} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{y}{f(y)} = \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{f(f(x))} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{(2^{x+1} + x - 1)f(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2^{x+1} + x - 1} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

1618. Find:

$$\Omega = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left[\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\prod_{k=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}} \right) \right) \right]^{H_p},$$

where H_p –harmonic number.

Proposed by Florică Anastase-Romania

Solution 1 by Daniela Ruxandra Tonilă-Romania

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left[\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\prod_{k=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}} \right) \right) \right]^{H_p} \\ \log \Omega &= \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} H_p \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{k=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}} \right) \right) = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} H_p \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \log \left(1 + \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}} \right) \right) = \\ &= \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} H_p \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\log \left(1 + \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}} \right)}{\frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}}} \cdot \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}} \right) = \\ &= \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} H_p \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}} \right) = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} H_p \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{k+1}{n} \right)^p \right) = \\ &= \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} H_p \int_0^1 x^p dx = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \frac{H_p}{p+1} \stackrel{C-S}{=} \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \frac{H_{p+1} - H_p}{p+1-p} = 0\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left[\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\prod_{k=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}} \right) \right) \right]^{H_p} = 1$$

Solution 2 by proposer

From well-known inequality: $\frac{x}{x+1} \leq \ln(1+x) \leq x, \forall x \in (-1, \infty)$ we get:

$$\frac{(k+1)^p}{(k+1)^p + n^{p+1}} \leq \ln \left(1 + \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}} \right) \leq \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}}$$

Thus,

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(k+1)^p}{(n+1)^p + n^{p+1}} \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(k+1)^p}{(k+1)^p + n^{p+1}} \leq \ln \left[\prod_{k=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}} \right) \right] \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}}$$

We have:

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(k+1)^p}{(n+1)^p + n^{p+1}} &\stackrel{C-S}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+2)^p}{(n+2)^p - (n+1)^p + (n+1)^{p+1} - n^{p+1}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+2)^p}{(n+2)^p - (n+1)^p + C_{p+1}^0 n^{p+1} + C_{p+1}^1 n^p + C_{p+1}^2 n^{p-1} + \dots + C_{p+1}^{p+1} - n^{p+1}} =\end{aligned}$$

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$$= \frac{1}{p+1}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+2)^p}{(n+1)^{p+1} - n^{p+1}} = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+2)^p}{C_{p+1}^0 n^{p+1} + C_{p+1}^1 n^p + C_{p+1}^2 n^{p-1} + \dots + C_{p+1}^{p+1} - n^{p+1}} = \frac{1}{p+1} \end{aligned}$$

So, we get:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left[\prod_{k=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{p+1} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\prod_{k=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}} \right) \right) = e^{\frac{1}{p+1}}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left[\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\prod_{k=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(k+1)^p}{n^{p+1}} \right) \right) \right]^{H_p} = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left(e^{\frac{1}{p+1}} \right)^{H_p} = e^{\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \frac{H_p}{p+1}} \stackrel{LC-S}{=} 1$$

1619. Prove that:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\binom{2n}{n}}{4^n(1-4n)} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)}$$

Proposed by Ajenikoko Gbolahan-Nigeria

Solution 1 by Dawid Bialek-Poland

Recall:

$$-\sin^{-1} x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{-\binom{2n}{n}}{4^n(2n+1)} x^{2n+1}; |x| \leq 1$$

and derivative both sides w.r.t. x

$$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = -\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\binom{2n}{n}}{4^n} x^{2n}; (x^2 \rightarrow x^4) \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^4}} = -\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\binom{2n}{n}}{4^n} x^{4n}; (1)$$

Multiply both sides (1) by x^{-2} , we get:

$$\frac{-1}{x^2 \sqrt{1-x^4}} = -\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\binom{2n}{n}}{4^n} x^{4n-2}$$

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and integrate them:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^2 \sqrt{1-x^4}} dx = - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\binom{2n}{n}}{4^n} \int_0^1 x^{4n-2} dx \\
 & - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\binom{2n}{n}}{4^n(1-4n)} = - \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^2 \sqrt{1-x^4}} dx; (x^4 \rightarrow t) \Rightarrow \\
 & - \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 t^{-\frac{5}{4}} \cdot (1-t)^{-\frac{1}{2}} dt \stackrel{(beta f-n)}{=} - \frac{1}{4} \cdot B\left(-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}\right) = - \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)} = - \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)} \\
 & \because \Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n) \Rightarrow \Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{4} + 1\right) = -\frac{1}{4} \Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\binom{2n}{n}}{4^n(1-4n)} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)}$$

Solution 2 by Syed Shahabudeen-Kerala-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\binom{2n}{n}}{4^n(1-4n)} = - \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_n}{n!} x^{4n} dx =; \left(\because \frac{(2n)!}{4^n n!} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_n\right) \\
 &= - \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^2} {}_1F_0\left(\frac{1}{2};; x^4\right) dx = - \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^2 \sqrt{1-x^4}} dx =; \left(\because {}_1F(a;; z) = \frac{1}{(1-z)^a}\right) \\
 &= - \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{t^{\frac{5}{4}} \sqrt{1-t}} dt = \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1620. Prove that:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{H_{6n-1}}{6n} - \frac{H_{6n-3}}{6n-2} - \frac{H_{6n-4}}{6n-3} + \frac{H_{6n-6}}{6n-5} \right) = -\frac{\pi^2}{18}$$

Proposed by Asmat Qatea-Afghanistan

Solution by Kartick Chandra Betal-India

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{H_{6n-1}}{6n} - \frac{H_{6n-3}}{6n-2} - \frac{H_{6n-4}}{6n-3} + \frac{H_{6n-6}}{6n-5} \right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{H_{6n}}{6n} - \frac{H_{6n-2}}{6n-2} - \frac{H_{6n-3}}{6n-3} + \frac{H_{6n-5}}{6n-5} \right) -$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{(6n)^2} - \frac{1}{(6n-2)^2} - \frac{1}{(6n-3)^2} + \frac{1}{(6n-5)^2} \right) = \\
 & = - \int_0^1 (1-x^2-x^3+x^5) \log(1-x) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x^6)^{n-1} dx + \\
 & + \int_0^1 (1-x^2-x^3+x^5) \log(x) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x^6)^{n-1} dx = \\
 & = \int_0^1 \frac{(1-x^2)(1-x^3)}{1-x^6} \{ \log x - \log(1-x) \} dx = \\
 & = \int_0^1 \frac{1-x^2}{1+x^3} \{ \log x - \log(1-x) \} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{[1-(1-x)^2][\log(1-x) - \log x]}{[1+(1-x)][1-(1-x)+(1-x)^2]} dx = \\
 & = \int_0^1 \frac{(2-x)x[\log(1-x) - \log x]}{(2-x)(1-x+x^2)} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{x}{1-x+x^2} [\log(1-x) - \log x] dx = \\
 & = \int_0^1 \frac{x \log\left(\frac{1}{x} - 1\right)}{1-x+x^2} dx = \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\log(x-1)}{x(1-x+x^2)} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\log x}{(x+1)(1+x+x^2)} dx = \\
 & = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{2}{1+x} - \frac{2x+1}{1+x+x^2} \right) \log x dx = \\
 & = 2 \int_0^1 \frac{\log x}{1+x} dx - \log x \log(1+x+x^2) \Big|_0^1 + \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1-x^3) - \log(1-x)}{x} dx = \\
 & = -2 \cdot \eta(2) + \frac{1}{3} \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1-x)}{x} dx - \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1-x)}{x} dx = \\
 & = -\zeta(2) + \frac{2}{3} \zeta(2) = -\frac{\zeta(2)}{3} = -\frac{\pi^2}{18}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{H_{6n-1}}{6n} - \frac{H_{6n-3}}{6n-2} - \frac{H_{6n-4}}{6n-3} + \frac{H_{6n-6}}{6n-5} \right) = -\frac{\pi^2}{18}$$

1621. Find:

$$\Omega = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(x - 3 \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{x+4}\right) + 3 \right) (e^{\cos x} - e)}{T_5(x) - 5x}$$

T_5 — Chebyshev's polynome first kind.

Proposed by Mohammad Hamed Nasery-Afghanistan

Solution by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(x - 3 \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{x+4}\right) + 3\right)(e^{\cos x} - e)}{T_5(x) - 5x} = \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{x - 3 \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{x+4}\right) - (-3)}{x} \cdot \frac{e^{\cos x} - e}{x^2}}{\frac{T_5(x) - 5}{x^3}} \\ &= \left(x - 3 \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{x+4}\right)\right)'(0) = 1 - 3\left(1 + \tan^2\left(\frac{\pi}{x+4}\right)\right)\left(-\frac{\pi}{(x+4)^2}\right)(0) = \\ &= 1 + \frac{3\pi}{8} \\ &\frac{e^{\cos x} - e}{x^2} \cong -\frac{e}{2} + o(x^3) \rightarrow -\frac{e}{2} \\ &\frac{T_5(x)}{x^3} \rightarrow -20 \\ &\text{Hence,} \\ \Omega &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{x - 3 \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{x+4}\right) - (-3)}{x} \cdot \frac{e^{\cos x} - e}{x^2}}{\frac{T_5(x) - 5}{x^3}} = \frac{(8 + 3\pi)e}{320}\end{aligned}$$

1622.

$$x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2, (n-1)x_n + nx_{n-1} = n(n-1) \log \left(\frac{x_{n-1}^2 + (n-1)^2}{x_{n-2}^2 + (n-2)^2} \right),$$

$n \geq 3$. Find:

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_n (\sqrt[n]{y} - 1)^2}{n}$$

Proposed by Ruxandra Daniela Tonilă-Romania

Solution by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

$$(n-1)x_n + nx_{n-1} = n(n-1) \log \left(\frac{x_{n-1}^2 + (n-1)^2}{x_{n-2}^2 + (n-2)^2} \right), n \geq 3$$

$$w_n = \frac{x_n}{n}, x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2 \Rightarrow w_1 = w_2 = 1$$

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$$\Rightarrow w_n + w_{n-1} = \log \left(\frac{(n-1)^2}{(n-2)^2} \cdot \frac{w_{n-1}^2 + 1}{w_{n-2}^2 + 1} \right) = \log \left(\frac{n-1}{n-2} \right)^2 + \log \left(\frac{w_{n-1}^2 + 1}{w_{n-2}^2 + 1} \right) =$$

$$= 2 \log \left(\frac{n-1}{n-2} \right) + \log \left(\frac{w_{n-1}^2 + 1}{w_{n-2}^2 + 1} \right)$$

$$\log \left(\frac{n-1}{n-2} \right) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0; \log \left(\frac{w_{n-1}^2 + 1}{w_{n-2}^2 + 1} \right) \leq \log \left(\frac{w_{n-1}^2 + 1}{1} \right) \leq 2w_{n-1} \rightarrow \infty$$

$$w_n \leq w_{n-1} \Rightarrow \log \left(\frac{w_{n-1}^2 + 1}{w_{n-2}^2 + 1} \right) \leq 0 \Rightarrow w_n \leq 2 \log \left(\frac{n-1}{n-2} \right) \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow w_n \rightarrow 0$$

$$\frac{x_n}{n} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_n (\sqrt[n]{y} - 1)^2}{n} = 0$$

1623. For $n \geq 1$, φ – Golden ration and let

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\pi x} \cos \left(\frac{\pi x}{n} - n\pi x \right)}{\sqrt{x}} dx = f(n) \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\pi x} \cos \left(\frac{\pi x}{n} + n\pi x \right)}{\sqrt{x}} dx$$

then prove the following identity:

$$\frac{f(\sqrt{\varphi})}{f(\varphi)} = \sqrt{\frac{(\sqrt{\sqrt{5}+1}+2)(\sqrt{5}+2\sqrt{3(\sqrt{5}+3)}+1)}{2\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{5}+1}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt[4]{\sqrt{5}+1}}$$

Proposed by Srinivasa Raghava-AIRMC-India

Solution by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$I(a) = \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\pi x} \cos(a\pi x)}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \operatorname{Re} \left(\int_0^\infty x^{\frac{1}{2}-1} e^{-\pi x(1-ia)} dx \right) = \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-ia}} \right) =$$

$$= \frac{\cos \left(\frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} a \right)}{\sqrt[4]{1+a^2}}$$

$$\because \cos \left(\frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} a \right) = \sqrt{\frac{1 + \cos(\tan^{-1} a)}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{1 + \sqrt{1+a^2}}{2\sqrt{1+a^2}}} \Rightarrow I(a) = \sqrt{\frac{1 + \sqrt{1+a^2}}{2(1+a^2)}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 f(\varphi) &= \frac{I\left(\varphi - \frac{1}{\varphi}\right)}{I\left(\varphi + \frac{1}{\varphi}\right)} = \frac{I(1)}{I(\sqrt{5})} = \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{2}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3}{1 + \sqrt{6}}} = \sqrt{\frac{3(1 + \sqrt{2})}{1 + \sqrt{6}}} \\
 f(\sqrt{\varphi}) &= \frac{I\left(\sqrt{\varphi} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varphi}}\right)}{I\left(\sqrt{\varphi} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varphi}}\right)} = \frac{I(\sqrt{5} - 2)}{I(\sqrt{5} + 2)} = \sqrt{\frac{(1 + \sqrt{\sqrt{5} - 1})(\sqrt{5} + 3)}{(\sqrt{5} - 1)(1 + \sqrt{\sqrt{5} + 3})}} \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{f(\sqrt{\varphi})}{f(\varphi)} &= \sqrt{\frac{(1 + \sqrt{\sqrt{5} - 1})(\sqrt{5} + 3)(1 + \sqrt{6})}{3(\sqrt{5} - 1)(1 + \sqrt{\sqrt{5} + 3})(1 + \sqrt{2})}} = \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{(1 + \sqrt{\sqrt{5} - 1})(\sqrt{5} + 3)(1 + \sqrt{6})(\sqrt{2} - 1)(\sqrt{5} + 1)(\sqrt{\sqrt{5} + 3} - 1)(\sqrt{5} - 2)}{12}} = \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{(2 + \sqrt{\sqrt{5} + 1})(1 + \sqrt{6})(\sqrt{2} - 1)(\sqrt{\sqrt{5} + 3} - 1)}{3\sqrt{\sqrt{5} + 1}}} = \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{(2 + \sqrt{\sqrt{5} + 1})(1 + \sqrt{6})(\sqrt{2} - 1)(\sqrt{\sqrt{5} + 3} - 1)}}{\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt[4]{\sqrt{5} + 1}} = \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{(2 + \sqrt{\sqrt{5} + 1})(1 + \sqrt{6})(\sqrt{2} - 1)(\sqrt{\sqrt{5} + 3} - 1)(1 + 2\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5})}}{\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt[4]{\sqrt{5} + 1} \cdot (\sqrt{1 + 2\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}})} = \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{\frac{(2 + \sqrt{\sqrt{5} + 1})(1 + \sqrt{6})(1 + \sqrt{5})}{1 + 2\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}}}}{\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt[4]{\sqrt{5} + 1}} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{(2 + \sqrt{\sqrt{5} + 1})(1 + \sqrt{5} + \sqrt{(\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{30})^2})}{1 + 2\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}}}}{\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt[4]{\sqrt{5} + 1}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{(\sqrt{\sqrt{5} + 1} + 2)(\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{3(\sqrt{5} + 3)} + 1)}{2\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5} + 1}} \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{(\sqrt{\sqrt{5} + 1} + 2)(\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{3(\sqrt{5} + 3)} + 1)}}{\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt[4]{\sqrt{5} + 1}}
 \end{aligned}$$

1624. Prove that:

$$\frac{1}{3} \left\{ 7 - 8\sqrt{7} \cos \left[\frac{1}{3} \left(\arcsin \left(\frac{3\sqrt{21}}{14} \right) + 4\pi \right) \right] \right\} + 8 \cos \left(\frac{4\pi}{7} \right) = 1$$

Proposed by Carlos Paiva-Fortaleza-Brazil

Solution by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We have : } \cos \left(4 \cdot \frac{4\pi}{7} \right) &= \cos \left(\frac{16\pi}{7} \right) = \cos \left(\frac{2\pi}{7} \right) \text{ and } \cos \left(3 \cdot \frac{4\pi}{7} \right) = \cos \left(\frac{12\pi}{7} \right) \\ &= \cos \left(\frac{2\pi}{7} \right) \rightarrow \cos \left(4 \cdot \frac{4\pi}{7} \right) = \cos \left(3 \cdot \frac{4\pi}{7} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Similarly, we have : } \cos \left(4 \cdot \frac{2\pi}{7} \right) = \cos \left(3 \cdot \frac{2\pi}{7} \right) \text{ and } \cos \left(4 \cdot \frac{6\pi}{7} \right) = \cos \left(3 \cdot \frac{6\pi}{7} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Since } \cos(4x) = 8 \cos^4 x - 8 \cos^2 x + 1 \text{ and } \cos(3x) = 4 \cos^3 x - 3 \cos x$$

$$\rightarrow x_2 = \cos \left(\frac{2\pi}{7} \right), x_4 = \cos \left(\frac{4\pi}{7} \right), x_6$$

$$= \cos \left(\frac{6\pi}{7} \right) \text{ are the solutions of the equation : } 8x^4 - 8x^2 + 1$$

$$= 4x^3 - 3x$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x-1)(8x^3 + 4x^2 - 4x - 1) = 0 \Leftrightarrow 8x^3 + 4x^2 - 4x - 1 = 0 \quad (\because x_2, x_4, x_6 \neq 1)$$

$$\text{Let } x = y - \frac{1}{6} \rightarrow 8 \left(y^3 - \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{12}y - \frac{1}{216} \right) + 4 \left(y^2 - \frac{1}{3}y + \frac{1}{36} \right) - 4y + \frac{2}{3} - 1 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 8y^3 - \frac{14}{3}y = \frac{7}{27}$$

$$\text{Let } y = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{3}z \rightarrow 4z^3 - 3z = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{7}} = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{14},$$

$$\text{let } z = \cos \theta \rightarrow 4 \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta = \cos 3\theta = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{14}$$

$$\rightarrow z = \cos \theta = \cos \left[\frac{1}{3} \left(\arccos \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{14} \right) + 2k\pi \right) \right], k = 0, 1 \text{ or } 2.$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow y &= \frac{\sqrt{7}}{3} \cos \left[\frac{1}{3} \left(\arccos \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{14} \right) + 2k\pi \right) \right] \rightarrow x \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{7}}{3} \cos \left[\frac{1}{3} \left(\arccos \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{14} \right) + 2k\pi \right) \right] - \frac{1}{6}, k = 0, 1 \text{ or } 2. \end{aligned}$$

It's clear that : $x_2 > 0 > x_4 > x_6$ and $0 < \frac{\sqrt{7}}{14} < \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \arccos \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{14} \right) \in \left(\frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{3} \arccos \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{14} \right) \in \left(\frac{\pi}{9}, \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow x_2 &= \frac{1}{3} \arccos \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{14} \right) \text{ and } \frac{1}{3} \left(\arccos \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{14} \right) + 2\pi \right) \\ &\in \left(\frac{7\pi}{9}, \frac{5\pi}{6} \right) \text{ and } \frac{1}{3} \left(\arccos \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{14} \right) + 4\pi \right) \in \left(\frac{13\pi}{9}, \frac{3\pi}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \cos \left[\frac{1}{3} \left(\arccos \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{14} \right) + 4\pi \right) \right] &> \cos \left[\frac{1}{3} \left(\arccos \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{14} \right) + 2\pi \right) \right] \rightarrow x_4 \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{7}}{3} \cos \left[\frac{1}{3} \left(\arccos \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{14} \right) + 4\pi \right) \right] - \frac{1}{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Since } \sin^2 \left(\arccos \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{14} \right) \right) = 1 - \frac{7}{14^2} = \frac{189}{14^2} \rightarrow \sin \left(\arccos \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{14} \right) \right) = \frac{3\sqrt{21}}{14}$$

$$\rightarrow \arccos \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{14} \right) = \arcsin \left(\frac{3\sqrt{21}}{14} \right).$$

$$\rightarrow x_4 = \cos \left(\frac{4\pi}{7} \right) = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{3} \cos \left[\frac{1}{3} \left(\arcsin \left(\frac{3\sqrt{21}}{14} \right) + 4\pi \right) \right] - \frac{1}{6}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{3} \left\{ 7 - 8\sqrt{7} \cos \left[\frac{1}{3} \left(\arcsin \left(\frac{3\sqrt{21}}{14} \right) + 4\pi \right) \right] \right\} + 8 \cos \left(\frac{4\pi}{7} \right) \\ = \frac{7}{3} - 8 \left(\cos \left(\frac{4\pi}{7} \right) + \frac{1}{6} \right) + 8 \cos \left(\frac{4\pi}{7} \right) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

1625. Prove that:

$$\sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{2\pi}{9} \cos \frac{4\pi}{9}} + \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{4\pi}{9} \cos \frac{8\pi}{9}} + \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{8\pi}{9} \cos \frac{2\pi}{9}} = -\sqrt[3]{\frac{3(\sqrt[3]{9} - 1)}{4}}$$

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Solution 1 by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

$$\text{Since : } \cos\left(3 \cdot \frac{2\pi}{9}\right) = \cos\left(3 \cdot \frac{4\pi}{9}\right) = \cos\left(3 \cdot \frac{8\pi}{9}\right) = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \cos 3x \\ = 4 \cos^3 x - 3 \cos x$$

$$\rightarrow a = \cos \frac{2\pi}{9}, b = \cos \frac{4\pi}{9}, c = \cos \frac{8\pi}{9} \text{ are the solutions of equation } -\frac{1}{2} \\ = 4x^3 - 3x \text{ or } 8x^3 - 6x + 1 = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \text{From Vieta's formulas, we have : } \sum_{a,b,c} a = 0, \sum_{a,b,c} ab = \frac{-6}{8} = -\frac{3}{4} \text{ and} \\ abc = -\frac{1}{8}.$$

$$\text{Let } x = \sqrt[3]{ab} + \sqrt[3]{bc} + \sqrt[3]{ca} \text{ and } y = \sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{b} + \sqrt[3]{c}$$

$$\rightarrow x^3 = \left(\sum_{a,b,c} \sqrt[3]{ab}\right)^3 = \sum_{a,b,c} ab + 3\sqrt[3]{abc} \left(\sum_{a,b,c} \sqrt[3]{ab}\right) \left(\sum_{a,b,c} \sqrt[3]{a}\right) - 3\sqrt[3]{(abc)^2} \\ = -\frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{2}xy - \frac{3}{4} = -\frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2}xy \quad (1)$$

$$y^3 = \left(\sum_{a,b,c} \sqrt[3]{a}\right)^3 = \sum_{a,b,c} a + 3\left(\sum_{a,b,c} \sqrt[3]{ab}\right) \left(\sum_{a,b,c} \sqrt[3]{a}\right) - 3\sqrt[3]{abc} = 3xy + \frac{3}{2} \quad (2)$$

$$\rightarrow (1) \times (2) \rightarrow (xy)^3 = -\frac{3}{2}(xy + 1) \cdot \frac{3}{2}(2xy + 1) \stackrel{z=xy}{\Leftrightarrow} 4z^3 + 9(2z + 1)(z + 1) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4z^3 + 18z^2 + 27z + 9 = 0$$

$$\stackrel{z=t-\frac{3}{2}}{\Leftrightarrow} 4\left(t^3 - \frac{9t^2}{2} + \frac{27t}{4} - \frac{27}{8}\right) + 18\left(t^2 - 3t + \frac{9}{4}\right) + 27t - \frac{81}{2} + 9 = 0 \Leftrightarrow 4t^3 = \frac{9}{2} \Leftrightarrow t \\ = \frac{\sqrt[3]{9}}{2} \rightarrow z = \frac{\sqrt[3]{9} - 3}{2}$$

$$(1) \rightarrow x^3 = -\frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2}z = -\frac{3(\sqrt[3]{9} - 1)}{4} \rightarrow \sum_{a,b,c} \sqrt[3]{ab} = -\sqrt[3]{\frac{3(\sqrt[3]{9} - 1)}{4}}.$$

Therefore,

$$\sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{2\pi}{9} \cos \frac{4\pi}{9}} + \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{4\pi}{9} \cos \frac{8\pi}{9}} + \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{8\pi}{9} \cos \frac{2\pi}{9}} = -\sqrt[3]{\frac{3(\sqrt[3]{9}-1)}{4}}.$$

Solution 2 by proposer

We know that $\cos 3 \cdot 40^\circ = \cos 120^\circ = -\frac{1}{2}$

$$\cos 3 \cdot 80^\circ = \cos 240^\circ = -\frac{1}{2}, \cos 3 \cdot 160^\circ = \cos 480^\circ = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Then, $\cos 3x = -\frac{1}{2}$, $8 \cos^3 x - 6 \cos x + 1 = 0$

Let $a^3 = \cos 40^\circ$, $b^3 = \cos 80^\circ$, $c^3 = \cos 160^\circ$ and a^3, b^3, c^3 —the roots at the cubic

$8 \cos^3 x - 6 \cos x + 1 = 0$. By Vieta's formulae

$$\begin{cases} a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = 0 \\ a^3 b^3 + b^3 c^3 + c^3 a^3 = -\frac{3}{4} \\ a^3 b^3 c^3 = -\frac{1}{8}; \left(\because abc = -\frac{1}{2} \right) \end{cases}$$

We also know that:

$$a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc = (a + b + c)(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca)$$

Let $a + b + c = \theta_1$, $ab + bc + ca = \theta_2 \Rightarrow \theta_1(\theta_1^2 - 3\theta_2) = \frac{3}{2}$

$$a^3 b^3 + b^3 c^3 + c^3 a^3 = [(ab + bc + ca)^2 - 3abc(a + b + c)](ab + bc + ca)$$

$$-\frac{3}{4} - 3 \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \theta_2 \left(\theta_2^2 + \frac{3\theta_1}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2\theta_1(\theta_1^2 - 3\theta_2) = 3 \\ \theta_2(2\theta_2^2 + 3\theta_1) = -3 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \theta_1 = \frac{-2\theta_2^3 - 3}{3\theta_2}$$

$$16\theta_2^9 - 36\theta_2^6 + 27\theta_2^2 + 54 = 0 \Leftrightarrow (4\theta_2^3 - 3)^3 = -343 = -3^5 \Leftrightarrow 4\theta_2^3 - 3 = 3\sqrt[3]{9}$$

$$\theta_2 = -\sqrt[3]{\frac{3(\sqrt[3]{9}-1)}{4}}$$

Therefore,

$$\sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{2\pi}{9} \cos \frac{4\pi}{9}} + \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{4\pi}{9} \cos \frac{8\pi}{9}} + \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{8\pi}{9} \cos \frac{2\pi}{9}} = -\sqrt[3]{\frac{3(\sqrt[3]{9}-1)}{4}}$$

Solution 3 by Samir Cabiye-Azerbaijan

$$\sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{2\pi}{9}} + \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{4\pi}{9}} + \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{8\pi}{9}} = A$$

$$\sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{2\pi}{9} \cos \frac{4\pi}{9}} + \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{4\pi}{9} \cos \frac{8\pi}{9}} + \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{8\pi}{9} \cos \frac{2\pi}{9}} = B$$

$$\because (x + y + z)^3 = x^3 + y^3 + z^3 + 3(x + y + z)(xy + yz + zx) - 3xyz$$

$$\Rightarrow A^3 = \cos \frac{2\pi}{9} + \cos \frac{4\pi}{9} + \cos \frac{8\pi}{9} + 3AB - 3 \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{2\pi}{9} \cdot \cos \frac{4\pi}{9} \cdot \cos \frac{8\pi}{9}}$$

$$- 3 \sqrt[3]{\left(\cos \frac{2\pi}{9} \cdot \cos \frac{4\pi}{9} \cdot \cos \frac{8\pi}{9}\right)^2}$$

$$x_1 = \cos \frac{2\pi}{9}, x_2 = \cos \frac{4\pi}{9}, x_3 = \cos \frac{8\pi}{9}$$

$$4 \cos^3 \varphi - 3 \cos \varphi + \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0 \\ x_1 x_2 + x_2 x_3 + x_3 x_1 = -\frac{3}{4} \\ x_1 x_2 x_3 = -\frac{1}{8} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} A^3 - 3AB = \frac{3}{2} \\ B^3 + \frac{3}{2}AB = -\frac{3}{2} \end{cases} \Rightarrow A^3 + 2B^3 = -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$A^3 = -2B^3 - \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow A = -\sqrt[3]{2B^3 + \frac{3}{2}} \Rightarrow -2B^3 - \frac{3}{2} + 3B \sqrt[3]{2B^3 + \frac{3}{2}} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$-(2B^3 + 3)^3 = -27 \cdot B^3 \left(2B^3 + \frac{3}{2}\right).$$

$$\text{Let } B^3 = t \Rightarrow (2t + 3)^3 + 27 \left(2t^2 + \frac{3}{2}t\right) \Rightarrow \left(2t - \frac{6}{4}\right)^3 = -\frac{6^3 \cdot 9}{4^3} \Rightarrow$$

$$t = \frac{3 - 3\sqrt[3]{9}}{4}, B^3 = t \Rightarrow B = -\sqrt[3]{\frac{3(\sqrt[3]{9} - 1)}{4}}$$

Therefore,

$$\sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{2\pi}{9} \cos \frac{4\pi}{9}} + \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{4\pi}{9} \cos \frac{8\pi}{9}} + \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{8\pi}{9} \cos \frac{2\pi}{9}} = -\sqrt[3]{\frac{3(\sqrt[3]{9}-1)}{4}}$$

1626. Prove that:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} + (-1)^{n+1} H_n}{n+1} = \frac{1}{4} (\pi + 2 \log^2 2 - \log 4 - 4)$$

Proposed by Asmat Qatea-Afghanistan

Solution 1 by Amrit Awasthi-India

The sum can be written as,

$$S = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} H_n}{n+1} = \Psi + \Omega, \text{ where}$$

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{n+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_n}{n+1} \cos(x(x+1)), \text{ at } x = \pi$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n y^{n-1} = \frac{1}{y} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{y^n}{n} \right) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} y^n \right) = -\frac{\log(1-y)}{y(1-y)}; |y| < 1$$

Multiply with z and integrate between 0 to z , it follows that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_n z^{n+1}}{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \log^2(1-z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_n \cos(n(n+1))}{n+1} &= \operatorname{Re} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_n e^{i(n+1)n}}{n+1} \right) = \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{1}{2} \log^2(1-z) \right) = \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{1}{2} (\log(1 - e^{ix}))^2 \right] = \operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{1}{2} (\log((1 - \cos x) - i \sin x))^2 \right] = \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{1}{2} (\log(1 - \cos x - i \sin x))^2 \right) = \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{1}{2} \left(\log \left(2 \sin \frac{x}{2} + i \arg(1 - e^{ix}) \right)^2 \right) \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\log^2 \left(2 \sin \frac{x}{2} \right) - \left(\tan^{-1} \left(-\frac{\sin x}{1 - \cos x} \right) \right)^2 \right) = \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\log^2 \left(2 \sin \frac{x}{2} \right) - \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \cot^{-1} \left(\cot \frac{x}{2} \right)^2 \right) \right) \Rightarrow \Omega = \frac{1}{2} \left(\log^2 \left(2 \sin \frac{x}{2} \right) - \left(\frac{\pi - x}{2} \right)^2 \right)$$

$$\text{For } x = \pi \Rightarrow \Omega \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n+1} H_n = \frac{1}{2} \log^2 2 = \frac{1}{4} (2 \log^2 2); (I)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{n+1} = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{9} + \dots = \\ &= \left(-\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \dots \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots \right) = \\ &= \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - 1 \right) - \frac{1}{2} \log 2 = \frac{1}{4} (\pi - \log 4 - 4); (II) \end{aligned}$$

From (I), (II) we get,

$$S = \frac{1}{4} (\pi + 2 \log^2 2 - \log 4 - 4)$$

Solution 2 by Jack Desire-Nigeria

$$\text{Let: } \Omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} + (-1)^{n+1} H_n}{n+1}$$

$$(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} \text{ is } +ve \text{ for } n = 3, 7, 11, \dots, (4n-1)$$

$$(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} \text{ is } +ve \text{ for } n = 4, 8, 12, \dots, (4n)$$

$$(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} \text{ is } -ve \text{ for } n = 1, 5, 9, \dots, (4n-3)$$

$$(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} \text{ is } -ve \text{ for } n = 2, 6, 10, \dots, (4n-2)$$

$$\text{Let: } \Omega_1 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{n+1}, \Omega_2 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} H_n}{n+1}$$

We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_1 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{n+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{4n} + \frac{1}{4n+1} - \frac{1}{4n-2} - \frac{1}{4n-1} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\psi(n) + \psi\left(n + \frac{1}{4}\right) - \psi\left(n - \frac{1}{2}\right) - \psi\left(n - \frac{1}{4}\right) \right]_1^{\infty} = \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \frac{1}{4} \left(-\psi(1) - \psi\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) + \psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \psi\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) \right) = \frac{1}{4} \left(\psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \psi(1) + \psi\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) \right)$$

$$\text{We know: } \int_0^1 \frac{1}{1+x} dx = \log 2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\psi(1) - \psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right)$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{4} \left(\psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \psi(1) \right) = -\frac{1}{2} \log 2, \text{ when } \alpha = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{1+x} dx &= \int_0^1 \frac{2u^2}{1+u^2} du = 2 \int_0^1 \left(1 - \frac{1}{u^2+1} \right) du = 2 \left(1 - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\psi\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \left(\psi\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) \right) = -\frac{1}{2} \left(2 - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} - 1$$

$$\Omega_1 = \frac{1}{4} \left(\psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \psi(1) + \psi\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) \right) = -\frac{1}{2} \log 2 + \frac{\pi}{4} - 1$$

$$\Omega_2 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} H_n}{n+1}$$

$$\text{We know: } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} x^n H_n = \frac{\log(1+x)}{1+x}$$

Integrating both sides w.r.t. x from 0 to 1, we get

$$\Omega_2 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} H_n}{n+1} = \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1+x)}{1+x} dx = \frac{1}{2} \log^2 2$$

$$\Omega = \Omega_1 + \Omega_2 = \frac{1}{4} (\pi + 2 \log^2 2 - \log 4 - 4)$$

Solution 3 by Ajenikoko Gbolahan-Nigeria

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} + (-1)^{n+1} H_n}{n+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} H_n}{n+1}$$

$$\Phi = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{n+1} = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{4n} + \frac{1}{4n+1} - \frac{1}{4n-1} - \frac{1}{4n-2} \right] = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_0^1 (x^{4n-1} + x^{4n} - x^{4n-2} - x^{4n-3}) dx = \\
 &= \int_0^1 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x^{4n}}{x} + x^{4n} - \frac{x^{4n}}{x^2} - \frac{x^{4n}}{x^3} \right) dx = \\
 &= \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{x^4}{1-x^4} + \frac{x^4}{1-x^4} - \frac{1}{x^2} \cdot \frac{x^4}{1-x^4} - \frac{1}{x^3} \cdot \frac{x^4}{1-x^4} \right) dx = \\
 &= \int_0^1 \left(\frac{x^3}{1-x^4} + \frac{x^4}{1-x^4} - \frac{x^2}{1-x^4} - \frac{x}{1-x^4} \right) dx = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{x^2+1} - \frac{x}{x^2+1} - 1 \right) dx = \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\log 2}{2} - 1 \\
 &\Psi = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} H_n}{n+1}
 \end{aligned}$$

We know that: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n x^n = \frac{\log(1-x)}{x-1}$

Substitute $x \rightarrow -x$ and integrate from 0 to 1 w.r.t. x then,

$$\Psi = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} H_n}{n+1} = \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1+x)}{1+x} dx = \int_1^2 \frac{\log u}{u} du = \frac{\log^2 2}{2}$$

Thus, $\Omega = \Phi + \Psi = \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\log 2}{2} - 1 + \frac{\log^2 2}{2} = \frac{1}{4}(\pi + 2 \log^2 2 - \log 4 - 4)$

Solution 4 by Syed Shahabudeen-India

$$\text{Let: } \Omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} + (-1)^{n+1} H_n}{n+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} H_n}{n+1} = A + B$$

$$A = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{n+1}; B = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} H_n}{n+1}$$

$$A = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{n+1} = \operatorname{Re} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{i \frac{n(n+1)\pi}{2}}}{n+1} \right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos \left(\frac{n(n+1)\pi}{2} \right)}{n+1} =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos\left(\frac{\pi n^2}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi n}{2}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{\pi n^2}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi n}{2}\right)}{n+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n} \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{4} - 1 - \frac{\log 2}{2} \\
 B &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} H_n}{n+1} = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \left(H_{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+1}\right)}{n+1} = \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(n+1)^2} + \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m H_m}{m}; \left(\text{here: } \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m H_m}{m} = 1 - \frac{\pi^2}{12} + \frac{\log^2 2}{2} \right) \\
 &= \left(\frac{\pi^2}{12} - 1 \right) + 1 - \frac{\pi^2}{12} + \frac{\log^2 2}{2} = \frac{\log^2 2}{2} \\
 \Omega &= \frac{\pi}{4} - 1 - \frac{\log 2}{2} + \frac{\log^2 2}{2} = \frac{1}{4} (\pi + 2 \log^2 2 - \log 4 - 4)
 \end{aligned}$$

1627. Prove that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{a^2 + b^2 \sin^2 x}{b^2 + a^2 \cos^2 x} \tan x \, da \, db \, dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{12} - \frac{5\pi}{12} + \frac{\log 3}{6} + \frac{5 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)}{6\sqrt{2}} + \frac{17 \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2})}{12\sqrt{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Solution 1 by Almas Babirov-Azerbaijan

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{a^2 + b^2 \sin^2 x}{b^2 + a^2 \cos^2 x} \tan x \, da \, db \, dx \\
 \text{Let } \Omega_1 &= \int_0^1 \frac{a^2 + b^2 \sin^2 x}{b^2 + a^2 \cos^2 x} \tan x \, dx = \\
 &= \int_0^1 \frac{a^2 \cos^2 x + b^2 + (b \sin x \cos x)^2 - b^2}{b^2 + a^2 \cos^2 x} \cdot \frac{\tan x}{\cos^2 x} \, da =
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_0^1 \frac{\tan x}{\cos^2 x} \left(1 + \frac{b^2(\sin^2 x \cos^2 x - 1)}{b^2 \left(1 + \frac{a^2 \cos^2 x}{b^2} \right)} \right) da = \\
 &= \frac{\tan x}{\cos^2 x} \int_0^1 da + \frac{\tan x}{\cos^2 x} \int_0^1 \frac{\sin^2 x \cos^2 x - 1}{1 + \frac{a^2 \cos^2 x}{b^2}} da = \\
 &= \frac{\tan x}{\cos^2 x} \cdot a \Big|_0^1 + \underbrace{\frac{\tan x (\sin^2 x \cos^2 x - 1)}{\cos^3 x}}_{f(x)} \int_0^1 \frac{b}{1 + \frac{a^2 \cos^2 x}{b^2}} d\left(\frac{a \cos x}{b}\right) = \\
 &= \underbrace{\frac{\sin x}{\cos^3 x}}_{g(x)} + f(x) \cdot b \left(\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{a \cos x}{b} \right) \right) \Big|_0^1 = g(x) + f(x) \cdot b \cdot \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\cos x}{b} \right) \\
 \\
 &\Omega_2 = \int_0^1 \left(g(x) + f(x)b \cdot \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\cos x}{b} \right) \right) db = \\
 &= \int_0^1 g(x) db + f(x) \int_0^1 b \cdot \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\cos x}{b} \right) db = \\
 &= g(x)b \Big|_0^1 + \frac{f(x)}{2} \int_0^1 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\cos x}{b} \right) db^2 = \\
 &= g(x) + \frac{f(x)}{2} \left(b^2 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\cos x}{b} \right) \right) \Big|_0^1 - \frac{g(x)}{2} \int_0^1 b^2 d \left(\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\cos x}{b} \right) \right) = \\
 &= g(x) + \frac{f(x)}{2} \tan^{-1}(\cos x) + \frac{f(x)}{2} \cos x \int_0^1 \frac{b^1 \cdot \frac{\cos x}{b^2}}{1 + \frac{\cos^2 x}{b^2}} db = \\
 &= g(x) + \frac{f(x)}{2} \tan^{-1}(\cos x) + \frac{1}{2} f(x) \cos x \int_0^1 \frac{1}{1 + \frac{\cos^2 x}{b^2}} db = \\
 &= g(x) + \frac{1}{2} f(x) \tan^{-1}(\cos x) + \frac{1}{2} f(x) \cos x - \frac{1}{2} f(x) \cos^2 x \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) \\
 \\
 \Omega &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \left(g(x) + \frac{1}{2} f(x) \tan^{-1}(\cos x) + \frac{1}{2} f(x) \cos x - \frac{1}{2} f(x) \cos^2 x \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) \right) dx \\
 &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\tan x}{\cos^2 x} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos^4 x} (\sin^2 x \cos^2 x - 1) \tan^{-1}(\cos x) dx +
 \end{aligned}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos^3 x} (\sin^2 x \cos^2 x - 1) dx - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} \left(\sin^2 x \cos^2 x \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) \right) dx =$$

$$= A_1 + \frac{1}{2} (A_2 + A_3 - A_4)$$

$$A_1 = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\tan x}{\cos^2 x} dx = \frac{1}{2} \tan^2 x \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$A_2 = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos^4 x} (\sin^2 x \cos^2 x - 1) \tan^{-1}(\cos x) dx =$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} \tan^{-1}(\cos x) dx - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin x \tan^{-1}(\cos x) dx - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos^4 x} \tan^{-1}(\cos x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \tan^{-1} x d\left(\frac{1}{\cos x}\right) + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \tan^{-1}(\cos x) d(\cos x) - \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \tan^{-1}(\cos x) d\left(\frac{1}{\cos^3 x}\right) =$$

$$= \left(\frac{\tan^{-1}(\cos x)}{\cos x} + \cos x \tan^{-1}(\cos x) - \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{\tan^{-1}(\cos x)}{\cos^3 x} \right) \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} +$$

$$+ \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x dx}{\cos x (1 + \cos^2 x)} + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x \cos x}{1 + \cos^2 x} dx - \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos^3 x (1 + \cos^2 x)} dx =$$

$$= \sqrt{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) - \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) - \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{12} +$$

$$+ \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} dx - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x \cos x}{1 + \cos^2 x} dx + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x \cos x}{1 + \cos^2 x} dx - \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos^3 x} dx -$$

$$- \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} dx = -\frac{5\pi}{12} + \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{6} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) - \frac{4}{3} \log \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) - \frac{1}{6} \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} +$$

$$+ \frac{1}{6} \log(1 + \cos^2 x) \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} = -\frac{1}{6} - \frac{5\pi}{12} + \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{6} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + \frac{1}{6} \log 3 + \frac{1}{3} \log 2$$

$$A_3 = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos^3 x} (\sin^2 x \cos^2 x - 1) dx =$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} dx - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sin x \cos x dx - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} dx =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (-\log(\cos x) + \frac{1}{4}\cos 2x - \frac{1}{2\cos^2 x}) \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} = \frac{1}{2}\log 2 - \frac{3}{4} \\
 A_4 &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} \left(\sin^2 x \cos^2 x \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) \right) dx = \\
 &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sin x \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) dx - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sin x \cos^2 x \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) dx - \\
 &\quad - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) dx = \\
 &= - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) d(\cos x) + \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) d(\cos^3 x) - \\
 &\quad - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) d \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) = \\
 &= \left(-\cos x \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) + \frac{1}{3} \cos^3 x \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) - \frac{1}{\cos x} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) \right) \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} + \\
 &+ \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\cos x \cdot \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x}}{1 + \frac{1}{\cos^2 x}} dx - \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\cos^3 x \cdot \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x}}{1 + \frac{1}{\cos^2 x}} dx + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{1}{\cos x} \cdot \frac{\frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} \cdot \cos^2 x}{1 + \cos^2 x} dx = \\
 &= \frac{5\pi}{12} - \frac{17\sqrt{2}}{12} \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2}) + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x \cos x}{1 + \cos^2 x} dx + \frac{1}{6} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\cos^2 x d(\cos^2 x)}{1 + \cos^2 x} + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} dx - \\
 &\quad - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x \cos x}{1 + \cos^2 x} dx = \\
 &= \frac{5\pi}{12} - \frac{17\sqrt{2}}{12} \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2}) + \frac{1}{6} \cos^2 x \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} - \frac{1}{6} \log(1 + \cos^2 x) \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} - \log \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) = \\
 &= -\frac{1}{12} + \frac{5\pi}{12} - \frac{17\sqrt{2}}{12} \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2}) - \frac{1}{6} \log 3 + \frac{5}{6} \log 2
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{2} (2A_2 + A_2 + A_3 + A_4) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{12} - \frac{5\pi}{12} + \frac{\log 3}{6} + \frac{5 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)}{6\sqrt{2}} + \frac{17 \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2})}{12\sqrt{2}}$$

Solution 2 by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{a^2 + b^2 \sin^2 x}{b^2 + a^2 \cos^2 x} \tan x \, da \, db \, dx \\ \text{Let } \Omega_1 &= \int_0^1 \frac{a^2 + b^2 \sin^2 x}{b^2 + a^2 \cos^2 x} \tan x \, dx \stackrel{\boxed{t=\tan x}}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{a^2 + (a^2 + b^2)t^2}{b^2 + a^2 + b^2 t^2} \left(\frac{t}{1+t^2}\right) dt = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{a^2 + (a^2 + b^2)t}{(a^2 + b^2 + b^2 t)(1+t)} dt = \\ &= \frac{a^4 + b^4 + a^2 b^2}{2a^2 b^2} \int_0^1 \frac{b^2}{a^2 + b^2 + b^2 t} dt - \frac{b^2}{2a^2} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{1+t} dt = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^2 + 1 \right) \log \left(1 + \frac{\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2}{1 + \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2} \right) - \frac{\log 2}{2} \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2 \\ \Omega &\stackrel{\boxed{t=\frac{b}{a}}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 a \left(\int_0^{\frac{1}{a}} \left(\frac{1}{t^2} + t^2 + 1 \right) \log \left(1 + \frac{t^2}{1+t^2} \right) - \log 2 \, t^2 \right) dt \, da = \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{a}} \left(\frac{1}{t^2} + t^2 + 1 \right) \log \left(1 + \frac{t^2}{1+t^2} \right) dt \stackrel{\boxed{IBP}}{=} \left(t - \frac{1}{t} + \frac{t^3}{3} \right) \log \left(1 + \frac{t^2}{1+t^2} \right) \Bigg|_0^{\frac{1}{a}} - \\ &\quad - \int_0^{\frac{1}{a}} \left(t - \frac{1}{t} + \frac{t^3}{3} \right) \left(\frac{4t}{1+2t^2} - \frac{2t}{1+t^2} \right) dt \\ \Psi &= \left(\frac{1}{a} - a + \frac{1}{3a^3} \right) \log \left(1 + \frac{1}{1+a^2} \right) - \int_0^{\frac{1}{a}} \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{10}{3(1+t^2)} - \frac{17}{3(1+2t^2)} \right) dt = \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{a} - a + \frac{1}{3a^3} \right) \log \left(1 + \frac{1}{1+a^2} \right) - \frac{2t + 20 \tan^{-1} t - 17\sqrt{2} \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2}t)}{6} \Bigg|_0^{\frac{1}{a}} = \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{a} - a + \frac{1}{3a^3} \right) \log \left(1 + \frac{1}{1+a^2} \right) - \frac{1}{3a} - \frac{10}{3} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{a} \right) + \frac{17\sqrt{2}}{6} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{a} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \frac{1}{6} \int_0^1 \left(\left(3 - 3a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} \right) \log \left(1 + \frac{1}{1+a^2} \right) - \frac{\log 2}{a^2} \right) da - \\
 &- \frac{1}{6} \int_0^1 \left(1 + 10a \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{a} \right) - \frac{17}{\sqrt{2}} a \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{a} \right) \right) da = \frac{1}{6} (A - B) \\
 A &\stackrel{\text{IBP}}{=} \left(\left(3a - a^3 - \frac{1}{a} \right) \log \left(1 + \frac{1}{1+a^2} \right) + \frac{\log 2}{a} \right) \Big|_0^1 - \\
 &- \int_0^1 \left(3a - a^3 - \frac{1}{a} \right) \left(\frac{2a}{2+a^2} - \frac{2a}{1+a^2} \right) da = \\
 &= \log 3 + \int_0^1 \left(\frac{22}{2+a^2} - \frac{10}{1+a^2} - 2 \right) da = \log 3 - 2 - \frac{5\pi}{2} + \frac{22}{\sqrt{2}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \\
 \int_0^1 a \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{a} \right) da &= \frac{a^2}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{a} \right) \Big|_0^1 + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} dx = \\
 &= \left(\frac{a^2}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{a} \right) + \frac{a}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} a \right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{2} \\
 \int_0^1 a \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{a} \right) da &= \left(\frac{a^2}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{a} \right) + \frac{a}{\sqrt{2}} - 2 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right) \Big|_0^1 = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2}) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \\
 B &= -\frac{5}{2} - \frac{17}{2\sqrt{2}} \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2}) + \frac{17}{\sqrt{2}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \\
 \Omega &= \frac{1}{6} (A - B) = \frac{1}{6} \left(\log 3 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{5\pi}{12} + \frac{5}{\sqrt{2}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + \frac{17}{2\sqrt{2}} \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2}) \right) = \\
 &= \frac{1}{12} - \frac{5\pi}{12} + \frac{\log 3}{6} + \frac{5 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)}{6\sqrt{2}} + \frac{17 \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2})}{12\sqrt{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{a^2 + b^2 \sin^2 x}{b^2 + a^2 \cos^2 x} \tan x da db dx &= \\
 &= \frac{1}{12} - \frac{5\pi}{12} + \frac{\log 3}{6} + \frac{5 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)}{6\sqrt{2}} + \frac{17 \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2})}{12\sqrt{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

1628. Prove that:

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(\sqrt[3]{\cot x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{\cot x}} \right)^2 \sin^3 x \, dx = \frac{4}{3} + \frac{2^{\frac{8}{3}} \sqrt{3} \Gamma\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^3}{\pi} - \frac{2^{\frac{4}{3}} \pi^2}{\Gamma\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^3}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(\sqrt[3]{\cot x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{\cot x}} \right)^2 \sin^3 x \, dx = \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(2 \sin^3 x + (\sin x)^{\frac{11}{3}} (\cos x)^{-\frac{2}{3}} + (\sin x)^{\frac{7}{3}} (\cos x)^{\frac{2}{3}} \right) dx = \\ &= B\left(2, \frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2} B\left(\frac{7}{3}, \frac{1}{6}\right) + \frac{1}{2} B\left(\frac{5}{3}, \frac{5}{6}\right) = \frac{\Gamma(2)\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)} + \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{7}{3}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)}{2\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)} + \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{6}\right)}{2\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)} \\ &\because \Gamma(z+1) = z\Gamma(z) \Rightarrow \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) = \frac{3}{2}\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = \frac{3}{4}\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{3\sqrt{\pi}}{4} \\ \Omega &= \frac{4}{3} + \frac{2\Gamma\left(\frac{7}{3}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)}{3\sqrt{\pi}} + \frac{2\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{6}\right)}{3\sqrt{\pi}} = \\ &= \frac{4}{3} + \frac{8\Gamma\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)}{9\sqrt{\pi}} + \frac{4\Gamma\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{6}\right)}{9\sqrt{\pi}} = \frac{4}{3} + A + B, \text{ where} \\ \therefore \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) &= \frac{2^{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)} = \frac{2^{\frac{2}{3}}\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma^2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)} = \frac{2^{-\frac{1}{3}}\sqrt{3}\Gamma^2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)}{\sqrt{\pi}} = \frac{2^{-\frac{1}{3}}9\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma^2\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)}{\sqrt{\pi}} \\ &\because \Gamma(z)\Gamma(1-z) = \pi \csc(\pi z) \\ A &= \frac{8\Gamma\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)2^{-\frac{1}{3}}9\sqrt{3}\Gamma^2\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)}{9\sqrt{\pi} \cdot \sqrt{\pi}} = \frac{2^{\frac{8}{3}}\sqrt{3}\Gamma^3\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)}{\pi} \\ \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) &= \frac{2^{\frac{1}{3}}\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{6}\right)} \end{aligned}$$

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$$B = \frac{2^{\frac{7}{3}} \Gamma^2\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)}{9 \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)} = \frac{2^{\frac{7}{3}} \Gamma^2\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \Gamma^2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)}{9 \Gamma^3\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)} = \frac{2^{\frac{13}{2}} \pi^2}{27 \Gamma^3\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)} = -\frac{2^{\frac{4}{3}} \pi^2}{\Gamma^3\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(\sqrt[3]{\cot x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{\cot x}} \right)^2 \sin^3 x \, dx = \frac{4}{3} + \frac{2^{\frac{8}{3}} \sqrt{3} \Gamma\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^3}{\pi} - \frac{2^{\frac{4}{3}} \pi^2}{\Gamma\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^3}$$

1629. Let $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfies the functional equation

$$(*) : f(ab) = e^{ab-a-b} [e^b \cdot f(a) + e^a \cdot f(b)], \forall a, b > 0$$

If $f(1) = 0$ and $f'(1) = e$. Prove that: $f(a) = e^a \cdot \ln(a), \forall a > 0$.

Proposed by Hikmat Hammadov-Azerbaijan

Solution by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

$$(*) : f(ab) = e^{ab-a-b} [e^b \cdot f(a) + e^a \cdot f(b)], \forall a, b > 0$$

$$(*) \Leftrightarrow \frac{f(ab)}{e^{ab}} = \frac{f(a)}{e^a} + \frac{f(b)}{e^b} \Leftrightarrow g(ab) = g(a) + g(b), (\forall a, b > 0),$$

$$\text{where } g(a) = \frac{f(a)}{e^a}, \forall a > 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since } f(1) = 0 \text{ and } f'(1) = e \rightarrow g(1) = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{a \rightarrow 1} \frac{g(a) - g(1)}{a - 1} &= \lim_{a \rightarrow 1} \frac{f(a)}{(a - 1)e^a} \\ &= \frac{f'(1)}{e} = 1 \rightarrow g'(1) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Also, we have : } \lim_{a \rightarrow a_0} \frac{g(a) - g(a_0)}{a - a_0} &\stackrel{b \rightarrow \frac{a}{a_0}}{=} \lim_{b \rightarrow 1} \frac{g(b \cdot a_0) - g(a_0)}{b \cdot a_0 - a_0} = \lim_{b \rightarrow 1} \frac{g(b)}{a_0(b - 1)} \\ &= \frac{g'(1)}{a_0} = \frac{1}{a_0}, \forall a_0 > 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow g \text{ is differentiable on } \mathbb{R}^+ \text{ with } g'(a) = \frac{1}{a}, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow g(a) = \ln(a), \forall a \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

$$\rightarrow f(a) = e^a \cdot \ln(a), \forall a \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$

$$\text{Therefore, } f(a) = e^a \cdot \ln(a), \forall a \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$

1630. If $0 \leq a \leq \frac{\pi}{12}$ then:

$$\int_0^a \sin x \cdot \cos(6x) \cdot \cos^6(4x) \cdot \cos^{15}(2x) \, dx \leq \frac{1}{193} (1 - \cos^{193} a)$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

Solution by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

Let $x \in [0, a]$, since $a \leq \frac{\pi}{12} \rightarrow \cos x, \cos(2x), \cos(4x), \cos(6x), \sin x \geq 0$

We have : $\cos(2x) = 2 \cos^2 x - 1 \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} (\cos^4 x + 1) - 1 = \cos^4 x \rightarrow \cos(2x) \leq \cos^4 x \quad (1)$

$\rightarrow \cos(4x) \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \cos^4(2x) \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} (\cos^4 x)^4 = \cos^{16} x \rightarrow \cos(4x) \leq \cos^{16} x \quad (2)$

$\cos(3x) = \cos x \cdot (4 \cos^2 x - 3) \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \cos x \cdot [(\cos^8 x + 1 + 1 + 1) - 3] = \cos^9 x$
 $\rightarrow \cos(3x) \leq \cos^9 x \quad (i)$

$\rightarrow \cos(6x) \stackrel{(1)}{\geq} \cos^4(3x) \stackrel{(i)}{\geq} (\cos^9 x)^4 = \cos^{36} x \rightarrow \cos(6x) \leq \cos^{36} x \quad (3)$

$(1), (2), (3) \rightarrow \cos(6x) \cdot \cos^6(4x) \cdot \cos^{15}(2x) \leq \cos^{36} x \cdot (\cos^{16} x)^6 \cdot (\cos^4 x)^{15}$
 $= \cos^{192} x$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \int_0^a \sin x \cdot \cos(6x) \cdot \cos^6(4x) \cdot \cos^{15}(2x) dx &\leq \int_0^a \sin x \cdot \cos^{192} x dx = \left[\frac{-1}{193} \cos^{193} x \right]_0^a \\ &= \frac{1}{193} (1 - \cos^{193} a). \end{aligned}$$

1631. Find:

$$\Omega = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \left(2 \log|1 - x| - 4 \log|1 - \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 - x}}| \right),$$

where $|\cdot|$ – denotes absolute sign.

Proposed by Naren Bhandari-Bajura-Nepal

Solution 1 by Surjeet Singhania-India

Choose $\frac{1}{10^{10}} > \delta > 0$ such that $0 < |z - 1| < \delta$, we know that

$$\sqrt{1 + x} = 1 + \frac{x}{2} - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{16} + O(x^5), \forall \{x \in \mathbb{C} \mid |x| < 1\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence, } \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 - z}} &= 1 + 2^{-1}\sqrt{1 - z} - 8^{-1}(\sqrt{1 - z})^2 + 16^{-1}(\sqrt{1 - z})^3 + \\ &\quad O((\sqrt{1 - z})^5) \end{aligned}$$

$$4 \log \left| 1 - \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 - z}} \right| = 4 \log \left| 2^{-1} \sqrt{1 - z} - 8^{-1} (\sqrt{1 - z})^2 + \dots \right|$$

$$4 \log \left| 1 - \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 - z}} \right| = 2 \log |1 - z| + 4 \log \left| \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{1 - z}}{8} + \dots \right|$$

Hence,

$$\Omega = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \left(2 \log |1 - x| - 4 \log \left| 1 - \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 - x}} \right| \right) = -4 \log \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = 4 \log 2$$

Solution 2 by Muhammad Afzal-Pakistan

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \left(2 \log |1 - x| - 4 \log \left| 1 - \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 - x}} \right| \right) \stackrel{x \rightarrow 1-x}{=} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \left(2 \log |x| - 4 \log \left| 1 - \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{x}} \right| \right) \stackrel{\sqrt{1+\sqrt{x}} \sim 1 + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x}}{=} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \left(2 \log |x| - 4 \log \left| \frac{\sqrt{x}}{2} \right| \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (2 \log |x| - 2 \log |x| + 4 \log 2) = 4 \log 2 \end{aligned}$$

1632.

If $S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{m=0}^k \frac{(-1)^{m+k}}{m!}$ then prove:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (S_{n-1} + S_n) = e$$

Proposed by Angad Singh-India

Solution by Amrit Awasthi-India

$$S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{m=0}^k \frac{(-1)^{m+k}}{m!} = \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{m=0}^k \frac{(-1)^m}{m!} \cdot (-1)^k$$

Changing the order of summation we get as $0 \leq m \leq k \leq n$,

$$S_n = \sum_{m=0}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m!} \sum_{k=m}^n (-1)^k = \sum_{m=0}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m!} \cdot \Omega_n;$$

Now, if n is odd then $\Omega_n = (-1)^m$ and in that case $\Omega_{n+1} = 0$. Hence,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (S_{n-1} + S_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{m=0}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m!} \cdot (-1)^m = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{m=0}^n \frac{1}{m!} = e$$

Similarly, if we assume that n is even, then $S_n = 0$ and S_{n+1} contributes to the given limits.

1633. $\Omega(n) = (1 + 2^2)(1 + 2^4)(1 + 2^8) \cdot \dots \cdot (1 + 2^{2^{n-1}}), n \geq 1$

Find:

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{3\Omega(n)} \right)^{2^{2^n}}$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

Solution 1 by Florentin Vişescu-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(n) \cdot (1 - 2^2) &= (1 - 2^2)(1 + 2^2)(1 + 2^4)(1 + 2^8) \cdot \dots \cdot (1 + 2^{2^{n-1}}) \\ -3 \cdot \Omega(n) &= (1 - 2^{2^3})(1 + 2^{2^3}) \cdot \dots \cdot (1 - 2^{2^n}) \\ -3 \cdot \Omega(n) &= (1 - 2^{2^n}) \\ \Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{3\Omega(n)} \right)^{2^{2^n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2^{2^n} - 1} \right)^{(2^{2^n} - 1) \cdot \frac{2^{2^n}}{2^{2^n} - 1}} = \exp \left\{ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{2^n}}{2^{2^n} - 1} \right\} = e \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Ty Halpen-USA

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(n) &= (1 + 2^2)(1 + 2^4)(1 + 2^8) \cdot \dots \cdot (1 + 2^{2^{n-1}}) = \\ &= \frac{1 - 2^2}{1 - 2^2} \cdot (1 + 2^2)(1 + 2^4)(1 + 2^8) \cdot \dots \cdot (1 + 2^{2^{n-1}}) = \\ &= -\frac{1}{3}(1 - 2^4)(1 + 2^4)(1 + 2^8) \cdot \dots \cdot (1 + 2^{2^{n-1}}) = -\frac{1}{3}(1 - 2^{2^n}) \\ \Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{3\Omega(n)} \right)^{2^{2^n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2^{2^n} - 1} \right)^{(2^{2^n} - 1) \cdot \frac{2^{2^n}}{2^{2^n} - 1}} = \exp \left\{ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{2^n}}{2^{2^n} - 1} \right\} = e \end{aligned}$$

Solution 3 by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(n) \cdot (1 - 2^2) &= (1 - 2^2)(1 + 2^2)(1 + 2^4)(1 + 2^8) \cdot \dots \cdot (1 + 2^{2^{n-1}}) \\ &= (1 - 2^{2^3})(1 + 2^{2^3}) \cdot \dots \cdot (1 - 2^{2^n}) = (1 - 2^{2^n}) \Rightarrow 3\Omega(n) = 2^{2^n} - 1 \\ \Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{3\Omega(n)} \right)^{2^{2^n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2^{2^n} - 1} \right)^{(2^{2^n} - 1) \cdot \frac{2^{2^n}}{2^{2^n} - 1}} = \exp \left\{ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{2^n}}{2^{2^n} - 1} \right\} = e \end{aligned}$$

$$= \exp \left\{ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{2^n}}{2^{2^n} - 1} \right\} = e$$

1634. Find: $\Omega =$

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{y^2} \left(\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{z^4} \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{[(y^2 + y + 1)x^p + 1]^{z^2+z+1} - [(z^2 + z + 1)x^p + 1]^{y^2+y+1}}{x^{2p}} \right) \right) \right)^{\phi y},$$

where $y, z \in \mathbb{N}, p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and ϕ – Golden Ratio.

Proposed by Costel Florea-Romania

Solution by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

Let $a = y^2 + y + 1 \in \mathbb{N}, b = z^2 + z + 1 \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{y^2} \left(\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{z^4} \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(ax^p + 1)^b - (bx^p + 1)^a}{x^{2p}} \right) \right) \right)^{\phi y} \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(ax^p + 1)^b - (bx^p + 1)^a}{x^{2p}} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x^{2p}} \left(\sum_{k=1}^b \binom{b}{k} (ax^p)^k - \sum_{k=1}^a \binom{a}{k} (ax^p)^k \right) = \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x^{2p}} \left(\binom{b}{1} ax^p - \binom{a}{1} bx^p + \binom{b}{2} a^2 x^{2p} - \binom{a}{2} b^2 x^{2p} + \sum_{k=3}^b \binom{b}{k} (ax^p)^k - \sum_{k=1}^a \binom{a}{k} (ax^p)^k \right) \\ &= \binom{b}{1} a^2 - \binom{a}{1} b^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\binom{b}{2} = \frac{b(b-1)}{2!} = \frac{(z^2 + z + 1)(z^2 + z)}{2}$$

$$z \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \frac{\binom{b}{2}}{z^4} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \frac{b^2}{z^4} \rightarrow 1$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{z^4} \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{[(y^2 + y + 1)x^p + 1]^{z^2+z+1} - [(z^2 + z + 1)x^p + 1]^{y^2+y+1}}{x^{2p}} \right) &= \\ = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{z^4} \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(ax^p + 1)^b - (bx^p + 1)^a}{x^{2p}} \right) &= \frac{a^2}{2} - \binom{a}{2} = \frac{a}{2} = \frac{y^2 + y + 1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\Omega = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{y^2} \left(\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{z^4} \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(ax^p + 1)^b - (bx^p + 1)^a}{x^{2p}} \right) \right) \right)^{\phi y} =$$

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$$= \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{y^2 + y + 1}{y^2} \right)^{\phi y} = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \exp \left(\phi y \cdot \frac{y \log \left(\frac{y^2 + y + 1}{y^2} \right)}{\frac{y^2 + y + 1}{y^2}} \cdot \frac{y + 1}{y^2} \right) = e^{\phi}$$

1635. Prove that:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{0+1+2+\dots+n}}{(2n+1)^2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}\pi^2}{16}$$

Proposed by Amrit Awasthi-India

Solution 1 by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{0+1+2+\dots+n}}{(2n+1)^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{(2n+1)^2}; \\ (-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 4k, 4k+3 \\ -1 & \text{if } n = 4k+1, 4k+2 \end{cases} \\ \Omega &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{(8n+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(8n+7)^2} \right) - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{(8n+3)^2} + \frac{1}{(8n+5)^2} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{64} \left\{ \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{1}{8}\right) + \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) \right\} - \frac{1}{64} \left\{ \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) + \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{5}{8}\right) \right\} \\ &\because \psi^{(1)}(z) + \psi^{(1)}(1-z) = \frac{\pi^2}{\sin^2(\pi z)} \\ \Omega &= \frac{\pi^2}{64} \left(\frac{1}{\sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right)} - \frac{1}{\sin^2\left(\frac{3\pi}{8}\right)} \right) = \frac{\pi^2}{64} \left(\frac{1}{\sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right)} - \frac{1}{\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right)} \right) = \frac{\pi^2}{64} \cdot \frac{4 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)}{\sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)} \\ &= \frac{\pi^2 \sqrt{2}}{16} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Syed Shahabudeen-Kerala-India

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{0+1+2+\dots+n}}{(2n+1)^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{(2n+1)^2} = \operatorname{Re} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{i \frac{n(n+1)\pi}{2}}}{(2n+1)^2} = \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\cos \frac{\pi n^2}{2} \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} - \sin \frac{\pi n^2}{2} \sin \frac{n\pi}{2}}{(2n+1)^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(4n+1)^2} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(4n+3)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(4n+1)^2} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(8n+1)^2} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(8n+5)^2} = \frac{1}{64} \left(\psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{1}{8}\right) - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{5}{8}\right) \right) \\
 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(4n+3)^2} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(8n+3)^2} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(8n+7)^2} = \frac{1}{64} \left(\psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) \right) \\
 \Rightarrow \Omega &= \frac{1}{64} \left(\psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{1}{8}\right) + \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{5}{8}\right) - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) \right) = \\
 &= \frac{1}{64} \left(\frac{\pi^2}{\sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right)} - \frac{\pi^2}{\sin^2\left(\frac{3\pi}{8}\right)} \right) = \frac{\pi^2}{64} \cdot 4\sqrt{2} = \frac{\pi^2\sqrt{2}}{16} \\
 \therefore \frac{\pi^2}{\sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right)} &= 4 + 2\sqrt{2}; \quad \frac{\pi^2}{\sin^2\left(\frac{3\pi}{8}\right)} = 4 - 2\sqrt{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

1636. Find:

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[\sum_{i=1}^k i(i+2)(i+4) \right]^{-1}$$

Proposed by Vasile Mircea Popa-Romania

Solution by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{i=1}^k i(i+2)(i+4) &= \sum_{i=3}^{k+2} (i-2)i(i+2) = \sum_{i=3}^{k+2} (i^3 - 4i) = \sum_{i=1}^{k+2} (i^3 - 4i) + 3 = \\
 &= \left(\frac{(k+2)(k+3)}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{4}{2}(k+2)(k+3) + 3 = \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} [(k^2 + 5k + 6)^2 - 8(k^2 + 5k + 6) + 12] = \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} (k^4 + 10k^3 + 29k^2 + 20k) = \frac{1}{4} k(k+1)(k+4)(k+5) \\
 \Rightarrow \left[\sum_{i=1}^k i(i+2)(i+4) \right]^{-1} &= \frac{4}{k(k+1)(k+4)(k+5)} =
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{k+1} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{k+4} - \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{k+4} \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n \left[\sum_{i=1}^k i(i+2)(i+4) \right]^{-1} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{5} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} - \frac{1}{n+3} - \frac{1}{n+4} - \frac{1}{n+5} \right) = \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{n+2} - \frac{1}{n+3} - \frac{1}{n+4} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[\sum_{i=1}^k i(i+2)(i+4) \right]^{-1} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{5} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} \right) - \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \right) = \frac{43}{450}
 \end{aligned}$$

1637. Find a closed form:

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{4^n \cdot n!}$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

Solution 1 by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\text{For } n \geq 1: \frac{n(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{n!} = \frac{(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{(n-1)!}$$

Write: $(n+1)^2(2n+1)$

$$= A(n-1)(n-2)(n-3) + B(n-1)(n-2) + C(n-1) + D$$

Equating coefficient of n^3 , we get: $A = 2$. Put $n = 1 \Rightarrow D = 12$; $n = 2 \Rightarrow C = 33$,

$n = 3 \Rightarrow B = 17$. Thus, for $n \geq 4$ we have:

$$\frac{n(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{n!} = \frac{2}{(n-4)!} + \frac{17}{(n-3)!} + \frac{33}{(n-2)!} + \frac{12}{(n-1)!}$$

$$\text{Now, } \Omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{4^n \cdot n!} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{4^{n-1}(n-1)!} =$$

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$$= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{12}{0!} + \frac{1}{4^2} \cdot \frac{12}{1!} + \frac{1}{4^2} \cdot \frac{33}{0!} + \frac{1}{4^3} \cdot \frac{12}{2!} + \frac{1}{4^3} \cdot \frac{33}{1!} + \frac{1}{4^3} \cdot \frac{17}{0!} + \frac{1}{4^4} \cdot \frac{12}{3!} + \frac{1}{4^4} \cdot \frac{33}{2!} + \frac{1}{4^4} \cdot \frac{17}{1!} + \frac{1}{4^4} \cdot \frac{2}{0!} + \dots$$

Adding, we get:

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{4^n \cdot n!} = \frac{12}{4} e^{\frac{1}{4}} + \frac{33}{16} e^{\frac{1}{4}} + \frac{17}{64} e^{\frac{1}{4}} + \frac{12}{256} e^{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{683\sqrt[4]{e}}{128}$$

Solution 2 by Serlea Kabay-Liberia

$$\text{Since } e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} \Rightarrow x^2 e^x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n-1)!} \text{ and differentiating,}$$

$$e^x(x^2 + 2x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)x^n}{(n-1)!} \Rightarrow e^x(x^3 + 2x^2)$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)x^{n+1}}{(n-1)!}, \text{ differentiating again,}$$

$$x e^x(x^2 + 5x + 4) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)^2 x^n}{(n-1)!},$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 e^{x^2}(x^4 + 5x^2 + 4) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)^2 x^{2n+1}}{(n-1)!}, \text{ differentiating and let } x = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ we get:}$$

$$\frac{683\sqrt[4]{e}}{128} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{4^n \cdot (n-1)!}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{4^n \cdot n!} = \frac{683\sqrt[4]{e}}{128}$$

Solution 3 by Hasan Bostanlik-Turkiye

$$f(x) = e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} \Rightarrow f'(x) = e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n x^{n-1}}{n!},$$

$$f''(x) = e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n(n-1)x^{n-2}}{n!}, f'''(x) = e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)x^{n-3}}{n!}$$

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$$f^{(iv)}(x) = e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)x^{n-4}}{n!}$$

$$x = 1 \Rightarrow e = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n}{n!} \Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n}{4^n \cdot n!} = \frac{\sqrt[4]{e}}{4}$$

$$e = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 - n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{n!} - e \Rightarrow 2e = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{n!} \Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{4^n \cdot n!} = \frac{5}{16} \cdot \sqrt[4]{e}$$

$$e = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{n^3}{n!} - \frac{3n}{n!} + \frac{2}{n!} \right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{n!} - 3 \cdot 2e + 2e \Rightarrow 5e = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{n!}$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{4^n \cdot n!} = \frac{29 \cdot \sqrt[4]{e}}{64}$$

$$e = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^4}{n!} - 6 \cdot 5e + 16 \cdot 2e - 6e \Rightarrow 15e = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^4}{n!} \Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^4}{4^n \cdot n!} = \frac{201}{256} \cdot \sqrt[4]{e}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{4^n \cdot n!} = \frac{683\sqrt[4]{e}}{128}$$

Solution 4 by George Moses-Benin-Nigeria

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{4^n \cdot n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)(n+2)^2(2n+3)}{4^{n+1} \cdot (n+1)!} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+2)^2(2n+3)}{4^n \cdot n!}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2n^3 + 11n^2 + 20n + 12}{4^n \cdot n!} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2n^3 + 11n^2 + 20n}{4^n \cdot n!} + \frac{12}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4^n \cdot n!}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2(n+1)^3 + 11(n+1)^2 + 20(n+1)}{4^{n+1} \cdot (n+1)!} + 3\sqrt[4]{e} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2(n+1)^2 + 11(n+1) + 20}{4^n \cdot n!} + 3\sqrt[4]{e}$$

$$f(x) = xe^x \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{k+1}}{k!} \Rightarrow f'(x) = (x+1)e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(k+1)x^k}{k!} = (x^2 + x)e^x =$$

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$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(k+1)x^{k+1}}{k!}$$

$$f''(x) = (x^2 + 3x + 1)e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(k+1)^2 x^k}{k!}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \frac{1}{8} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)^2}{4^n \cdot n!} + \frac{11}{16} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{4^n \cdot n!} + \frac{5}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4^n \cdot n!} + 3\sqrt[4]{e} = \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \left(\left(\left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^2 + 3 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) + 1 \right) e^{\frac{1}{4}} + \frac{11}{16} \left(\left(\frac{1}{4} + 1 \right) e^{\frac{1}{4}} \right) + \frac{5}{4} e^{\frac{1}{4}} + 3e^{\frac{1}{4}} \right) = \frac{683}{128} e^{\frac{1}{4}} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 5 by Syed Shahabudeen-Kerala-India

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{4^n \cdot n!} = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^4}{4^n \cdot n!} + 5 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{4^n \cdot n!} + 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{4^n \cdot n!} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{4^n \cdot n!}$$

$$\because e^x B_k(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^k x^n}{n!}, \text{ where } B_k(x) - \text{Bell polynomials.}$$

$$\Omega = 2e^x B_4\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 5e^x B_3\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 4e^x B_2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + e^x B_1\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$$

$$B_4(x) = x^4 + 6x^3 + 7x^2 + x, B_4\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = \frac{201}{256}$$

$$B_3(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 + x, B_3\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = \frac{29}{64}$$

$$B_2(x) = x^2 + x, B_2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = \frac{5}{16}$$

$$B_1(x) = x, B_1\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{4}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{4^n \cdot n!} = \frac{201}{128} e^{\frac{1}{4}} + \frac{145}{64} e^{\frac{1}{4}} + \frac{20}{16} e^{\frac{1}{4}} + \frac{1}{4} e^{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{683}{128} e^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

Solution 6 by Hikmat Mammadov-Azerbaijan

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = e^x - 1$$

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$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{nx^{n-1}}{n!} = e^x, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{nx^{n-1}}{n!} = x^2 e^x \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{nx^{n-1}}{n} = (2x + x^2)e^x \Rightarrow$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)x^n}{n!} = (2x + x^2)e^x$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)x^{n+1}}{n!} = (2x^2 + x^3)e^x \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)x^{n+1}}{n!} = (4x + 5x^2 + x^3)e^x$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)^2 x^n}{n!} = (4x + 5x^2 + x^3)e^x \text{ replacing } x = x^2 \Rightarrow$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)x^{2n}}{n!} = (4x^2 + 5x^4 + x^6)e^{x^2} \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)^2 x^{2n+1}}{n!} = (4x^3 + 5x^5 + x^7)e^{x^2}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)^2(2n+1)x^{2n}}{n!} = (12x^2 + 33x^4 + 17x^6 + 2x^8)e^{x^2} \text{ and putting } x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{4^n \cdot n!} = \frac{683}{128} \sqrt[4]{e}$$

Solution 7 by Yen Tung Chung-Taichung-Taiwan

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{4^n \cdot n!} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)^2(2n+1)}{4^n \cdot (n-1)!} \stackrel{m=n-1}{=} \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(m+2)^2(2m+3)}{4^{m+1} \cdot m!} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{2m(m-1)(m-2) + 17m(m-1) + 33m + 12}{4^{m+1} \cdot m!} = \\ &= \sum_{m=3}^{\infty} \frac{2}{4^{m+1}(m-3)!} + \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{17}{4^{m+1}(m-2)!} + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{33}{4^{m+1}(m-1)!} + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{12}{4^{m+1}m!} = \\ &\quad \underbrace{\sum_{m=3}^{\infty} \frac{2}{4^{m+1}(m-3)!}}_{\text{let } k=m-3} + \underbrace{\sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{17}{4^{m+1}(m-2)!}}_{\text{let } k=m-2} + \underbrace{\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{33}{4^{m+1}(m-1)!}}_{\text{let } k=m-1} + \underbrace{\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{12}{4^{m+1}m!}}_{\text{let } k=m} = \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2}{4^{k+4} \cdot k!} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{17}{4^{k+3} \cdot k!} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{33}{4^{k+2} \cdot k!} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{12}{4^{k+1} \cdot k!} = \\ &= \frac{1}{128} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^k}{k!} + \frac{17}{64} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^k}{k!} + \frac{33}{16} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^k}{k!} + 3 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^k}{k!} = \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \left(\frac{1}{128} + \frac{17}{64} + \frac{33}{16} + 3 \right) e^{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{683}{128} e^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

1638. Find:

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^4} \cdot \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \sin^2 \frac{(j-i)\pi}{n} \cdot \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \cos^2 \frac{(j-i)\pi}{n}$$

Proposed by Neculai Stanciu-Romania

Solution 1 by Adrian Popa-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^4} \cdot \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \sin^2 \frac{(j-i)\pi}{n} \cdot \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \cos^2 \frac{(j-i)\pi}{n} = \\ &= \Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n^2} \cdot \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \sin^2 \frac{(j-i)\pi}{n} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{n^2} \cdot \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \cos^2 \frac{(j-i)\pi}{n} \right) = \Omega_1 \cdot \Omega_1 \\ \Omega_1 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n^2} \cdot \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \sin^2 \frac{(j-i)\pi}{n} \right) = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{2n^2} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2n^2} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \cos \left(\frac{2j\pi}{n} - \frac{2i\pi}{n} \right) \right) = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2n^2 \cdot 2} - \frac{1}{2n^2} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \left(\cos \frac{2i\pi}{n} \cos \frac{2j\pi}{n} + \sin \frac{2i\pi}{n} \sin \frac{2j\pi}{n} \right) \right) \\ &\quad \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \cos \frac{2i\pi}{n} \right)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \cos^2 \frac{2i\pi}{n} + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \cos \frac{2i\pi}{n} \cos \frac{2j\pi}{n} \Rightarrow \\ \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \cos \frac{2i\pi}{n} \cos \frac{2j\pi}{n} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \cos \frac{2i\pi}{n} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \cos^2 \frac{2i\pi}{n}; (*) \\ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sin \frac{2i\pi}{n} \right)^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sin^2 \frac{2i\pi}{n} + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \sin \frac{2i\pi}{n} \sin \frac{2j\pi}{n} \Rightarrow \\ \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \sin \frac{2i\pi}{n} \sin \frac{2j\pi}{n} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sin \frac{2i\pi}{n} \right)^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n \sin^2 \frac{2i\pi}{n} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega_1 &= \frac{1}{4} - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{4n^2} \left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \cos \frac{2i\pi}{n} \right)^2 + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sin \frac{2i\pi}{n} \right)^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\cos^2 \frac{2i\pi}{n} + \sin^2 \frac{2i\pi}{n} \right) \right) = \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \cos \frac{2i\pi}{n} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sin \frac{2i\pi}{n} \right)^2 + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{4n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n 1 = \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \left(\int_0^1 \cos 2\pi x \, dx \right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} \left(\int_0^1 \sin 2\pi x \, dx \right)^2 + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{4n} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \sin 2\pi x \Big|_0^1 \right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} \left(-\frac{1}{2\pi} \cos 2\pi x \Big|_0^1 \right)^2 = \frac{1}{4} \\
 \Omega_2 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2n^2} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} 1 + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2n^2} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \left(\cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} \cos \frac{2\pi j}{n} + \sin \frac{2\pi i}{n} \sin \frac{2\pi j}{n} \right) = \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2n^2} \cdot \frac{n(n-1)}{2} = \frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^4} \cdot \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \sin^2 \frac{(j-i)\pi}{n} \cdot \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \cos^2 \frac{(j-i)\pi}{n} = \frac{1}{16}$$

Solution 2 by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Let: } S_1 &= \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \sin^2 \left[\left(\frac{j-i}{n} \right) \pi \right] = \\
 &= \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{n} + \left(\sin^2 \frac{\pi}{n} + \sin^2 \frac{2\pi}{n} \right) + \left(\sin^2 \frac{\pi}{n} + \sin^2 \frac{2\pi}{n} + \sin^2 \frac{3\pi}{n} \right) + \dots + \\
 &+ \left(\sin^2 \frac{\pi}{n} + \sin^2 \frac{2\pi}{n} + \dots + \sin^2 \left(\frac{(n-1)\pi}{n} \right) \right) + \dots + (n-k) \sin^2 \left(\frac{k\pi}{n} \right) + \dots \\
 &\dots + 1 \cdot \sin^2 \left(\frac{(n-1)\pi}{n} \right) = \sum_{k=1}^n (n-k) \sin^2 \left(\frac{k\pi}{n} \right) \Rightarrow \\
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \sin^2 \left[\left(\frac{j-i}{n} \right) \pi \right] &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(1 - \frac{k}{n} \right) \sin^2 \left(\frac{k\pi}{n} \right) =
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(1 - \frac{k}{n}\right) \left(1 - \cos\left(\frac{2k\pi}{n}\right)\right) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (1-x)(1 - \cos(2\pi x)) dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} (1-x) \left(x - \frac{1}{2\pi} \sin(2\pi x)\right) \Big|_0^1 + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \left(x - \frac{1}{2\pi} \sin(2\pi x)\right) dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 + \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \cos(2\pi x) \right] \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let: } S_2 = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \cos^2\left(\frac{(j-i)\pi}{n}\right) = \sum_{k=1}^n (n-k) \cos^2\left(\frac{k\pi}{n}\right) \xrightarrow{\text{as in } S_1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \cos^2\left(\frac{(j-i)\pi}{n}\right) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(1 - \frac{k}{n}\right) \cos^2\left(\frac{k\pi}{n}\right) = \int_0^1 (1-x) \cos^2 x dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 (1-x)[1 + \cos(2\pi x)] dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} (1-x) \left[x + \frac{1}{2\pi} \sin(2\pi x)\right] \Big|_0^1 + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \left(x + \frac{1}{2\pi} \sin(2\pi x)\right) dx = \frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^4} \cdot \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \sin^2 \frac{(j-i)\pi}{n} \cdot \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \cos^2 \frac{(j-i)\pi}{n} = \frac{1}{16}$$

1639. Prove that:

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}}\right)}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^3}} = \frac{2}{\pi} \log(3 + 2\sqrt{2})$$

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Solution 1 by Asmat Qatea-Afghanistan

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}}\right)}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^3}} &\stackrel{x \rightarrow x^2}{=} \int_0^\infty \frac{2}{\sqrt{1 + e^{\frac{\pi}{x}}}} \frac{dx}{x^2} \stackrel{\frac{\pi}{x} \rightarrow x}{=} \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1 + e^x}} \stackrel{(*)}{=} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 + e^x = u^2 \\ dx = \frac{2udu}{u^2 - 1} \end{array} \right. \\
 &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\sqrt{2}}^\infty \frac{2udu}{u^2 - 1} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\sqrt{2}}^\infty \left(\frac{1}{u-1} - \frac{1}{u+1} \right) du = \frac{2}{\pi} \log\left(\frac{u-1}{u+1}\right) \Big|_{\sqrt{2}}^\infty =
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \log \left(\frac{\sqrt{2} + 1}{\sqrt{2} - 1} \right) = \frac{2}{\pi} \log(3 + 2\sqrt{2})$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}}\right)}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^3}} = \frac{2}{\pi} \log(3 + 2\sqrt{2})$$

Solution 2 by Adrian Popa-Romania

$$\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}} = t \Rightarrow \pi x^{-\frac{1}{2}} = t \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^3}} = -\frac{2}{\pi} dt \Rightarrow$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}}\right)}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^3}} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt}{\sqrt{1 + e^t}} \stackrel{(*)}{=} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sqrt{1 + e^t} = u \\ t = \log(u^2 - 1), dt = \frac{2u}{u^2 - 1} du \end{array} \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\sqrt{2}}^{\infty} \frac{2du}{u^2 - 1} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\sqrt{2}}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{u - 1} - \frac{1}{u + 1} \right) du = \frac{2}{\pi} \log \left(\frac{u - 1}{u + 1} \right) \Big|_{\sqrt{2}}^{\infty} = \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \log \left(\frac{\sqrt{2} + 1}{\sqrt{2} - 1} \right) = \frac{2}{\pi} \log(3 + 2\sqrt{2}) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}}\right)}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^3}} = \frac{2}{\pi} \log(3 + 2\sqrt{2})$$

Solution 3 by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}}\right)}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^3}} \stackrel{(*)}{=} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}} = 2t \\ -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}} dx = dt \end{array} \right. \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\infty}^0 -\frac{4dt}{\sqrt{1 + e^{2t}}} = \frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-t} dt}{\sqrt{1 - e^{-2t}}} = -\frac{4}{\pi} \log(e^{-t} + \sqrt{1 + e^{-2t}}) \Big|_0^{\infty} = \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \log(1 + \sqrt{2})^2 = \frac{2}{\pi} \log(3 + 2\sqrt{2}) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}}\right)}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^3}} = \frac{2}{\pi} \log(3 + 2\sqrt{2})$$

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1640. Let $a > 0$. Find:

$$\Omega = \int \frac{dx}{x^4 \sqrt{x^2 - a^2}}; x \in (a, \infty)$$

Proposed by Marin Chirciu-Romania

Solution 1 by Kartick Chandra Betal-India

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int \frac{dx}{x^4 \sqrt{x^2 - a^2}} \stackrel{(*)}{=} ; \quad (*) : \begin{cases} x = a \sec y \\ dx = a \sec y \tan y dy \end{cases} \\ &= \int \frac{a \sec y \tan y}{a^4 \sec^4 y \cdot a \tan y} dy = \frac{1}{a^4} \int \cos^3 y dy = \frac{1}{4a^4} \int (\cos 3y + 3 \cos y) dy = \\ &= \frac{1}{4a^4} \left(\frac{\sin 3y}{3} + \sin y \right) = \frac{1}{4a^4} \left(\frac{3 \sin y - 4 \sin^3 y}{3} + \sin y \right) = \frac{1}{4a^4} \left(2 \sin y - \frac{4}{3} \sin^3 y \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4a^4} \left(2 \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{a}{x}\right)^2} - \frac{4}{3} \left(1 - \frac{a^2}{x^2}\right) \sqrt{1 - \frac{a^2}{x^2}} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{4a^4} \sqrt{1 - \frac{a^2}{x^2}} \left(2 - \frac{4(x^2 - a^2)}{3x^2} \right) = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}}{2a^4 x} \cdot \frac{3x^2 - 2x^2 + 2a^2}{3x^2} = \\ &= \frac{x^2 + 2a^2}{6x^3 x^4} \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} + C \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Ose Favour-Nigeria

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int \frac{dx}{x^4 \sqrt{x^2 - a^2}} \stackrel{(*)}{=} ; \quad (*) : \begin{cases} x = a \sec \theta \\ dx = a \sec \theta \tan \theta d\theta \end{cases} \\ &= \frac{1}{a^4} \int \cos^3 \theta d\theta = \frac{1}{a^4} \int (1 - \sin^2 \theta) \cos \theta d\theta \stackrel{u=\sin \theta}{=} \\ &= \frac{1}{a^4} \int (1 - u^2) du = \frac{u}{a^4} - \frac{u^3}{3a^4} + C = \frac{\sin \theta}{a^4} - \frac{\sin^3 \theta}{3a^4} + C \\ \sec \theta &= \frac{x}{a}, \cos \theta = \frac{a}{x}, \sin \theta = \sqrt{1 - \frac{a^2}{x^2}} = \frac{1}{x} \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Omega = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}}{xa^4} - \frac{\sqrt{(x^2 - a^2)^3}}{3x^3a^4} + C$$

Solution 3 by Yen Tung Chung-Taichung-Taiwan

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \int \frac{dx}{x^4\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}} \stackrel{(*)}{=} ; \quad (*) : \begin{cases} y = \sqrt{1 - \frac{a^2}{x^2}} \Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{x^2} = 1 - y^2 \\ -\frac{2a^2}{x^3} dx = -2y dy \end{cases} \\ &\stackrel{(*)}{=} \int \frac{\frac{1}{x^2}}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{a^2}{x^2}}} \cdot \frac{1}{x^3} dx = \int \frac{\frac{1}{a^2}(1 - y^2)}{y} \cdot \frac{1}{a^2} y dy = \frac{1}{a^4} \int (1 - y^2) dy = \\ &= \frac{1}{a^4} \left(y - \frac{1}{3} y^3 \right) + C = \frac{1}{a^4} \left(\sqrt{1 - \frac{a^2}{x^2}} - \frac{1}{3} \left(\sqrt{1 - \frac{a^2}{x^2}} \right)^3 \right) + C = \\ &= \frac{(2x^2 + a^2)\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}}{3a^4x^3} + C\end{aligned}$$

Solution 4 by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \int \frac{dx}{x^4\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}} \stackrel{(*)}{=} ; \quad (*) : \begin{cases} \frac{a}{x} = t \\ -\frac{a}{x^2} dx = dt \end{cases} \\ &\stackrel{(*)}{=} - \int \frac{dx}{ax^3\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{a}{x}\right)^2}} \left(-\frac{a}{x}\right) dx = -\frac{1}{a} \int \frac{dt}{\left(\frac{a}{t}\right)^3 \sqrt{1 - t^2}} = \\ &= -\frac{1}{a^4} \int \frac{t^3}{\sqrt{1 - t^2}} dt = -\frac{1}{a^4} \int \frac{(t^3 - t) + t}{\sqrt{1 - t^2}} dt = \frac{1}{a^4} \left[\int t\sqrt{1 - t^2} dt - \int \frac{t}{\sqrt{1 - t^2}} dt \right] = \\ &= \frac{1}{a^4} \left[-\frac{1}{3} (1 - t^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} + \sqrt{1 - t^2} \right] + C = \\ &= \frac{1}{a^4} \left[\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{a}{x}\right)^2} - \frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \frac{a^2}{x^2}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right] = \frac{1}{a^4} \left[\frac{\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}}{x} - \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{(x^2 - a^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{x^3} \right] + C\end{aligned}$$

Solution 5 by Hikmat Mammadov-Azerbaijan

$$\Omega = \int \frac{dx}{x^4\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}} = \int \frac{dx}{x^5\sqrt{1 - ax^{-2}}} \stackrel{(*)}{=} ; \quad (*) : \begin{cases} 2ax^{-3} = 2t dt \\ \frac{1}{xa^2} = 1 - t^2 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x^{-3} dx = \frac{t}{a} dt \\ \frac{1}{x^2} = a(1 - t^2) \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \stackrel{(*)}{=} \int \frac{x^{-3}}{x^2 \sqrt{1-ax^{-2}}} dx = \int \frac{a(1-t^2) \cdot \left(\frac{t}{a}\right) dt}{t} = \int (1-t^2) dt = t - \frac{t^3}{3} + C = \\
 & = \frac{1}{a^4} \left(\sqrt{1 - \frac{a^2}{x^2}} - \frac{1}{3} \left(\sqrt{1 - \frac{a^2}{x^2}} \right)^3 \right) + C = \\
 & = \frac{(2x^2 + a^2)\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}}{3a^4 x^3} + C
 \end{aligned}$$

1641. Prove that for $n \geq 1$

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{n + \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}}\right)}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^3}} = \frac{4 \sinh^{-1}(\sqrt{n})}{\pi \sqrt{n}}$$

Proposed by Srinivasa Raghava-AIRMC-India

Solution 1 by Asmat Qatea-Afghanistan

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{n + \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}}\right)}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^3}} \stackrel{x \rightarrow x^2}{=} \int_0^\infty \frac{2}{\sqrt{n + e^{\frac{\pi}{x}}}} \frac{dx}{x^2} \stackrel{\frac{\pi}{x} \rightarrow x}{=} \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{\sqrt{n + e^x}} = \\
 & \stackrel{(*)}{=} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} n + e^x = u^2 \\ dx = \frac{2u}{u^2 - n} du \end{array} \right. \\
 &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\sqrt{n+1}}^\infty \frac{2}{u^2 - n} du = \frac{2}{\pi \sqrt{n}} \int_{\sqrt{n+1}}^\infty \left(\frac{1}{u - \sqrt{n}} - \frac{1}{u + \sqrt{n}} \right) du = \\
 &= \frac{2}{\pi \sqrt{n}} \log \left(\frac{u - \sqrt{n}}{u + \sqrt{n}} \right) \Big|_{\sqrt{n+1}}^\infty = \frac{2}{\pi \sqrt{n}} \log \left(\frac{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}} \right) = \frac{4}{\pi \sqrt{n}} \log(\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}) = \\
 &= \frac{4}{\pi \sqrt{n}} \sinh^{-1}(\sqrt{n}) \\
 &\because \sinh^{-1} x = \log(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}) \\
 &\text{Therefore,} \\
 &\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{n + \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}}\right)}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^3}} = \frac{4 \sinh^{-1}(\sqrt{n})}{\pi \sqrt{n}}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Solution 2 by Ankush Kumar Parcha-India

$$\Omega = \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{n + \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}}\right)}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^3}} \stackrel{x=k^2}{\Rightarrow} \frac{\Omega}{2} = \int_0^\infty \frac{dk}{k^2 \sqrt{n + e^{\frac{\pi}{k}}}}$$

$$\text{Let } \begin{cases} n + e^{\frac{\pi}{k}} = h \\ \frac{dk}{k^2} = -\frac{dh}{\pi(h-n)} \end{cases}, h = \begin{cases} \infty, & \text{if } k = 0 \\ n+1, & \text{if } k = \infty \end{cases} \text{ then}$$

$$\frac{\pi}{2} \Omega = \int_{n+1}^\infty \frac{dh}{(h-n)\sqrt{h}}$$

$$\text{Let } \begin{cases} h = w^2 \\ dh = 2w dw \end{cases}, w = \begin{cases} \sqrt{n+1}, & \text{if } h = n+1 \\ \infty, & \text{if } h = \infty \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\pi\sqrt{n}}{4} \Omega &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\sqrt{n+1}}^\infty \frac{dw}{w^2 - n} = \log \left(\frac{w - \sqrt{n}}{w + \sqrt{n}} \right) \Big|_{\sqrt{n+1}}^\infty = \log \left(\frac{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}} \right) = \\ &= \log \left[(\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n})^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\because \sinh^{-1} x = \log(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1})$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{n + \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}}\right)}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^3}} = \frac{4 \sinh^{-1}(\sqrt{n})}{\pi \sqrt{n}}$$

Solution 3 by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{n + \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}}\right)}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^3}} \stackrel{(*)}{=} ; \quad (*) : \begin{cases} \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}} = 2t \\ -\frac{\pi}{x^2} dx = 4dt \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_\infty^0 \frac{-4dt}{\sqrt{n + e^{2t}}} = \frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-t}}{\sqrt{ne^{-2t} + 1}} dt = \\ &= -\frac{4}{\pi\sqrt{n}} \log(\sqrt{ne^{-t}} + \sqrt{1 + ne^{-2t}}) \Big|_0^\infty = \frac{4}{\pi\sqrt{n}} \log(\sqrt{n} + \sqrt{n+1}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\because \sinh^{-1} x = \log(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1})$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n + \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{x}}\right)}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^3}} = \frac{4 \sinh^{-1}(\sqrt{n})}{\pi \sqrt{n}}$$

1642. Prove that:

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{3x - 2x^3}{(x^4 - 7x^2 + 3)^2 + (6x - 4x^3)^2} dx = \frac{\pi\sqrt{3}}{24} - \frac{\log 3}{8}$$

Proposed by Angad Singh-India

Solution 1 by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{3x - 2x^3}{(x^4 - 7x^2 + 3)^2 + (6x - 4x^3)^2} dx \stackrel{x^2=t}{=} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{3 - 2t}{(t^2 - 7t + 3)^2 + 4t(3 - 2t)^2} dt = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{3 - 2t}{(t^2 - t + 1)(t^2 + 3t + 9)} dt = \frac{1}{8} \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{t + 3}{t^2 + 3t + 9} - \frac{t - 1}{t^2 - t + 1} \right) dt = \\ &= \frac{1}{16} \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{2t + 3}{t^2 + 3t + 9} - \frac{2t - 1}{t^2 - t + 1} \right) dt + \frac{3}{16} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt}{t^2 + 3t + 9} + \frac{1}{16} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt}{t^2 - t + 1} = \\ &= \frac{1}{16} \log \left(\frac{t^2 + 3t + 9}{t^2 - t + 1} \right) \Big|_0^{\infty} + \frac{3}{16} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt}{\left(t + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{27}{4}} + \frac{1}{16} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt}{\left(t - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{3}{4}} = \\ &= -\frac{\log 3}{8} + \frac{1}{8\sqrt{3}} \left[\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2t + 3}{3\sqrt{3}} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2t - 1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) \right] \Big|_0^{\infty} = -\frac{\log 3}{8} + \frac{\pi}{8\sqrt{3}} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{3x - 2x^3}{(x^4 - 7x^2 + 3)^2 + (6x - 4x^3)^2} dx = \frac{\pi\sqrt{3}}{24} - \frac{\log 3}{8}$$

Solution 2 by Amrit Awasthi-India

Consider the closed line integral:

$$I = \oint_c \frac{1}{1 + z^2 + z^4} dz$$

Where C is a rectangle having vertices $0, 1, 1 + iR, 0 + iR$ traversed counter clockwise and

R approaches infinity. Hence,

$$I = \oint_C \frac{1}{1 + z^2 + z^4} dz = I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4, \text{ where}$$

$$I_1 = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1 + x^2 + x^4}; I_2 = \int_0^R \frac{id y}{1 + (1 + i y)^2 + (1 + i y)^4}$$

$$I_3 = \int_1^0 \frac{dx}{1 + (x + iR)^2 + (x + iR)^4}; I_4 = \int_R^0 \frac{id y}{1 + (i y)^2 + (i y)^4}$$

Clearly the conditions for applying residuum is satisfied hence using the residue theorem

we get:

$$I = 2i\pi \cdot \frac{1}{2 \left(e^{-\frac{i\pi}{3}} - 2 \right)}$$

Consider only the real part of I , we get:

$$Re(I) = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{3}}; (*)$$

Now, we'll evaluate the real parts of our I_1, I_2, I_3, I_4 and then Equate with the real part of

I . First note that

$$I_4 = \int_R^0 \frac{id y}{1 + (i y)^2 + (i y)^4} = -i \int_0^R \frac{d y}{1 - y^2 + y^4} \Rightarrow Re(I_4) = 0; (i)$$

Now, note that

$$|I_3| = \left| \int_1^0 \frac{dx}{1 + (x + iR)^2 + (x + iR)^4} \right| \leq \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{|1 + (x + iR)^2 + (x + iR)^4|}$$

Therefore, using properties of modulus and some manipulations it can be shown that I_3

vanishes as R approaches infinity. Hence,

$$Re(I_3) = 0; (ii)$$

Now, using real methods we can easily evaluate I_1 ,

$$I_1 = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1 + x^2 + x^4} = \left[\frac{1}{4} \log \left| \frac{x^2 + x + 1}{x^2 - x + 1} \right| + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}x}{1 - x^2} \right) \right]_0^1$$

$$Re(I_1) = I_1 = \frac{\log 3}{4} + \frac{\pi}{4\sqrt{3}}; (iii)$$

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Now, observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}(I_2) &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^R \frac{6x - 4x^3}{(x^4 - 7x^2 + 3)^2 + (6x - 4x^3)^2} dx = \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{6x - 4x^3}{(x^4 - 7x^2 + 3)^2 + (6x - 4x^3)^2} dx; (iv) \end{aligned}$$

By adding (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) we get:

$$\frac{\log 3}{8} + \frac{\pi}{4\sqrt{3}} = \int_0^\infty \frac{3x - 2x^3}{(x^4 - 7x^2 + 3)^2 + (6x - 4x^3)^2} dx = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{3}}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{3x - 2x^3}{(x^4 - 7x^2 + 3)^2 + (6x - 4x^3)^2} dx = \frac{\pi\sqrt{3}}{24} - \frac{\log 3}{8}$$

1643. Prove that for $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{(\tan^{-1} x - \cot^{-1} x)^{2n}}{(x^2 + 1)^2} dx = \frac{2^{-(2n+1)} \pi^{2n+1}}{2n+1}$$

Proposed by Srinivasa Raghava-AIRMC-India

Solution 1 by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_0^\infty \frac{(\tan^{-1} x - \cot^{-1} x)^{2n}}{(x^2 + 1)^2} dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{\left(2 \tan^{-1} x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{2n}}{(1 + x^2)^2} dx \stackrel{x=\tan t}{=} \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(2t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{2n} \cos^2 t dt \stackrel{y=2t-\frac{\pi}{2}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} y^{2n} \cos^2 \left(\frac{y}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) dy = \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} y^{2n} \left(1 + \cos \left(y + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)\right) dy = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} y^{2n} (1 - \sin y) dy = \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} y^{2n} dy - \underbrace{\frac{1}{4} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} y^{2n} \sin y dy}_{=0-\text{odd function}} = \frac{\pi^{2n+1}}{2^{2n+2}(2n+1)} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{(\tan^{-1} x - \cot^{-1} x)^{2n}}{(x^2 + 1)^2} dx = \frac{2^{-(2n+1)} \pi^{2n+1}}{2n+1}$$

Solution 2 by Syed Shahabudeen-Kerala-India

$$\Omega = \int_0^\infty \frac{(\tan^{-1} x - \cot^{-1} x)^{2n}}{(x^2 + 1)^2} dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{\left(2 \tan^{-1} x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{2n}}{(x^2 + 1)^2} dx \stackrel{t=2 \tan^{-1} x - \frac{\pi}{2}}{=}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{t^{2n}}{\tan^2\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{t}{2}\right) + 1} dt = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} t^{2n} \left(\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{t}{2}\right) + \cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{t}{2}\right) \right) dt = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} t^{2n} \left(1 + \cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{t}{2}\right) - \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{t}{2}\right) \right) dt \\
 &\quad \because \cos^2(a+b) - \sin^2(a+b) = \cos 2a \sin 2b \\
 \Omega &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} t^{2n} \left(1 + \cos \frac{\pi}{2} \cos t \right) dt = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} t^{2n} dt = \frac{2^{-(2n+1)} \pi^{2n+1}}{2n+1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{(\tan^{-1} x - \cot^{-1} x)^{2n}}{(x^2 + 1)^2} dx = \frac{2^{-(2n+1)} \pi^{2n+1}}{2n+1}$$

Solution 3 by Kartick Chandra Betal-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(\tan^{-1} x - \cot^{-1} x)^{2n}}{(x^2 + 1)^2} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^2 (\cot^{-1} x - \tan^{-1} x)^{2n}}{(1 + x^2)^2} dx \\
 2\Omega &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(\tan^{-1} x - \cot^{-1} x)^{2n}}{1 + x^2} dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - 2x \right)^{2n} dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x \right)^{2n} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x^{2n} (-dx) = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x^{2n} dx = \\
 &= \frac{\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{2n+1}}{2n+1} = \frac{2^{-(2n+1)} \pi^{2n+1}}{2n+1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{(\tan^{-1} x - \cot^{-1} x)^{2n}}{(x^2 + 1)^2} dx = \frac{2^{-(2n+1)} \pi^{2n+1}}{2n+1}$$

1644. Find:

$$\Omega = \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\log x}{(x+1)(x^2+1)} dx$$

Proposed by Vasile Mircea Popa-Romania

Solution 1 by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\Omega = \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\log x}{(x+1)(x^2+1)} dx \stackrel{x=\frac{1}{x}}{=} - \int_0^1 \frac{x \log x}{(1+x)(1+x^2)} dx =$$

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$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\int_0^1 \frac{\log x}{1+x} dx - \int_0^1 \frac{\log x}{1+x^2} dx - \int_0^1 \frac{x \log x}{1+x^2} dx \right) = \frac{1}{2} (A - B - C),$$

$$A = \int_0^1 \frac{\log x}{1+x} dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \int_0^1 x^{n-1} \log x dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} = -\frac{\pi^2}{12}$$

$$B = \int_0^1 \frac{\log x}{1+x^2} dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \int_0^1 x^{2n-2} \log x dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n-1)^2} = -G$$

$$C = \int_0^1 \frac{x \log x}{1+x^2} dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \int_0^1 x^{2n-1} \log x dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n)^2} = -\frac{\pi^2}{48}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{\pi^2}{12} + G + \frac{\pi^2}{48} \right) = \frac{G}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{32}$$

Solution 2 Serlea Kabay-Liberia

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\log x}{(x+1)(x^2+1)} dx \stackrel{x=\frac{1}{x}}{=} - \int_0^1 \frac{x \log x}{1+x+x^2+x^3} dx = \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{(x-x^2) \log x}{1-x^4} dx \stackrel{u=x^4}{=} -\frac{1}{16} \int_0^1 \frac{\left(u^{-\frac{1}{2}} - u^{-\frac{1}{4}}\right) \log u}{1-u} du = \\ &= \frac{1}{16} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 u^{n-\frac{1}{4}} \log u du - \frac{1}{16} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 u^{n-\frac{1}{2}} \log u du \\ &\quad \because \int_0^1 x^a \log x dx \stackrel{IBP}{=} -\frac{1}{(a+1)^2} \\ &\Rightarrow \Omega = -\frac{1}{16} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(n+\frac{3}{4}\right)^2} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(n+\frac{1}{2}\right)^2} \right) = \\ &= -\frac{1}{16} \left(\psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right); \left(\because \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) = \pi^2 - 8G, \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi^2}{2} \right) \\ &\Omega = \frac{1}{16} \left(\frac{\pi^2}{2} - 8G \right) = \frac{G}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{32} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{\pi^2}{12} + G + \frac{\pi^2}{48} \right) = \frac{G}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{32}$$

Solution 3 by Kartick Chandra Betal-India

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_1^\infty \frac{\log x}{(x+1)(x^2+1)} dx \stackrel{x=\frac{1}{x}}{=} - \int_0^1 \frac{x \log x}{(1+x)(1+x^2)} dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{\log x}{1+x} dx - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{\log x}{1+x^2} dx - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{x \log x}{1+x^2} dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{\log x}{1+x} dx - \frac{1}{8} \int_0^1 \frac{\log x}{1+x} dx - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \log(\tan x) dx = \\ &= \frac{3}{8} [\log x \log(1+x)]_0^1 - \frac{3}{8} \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1+x)}{x} dx + \frac{G}{2} = \\ &= -\frac{3}{8} \eta(2) + \frac{G}{2} = \frac{G}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{32} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 4 by Hikmat Mammadov-Azerbaijan

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_1^\infty \frac{\log x}{(x+1)(x^2+1)} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{-u \log u}{(1+u)(1+u^2)} du = \\ &= - \int_0^1 \frac{u \log u}{(1+u)(1+u^2)} du = -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{u+1} - \frac{u-1}{u^2+1} \right) du = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{\log u}{1+u} du - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{\log u}{1+u^2} du - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{u \log u}{1+u^2} du = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-u) \log u}{1-u^2} du - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \log(\tan \alpha) d\alpha - \frac{1}{8} \int_0^1 \frac{\log u}{1+u^2} du = \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \int_0^1 \frac{(v^{1-2} - 1) \log v}{1-v} dv + \frac{G}{2} - \frac{1}{32} \int_0^1 \frac{(z^{1-2} - 1) \log z}{1-z} dz = \\ &= \frac{1}{8} [\zeta(2) - 3\zeta(2)] + \frac{G}{2} - \frac{1}{32} [\zeta(2) - 3\zeta(2)] = \\ &= \frac{G}{2} + \frac{3}{32} \left(-\frac{\pi^2}{3} \right) = \frac{G}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{32} \end{aligned}$$

1645. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and $\lambda \geq 0$. Find:

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos^n x + \lambda \sin^2 x}{\lambda + \sin^n x + \cos^n x} dx$$

Proposed by Marin Chirciu – Romania

Solution 1 by George Florin Serban-Romania

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos^n x + \lambda \sin^2 x}{\lambda + \sin^n x + \cos^n x} dx \\
 \frac{\pi}{2} - x &= y \Rightarrow dx = dy \\
 x = 0 &\Rightarrow y = \frac{\pi}{2}, x = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow y = 0 \\
 \Rightarrow I &= - \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^0 \frac{\cos^n \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - y\right) + \lambda \sin^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - y\right)}{\lambda + \sin^n \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - y\right) + \cos^n \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - y\right)} dy \\
 I &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin^n y + \lambda \cos^2 y}{\lambda + \cos^n y + \sin^n y} dy \\
 \Rightarrow 2I &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos^n x + \lambda \sin^2 x + \sin^n x + \lambda \cos^2 x}{\lambda + \sin^n x + \cos^n x} dx \\
 2I &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\frac{\pi}{2} - \sin^n x + \cos^n x + \lambda(\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x)}{\lambda + \sin^n x + \cos^n x} dx \\
 2I &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin^n x + \cos^n x + \lambda}{\sin^n x + \cos^n x + \lambda} dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 1 dx \\
 2I &= x \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} = \frac{\pi}{2} - 0 = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow I = \frac{\pi}{4} \\
 \Rightarrow \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos^n x + \lambda \sin^2 x}{\lambda + \sin^n x + \cos^n x} dx &= \frac{\pi}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Ankush Kumar Parcha-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos^n(x) + \lambda \sin^2(x)}{\lambda + \sin^n(x) + \cos^n(x)} dx \quad (1) \\
 I &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos^n(x) + \lambda \sin^2(x)}{\lambda + \sin^n(x) + \cos^n(x)} dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin^n(x) + \lambda \cos^2(x)}{\lambda + \sin^n(x) + \cos^n(x)} dx \\
 \left(\because \int_a^b f(x) dx &= \int_a^b f(a+b-x) dx \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Adding above equation with equation (1)

$$2I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin^n(x) + \cos^n(x) + \lambda(\sin^2(x) + \cos^2(x))}{\lambda + \sin^n(x) + \cos^n(x)} dx$$

$$I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos^n(x) + \lambda \sin^2(x)}{\lambda + \sin^n(x) + \cos^n(x)} dx = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

1646. Find:

$$\Omega = \int \frac{1}{1 + \sqrt{x}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x} - 1}{\sqrt{x} + 1}} dx$$

Proposed by Asliddin Egamberdiyev-Uzbekistan

Solution 1 by Adrian Popa-Romania

$$\Omega = \int \frac{1}{1 + \sqrt{x}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x} - 1}{\sqrt{x} + 1}} dx \stackrel{(*)}{=} ; \quad (*) : \begin{cases} \frac{\sqrt{x} - 1}{\sqrt{x} + 1} = t \Rightarrow x = \left(\frac{1 + t^3}{1 - t^3} \right)^2 \\ dx = \frac{6t^2}{(1 - t^3)^2} dt \end{cases}$$

$$\stackrel{(*)}{=} \int \frac{1 - t^3}{2} \cdot t \cdot \frac{6t^2}{(1 - t^3)^2} dt = \int \frac{3t^2}{1 - t^3} dt = \int \frac{3t^3 - 3 + 3}{1 - t^2} dt =$$

$$= -t + 3 \int \frac{dt}{(1 - t)(1 + t + t^2)} = -t + 3 \int \left(\frac{A}{1 - t} + \frac{Bt + C}{1 + t + t^2} \right) dt$$

$$A + At + At^2 + Bt + C - Bt^2 - Ct = 1 \Rightarrow A - B = 0 \Rightarrow A = B$$

$$A + B - C = 0 \Rightarrow 2A = C$$

$$A + C = 1 \Rightarrow 3A = 1 \Rightarrow A = B = \frac{1}{3}, C = \frac{2}{3}$$

Hence, we have:

$$\Omega = -t + 3 \int \left(\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - t} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{t + 2}{1 + t + t^2} \right) dt = -t + \int \frac{dt}{1 - t} + \int \frac{t + 2}{t^2 + t + 1} dt =$$

$$= -t + \log|1 - t| + \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{2t + 1}{t^2 + t + 1} dt + \frac{3}{2} \int \frac{dt}{t^2 + t + 1} =$$

$$= -t + \log|1 - t| + \frac{1}{2} \log(t^2 + t + 1) + \frac{3}{2} \int \frac{dt}{\left(t + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{3}{4}} =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -t + \log|1-t| + \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} \left(t + \frac{1}{2} \right) \right) + C = \\
 &\stackrel{(*)}{=} \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} + \log \left[\left(1 - \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} \right) \left(\left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} \right)^2 + \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} + 1 \right) \right] \\
 &\quad + 3 \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} \left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] + C
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Ankush Kumar Parcha-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \int \frac{1}{1+\sqrt{x}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} dx \stackrel{y^2=x}{=} \int \frac{y+1+y-1}{1+y} \sqrt[3]{\frac{y-1}{y+1}} dy = \\
 &= \int \sqrt[3]{\frac{y-1}{y+1}} dy + \int \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{y-1}{y+1} \right)^4} dy = \Omega_{\frac{1}{3}} + \Omega_{\frac{4}{3}}, \text{ where} \\
 \Omega_{\frac{1}{3}} &= \int \sqrt[3]{\frac{y-1}{y+1}} dy \stackrel{\frac{y-1}{y+1}=t^3}{=} \int 6t \cdot \frac{t^2}{(1-t^3)^2} dt = \frac{2t}{1-t^3} - 2 \underbrace{\int \frac{dt}{1-t^3}}_{=\omega}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we get:

$$\frac{1}{2} \Omega_{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{t}{1-t^3} - \omega, \omega = \int \frac{dt}{1-t^3} = \int \frac{dt}{(1-t)(t^2+t+1)}$$

Using partial decomposition, we have:

$$\frac{1}{(1-t)(t^2+t+1)} = \frac{A}{1-t} + \frac{Bx+C}{t^2+t+1}$$

By solving system of equation, we get: $A = B = \frac{1}{3}, C = \frac{2}{3}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3\omega &= \int \frac{1}{1-t} dt + \int \frac{2t+1}{t^2+t+1} dt + \int \frac{3}{t^2+t+1} dt = \\
 &= -\log|1-x| + \log|t^2+t+1| + 3 \int \frac{dt}{\left(t+\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Omega_{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{2 \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}}}{1 - \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}}} - \log \left(\frac{\left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} \right)^2 + \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} + 1}{\left(1 - \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} \right)^2} \right) - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} \left(\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} \cdot \left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} + \sqrt{3} \right) \right)$$

Consider the integral $\Omega_a = \int \left(\frac{x-1}{x+1} \right)^a dx; \forall a \in \mathbb{R} - \{-1\}$. The recurrence relation of the above integral is:

$$\Omega_a = \frac{x-1}{a+1} \cdot \left(\frac{x-1}{x+1} \right)^a + \frac{a}{a+1} \Omega_{a+1}$$

Put $a = \frac{1}{3}$ in the above recurrence relation, we get

$$\Omega_{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{3(x-1)}{4} \sqrt[3]{\frac{x-1}{x+1}} + \frac{1}{4} \Omega_{\frac{4}{3}} \Rightarrow \Omega_{\frac{4}{3}} = 4\Omega_{\frac{1}{3}} - 3(x-1) \left(\frac{x-1}{x+1} \right)^{\frac{4}{3}}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} + \log \left[\left(1 - \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} \right) \left(\left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} \right)^2 + \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} + 1 \right) \right] + 3 \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} \left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] + C$$

Solution 3 by Hikmat Mammadov-Azerbaijan

$$\text{Let: } \begin{cases} \frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1} = z^3 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x} = \frac{z^3+1}{z^3-1} \\ x = \frac{(z^3+1)^2}{(z^3-1)^2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{1+\sqrt{x}} = \frac{z^3-1}{2z^3} \\ dx = \left[-12z^2 \cdot \frac{z^3+1}{(z^3-1)^2} \right] dz \end{cases}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \int \frac{1}{1+\sqrt{x}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} dx = \int \frac{z^3-1}{2z^3} \cdot z \cdot \left(-12z^2 \cdot \frac{z^3+1}{(z^3-1)^3} \right) dz = \\
 &= -6 \int (z^3-1) \cdot \left(\frac{z^3+1}{(z^3-1)^3} \right) dz = -6 \int \frac{z^3+1}{z^3-1} dz = -6 \int \frac{(z^3-1)+2}{z^3-1} dz = \\
 &= -6z - 6 \int \frac{2}{(z-1)(z^2+z+1)} dz = -6z - 6 \left[\frac{2}{3} \int \frac{(z^2+z+1) - (z-1)(z+2)}{(z-1)(z^2+z+1)} dz \right] \\
 &= \\
 &= -6z - 6 \left[\frac{2}{3} \int \left(\frac{1}{z-1} - \frac{z+2}{z^2+z+1} \right) dz \right] \\
 &= -6z - 6 \left[\frac{2}{3} \log|z-1| - \frac{1}{3} \int \frac{((2z+1)+3)dz}{z^2+z+1} \right] \\
 &= -6z - 6 \left[\frac{2}{3} \log|z-1| - \frac{1}{3} \log(z^2+z+1) - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}(z+1)}{3} \right) + C \right] = \\
 &= -6z - 4 \log|z-1| + 2 \log(z^2+z+1) - 4\sqrt{3} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}(2z+1)}{3} \right) + C
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} + \log \left[\left(1 - \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} \right) \left(\left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} \right)^2 + \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} + 1 \right) \right] \\
 &\quad + 3 \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} \left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}+1}} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] + C
 \end{aligned}$$

1647. Find:

$$\Omega = \int_1^4 \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}}} dx$$

Proposed by Durmuş Ogmen-Turkiye

Solution 1 by Yen Tung Chung-Taichung-Taiwan

$$\text{Let: } y = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = 1 - y^2 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{(1 - y^2)^2}$$

Hence, we have:

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \int_1^4 \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}}} dx = \int_1^4 \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}} dx = \\
 &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} y d\left(\frac{1}{(1-y^2)^2}\right) = \frac{y}{(1-y^2)^2} \Big|_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} - \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \frac{1}{(1-y^2)^2} dy = \\
 &= 2\sqrt{2} - \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \frac{1}{(1-y^2)^2} dy \stackrel{y=\sin\theta}{=} 2\sqrt{2} - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{1}{(1-\sin^2\theta)^2} \cdot \cos\theta d\theta = \\
 &= 2\sqrt{2} - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sec^3\theta d\theta = 2\sqrt{2} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\sec\theta \tan\theta + \frac{1}{2}\log|\sec\theta + \tan\theta|\right) \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} = \\
 &= 2\sqrt{2} - \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\log(1+\sqrt{2})\right) = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\log(1+\sqrt{2})
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Adrian Popa-Romania

$$\text{Let: } \sqrt[4]{x} = t \Rightarrow x = t^4, dx = 4t^3 dt$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \int_1^4 \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}}} dx = \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\frac{t^2-1}{t^2}} \cdot 4t^3 dt = 4 \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} t^2 \sqrt{t^2-1} dt = \\
 &= 4 \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} \frac{t^4 dt}{\sqrt{t^2-1}} - 4 \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} \frac{t^2 dt}{\sqrt{t^2-1}} = \Omega_2 - \Omega_1, \quad \text{where} \\
 \Omega_1 &= 4 \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} \frac{t^4 dt}{\sqrt{t^2-1}} = 4 \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} t (\sqrt{t^2-1})' dt = 4t\sqrt{t^2-1} \Big|_1^{\sqrt{2}} - 4 \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{t^2-1} dt = \\
 &= 4\sqrt{2} - 4 \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{t^2-1} dt = 4\sqrt{2} - \Omega_{11}, \quad \text{where} \\
 \Omega_{11} &= 4 \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{t^2-1} dt = 4 \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} \frac{t^2-1}{\sqrt{t^2-1}} dt = 4 \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} \frac{t^2}{\sqrt{t^2-1}} dt - 4 \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} \frac{dt}{\sqrt{1-t^2}} = \\
 &= \Omega_1 - 4 \log(t + \sqrt{t^2+1}) \Big|_1^{\sqrt{2}} = \Omega_1 - 4 \log(\sqrt{2}+1)
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have:

$$\Omega_1 = 4\sqrt{2} - \Omega_1 + 4 \log(\sqrt{2}+1) \Rightarrow \Omega_1 = 2\sqrt{2} + 2 \log(\sqrt{2}+1)$$

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$$\Omega_2 = 4 \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} \frac{t^2 dt}{\sqrt{t^2 - 1}} = 4 \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} t^3 (\sqrt{t^2 - 1})' dt = 4t^3 \sqrt{t^2 - 1} \Big|_1^{\sqrt{2}} - 4 \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} 3t^2 \sqrt{t^2 - 1} dt$$

$$=$$

$$= 8\sqrt{2} - 12 \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} \frac{t^4 - t^2}{\sqrt{t^2 - 1}} dt = 8\sqrt{3} - 3\Omega$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \int_1^4 \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{x} - 1}{\sqrt{x}}} dx = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2})$$

Solution 3 by Ankush Kumar Parcha-India

$$\Omega = \int_1^4 \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{x} - 1}{\sqrt{x}}} dx$$

$$\text{Let: } I = \int \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{x} - 1}{\sqrt{x}}} dx \stackrel{\sqrt{x}=y}{=} \int 2\sqrt{y^2 - y} dy$$

$$\frac{1}{2}I = \int \sqrt{y^2 - y} dy = \int \sqrt{\left(y - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2} dy$$

$$\therefore \int \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} dx = \frac{x\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}}{2} - \frac{a^2}{2} \log|x + \sqrt{x^2 - a^2}| + C$$

$$I = \frac{(2\sqrt{x} - 1)\sqrt{\sqrt{x}(\sqrt{x} - 1)}}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \log \left| \sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\sqrt{x}(\sqrt{x} - 1)} \right| + C$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \int_1^4 \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{x} - 1}{\sqrt{x}}} dx = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2})$$

Solution 4 by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\text{Let } \sqrt{x} = t + 1 \Rightarrow x = (t + 1)^2, dx = 2(t + 1)dt; (*)$$

$$\Omega = \int_1^4 \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{x} - 1}{\sqrt{x}}} dx \stackrel{(*)}{=} 2 \int_0^1 \frac{(t + 1)\sqrt{t}}{\sqrt{t + 1}} dt = 2 \int_0^1 \sqrt{t(t + 1)} dt =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 2 \int_0^1 \sqrt{\left(t + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{4}} dt \stackrel{t + \frac{1}{2} = u}{=} 2 \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{3}{2}} \sqrt{u^2 - \frac{1}{4}} du = \\
 &= \left[u \sqrt{u^2 - \frac{1}{4}} - \frac{1}{4} \log \left(u + \sqrt{u^2 - \frac{1}{4}} \right) \right]_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \log \left(\frac{3}{2} + \sqrt{2} \right) + \frac{1}{4} \log \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = \\
 &= \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \log(3 + 2\sqrt{2})
 \end{aligned}$$

1648. Solve the integral for c , if $a + b = c$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{ax^2 + bx + c}{x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}} = \pi$$

Proposed by Srinivasa Raghava-AIRMC-India

Solution by Asmat Qatea-Afghanistan

Let's start with this integral

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_n &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^n - x^{n+1}}{1 - x^5} = \\
 &= \int_0^1 \underbrace{\frac{x^n - x^{n+1}}{1 - x^5}}_{x^5 \rightarrow x} dx + \int_1^{\infty} \underbrace{\frac{x^n - x^{n+1}}{1 - x^5}}_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{x}} dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{5} \left(\int_0^1 \frac{x^{\frac{n-4}{5}} - x^{\frac{n-3}{5}}}{1 - x} dx \right) + \int_0^1 \frac{x^{-n} - x^{-(n+1)}}{1 - x^{-5}} \cdot \frac{1}{x^2} dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{5} \left(\psi\left(\frac{n+2}{5}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{n+1}{5}\right) + \int_0^1 \frac{x^{\frac{-n-2}{5}} - x^{\frac{-n-1}{5}}}{1 - x} dx \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{5} \left(\psi\left(\frac{n+2}{5}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{n+1}{5}\right) + \psi\left(\frac{-n+4}{5}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{-n+3}{5}\right) \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{5} \left(\psi\left(\frac{n+2}{5}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{n+1}{5}\right) + \psi\left(1 - \frac{n+1}{5}\right) - \psi\left(1 - \frac{n+2}{5}\right) \right) \\
 &\psi(1-x) - \psi(x) = \pi \cot \pi x \text{ and } \cot x - \cot y = \frac{1 + \cot x \cot y}{\cot(y-x)}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \frac{\pi}{5} \left(\cot\left(\frac{n+1}{5}\pi\right) - \cot\left(\frac{n+2}{5}\pi\right) \right) = \frac{\pi}{5} \cdot \frac{1 + \cot\left(\frac{n+1}{5}\pi\right) \cot\left(\frac{n+2}{5}\pi\right)}{\cot\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right)}$$

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^n}{x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1} dx = \frac{\pi}{5 \cot\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right)} \left(1 + \cot\left(\frac{n+1}{5}\pi\right) \cot\left(\frac{n+2}{5}\pi\right) \right)$$

$$\Omega = \int_0^\infty \frac{ax^2 + bx + c}{x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}} = \pi \text{ and } a + b = c$$

$$a \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{\frac{3}{2}}}{x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1} dx + b \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1} dx + \\ + c \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1} dx = \pi$$

$$a \left(1 + \underbrace{\cot\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cot\left(\frac{7}{5}\pi\right)}_0 \right) + b \left(1 + \underbrace{\cot\left(\frac{3}{10}\pi\right) \cot\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}_0 \right) + \\ + c \left(1 + \cot\left(\frac{\pi}{10}\right) \cot\left(\frac{3}{10}\pi\right) \right) = 5 \cot\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right)$$

$$c = \frac{5 \cot\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right)}{2 + \underbrace{\cot\left(\frac{\pi}{10}\right) \cot\left(\frac{3}{10}\pi\right)}_{\sqrt{5}}} = \frac{5}{2 + \sqrt{5}} \Rightarrow c = \frac{5}{(2 + \sqrt{5})(\sqrt{5} - 2\sqrt{5})}$$

1649. If $0 < a \leq b$ then:

$$\int_a^b \left(\frac{1}{x} \cdot \tan^{-1} x \right) dx \geq \log \left(\frac{b + \sqrt{1 + b^2}}{a + \sqrt{1 + a^2}} \right)$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

Solution 1 by Adrian Popa-Romania

$$\log \left(\frac{b + \sqrt{1 + b^2}}{a + \sqrt{1 + a^2}} \right) = \log(b + \sqrt{1 + b^2}) - \log(a + \sqrt{1 + a^2}) = \\ = \log(x + \sqrt{1 + x^2}) \Big|_a^b = \int_a^b \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1 + x^2}}$$

We must to prove:

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$$\frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}, \forall x > 0$$

Let: $f(x) = \tan^{-1} x - \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}, x > 0$ then $f'(x) = \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2} - 1}{1+x^2} > 0, \forall x > 0$

$$\Rightarrow f \nearrow \text{ and } f(0) = 0 \Rightarrow f(x) > 0, \forall x > 0 \Rightarrow \tan^{-1} x \geq \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}, \forall x > 0.$$

Therefore,

$$\int_a^b \left(\frac{1}{x} \cdot \tan^{-1} x \right) dx \geq \log \left(\frac{b + \sqrt{1+b^2}}{a + \sqrt{1+a^2}} \right)$$

Equality holds for $a = b$.

Solution 2 by Amrit Awasthi-India

$$\sin x < x, \forall x > 0 \Rightarrow \sin^{-1}(\sin x) < \sin^{-1} x \Rightarrow x < \sin^{-1} x \Rightarrow$$

$$\sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \right) > \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}, \text{ but } \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \right) = \tan^{-1} x$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1} x > \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \Rightarrow \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}, \forall x > 0; (1)$$

Integrating both sides w.r.t. x from a to b , it follows

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x} dx &\geq \int_a^b \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} = \log \left(x + \sqrt{1+x^2} \right) \Big|_a^b = \\ &= \log \left(b + \sqrt{1+b^2} \right) - \log \left(a + \sqrt{1+a^2} \right) = \log \left(\frac{b + \sqrt{1+b^2}}{a + \sqrt{1+a^2}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_a^b \left(\frac{1}{x} \cdot \tan^{-1} x \right) dx \geq \log \left(\frac{b + \sqrt{1+b^2}}{a + \sqrt{1+a^2}} \right)$$

Equality holds for $a = b$.

Solution 3 by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

$$\frac{(x + \sqrt{1+x^2})'}{x + \sqrt{1+x^2}} = \frac{1 + \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}}{x + \sqrt{1+x^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} = (\sinh^{-1} x)'$$

Let: $f(x) = \tan^{-1} x - \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$, then $f'(x) = \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2} - 1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \geq 0, \forall x > 0$

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$$f \nearrow (0, \infty) \Rightarrow f(x) \geq f(0) = 0, \forall x \geq 0$$

$$\frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}, \forall x > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x} dx &\geq \int_a^b \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} = \log \left(x + \sqrt{1+x^2} \right) \Big|_a^b = \\ &= \log \left(b + \sqrt{1+b^2} \right) - \log \left(a + \sqrt{1+a^2} \right) = \log \left(\frac{b + \sqrt{1+b^2}}{a + \sqrt{1+a^2}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_a^b \left(\frac{1}{x} \cdot \tan^{-1} x \right) dx \geq \log \left(\frac{b + \sqrt{1+b^2}}{a + \sqrt{1+a^2}} \right)$$

Equality holds for $a = b$.

1650. Prove that:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \cdot \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)} = \frac{\pi^{\frac{3}{2}}}{4}$$

where $\Gamma(x)$ —is Gamma function.

Proposed by Naren Bhandari-Bajura-Nepal

Solution by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \cdot \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \cdot \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{n+2}{2}\right)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} B\left(\frac{n}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \\ \Omega &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{n-1} x dx = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{\sin x} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \sin^n x}{n} \right) dx = \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\overbrace{\log(1 + \sin x)}^I}{\sin x} dx \stackrel{t=\tan(\frac{x}{2})}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{\log\left(1 + \frac{2t}{1+t^2}\right)}{\frac{2t}{1+t^2}} \frac{2dt}{1+t^2} = \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{2 \log(1+t) - \log(1+t^2)}{t} dt = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2} \end{aligned}$$

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$$I = \frac{3}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{8} \Rightarrow \Omega = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \frac{\pi^2}{8} = \frac{\pi^{\frac{3}{2}}}{4}$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \cdot \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)} = \frac{\pi^{\frac{3}{2}}}{4}$$

1651. Given $u_1 = 1$, $u_{n+1} = \frac{n^2-n+1}{n^2} u_n$; $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^*$. Find:

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n.$$

Proposed by Minh Vu-Vietnam

Solution by Amrit Awasthi-India

$$\begin{aligned} u_{n+1} &= \frac{n^2 - n + 1}{n^2} u_n \Rightarrow \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{n^2 - n + 1}{n^2}; u_1 = 1 \\ \Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n}{u_1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n}{u_2} \cdot \frac{u_2}{u_1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n}{u_3} \cdot \frac{u_3}{u_2} \cdot \frac{u_2}{u_1} = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n}{u_{n-1}} \cdot \frac{u_{n-1}}{u_{n-2}} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{u_3}{u_2} \cdot \frac{u_2}{u_1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{k=1}^n \frac{k^2 - k + 1}{k^2} = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{k=1}^n \frac{\left(k - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}\right) \left(k - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}\right)}{k \cdot k} = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\Gamma\left(n + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(n + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}\right)}{\Gamma(n+1) \Gamma(n+1)} \cdot \frac{1}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}\right)} = \\ &= \frac{\cosh\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}\pi}{2}\right)}{\pi} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(n^{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}} \cdot n^{-1} \cdot n^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}} \cdot n^{-1} \right) = \frac{\cosh\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}\pi}{2}\right)}{\pi} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0.$$

1652. Given (x_n) such that:

$$x_1 = 1, x_{n+1} = \frac{n^3 - 3n^2 + 4n + 1}{n^3} x_n, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}^*$$

Find:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$$

Proposed by Minh Vu-Vietnam

Solution 1 by Amrit Awasthi-India

Note that

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \cdot \frac{x_n}{x_{n-1}} \cdot \frac{x_{n-1}}{x_{n-2}} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{x_3}{x_2} \cdot \frac{x_2}{x_1}$$

This implies

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{k=1}^n \frac{k^3 - 3k^2 + 4k + 1}{k^3}$$

Now follow that for large "n" ($n \geq 2$)

$$4n + 1 \leq 3n^2$$

$$-3n^2 + 4n + 1 \leq 0 \rightarrow n^3 - 3n^2 + 4n + 1 \leq n^3 \rightarrow \frac{n^3 - 3n^2 + 4n + 1}{n^3} \leq 1$$

This implies that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{k=1}^n \frac{k^3 - 3k^2 + 4k + 1}{k^3} = 0$$

Hence we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$$

Solution 2 by Supriyo Halder-India

We have $x_1 = 1$ and,

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{n^3 - 3n^2 + 4n + 1}{n^3} x_n = \prod_{i=1}^n f(i)$$

$$\text{where } f(i) = \frac{i^3 - 3i^2 + 4i + 1}{i^3}$$

Now for sufficiently large i , $0 < f(i) < 1$. So, (x_n) is ultimately decreasing sequence of positive numbers. So, it must converges. Note that,

$$(n+1)(n^3 - 3n^2 + 4n + 1) = n^4 - 2n^3 + n^2 + 5n + 1 \leq n^4$$

for sufficiently large n

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n^3 - 3n^2 + 4n + 1}{n^3} \leq \frac{n}{n+1}, \text{ for } n \geq k, k \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall n \geq k, \prod_{i=k}^n f(i) \leq \frac{k}{n+1} \Rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} f(i) = 0$$

Hence,

$$\lim x_n = \lim \prod_{i=1}^n f(i) = 0$$

1653. Prove that the following relationship holds:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{F_{2n} H_n}{4^n n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(Li_2 \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} - 1 \right) - Li_2 \left(-1 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \right) \right)$$

where F_n, H_n and $Li_2(x)$ are n^{th} Fibonacci, Harmonic number and dilogarithm function respectively.

Proposed by Naren Bhandari-Bajura-Nepal

Solution by Lucas Paes Barreto-Pernambuco-Brazil

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{F_{2n} H_n}{4^n n} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\varphi^n - (-\varphi)^n}{4^n n} H_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\varphi^{2n}}{4^n n} H_n - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-\varphi)^{-2n}}{4^n n} H_n \right\} = \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left\{ Li_2 \left(\frac{\varphi^2}{4} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \log^2 \left(1 - \frac{\varphi^2}{4} \right) - Li_2 \left(\frac{1}{4\varphi^2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \log^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{4\varphi^2} \right) \right\}; (1) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left\{ Li_2 \left(\frac{\varphi^2}{4} \right) + \left[-Li_2 \left(\frac{\varphi^2}{4} \right) - Li_2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\varphi^2}{4}} \right) \right] - Li_2 \left(\frac{1}{4\varphi^2} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left[Li_2 \left(\frac{1}{4\varphi^2} \right) + Li_2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{4\varphi^2}} \right) \right] \right\} = \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left\{ -Li_2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{4\varphi^2}} \right) + Li_2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{4\varphi^2}} \right) \right\}; (2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left\{ -Li_2 \left(1 - 2 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \right) + Li_2 \left(1 - 2 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \right) \right\} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left\{ -Li_2 \left(-1 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \right) + Li_2 \left(-1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \right) \right\}$$

$$(1): -\frac{1}{2} \log^2 x = Li_2(1-x) + Li_2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{x} \right)$$

$$(2): \varphi = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

1654. Let f be a class C^3 function defined on $[0, 1]$ such that:

$$I_n = \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} x f'(nx) dx + \frac{1}{2n^4} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(f' \left(\frac{k}{n} \right) + 2nf \left(\frac{k}{n} \right) \right)$$

$$I_n = \frac{A}{n^2} + \frac{B}{n^4} + O \left(\frac{1}{n^4} \right)$$

Find A and B .

Proposed by Serlea Kabay-Liberia

Solution by proposer

We have:

$$\int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} x f'(x) dx = \frac{1}{n^2} \int_0^1 x f'(x) dx \stackrel{IBP}{=} \frac{1}{n^2} x f(x) \Big|_0^1 - \frac{1}{n^2} \int_0^1 f(x) dx$$

$$\int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} x f'(x) dx = \frac{f(0)}{n^2} - \frac{1}{n^2} \int_0^1 f(x) dx$$

$$I_n = \frac{f(0)}{n^2} - \frac{1}{n^2} \int_0^1 f(x) dx + \frac{1}{2n^4} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(f' \left(\frac{k}{n} \right) + 2nf \left(\frac{k}{n} \right) \right) =$$

$$= \frac{f(0)}{n^2} - \frac{1}{n^2} \left[\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \int_{\frac{k}{n}}^{\frac{k+1}{n}} f(x) dx - \frac{1}{2n^2} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(f' \left(\frac{k}{n} \right) + 2nf \left(\frac{k}{n} \right) \right) \right]$$

Let $f = g' \Rightarrow g = \int f$, then

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$$I_n = \frac{f(0)}{n^2} - \frac{1}{n^2} \left[\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(g\left(\frac{k+1}{n}\right) - g\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) - \frac{1}{n} g'\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) - \frac{1}{2n^2} g''\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \right) \right]$$

Using the Taylor Lagrange Inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| g\left(\frac{k+1}{n}\right) - g\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) - \frac{1}{n} g'\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) - \frac{1}{2n^2} g''\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) - \frac{1}{6n^3} g^{(3)}\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \right| = \\ & = \left| g\left(\frac{k+1}{n}\right) - \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{g^{(i)}\left(\frac{k}{n}\right)}{i!} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^i \right| \leq \frac{M}{24n^4}, \text{ where } M = \sup |g^{(4)}(x)|, \forall x \in \left[\frac{k+1}{n}, \frac{k}{n}\right] \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| g\left(\frac{k+1}{n}\right) - \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{g^{(i)}\left(\frac{k}{n}\right)}{i!} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^i \right| = o\left(\frac{1}{n^4}\right) \\ & g\left(\frac{k+1}{n}\right) - g\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) - \frac{1}{n} g'\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) - \frac{1}{2n^2} g''\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) - \frac{1}{6n^3} g^{(3)}\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) = o\left(\frac{1}{n^4}\right) \\ & g\left(\frac{k+1}{n}\right) - g\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) - \frac{1}{n} g'\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) - \frac{1}{2n^2} g''\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{6n^3} g^{(3)}\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) + o\left(\frac{1}{n^4}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} I_n &= \frac{f(0)}{n^2} - \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{1}{6n^3} g^{(3)}\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) + o\left(\frac{1}{n^4}\right) \right) = \frac{f(0)}{n^2} - \frac{1}{6n^4} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} g^{(3)}\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \\ &= \frac{f(0)}{n^2} - \frac{1}{6n^4} g''(x)|_0^1 + o\left(\frac{1}{n^4}\right) \\ I_n &= \frac{f(1)}{n^2} - \frac{f'(1) - f'(0)}{6n^4} + o\left(\frac{1}{n^4}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $A = f(1), B = \frac{1}{6}[f'(1) - f'(0)]$

1655. Prove that:

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\cos(bx) \sin(ax)}{x(\cosh(px))} dx = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\sinh \left(\frac{\pi(a+b)}{2p} \right) \right) + \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\sinh \left(\frac{\pi(a-b)}{2p} \right) \right)$$

Proposed by George Moses-Nigeria

Solution by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\Omega = \int_0^\infty \frac{\cos(bx) \sin(ax)}{x(\cosh(px))} dx \stackrel{x=px}{=} \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin\left(\frac{ax}{p}\right) \cos\left(\frac{bx}{p}\right)}{x \cosh x} dx =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\int_0^\infty \frac{\sin\left(\frac{a+b}{p}\right)x}{x \cosh x} dx + \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin\left(\frac{a-b}{p}\right)x}{x \cosh x} dx \right) = \frac{1}{2} (A + B) \\
 A &= \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin\left(\frac{a+b}{p}\right)x}{x \cosh x} dx \stackrel{k=\frac{a+b}{p}}{=} \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin(kx)}{x \cosh x} dx \\
 \frac{dA}{dk} &= \int_0^\infty \frac{\cos(kx)}{\cosh x} dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{ikx} + e^{-ikx}}{e^x + e^{-x}} dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-x(1-ik)} + e^{-x(1+ik)}}{1 + e^{-2x}} dx = \\
 &= \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-x(1-ik)} + e^{-x(1+ik)}}{1 + e^{-2x}} dx \stackrel{t=e^{-2x}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{t^{\frac{1-ik}{2}-1} + t^{\frac{1+ik}{2}-1}}{1+t} dt \\
 &\quad \because \int_0^1 \frac{t^{n-1}}{1+t} dt = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \psi\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \right\} \\
 \frac{dA}{dk} &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\psi\left(\frac{3-ik}{4}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{1+ik}{4}\right) + \psi\left(\frac{3+ik}{4}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{1-ik}{4}\right) \right] = \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{4} \cot\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{ik\pi}{4}\right) + \frac{\pi}{4} \cot\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{ik\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2} \sec\left(\frac{ik\pi}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2} \sec\left(\frac{k\pi}{2}\right) \\
 A &= \frac{\pi}{2} \int_0^k \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{\pi y}{2}\right) dy = \int_0^{\frac{k\pi}{2}} \operatorname{sech} t dt = \int_0^{\frac{k\pi}{2}} \frac{\cosh t}{1 + \sinh^2 t} dt \stackrel{u=\sinh t}{=} \\
 &= \int_0^{\sinh\left(\frac{k\pi}{2}\right)} \frac{du}{1+u^2} = \tan^{-1}\left(\sinh\left(\frac{k\pi}{2}\right)\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\sinh\left(\frac{\pi(a+b)}{2p}\right)\right) \\
 &\quad \text{Hence,} \\
 B &= \tan^{-1}\left(\sinh\left(\frac{\pi(a-b)}{2p}\right)\right) \\
 &\quad \text{Therefore,} \\
 \int_0^\infty \frac{\cos(bx) \sin(ax)}{x(\cosh(px))} dx &= \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1}\left(\sinh\left(\frac{\pi(a+b)}{2p}\right)\right) + \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1}\left(\sinh\left(\frac{\pi(a-b)}{2p}\right)\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

1656. Prove that for $a > 1$, the following relationship holds

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_1^\infty \frac{x^2 \tan^{-1}(ax)}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx &\cong \frac{\pi^2}{8\sqrt{3}} + \frac{\pi}{8} \log 3 - \frac{\pi}{6a\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{3a^3} \left(\frac{\log 3}{4} - \frac{\pi}{12\sqrt{3}} \right) - \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{5a^5} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\pi}{12\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\log 3}{4} \right) + \frac{1}{7a^7} \left(\frac{\pi}{6\sqrt{3}} - \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{108a^9} +
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$+ \frac{1}{9a^9} \left(\frac{\log 3}{9} - \frac{\pi}{12\sqrt{3}} \right) - \frac{1}{11a^{11}} \left(\frac{11}{24} - \frac{\pi}{12\sqrt{3}} - \frac{\log 3}{4} \right) + \dots$$

Proposed by Naren Bhandari-Bajura-Nepal

Solution by Surjeet Singhania-India

For every $a > 1$ and $x \in (1, \infty)$ it is known that $\tan^{-1}(ax) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{ax}\right)$

$$0 < \frac{1}{ax} < 1 \Rightarrow \tan^{-1}(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} z^{2n-1}}{2n-1}, \text{ for } |z| < 1$$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^2 \tan^{-1}(ax)}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx = \frac{\pi}{2} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{a^{2n-1}(2n-1)} \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{3-2n}}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx}_{I_n}$$

$$I_n = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{3-2n}}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{-n+1}}{x^2 + x + 1} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-x)x^{n-1}}{1-x^3} dx$$

$$I_n = \frac{1}{6} \psi^{(0)}\left(\frac{n+1}{3}\right) - \frac{1}{6} \psi^{(0)}\left(\frac{n}{3}\right)$$

Also,

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx = \frac{\log 3}{4} + \frac{\pi}{4\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^2 \tan^{-1}(ax)}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx = \\ &= \frac{\pi}{8} \log 3 + \frac{\pi^2}{8\sqrt{3}} - \frac{1}{6} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{a^{2n-1}(2n-1)} \left(\frac{1}{6} \psi^{(0)}\left(\frac{n+1}{3}\right) - \frac{1}{6} \psi^{(0)}\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^2 \tan^{-1}(ax)}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx &\cong \frac{\pi^2}{8\sqrt{3}} + \frac{\pi}{8} \log 3 - \frac{\pi}{6a\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{3a^3} \left(\frac{\log 3}{4} - \frac{\pi}{12\sqrt{3}} \right) - \\ &- \frac{1}{5a^5} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\pi}{12\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\log 3}{4} \right) + \frac{1}{7a^7} \left(\frac{\pi}{6\sqrt{3}} - \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{108a^9} + \\ &+ \frac{1}{9a^9} \left(\frac{\log 3}{9} - \frac{\pi}{12\sqrt{3}} \right) - \frac{1}{11a^{11}} \left(\frac{11}{24} - \frac{\pi}{12\sqrt{3}} - \frac{\log 3}{4} \right) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

1657. Find a closed form:

$$\Omega(a) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x\sqrt{x}}{(x^2+1)(1+ax)} dx, a > 0$$

Proposed by Vasile Mircea Popa-Romania

Solution 1 by Kartick Chandra Betal-India

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(a) &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x\sqrt{x}}{(x^2+1)(1+ax)} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}(1+x^2)(x+a)} = \\ &= \frac{1}{1+a^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \left(\frac{a-x}{1+x^2} + \frac{1}{a+x} \right) dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{1+a^2} \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{x}(1+x^2)} - \frac{\sqrt{x}}{1+x^2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}(a+x)} \right) dx = \\ &= \frac{2a}{1+a^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1+x^4} - \frac{1}{1+a^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x \cdot 2x}{1+x^4} dx + \frac{2}{1+a^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{a+x^2} = \\ &= \frac{2a}{1+a^2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{\frac{1}{4}-1} dx}{1+x} - \frac{2}{1+a^2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{\frac{3}{4}-1} dx}{1+x} + \frac{2}{(1+a^2)\sqrt{a}} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2+1} = \\ &= \frac{a}{2(1+a^2)} \cdot \frac{\pi}{\sin \frac{\pi}{4}} - \frac{1}{2(1+a^2)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4})\Gamma(\frac{1}{4})}{1} + \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{a}(1+a^2)} = \\ &= \frac{\pi a}{\sqrt{2}(1+a^2)} - \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}(1+a^2)} + \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{a}(1+a^2)} = \frac{\pi(a-1)}{\sqrt{2}(1+a^2)} + \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{a}(1+a^2)} = \\ &= \frac{\pi\sqrt{a}(a-1) + \sqrt{2}\pi}{\sqrt{2a}(1+a^2)} = \frac{\pi}{a\sqrt{2}(1+a^2)} (a(a-1) + \sqrt{2a}) \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Ose Favour-Nigeria

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(a) &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x\sqrt{x}}{(x^2+1)(1+ax)} dx \stackrel{x=\frac{1}{u}}{=} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^3\sqrt{x}\left(1+\frac{1}{x^2}\right)\left(1+\frac{a}{x}\right)} dx = \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}(1+x^2)(a+x)} \\ \frac{1}{(1+x^2)(1+ax)} &= \frac{a}{(a^2+1)(1+x^2)} - \frac{x}{(a^2+1)(1+x^2)} + \frac{1}{(a^2+1)(x+a)} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Omega = \frac{1}{a^2 + 1} \left(a \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}(1+x^2)} - \int_0^\infty \frac{x}{\sqrt{x}(1+x^2)} dx + \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}(x+a)} \right) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{a^2 + 1} (a\Omega_1 - \Omega_2 + \Omega_3), \text{ where}$$

$$\Omega_1 = \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}(1+x^2)} \stackrel{x=u^2}{=} 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{du}{1+u^4} \stackrel{u=y^{\frac{1}{4}}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \frac{y^{\frac{1}{4}-1}}{1+y} dy = \frac{\pi\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$\Omega_2 = \int_0^\infty \frac{x}{\sqrt{x}(1+x^2)} dx \stackrel{x=u^2}{=} \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \frac{y^{\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{4}-1}}{1+y} dy = \frac{\pi\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$\Omega_3 = \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}(x+a)} \stackrel{x=u^2}{=} 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{du}{a+u^2} \stackrel{u=\sqrt{a}\tan^{-1}\theta}{=} \frac{2\sqrt{a}}{a} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 1 d\theta = \frac{\pi\sqrt{a}}{a}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \frac{\pi}{2(a^2 + 1)} \left(\sqrt{2}(a-1) + \frac{\sqrt{a}}{a} \right)$$

Solution 3 by Hikmat Mammadov-Azerbaijan

$$\Omega(a) = \int_0^\infty \frac{x\sqrt{x}}{(x^2+1)(1+ax)} dx \stackrel{x=u^2}{=} \int_0^\infty \frac{2u^4}{(u^4+1)(1+au^2)} du$$

$$\frac{u^4}{(u^4+1)(1+au^2)} = \frac{Au^2+B}{u^4+1} + \frac{C}{1+au^2} \Rightarrow u^4 = u^4(aA+C) + u^2(A+aB) + B+C$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{a}{1+a^2}; B = -\frac{1}{1+a^2}; C = \frac{1}{1+a^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega = 2 \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{Au^2+B}{u^4+1} + \frac{C}{1+au^2} \right) du =$$

$$= 2A \int_0^\infty \frac{u^2}{u^4+1} du + 2B \int_0^\infty \frac{du}{u^4+1} + \frac{2C}{\sqrt{a}} \int_0^\infty \frac{d(\sqrt{a}u)}{1+(\sqrt{a}u)^2} =$$

$$= A\Omega_1 + B\Omega_2 + 2C \cdot \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{a}u) \Big|_0^\infty =$$

$$= A\Omega_1 + B\Omega_2 + 2C \left[\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{a}u) - \tan^{-1} 0 \right] = A\Omega_1 + B\Omega_2 + \pi C$$

$$\Omega_2 = \int_0^\infty \frac{2du}{u^4+1} = \int_0^\infty \frac{(u^2+1) - (u^2-1)}{u^4+1} du = \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{u^2+1}{u^4+1} - \frac{u^2-1}{u^4+1} \right) du =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1+u^{-2}}{u^2+u^{-2}} - \frac{1-u^{-2}}{u^2+u^{-2}} \right) du \\
 &= \int_0^\infty \frac{1+u^{-2}}{u^2-2+u^{-2}+2} du - \int_0^\infty \frac{1-u^{-2}}{u^2+2+u^{-2}-2} du \\
 &= \int_0^\infty \frac{d(u-u^{-1})}{(u-u^{-1})^2+(\sqrt{2})^2} - \int_0^\infty \frac{d(u+u^{-1})}{(u+u^{-1})^2-(\sqrt{2})^2} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{u-u^{-1}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \Big|_0^\infty - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \log \left| \frac{u+u^{-1}-\sqrt{2}}{u+u^{-1}+\sqrt{2}} \right| \Big|_0^\infty = \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{u-u^{-1}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) - \lim_{n \rightarrow 0^+} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{u-u^{-1}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right] - \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left[\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log \left| \frac{u+u^{-1}-\sqrt{2}}{u+u^{-1}+\sqrt{2}} \right| - \lim_{n \rightarrow 0^+} \log \left| \frac{u+u^{-1}-\sqrt{2}}{u+u^{-1}+\sqrt{2}} \right| \right] \Rightarrow \Omega_2 = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}} \\
 \Omega_1 &= \int_0^\infty \frac{2u^2}{u^4+1} du = \int_0^\infty \frac{(u^2+1)+(u^2-1)}{u^4+1} du = \int_0^\infty \frac{u^2+1}{u^4+1} du + \int_0^\infty \frac{u^2-1}{u^4+1} du \\
 &\Rightarrow \Omega_1 = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow \Omega = A\Omega_1 + B\Omega_2 + \pi C = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{a-1+\sqrt{2}}{1+a^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \frac{\pi}{2(a^2+1)} \left(\sqrt{2}(a-1) + \frac{\sqrt{a}}{a} \right)$$

1658. Prove that:

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \log(10 + 6 \cos \theta) d\theta = 4\pi \log 3$$

Proposed by Surjeet Singhania-India

Solution 1 by Kartick Chandra Betal-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \int_0^{2\pi} \log(10 + 6 \cos \theta) d\theta = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(10 + 6 \cos \theta) d\theta = \\
 &= 2 \int_0^\pi \log(10 - 6 \cos \theta) d\theta
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow 2\Omega &= 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(10^2 - 6^2 \cos^2 \theta) d\theta = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(10^2 \sin^2 \theta + 8^2 \cos^2 \theta) d\theta = \\ &= 2\pi \log\left(\frac{10+8}{2}\right) = 2\pi \log 9 = 4\pi \log 3\end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \int_0^{2\pi} \log(10 + 6 \cos \theta) d\theta = 2 \int_0^{\pi} \log(10 + 6 \cos \theta) d\theta \stackrel{\theta=2x}{=} \\ &= 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(10 + 6 \cos 2x) dx = 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(4 + 12 \cos^2 x) dx = \\ &= 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(4 \sin^2 x + 16 \cos^2 x) dx \\ &\because \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(a^2 \sin^2 x + b^2 \cos^2 x) dx = \pi \log\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \\ \Omega &= 4\pi \log\left(\frac{2+4}{2}\right) = 4\pi \log 3\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \log(10 + 6 \cos \theta) d\theta = 4\pi \log 3$$

1659. $f(\cot x) = \sin 2x + \cos 2x$, $0 < x < \pi$. Find:

$$\Omega = \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \cos x \cdot f(\sin x) dx$$

Proposed by Neculai Stanciu-Romania

Solution 1 by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\begin{aligned}f(\cot x) &= \frac{2 \tan x}{1 + \tan^2 x} + \frac{1 - \tan^2 x}{1 + \tan^2 x} = \frac{2 \cot x}{1 + \cot^2 x} + \frac{\cot^2 x - 1}{\cot^2 x + 1} = \\ &= \frac{2 \cot x + \cot^2 x - 1}{\cot^2 x + 1} \Rightarrow f(\sin x) = \frac{2 \sin x + \sin^2 x - 1}{\sin^2 x} + 1 \\ \Omega &= \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \cos x \cdot f(\sin x) dx = \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{\cos x (2 \sin x + \sin^2 x - 1)}{1 + \sin^2 x} dx =\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \frac{t^2 + 2t - 1}{t^2 + 1} dt = \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \left(1 + \frac{2t}{t^2 + 1} - \frac{2}{t^2 + 1} \right) dt = \\
 &= (t + \log(t^2 + 1) - 2 \tan^{-1}(t)) \Big|_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} = \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{3} - 1}{2} + \log\left(\frac{7}{5}\right) - 2 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) + 2 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Kartick Chandra Betal-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(\cot x) &= \sin 2x + \cos 2x = \frac{2 \tan x}{1 + \tan^2 x} + \frac{1 - \tan^2 x}{1 + \tan^2 x} \\
 f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) &= \frac{2x}{1 + x^2} + \frac{1 - x^2}{1 + x^2} \Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{2x}{1 + x^2} + \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2 + 1} = \frac{x^2 + 2x - 1}{1 + x^2} \\
 \Omega &= \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \cos x \cdot f(\sin x) dx = \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} f(x) dx = \\
 &= \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \frac{x^2 + 2x - 1}{x^2 + 1} dx = \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \left(1 + \frac{2x}{1 + x^2} - \frac{2}{1 + x^2} \right) dx = \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{3} - 1}{2} + \log\left(\frac{7}{5}\right) - 2 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{2\sqrt{3} - 2}{4 + \sqrt{3}}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 3 by Myagmasuren Yadamsuren-Darkhan-Mongolia

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sin 2x &= \frac{2 \cot x}{1 + \cot^2 x}, \cos 2x = \frac{\cot^2 x - 1}{1 + \cot^2 x} \\
 f(\cot x) &= \frac{\cot^2 x + 2 \cot x - 1}{1 + \cot^2 x} \Rightarrow f(t) = \frac{t^2 + 2t - 1}{1 + t^2}; (*) \\
 \Omega &= \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \cos x \cdot f(\sin x) dx = \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} f(\sin x) d(\sin x) = \\
 &= \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} f(t) dt = \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \frac{t^2 + 2t - 1}{1 + t^2} dt = \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \left(1 + \frac{2t - 2}{1 + t^2} \right) dt = \\
 &= \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \left(1 + \frac{2t}{1 + t^2} - \frac{2}{1 + t^2} \right) dt = (t + \log(1 + t^2) - 2 \tan^{-1} t) \Big|_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} =
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2} + \log\left(\frac{7}{5}\right) - 2 \tan^{-1} \frac{2}{13} (5\sqrt{3}-7)$$

Solution 4 by Hikmat Mammadov-Azerbaijan

$$\begin{aligned} f(\cot x) &= \sin 2x + \cos 2x = \frac{2 \tan x}{1 + \tan^2 x} + \frac{1 - \tan^2 x}{1 + \tan^2 x} = \\ &= \frac{\cot^2 x + 2 \cot x - 1}{\cot^2 x + 1} \Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 2x - 1}{x^2 + 1} = 1 + \frac{2x - 2}{x^2 + 1} \\ \Omega &= \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \cos x \cdot f(\sin x) dx = \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \cos x \cdot \left(1 + \frac{2 \sin x - 2}{\sin^2 x + 1}\right) dx = \\ &= \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \cos x dx + \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{\cos x \cdot \sin x - 2 \cos x}{2 - \cos^2 x} dx = \\ &= \sin x \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} + \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{\sin 2x}{2 - \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2}} dx - 2 \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{\cos x}{2 - \cos^2 x} dx = \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2} + \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{d(3 - \cos 2x)}{3 - \cos 2x} - 2 \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{d(\sin x)}{\sin^2 x + 1} = \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2} + (\log(3 - \cos 2x) - 2 \tan^{-1}(\sin x)) \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} = \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2} + \log\left(\frac{7}{5}\right) - 2 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) - 2 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

1660. If $0 < a \leq b \leq 1$ then:

$$\int_a^b \int_a^b \int_a^b \frac{dx dy dz}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 3} \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{3} \int_a^b \frac{dx}{x + x^x}$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

Solution by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

$$x, y, z \in [a, b]^3, 0 < a \leq b \leq 1 \text{ and } f(t) = t^2 + 1 - t - t^t =$$

$$= t^2 - t + 1 - t^t \geq 0 \text{ in } [0, 1] \text{ and } t^t \leq 1$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 3 = x^2 + 1 + y^2 + 1 + z^2 + 1 \geq x^x + x + y^y + y + z^z + z \Rightarrow$$

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$$\frac{1}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 3} \leq \frac{1}{x^x + x + y^y + y + z^z + z}$$

$$\because (a + b + c) \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right)^{CBS} \geq 9 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{a + b + c} \leq \frac{1}{9a} + \frac{1}{9b} + \frac{1}{9c}, \forall a, b, c > 0$$

Hence, we have:

$$\frac{1}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 3} \leq \frac{1}{9(x^x + x)} + \frac{1}{9(y^y + y)} + \frac{1}{9(z^z + z)}$$

and then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \int_a^b \int_a^b \frac{dx dy dz}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 3} &\leq \frac{1}{9} \int_a^b \int_a^b \int_a^b \frac{dx dy dz}{x^x + x} + \frac{1}{9} \int_a^b \int_a^b \int_a^b \frac{dx dy dz}{y^y + y} + \\ &+ \frac{1}{9} \int_a^b \int_a^b \int_a^b \frac{dx dy dz}{z^z + z} = \frac{(b-a)^2}{9} \int_a^b \frac{dx}{x^x + x} + \frac{(b-a)^2}{9} \int_a^b \frac{dy}{y^y + y} + \frac{(b-a)^2}{9} \int_a^b \frac{dz}{z^z + z} \\ &= 3 \cdot \frac{(b-a)^2}{9} \int_a^b \frac{dx}{x^x + x} = \frac{(b-a)^2}{3} \int_a^b \frac{dx}{x^x + x} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_a^b \int_a^b \int_a^b \frac{dx dy dz}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 3} \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{3} \int_a^b \frac{dx}{x + x^x}$$

1661. Find:

$$\Omega = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(e^{3x \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - e^{5x}) \cdot \log(1 + \sin x)}{x^2}$$

Proposed by Dang Le Gia Khanh-Vietnam

Solution 1 by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(e^{3x \cdot \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - e^{5x}) \cdot \log(1 + \sin x)}{x^2} = \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x (e^{3x \cdot \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - e^{5x}) \cdot \log(1 + \sin x)}{x^2 \cdot \sin x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(1 + \sin x)}{\sin x} = 1, \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1 \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3x}{\sin x} \cdot \log(1 + x) \cdot \cot x = 0 \\ e^{3x \cdot \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - e^{5x} &\cong 1 + 3x \cdot \log(1 + x) \cdot \cot x - 1 - 5x \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{e^{3x \cdot \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - e^{5x}}{x} \cong 3 \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x - 5$$

$$3 \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x = 3 \log(1+x) \cdot \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} = 3 \frac{\log(1+x)}{x} \cdot \frac{x}{\sin x} \cdot \cos x \rightarrow 3$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{3x \cdot \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - e^{5x}}{x} = -2$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(e^{3x \cdot \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - e^{5x}) \cdot \log(1 + \sin x)}{x^2} = -2$$

Solution 2 by Hikmat Mammadov-Azerbaijan

$$\Omega = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(e^{3x \cdot \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - e^{5x}) \cdot \log(1 + \sin x)}{x^2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(1 + \sin x)}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(1 + \sin x)}{\sin x} \cdot \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(e^{3x \cdot \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - e^{5x}) \cdot \log(1 + \sin x)}{x^2} = \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{3x \cdot \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - e^{5x}}{x} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(1 + \sin x)}{\sin x} \cdot \frac{\sin x}{x} = \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{3x \cdot \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - e^{5x}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{e^{3 \log(1+x)} - 1}{3 \log(1+x)} \cdot \frac{3 \log(1+x)}{x} - \frac{e^{5x} - 1}{5x} \cdot 5 \right) = \\ &= 1 \cdot 3 - 5 = -2 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 3 by Yen Tung Chung-Taichung-Taiwan

$$\begin{aligned} 3x \cdot \cot x \cdot \log(1+x) &= \frac{3x \cdot \cos x \cdot \log(1+x)}{\sin x} = \frac{3x \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots\right) \left(x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots\right)}{x - \frac{1}{6}x^2} = \\ &= \frac{3x^2 - \frac{3}{2}x^3 + \dots}{x - \frac{1}{6}x^2 + \dots} = 3x - \frac{3}{2}x^2 + o(x^4) \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\Omega = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(e^{3x \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - e^{5x}) \cdot \log(1 + \sin x)}{x^2} =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(e^{3x - \frac{3}{2}x^2 + o(x^4)} - e^{5x} \right) \log(1 + x + o(x^3))}{x^2} = \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(1 + (3x + o(x^2)) - (1 + 5x + o(x^2)) \right) \log(1 + x + o(x^3))}{x^2} = \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(-2x + o(x^2))(x + o(x^3))}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2x^2 + o(x^3)}{x^2} = -2
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 4 by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 3x \cdot \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3 \log(1+x) \cdot \cos x}{\frac{\sin x}{x}} = \frac{0}{1} = 0 \\
 \Omega &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(e^{3x \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - e^{5x}) \cdot \log(1 + \sin x)}{x^2} = \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \log \frac{1 + \sin x}{\sin x} \cdot \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3^{3x \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - 1}{x} - \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{5x} - 1}{x} \right) = \\
 &= 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \left(3 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{3x \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - 1}{3x \cdot \log(1+x) \cdot \cot x} - 5 \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{5x} - 1}{5x} \right) = \\
 &= 3 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\tan x} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(1+x)}{x} - 5 = 3 - 5 = -2.
 \end{aligned}$$

1662. Find:

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(n-k+1)H_k}{k(n-k+1)^2 + k}$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

Solution 1 by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

$$\frac{(n-k+1)H_k}{k(n-k+1)^2 + k} = \frac{n-k+1}{k[(n-k+1)^2 + 1]} \leq \frac{1}{k}, \forall k \leq n$$

Hence,

$$0 \leq \frac{(n-k+1)H_k}{k(n-k+1)^2 + k} \leq \frac{H_k}{k}$$

and then

$$0 \leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(n-k+1)H_k}{k(n-k+1)^2 + k} \leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{H_k}{k}$$

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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{H_k}{k} \cong \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\log k}{k} = 0; (\because H_n \cong \log n)$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(n-k+1)H_k}{k(n-k+1)^2 + k} = 0$$

Solution 2 by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For } 1 \leq k \leq n, \text{ let } a_k &= \frac{(n-k+1)H_k}{k(n-k+1)^2 + k} = \frac{(n-k+1)H_k}{((n-k+1)^2 + 1)k} = \\ &= \frac{n-k+1}{(n-k+1)^2 + 1} \cdot \frac{H_k}{k} < \frac{1}{n-k+1} \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{n-k+1} \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$0 < \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n a_k < \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{n-k+1} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k}$$

$$\text{As } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} \stackrel{L.C-S}{=} 0$$

By the sandwich theorem, we get

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(n-k+1)H_k}{k(n-k+1)^2 + k} = 0$$

1663. Find:

$$\Omega(k) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{2k} \left(\frac{\tan^{-1}(n^k)}{n^k} - \frac{\tan^{-1}(1+n^k)}{1+n^k} \right), k \in \mathbb{N}^*$$

Proposed by Ovidiu Gabriel Dinu-Romania

Solution by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\text{Let } a = n^k \text{ and } f(x) = \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x}, x \in [a, a+1], \text{ then } f'(x) = \frac{1}{x(1+x^2)} - \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x^2}$$

By the Lagrange's mean value theorem, we have:

$$f(a+1) - f(a) = f'(a+\theta) \text{ for some } \theta \in (0, 1).$$

Hence,

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$$n^{2k} \left(\frac{\tan^{-1}(n^k)}{n^k} - \frac{\tan^{-1}(1+n^k)}{1+n^k} \right) = n^{2k} \left(\frac{1}{(n^k + \theta)[1 + (n^k + \theta)^2]} - \frac{\tan^{-1}(n^k + \theta)}{(n^k + \theta)^2} \right)$$

Taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(k) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{2k} \left(\frac{\tan^{-1}(n^k)}{n^k} - \frac{\tan^{-1}(1+n^k)}{1+n^k} \right) = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{2k} \left(\frac{1}{(n^k + \theta)[1 + (n^k + \theta)^2]} - \frac{\tan^{-1}(n^k + \theta)}{(n^k + \theta)^2} \right) = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(-\frac{1}{n^k + \theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{1}{n^{2k}} + \left(1 + \frac{\theta}{n^k}\right)^2} + \frac{\tan^{-1}(n^k + \theta)}{\left(1 + \frac{\theta}{n^k}\right)^2} \right) = \frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

1664. For all $k \in \mathbb{N}^*$ let $S(k)$ be the k^{th} term in the sequence

1, 2, 5, 12, 29, 70, 169, 408, 985, 2378, ...

Then prove the following summations

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{S(n)}{n!} = \frac{e \sinh(\sqrt{2})}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{S(3n)}{(3n)!} = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e^{\sqrt{2}+1}}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) - \sqrt{e^{\sqrt{2}-1}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) + e \sinh(\sqrt{2}) \right)$$

Proposed by Amrit Awasthi-India

Solution 1 by Ahmed Yacoub Chach-Mauritania

$$\begin{cases} S(1) = 1; S(2) = 2 \\ S(n+2) = 2S(n+1) + S(n) \end{cases}$$

$x^2 - 2x - 1 = 0$ equation associate of $S(n) = \alpha(1 + \sqrt{2})^n + \beta(1 - \sqrt{2})^n$ and from

initial conditions, we get: $S(n) = \frac{(1+\sqrt{2})^n - (1-\sqrt{2})^n}{2\sqrt{2}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{S(n)}{n!} &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+\sqrt{2})^n}{2} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-\sqrt{2})^n}{2} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} (e^{1+\sqrt{2}} - 1 - (e^{1-\sqrt{2}} - 1)) = \frac{e}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{e^{\sqrt{2}} - e^{-\sqrt{2}}}{2} = \frac{e \sinh(\sqrt{2})}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Let $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{3n}}{(3n)!} \Rightarrow f^{(3)}(x) = f(x)$ and $f(0) = 1, f'(0) = f''(0) = 0$

$$x^3 - 1 = 0$$

$$f(x) = Ae^x + Be^{-\frac{x}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right) + Ce^{-\frac{x}{2}} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right) \Rightarrow$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{3}e^x + \frac{2}{3}e^{-\frac{x}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{S(3n)}{(3n)!} &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+\sqrt{3})^{3n}}{(3n)!} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-\sqrt{2})^{3n}}{(3n)!} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{3}e^{1+\sqrt{2}} + \frac{2}{3}e^{-\frac{1+\sqrt{2}}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}(1+\sqrt{2})\right) - 1 \right) - \\ &- \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{3}e^{1-\sqrt{2}} + \frac{2}{3}e^{-\frac{1-\sqrt{2}}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}(1-\sqrt{2})\right) - 1 \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2}e^{1+\sqrt{2}} + e^{-\frac{1+\sqrt{2}}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \right) - \\ &- \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2}e^{1-\sqrt{2}} + e^{-\frac{1-\sqrt{2}}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e^{\sqrt{2}+1}}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) - \sqrt{e^{\sqrt{2}-1}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) + e \sinh(\sqrt{2}) \right) \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Kamel Rezgui Gandouli-Tunisia

$$s_k \in \{0, 1, 2, 5, 12, 29, \dots\} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} s_0 = 0, s_1 = 1 \\ s_{n+2} = 2s_{n+1} + s_n \end{cases}$$

$$x^2 = 2x + 1 \Rightarrow s_n = \alpha(1+\sqrt{2})^n + \beta(1-\sqrt{2})^n$$

$$s_0 = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = -\beta \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow s_n = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left\{ (1+\sqrt{2})^n - (1-\sqrt{2})^n \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{S(n)}{n!} &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ (1+\sqrt{2})^n - (1-\sqrt{2})^n \right\} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} e^{1+\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} e^{1-\sqrt{2}} = \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{e^{\sqrt{2}} - e^{-\sqrt{2}}}{2} = \frac{e \sinh(\sqrt{2})}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\text{Let } s(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{3n}}{(3n)!} \Rightarrow s^{(3)}(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{3n-3}}{(3n-3)!} = s(x) \Rightarrow s(x) = ae^x + be^{ix} + ce^{j^2x}$$

$$s(0) = 1, s'(0) = s''(0) = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} a + b + c = 1 \\ a + bj + cj^2 = 0 \\ a + bj^2 + cj = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow a + b + c = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow$$

$$s(x) = \frac{1}{3}(e^x + e^{jx} + e^{j^2x}) = \frac{e^x}{3} + \frac{2}{3}e^{-\frac{x}{2}}\cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right)$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{s(3n)}{(3n)!} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}s(1+\sqrt{2}) - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}s(1-\sqrt{2}) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}}e^{1+\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}\frac{1}{\sqrt{e^{1+\sqrt{2}}}}\cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}(1+\sqrt{2})\right) -$$

$$- \frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}}e^{1-\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}\frac{1}{\sqrt{e^{1-\sqrt{2}}}}\cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}(1-\sqrt{2})\right) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e^{\sqrt{2}+1}}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) - \sqrt{e^{\sqrt{2}-1}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) + e \sinh(\sqrt{2})\right)$$

1665. For all $k \in \mathbb{N}^*$ let $S(k)$ be the k^{th} term in the sequence

1, 2, 5, 12, 29, 70, 169, 408, 985, 2378, ... Then prove the following summations

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{S(n)}{n!} = \frac{e \sinh(\sqrt{2})}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{S(3n)}{(3n)!} = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e^{\sqrt{2}+1}}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) - \sqrt{e^{\sqrt{2}-1}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) + e \sinh(\sqrt{2})\right)$$

Proposed by Amrit Awasthi-India

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$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{S(n)}{n!} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+\sqrt{2})^n}{2} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-\sqrt{2})^n}{2} \right) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(e^{1+\sqrt{2}} - 1 - (e^{1-\sqrt{2}} - 1) \right) = \frac{e}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{e^{\sqrt{2}} - e^{-\sqrt{2}}}{2} = \frac{e \sinh(\sqrt{2})}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Let $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{3n}}{(3n)!} \Rightarrow f^{(3)}(x) = f(x)$ and $f(0) = 1, f'(0) = f''(0) = 0$

$$x^3 - 1 = 0$$

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$$f(x) = \frac{1}{3}e^x + \frac{2}{3}e^{-\frac{x}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{S(3n)}{(3n)!} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+\sqrt{3})^{3n}}{(3n)!} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-\sqrt{2})^{3n}}{(3n)!} \right) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{3}e^{1+\sqrt{2}} + \frac{2}{3}e^{-\frac{1+\sqrt{2}}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}(1+\sqrt{2})\right) - 1 \right) -$$

$$- \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{3}e^{1-\sqrt{2}} + \frac{2}{3}e^{-\frac{1-\sqrt{2}}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}(1-\sqrt{2})\right) - 1 \right) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2}e^{1+\sqrt{2}} + e^{-\frac{1+\sqrt{2}}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \right) -$$

$$- \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2}e^{1-\sqrt{2}} + e^{-\frac{1-\sqrt{2}}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \right) =$$

$$\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e^{\sqrt{2}}+1}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) - \sqrt{e^{\sqrt{2}}-1} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) + e \sinh(\sqrt{2}) \right)$$

Solution 2 by Kamel Rezgui Gandouli-Tunisia

$$s_k \in \{0, 1, 2, 5, 12, 29, \dots\} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} s_0 = 0, s_1 = 1 \\ s_{n+2} = 2s_{n+1} + s_n \end{cases}$$

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$$s_0 = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = -\beta \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow s_n = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left\{ (1 + \sqrt{2})^n - (1 - \sqrt{2})^n \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{S(n)}{n!} &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ (1 + \sqrt{2})^n - (1 - \sqrt{2})^n \right\} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} e^{1+\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} e^{1-\sqrt{2}} = \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{e^{\sqrt{2}} - e^{-\sqrt{2}}}{2} = \frac{e \sinh(\sqrt{2})}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } s(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{3n}}{(3n)!} \Rightarrow s^{(3)}(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{3n-3}}{(3n-3)!} = s(x) \Rightarrow s(x) = ae^x + be^{ix} + ce^{j^2x}$$

$$s(0) = 1, s'(0) = s''(0) = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} a + b + c = 1 \\ a + bj + cj^2 = 0 \\ a + bj^2 + cj = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow a + b + c = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow$$

$$s(x) = \frac{1}{3} (e^x + e^{jx} + e^{j^2x}) = \frac{e^x}{3} + \frac{2}{3} e^{-\frac{x}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{s(3n)}{(3n)!} &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} s(1 + \sqrt{2}) - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} s(1 - \sqrt{2}) = \\ &= \frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} e^{1+\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{e^{1+\sqrt{2}}}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}(1 + \sqrt{2})\right) - \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} e^{1-\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{e^{1-\sqrt{2}}}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}(1 - \sqrt{2})\right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e^{\sqrt{2}+1}}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{3}}{2}\right) - \sqrt{e^{\sqrt{2}-1}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{3}}{2}\right) + e \sinh(\sqrt{2}) \right) \end{aligned}$$

1666. If we defined the sequence $\forall k, n \in \mathbb{N}$ with recursive relation $M_k(n+1) = k \cdot$

$M_k(n) + M_k(n-1)$ and $M_k(0) = 0, M_k(1) = 1$. Prove the following summations:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{M_k(n)}{n!} = \frac{2\sqrt{e^k}}{\sqrt{k^2+4}} \sinh\left(\frac{\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}\right)$$

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$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{M_k(3n)}{(3n)!} = \frac{2}{3\sqrt{k^2+4}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{e^{\sqrt{k^2+4}+k}}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3k^2+12}+\sqrt{3}k}{4}\right) - \sqrt[4]{e^{\sqrt{k^2+4}-k}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3k^2+12}-\sqrt{3}k}{4}\right) + \frac{2\sqrt{e^k}}{3\sqrt{k^2+4}} \sinh\left(\frac{\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}\right) \right)$$

Proposed by Amrit Awasthi-India

Solution by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

$$M_k(n+1) = k \cdot M_k(n) + M_k(n-1) \text{ and}$$

$$M_k(0) = 0, M_k(1) = 1 \Rightarrow M_k(n) = \alpha x_1^n + \beta x_2^n,$$

$$x_1, x_2 \text{ are solutions of the equation } x^2 = kx + 1$$

$$x = \frac{k \pm \sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}, M_k(0) = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = -\beta$$

$$M_k(1) = 1 \Rightarrow \alpha = -\beta = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{k^2+4}} \Rightarrow M_n(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k^2+4}} x_1^n - \frac{1}{\sqrt{k^2+4}} x_2^n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{M_k(n)}{n!} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{k^2+4}} e^{x_1} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{k^2+4}} e^{x_2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k^2+4}} \left(e^{\frac{k+\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}} - e^{\frac{k-\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}} \right) = \\ &= \frac{2e^{\frac{k}{2}}}{\sqrt{k^2+4}} \frac{1}{2} \left(e^{\frac{\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}} - e^{-\frac{\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}} \right) = \frac{2\sqrt{e^k}}{\sqrt{k^2+4}} \sinh\left(\frac{\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$f(x) = \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{3n}}{(3n)!} \right)^{(3)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{3n}}{(3n)!}$$

$$t^3 - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow t \in \{1, j, j^2\}, f'(0) = 1, f''(0) = f^{(3)}(0) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a + b + c = 1 \\ a + bj + cj^2 = 0 \\ a + bj^2 + cj = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow a = b = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{1}{3} (e^x + e^{ix} + e^{j^2x}) =$$

$$= \frac{e^x}{3} + \frac{2}{3} e^{-\frac{x}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right) = \frac{e^x}{3} + \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{e^{-x}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x\right)$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{M_k(3n)}{(3n)!} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k^2+4}} \left(f\left(\frac{k+\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}\right) - f\left(\frac{k-\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}\right) \right) =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{3\sqrt{k^2+4}} \left(e^{\frac{k+\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}} + 2\sqrt{e^{\frac{k+\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}}} \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}(k+\sqrt{k^2+4})}{4} \right) - \\
 &- \frac{1}{3\sqrt{k^2+4}} \left(e^{\frac{k-\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}} + 2\sqrt{e^{\frac{k-\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}}} \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}(k-\sqrt{k^2+4})}{4} \right) = \\
 &= \frac{1}{3\sqrt{k^2+4}} \left(e^{\frac{k+\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}} + \frac{2}{\sqrt[4]{e^{\sqrt{k^2+4}+k}}} \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}k + \sqrt{3k^2+12}}{4} \right) - \\
 &- \frac{1}{3\sqrt{k^2+4}} \left(e^{\frac{k-\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2}} + \frac{2}{\sqrt[4]{e^{\sqrt{k^2+4}-k}}} \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}k - \sqrt{3k^2+12}}{4} \right) = \\
 &= \frac{2}{3\sqrt{k^2+4}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{e^{\sqrt{k^2+4}+k}}} \cos \left(\frac{\sqrt{3k^2+12} + \sqrt{3}k}{4} \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{e^{\sqrt{k^2+4}-k}}} \cos \left(\frac{\sqrt{3k^2+12} - \sqrt{3}k}{4} \right) + \frac{2\sqrt{e^k}}{3\sqrt{k^2+4}} \sinh \left(\frac{\sqrt{k^2+4}}{2} \right) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

1667. Prove that:

$$\gamma = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} n^{n+1}}{n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\frac{\log x}{x} \right) \Big|_{x=n}$$

where γ is Euler-Mascheroni constant.

Proposed by Amrit Awasthi-India

Solution 1 by Serlea Kabay-Liberia

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= \frac{1}{x} \log x, u(x) = \frac{1}{x} \text{ and } v(x) = \log x \\
 u^{(n)}(x) &= \frac{(-1)^n n!}{x^{n+1}} \text{ and } v^{(n)}(x) = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{n x^n} \\
 y^{(n)} &= \frac{(-1)^n n!}{x^{n+1}} \log x - \frac{(-1)^n n!}{x^{n+1}} - \frac{(-1)^n n!}{2x^{n+1}} - \frac{(-1)^n n!}{3x^{n+1}} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n n!}{n x^{n+1}} = \\
 &= \frac{(-1)^n n!}{x^{n+1}} \left[\log x - 1 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} - \dots - \frac{1}{n} \right] = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{x^{n+1}} (\log x - H_n)
 \end{aligned}$$

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Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\frac{\log x}{x} \right) \Big|_{x=n} &= \frac{(-1)^n n!}{n^{n+1}} (\log n - H_n) \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} n^{n+1}}{n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\frac{\log x}{x} \right) \Big|_{x=n} &= - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} n^{n+1}}{n!} \cdot \frac{(-1)^n n!}{n^{n+1}} (\log n - H_n) = \\ &= - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\log n - H_n) = \gamma\end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by proposer

$$\begin{aligned}y &= \frac{1}{x} \log x, u(x) = \frac{1}{x} \text{ and } v(x) = \log x \\ u^{(n)}(x) &= \frac{(-1)^n n!}{x^{n+1}} \text{ and } v^{(n)}(x) = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{n x^n} \\ y &= u(x) \cdot v(x) = \frac{\log x}{x} \\ \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\frac{\log x}{x} \right) \Big|_{x=n} &= \frac{(-1)^n n!}{x^{n+1}} \log x - \frac{(-1)^n n!}{x^{n+1}} - \frac{(-1)^n n!}{2x^{n+1}} - \frac{(-1)^n n!}{3x^{n+1}} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n n!}{n x^{n+1}} \\ \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\frac{\log x}{x} \right) \Big|_{x=n} &= \frac{(-1)^n n!}{x^{n+1}} \left[\log x - 1 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} - \dots - \frac{1}{n} \right] = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{x^{n+1}} (\log x - H_n)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\frac{\log x}{x} \right) \Big|_{x=n} &= \frac{(-1)^n n!}{n^{n+1}} (\log n - H_n) \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} n^{n+1}}{n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\frac{\log x}{x} \right) \Big|_{x=n} &= - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} n^{n+1}}{n!} \cdot \frac{(-1)^n n!}{n^{n+1}} (\log n - H_n) = \\ &= - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\log n - H_n) = \gamma\end{aligned}$$

1668. Let the sequence $a(n-2) + a(n-1) + a(n+1) + a(n) = \varphi^{-n}$

$$a(0) = \varphi^{-1}, a(1) = \varphi, a(2) = \varphi^2$$

Evaluate the sum:

$$\Omega = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m)}{\varphi^m}$$

Proposed by Srinivasa Raghava-AIRMC-India

Solution by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

$$a(n-2) + a(n-1) + a(n+1) + a(n) = \varphi^{-n}$$

$$a(0) = \frac{1}{\varphi}, a(1) = \varphi, a(2) = \varphi^2 \Rightarrow a(m) + a(m+1) + a(m+2) + a(m+3) = \frac{1}{\varphi^{m+2}}$$

$$\Omega = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m)}{\varphi^m} + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m+1)}{\varphi^m} + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m+2)}{\varphi^m} + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m+3)}{\varphi^m} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(\varphi^2)^{m+1}}$$

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m+1)}{\varphi^m} = \varphi \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m+1)}{\varphi^{m+1}} = \varphi \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{a(m)}{\varphi^m} = \varphi \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m)}{\varphi^m} - 1$$

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m+2)}{\varphi^m} = \varphi^2 \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m+2)}{\varphi^{m+2}} = \varphi^2 \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{a(m)}{\varphi^m} = \varphi^2 \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m)}{\varphi^m} - \varphi - \varphi^2$$

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m+3)}{\varphi^m} = \varphi^3 \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m+3)}{\varphi^{m+3}} = \varphi^3 \sum_{m=3}^{\infty} \frac{a(m)}{\varphi^m} = \varphi^3 \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m)}{\varphi^m} - \varphi^2 - \varphi^3 - \varphi^3$$

$$\text{Let } x = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m)}{\varphi^m}, \varphi^2 = 1 + \varphi, \varphi^3 = 2\varphi + 1, \frac{1}{\varphi} = \varphi - 1$$

$$x + \varphi x + \varphi^2 x + \varphi^3 x - 1 - \varphi - 2\varphi^2 - 2\varphi^3 = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(\varphi^2)^{m+1}}$$

$$(3 + 4\varphi)x - 5 - 7\varphi = \frac{1}{\varphi^2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\varphi^{2m}} = \frac{1}{\varphi^2} \frac{\varphi^2}{\varphi^2 - 1} = \frac{1}{\varphi} = \varphi - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (3 + 4\varphi)x = 8\varphi + 4 \Rightarrow x = \frac{8 + 4\sqrt{5}}{5 + 2\sqrt{5}} = \frac{4\sqrt{5}}{5}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a(m)}{\varphi^m} = \frac{4\sqrt{5}}{5}$$

1669. If we define

$$S(x, n) = \frac{(-1)^n \cdot n!}{x^{n+1}} \cdot \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} \cdot \sin\left(\frac{k\pi}{2} + x\right) \cdot x^k$$

Then prove:

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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=0}^{2m} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} S(x, n) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Proposed by Amrit Awasthi-India

Solution by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For } x \neq 0, S(x, n) &= \frac{(-1)^n \cdot n!}{x^{n+1}} \cdot \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} \cdot \sin\left(\frac{k\pi}{2} + x\right) \cdot x^k = \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \frac{d^k(\sin x)}{dx^k} \frac{d^{n-k}}{dx^{n-k}} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\frac{\sin x}{x}\right); \text{ (by Leibniz's theorem)} \\ &= \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left[\frac{1}{x} \left(x - \frac{1}{3!}x^3 + \frac{1}{5!}x^5 - \frac{1}{7!}x^7 \dots \dots \right) \right] = \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} - \frac{x^6}{7!} + \dots \right) \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} S(x, n) &= \begin{cases} 1, \text{ if } n = 0 \\ 0, \text{ if } n = 1 \\ -\frac{1}{3}, \text{ if } n = 2 \\ 0, \text{ if } n = 3 \\ \frac{1}{5}, \text{ if } n = 4 \\ 0, \text{ if } n = 5 \\ -\frac{1}{7}, \text{ if } n = 6 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{2m} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} S(x, n) &= \sum_{n=0}^m \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} S(x, 2n) = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^m}{2m+1} \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=0}^{2m} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} S(x, n) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^m}{2m+1} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

1670. Find:

$$\Omega = \int \cosh(3x) \cdot \cosh\left(\frac{3x}{2}\right) \cdot \cosh\left(\frac{13x}{2}\right) dx$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

Solution 1 by Ruxandra Daniela Tonilă-Romania

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int \cosh(3x) \cdot \cosh\left(\frac{3x}{2}\right) \cdot \cosh\left(\frac{13x}{2}\right) dx = \\ &= \int \frac{e^{3x} + e^{-3x}}{2} \cdot \frac{e^{\frac{3x}{2}} + e^{-\frac{3x}{2}}}{2} \cdot \frac{e^{\frac{13x}{2}} + e^{-\frac{13x}{2}}}{2} dx = \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{8} \int (e^{3x} + e^{-3x}) \left(e^{\frac{3x}{2}} + e^{-\frac{3x}{2}} \right) \left(e^{\frac{13x}{2}} + e^{-\frac{13x}{2}} \right) dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{8} \int \left(e^{\frac{9x}{2}} + e^{\frac{3x}{2}} + e^{-\frac{3x}{2}} + e^{-\frac{9x}{2}} \right) \left(e^{\frac{13x}{2}} + e^{-\frac{13x}{2}} \right) dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{8} \int (e^{11x} + e^{-2x} + e^{8x} + e^{-5x} + e^{5x} + e^{-8x} + e^{2x} + e^{-11x}) dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{e^{11x} - e^{-11x}}{2} + \frac{e^{2x} - e^{-2x}}{2} + \frac{e^{5x} - e^{-5x}}{5} + \frac{e^{8x} - e^{-8x}}{8} \right) + C = \\
 &= \frac{\sinh(11x)}{44} + \frac{\sinh(2x)}{8} + \frac{\sinh(5x)}{20} + \frac{\sinh(8x)}{32} + C
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$(\because) \cosh(a) + \cosh(b) = 2 \cosh\left(\frac{a-b}{2}\right) \cosh\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)$$

$$\cosh\left(\frac{3x}{2}\right) \cdot \cosh\left(\frac{13x}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2} (\cosh(8x) + \cosh(5x))$$

$$\cosh(3x) \cosh(8x) = \frac{1}{2} (\cosh(11x) + \cosh(5x))$$

$$\cosh(3x) \cosh(5x) = \frac{1}{2} (\cosh(8x) + \cosh(2x))$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\cosh(3x) \cdot \cosh\left(\frac{3x}{2}\right) \cdot \cosh\left(\frac{13x}{2}\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} (\cosh(2x) + \cosh(5x) + \cosh(8x) + \cosh(11x))
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\int \cosh(3x) \cdot \cosh\left(\frac{3x}{2}\right) \cdot \cosh\left(\frac{13x}{2}\right) dx = \\
 &= \frac{\sinh(11x)}{44} + \frac{\sinh(2x)}{8} + \frac{\sinh(5x)}{20} + \frac{\sinh(8x)}{32} + C
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 3 by Ankush Kumar Parcha-India

$$\Omega = \int \cosh(3x) \cdot \cosh\left(\frac{3x}{2}\right) \cdot \cosh\left(\frac{13x}{2}\right) dx =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int \frac{e^{3x} + e^{-3x}}{2} \cdot \frac{e^{\frac{3x}{2}} + e^{-\frac{3x}{2}}}{2} \cdot \frac{e^{\frac{13x}{2}} + e^{-\frac{13x}{2}}}{2} dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{8} \int (e^{11x} + e^{-2x} + e^{8x} + e^{-5x} + e^{5x} + e^{-8x} + e^{2x} + e^{-11x}) dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} \int (\cosh(11x) + \cosh(2x) + \cosh(11x) + \cosh(5x)) dx = \\
 &= \frac{\sinh(11x)}{44} + \frac{\sinh(2x)}{8} + \frac{\sinh(5x)}{20} + \frac{\sinh(8x)}{32} + C
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 4 by Hikmat Mammadov-Azerbaijan

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \int \cosh(3x) \cdot \cosh\left(\frac{3x}{2}\right) \cdot \cosh\left(\frac{13x}{2}\right) dx \stackrel{x=2t}{=} \\
 &= 2 \int \cosh(6t) \cdot \cosh(3t) \cdot \cosh(13t) dt = \\
 &= \int \frac{e^{6t} + e^{-6t}}{2} \cdot \frac{e^{3t} + e^{-3t}}{2} \cdot \frac{e^{13t} + e^{-13t}}{2} dt = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{e^{22t} + e^{-22t} + e^{16t} + e^{-16t} + e^{10t} + e^{-10t} + e^{4t} + e^{-4t}}{2} dt = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int \cosh(22t) dt + \frac{1}{2} \int \cosh(16t) dt + \frac{1}{2} \int \cosh(10t) dt + \frac{1}{2} \int \cosh(4t) dt = \\
 &= \frac{1}{44} \int \cosh(11x) d(11x) + \frac{1}{32} \int \cosh(8x) d(8x) + \frac{1}{20} \int \cosh(5x) d(5x) \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{8} \int \cosh(4t) d(4t) = \\
 &= \frac{\sinh(11x)}{44} + \frac{\sinh(2x)}{8} + \frac{\sinh(5x)}{20} + \frac{\sinh(8x)}{32} + C
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 5 by Nelson Javier Villaherrera Lopez-El Salvador

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \int \cosh(3x) \cdot \cosh\left(\frac{3x}{2}\right) \cdot \cosh\left(\frac{13x}{2}\right) dx = \\
 &= \int \frac{e^{3x} + e^{-3x}}{2} \cdot \frac{e^{\frac{3x}{2}} + e^{-\frac{3x}{2}}}{2} \cdot \frac{e^{\frac{13x}{2}} + e^{-\frac{13x}{2}}}{2} dx = \\
 &= \frac{1}{8} \int (e^{11x} + e^{-2x} + e^{8x} + e^{-5x} + e^{5x} + e^{-8x} + e^{2x} + e^{-11x}) dx =
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{4} \int (\cosh(11x) + \cosh(2x) + \cosh(11x) + \cosh(5x)) dx = \\
 &= \frac{\sinh(11x)}{44} + \frac{\sinh(2x)}{8} + \frac{\sinh(5x)}{20} + \frac{\sinh(8x)}{32} + C
 \end{aligned}$$

1671. Find a closed form:

$$\Omega = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sqrt{\tan x (1 - \tan x)} dx$$

Proposed by Abdul Mukhtar-Nigeria

Solution 1 by Ose Favour-Nigeria

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sqrt{\tan x (1 - \tan x)} dx \stackrel{u^2 = \tan x}{=} 2 \int_0^1 \frac{u^2 \sqrt{1 - u^2}}{1 + u^4} du \stackrel{u = \sin y}{=} \\
 &= 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin^2 y \cos^2 y}{1 + \sin^4 y} dy = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\csc^2 y \cot^2 y}{\csc^6 y + \csc^2 y} dy = \\
 &= 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\csc^2 y \cot^2 y}{(1 + \cot^2 y)((1 + \cot^2 y)^2 + 1)} dy \stackrel{u = \cot y}{=} 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{u^2 du}{((1 + u^2)^2 + 1)(1 + u^2)} = \\
 &\stackrel{P.F.}{=} 2 \left(\int_0^{\infty} \frac{u^2 + 2}{u^4 + 2u^2 + 2} du - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{du}{1 + u^2} \right) = 2 \left(\Phi - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \\
 \Phi &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{u^2 + 2}{u^4 + 2u^2 + 2} du = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{u^2 + 2}{u^4 + 2u^2 + 2} du \\
 \varphi(z) &= \frac{z^2 + 2}{z^4 + 2z^2 + 2} \text{ poles of } \varphi \\
 z^4 + 2z^2 + 2 &= 0 \Rightarrow t^2 + 2t + 2 = 0; (t = x^2) \\
 t_1 &= -1 + i = \sqrt{2} \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \text{ and } t_2 = -1 - i = \sqrt{2} e^{-\frac{3i\pi}{4}} \\
 \varphi(z) &= \frac{z^2 + 2}{\left(z^2 - \sqrt{2} e^{\frac{3i\pi}{4}} \right) \left(z^2 - \sqrt{2} e^{-\frac{3i\pi}{4}} \right)} \stackrel{\alpha = \sqrt[4]{2}}{=} \\
 &= \frac{z^2 + 2}{\left(z - \alpha e^{\frac{3i\pi}{8}} \right) \left(z + \alpha e^{\frac{3i\pi}{8}} \right) \left(z - \alpha e^{-\frac{3i\pi}{8}} \right) \left(z - \alpha e^{-\frac{3i\pi}{8}} \right)}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \int_R \varphi(z) dz = 2i\pi \left\{ \text{Res} \left(\varphi, \alpha e^{\frac{3i\pi}{8}} \right) + \text{Res} \left(\varphi, -\alpha e^{-\frac{3i\pi}{8}} \right) \right\}$$

$$\text{Res} \left(\varphi, \alpha e^{\frac{3i\pi}{8}} \right) = \frac{\alpha^2 e^{\frac{3i\pi}{4}}}{2\alpha e^{\frac{3i\pi}{8}} \sqrt{2} \left(2i \sin \frac{3\pi}{4} \right)} = \frac{\alpha^2 e^{\frac{3i\pi}{4}} + 2}{4i\alpha} e^{-\frac{3i\pi}{8}}$$

$$\text{Res} \left(\varphi, -\alpha e^{-\frac{3i\pi}{8}} \right) = \frac{\alpha^2 e^{-\frac{3i\pi}{4}}}{-2\alpha e^{\frac{3i\pi}{8}} (-\sqrt{2}) \left(2i \sin \frac{3\pi}{4} \right)} = \frac{\alpha^2 e^{-\frac{3i\pi}{4}} + 2}{4i\alpha} e^{\frac{3i\pi}{8}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \int_R \varphi(z) dz &= 2i\pi \left\{ \frac{\alpha^2 e^{\frac{3i\pi}{4}} + 2}{4i\alpha} e^{-\frac{3i\pi}{8}} + \frac{\alpha^2 e^{-\frac{3i\pi}{4}} + 2}{4i\alpha} e^{\frac{3i\pi}{8}} \right\} = \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2\alpha} \left\{ \alpha^2 e^{\frac{3i\pi}{8}} + 2e^{-\frac{3i\pi}{8}} + \alpha^2 e^{-\frac{3i\pi}{8}} + 2e^{\frac{3i\pi}{8}} \right\} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt[4]{2}} (2 + \sqrt{2}) \cos \frac{3\pi}{8} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Phi = \frac{1}{2} \int_R \varphi(z) dz = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt[4]{2}} (2 + \sqrt{2}) \cos \frac{3\pi}{8}$$

$$\Omega = 2 \left(\frac{\pi}{2\sqrt[4]{2}} (2 + \sqrt{2}) \cos \frac{3\pi}{8} - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) = \pi \left(\frac{2 + \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt[4]{2}} \cos \frac{3\pi}{8} - 1 \right)$$

Solution 2 by Kartick Chandra Betal-India

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sqrt{\tan x (1 - \tan x)} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{x(1-x)}}{1+x^2} dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{\sqrt{x-1}}{x(1+x^2)} dx = \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{\sqrt{x} dx}{(1+x)(x^2+2x+2)} = 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{x^2 dx}{(1+x^2)(x^4+2x^2+2)} = \\ &= 2 \int_0^\infty \left\{ \frac{1}{1+x^2} - \frac{1+x^2}{x^4+2x^2+2} \right\} dx = 2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} - \int_0^\infty \frac{A \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{x^2} \right) + B \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{x^2} \right)}{x^2 + \frac{2}{x^2} + 2} dx = \\ &= \pi - A \int_0^\infty \frac{d \left(x - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{x} \right)}{\left(x - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{x} \right)^2 + \left(\sqrt{2+2\sqrt{2}} \right)^2} - B \int_0^\infty \frac{d \left(x + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{x} \right)}{\left(x + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{x} \right)^2 - \left(\sqrt{2-2\sqrt{2}} \right)^2} = \\ &= \pi - \frac{A}{\sqrt{2+2\sqrt{2}}} \cdot \pi - \frac{B}{2\sqrt{2\sqrt{2}-2}} \left[\log \left(\frac{x^2 - x\sqrt{2\sqrt{2}-2} + \sqrt{2}}{x^2 - x\sqrt{2\sqrt{2}-2} + \sqrt{2}} \right) \right]_0^\infty = \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \pi \left(1 - \frac{A}{\sqrt{2+2\sqrt{2}}} \right) = \pi \left(1 - \frac{2+\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{2+2\sqrt{2}}} \right) = \pi \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{1+\sqrt{2}}}{2} \right)$$

$$A+B=2, A-B=\sqrt{2}; A=\frac{2+\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

1672. Find:

$$\Omega = \int_0^1 \frac{x \cdot \log^2 x}{x^8 + x^4 + 1} dx$$

Proposed by Hussain Reza Zadah-Afghanistan

Solution 1 by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_0^1 \frac{x \cdot \log^2 x}{x^8 + x^4 + 1} dx = \frac{1}{8} \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2 x}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx = \frac{1}{8} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-x^2) \log^2 x}{1-x^6} dx \stackrel{t=x^6}{=} \\ &= \frac{1}{1728} \int_0^1 \frac{\left(x^{\frac{1}{6}-1} - x^{\frac{1}{2}-1}\right) \log^2 t}{1-t} dt = \frac{1}{1728} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left\{ \psi^{(2)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \psi^{(2)}\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) \right\} = \\ &= \frac{1}{1728} \{168\zeta(3) + 4\sqrt{3}\pi^3\} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \int_0^1 \frac{x \cdot \log^2 x}{x^8 + x^4 + 1} dx = \frac{7\zeta(3)}{72} + \frac{\pi^3}{144\sqrt{3}}$$

Solution 2 by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_0^1 \frac{x \cdot \log^2 x}{x^8 + x^4 + 1} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{(x - x^5) \log^2 x}{1 - x^{12}} dx = \Omega_1 - \Omega_2 \\ \Omega_1 &= \int_0^1 \frac{x \log^2 x}{1 - x^{12}} dx \stackrel{x=\sqrt[12]{y}}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt[12]{y}}{1-y} \log^2 \sqrt[12]{y} \frac{1}{12 \sqrt[12]{y^{11}}} dy = \\ &= \frac{1}{1728} \int_0^1 \frac{y^{-\frac{5}{6}}}{1-y} \log^2 y dy = \frac{1}{1728} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 y^{k-\frac{5}{6}} \log^2 y dy \\ &\quad \because \int_0^1 y^{k-\frac{5}{6}} \log^2 y dy = \frac{2}{\left(k + \frac{1}{6}\right)^3} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Omega_1 = \frac{1}{864} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(k + \frac{1}{6}\right)^3}; (\because \psi_n(z) = (-1)^{n+1} n! \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(z+k)^{n+1}})$$

$$\psi_2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) = (-1)^{2+1} 2! \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(k + \frac{1}{6}\right)^3} \Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(k + \frac{1}{6}\right)^3} = -\frac{\psi_2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)}{2}$$

$$\Omega_1 = -\frac{\psi_2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)}{1728}$$

$$\Omega_2 = \int_0^1 \frac{x^5 \log^2 x}{1-x^{12}} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{{}^{12}\sqrt{y^5} \log^2 {}^{12}\sqrt{y}}{1-y} \cdot \frac{1}{12 {}^{12}\sqrt{y^{11}}} dy = \frac{1}{1728} \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2 y}{(1-y)\sqrt[12]{y}} dy =$$

$$= \frac{1}{1728} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 y^{k-\frac{1}{2}} \log^2 y dy$$

$$\because \int_0^1 y^{k-\frac{1}{2}} \log^2 y dy = \frac{2}{\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right)^3}$$

$$\Omega_2 = \frac{1}{864} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right)^3} = -\frac{\psi_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{1728}; (\because \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right)^3} = -\frac{\psi_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{2})$$

$$\Omega_2 = -\frac{\psi_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{1728}$$

$$\Omega = \frac{\psi_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \psi_2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)}{1728} = \frac{168\zeta(3) + 4\sqrt{3}\pi^2}{1728}$$

Solution 3 by Ose Favour-Nigeria

$$\Omega = \int_0^1 \frac{x \cdot \log^2 x}{x^8 + x^4 + 1} dx \stackrel{u=x^2}{=} \frac{1}{8} \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2 u}{u^4 + u^2 + 1} du$$

$$\Omega(a) = \int_0^1 \frac{u^a}{u^4 + u^2 + 1} du = \int_0^1 \frac{u^a(1-u^2)}{1-u^6} du$$

$$\Omega(a) = \Phi(a) - \Psi(a)$$

$$\Phi(a) = \int_0^1 \frac{u^a}{1-u^6} du = \int_0^1 \frac{u^a}{1-u^6} du = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 u^{a+6n} du = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a+6n+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Psi(a) &= \int_0^1 \frac{u^{a+2}}{1-u^6} du = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 u^{a+2+6n} du = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a+6n+3} \\ \Omega(a) &= - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a+6n+3} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a+6n+1} \\ &\quad \because \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+a} = -\psi^{(0)}(a) \\ \Omega(a) &= -\frac{1}{6} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+\frac{a+3}{6}} + \frac{1}{6} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+\frac{a+1}{6}} = \frac{1}{6} \psi^{(0)}\left(\frac{a+3}{6}\right) - \frac{1}{6} \psi^{(0)}\left(\frac{a+1}{6}\right) \\ \Omega'(a) &= \frac{1}{36} \left(\psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{a+3}{6}\right) - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{a+1}{6}\right) \right) \\ \Omega''(a) &= \frac{1}{216} \left(\psi^{(2)}\left(\frac{a+3}{6}\right) - \psi^{(2)}\left(\frac{a+1}{6}\right) \right) \\ \Omega &= \frac{1}{8} \Omega''(0) = \frac{\psi_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \psi_2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)}{1728} = \frac{168\zeta(3) + 4\sqrt{3}\pi^2}{1728}\end{aligned}$$

Solution 4 by Yen Tung Chung-Taichung-Taiwan

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \int_0^1 \frac{x \cdot \log^2 x}{x^8 + x^4 + 1} dx \stackrel{y=x^2}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2(\sqrt{y})}{y^4 + y^2 + 1} \cdot \frac{1}{2} dy = \frac{1}{8} \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2 y}{y^4 + y^2 + 1} dy \stackrel{y=e^{-z}}{=} \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{z^2 e^{-z}}{1 + e^{-2z} + e^{-4z}} dz = \frac{1}{8} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{z^2 (e^{-z} - e^{-3z})}{1 - e^{-6z}} dz = \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \int_0^{\infty} z^2 (e^{-z} + e^{-7z} + e^{-13z} + \dots) dz - \frac{1}{8} \int_0^{\infty} z^2 (e^{-3z} + e^{-9z} + e^{-15z} + \dots) dz = \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{\Gamma(3)}{1^3} + \frac{\Gamma(3)}{7^3} + \frac{\Gamma(3)}{13^3} + \dots \right) - \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{\Gamma(3)}{3^3} + \frac{\Gamma(3)}{9^3} + \frac{\Gamma(3)}{15^3} + \dots \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{1^3} - \frac{1}{3^3} + \frac{1}{7^3} - \frac{1}{9^3} + \frac{1}{13^3} - \frac{1}{15^3} + \dots \right) \cong 0.24117\end{aligned}$$

Solution 5 by Abdul Mukhtar-Nigeria

$$\begin{aligned}x^8 + x^4 + 1 &= \frac{1-x^{12}}{1-x^4} \Rightarrow \Omega = \int_0^1 \frac{x \cdot \log^2 x}{x^8 + x^4 + 1} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{x \log^2 x}{1-x^{12}} dx - \int_0^1 \frac{x^5 \log^2 x}{1-x^{12}} dx = \\ &= H - J \\ \int_0^1 \frac{x^{p-1} \log^2 x}{1-x^{12}} dx &\stackrel{x=e^{-t}}{=} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-tp} t^2}{1-e^{12t}} dt = \int_0^{\infty} t^2 e^{-tp} \sum_{k \geq 0} e^{-12kt} dt =\end{aligned}$$

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$$= \sum_{k \geq 0} \left[\int_0^{\infty} t^2 e^{-t(p+12k)} dt \right] = \sum_{k \geq 0} \left[\frac{1}{(p+12k)^3} \int_0^{\infty} t^2 e^{-t} dt \right] = \Gamma(3) = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{(p+12k)^3} = \frac{1}{864} \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{\left(k + \frac{p}{12}\right)^3}$$

$$\zeta(s, p) = \sum_{n > 0} \frac{1}{(n+p)^s}$$

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{864} \left[\zeta\left(3, \frac{1}{6}\right) - \zeta\left(3, \frac{1}{2}\right) \right] = \frac{1}{432} (42\zeta(3) - 53\pi^3)$$

1673. If we have $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\cos^2 2x+1}{a \cos^2 2x+1} dx = \pi a$, then find the value of

$$\Phi = a^5 + a^4 + 8a^3 + 8a^2 - 32a.$$

Proposed by Srinivasa Raghava-AIRMC-India

Solution by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\cos^2 2x + 1}{a \cos^2 2x + 1} dx = 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos^2 2x + 1}{a \cos^2 2x + 1} dx \stackrel{t=\tan x; a+1=b^2}{=} \\ &= 8 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1+t^4}{(b^2+t^2)(1+t^2)^2} dt = \\ &= \frac{8(b^4+1)}{(b^2-1)^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt}{b^2+t^2} + \frac{16}{b^2-1} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt}{(1+t^2)^2} - \frac{16b^2}{(b^2-1)^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt}{1+t^2} = \\ &= \frac{4\pi(b^4+1)}{b(b^2-1)^2} + \frac{4\pi}{b^2-1} - \frac{8\pi^2}{(b^2-1)^2} = \frac{4\pi(b^2+b+1)}{b(b+1)^2} \\ \frac{4\pi(b^2+b+1)}{b(b+1)^2} &= \pi(b^2-1) \Rightarrow 4b^2+4b+4 = b^5+2b^4-6b^2-5b-4 = 0 \\ b &= \frac{2b^4-6b^2-4}{5-b^4}; \sqrt{a+1} = \frac{2a^2-2a-8}{4-a^2-2a} \\ a+1 &= \frac{4a^4-8a^3-28a^2+32a+64}{a^4+4a^3-4a^2-16a+16} \\ \Phi &= a^5 + a^4 + 8a^3 + 8a^2 - 32a = 48 \end{aligned}$$

1674. If $0 < a \leq b < \frac{\pi}{2}$ then:

$$3 \int_a^b \sin x \cdot \sinh x dx \leq b^3 - a^3$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

Solution by Adrian Popa-Romania

$$b^3 - a^3 = x^3 \Big|_a^b = \int_a^b 3x^2 dx$$

We must to prove:

$$3 \int_a^b \sin x \cdot \sinh x dx \leq 3 \int_a^b x^2 dx$$

$$\sin x \cdot \sinh x \leq x^2, x \in [a, b]$$

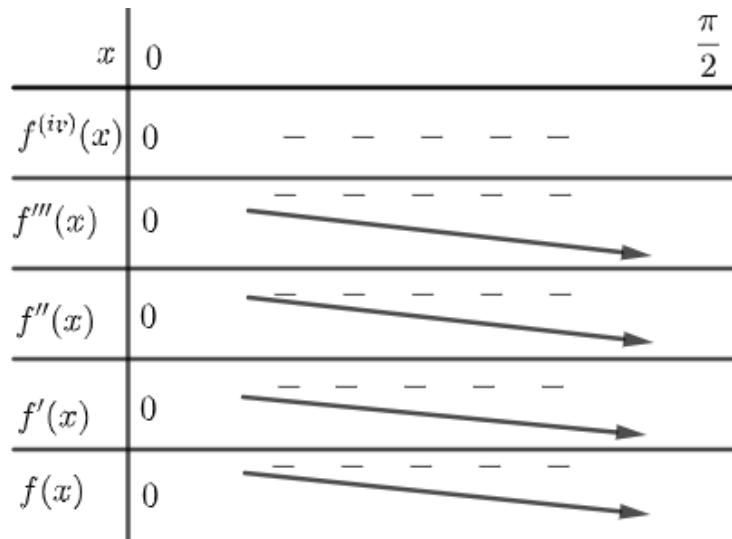
Let $f(x) = \sin x \cdot \sinh x - x^2$; $f(0) = 0$, then

$$f'(x) = \cos x \cdot \sinh x + \sin x \cdot \cosh x - 2x; f'(0) = 0$$

$$f''(x) = 2 \cos x \cdot \cosh x - 2; f''(0) = 0$$

$$f'''(x) = 2(-\sin x \cdot \cosh x + \cos x \cdot \sinh x); f'''(x) = 0$$

$$f^{(iv)}(x) = -2 \sin x \cdot \sinh x \leq 0; f^{(iv)}(0) = 0$$



Thus, $f(x) \leq 0, \forall x \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \Rightarrow \sin x \cdot \sinh x \leq x^2, x \in [a, b]$

$$3 \int_a^b \sin x \cdot \sinh x dx \leq 3 \int_a^b x^2 dx$$

1675. $f \in C^2([a, b])$, $0 < a \leq b$, $\int_a^b f(x) dx = 0$

Prove that:

$$(f(b) + f(a))^2 \leq \frac{b-a}{3} \int_a^b (f'(x))^2 dx$$

Proposed by Seyran Ibrahimov-Maasilli-Azerbaijan

Solution by Chris Kyriazis-Greece

$$\int_a^b \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2 dx = \left[\frac{1}{3} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)^3 \right]_a^b = \frac{(b-a)^3}{24} - \frac{(a-b)^3}{24} = \frac{(b-a)^3}{12}; \quad (1)$$

$$\int_a^b (f'(x))^2 dx \cdot \int_a^b \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2 dx \stackrel{CBS}{\geq} \left[\int_a^b f'(x) \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right) dx \right]^2 \stackrel{(1)}{\Rightarrow}$$

$$\frac{(b-a)^3}{12} \int_a^b (f'(x))^2 dx \geq \left[\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right) f(x) \Big|_a^b - \underbrace{\int_a^b f(x) dx}_0 \right]^2$$

$$\frac{(b-a)^3}{12} \int_a^b (f'(x))^2 dx \geq \left[\frac{b-a}{2} f(b) + \frac{b-a}{2} f(a) \right]^2$$

$$\frac{(b-a)^3}{12} \int_a^b (f'(x))^2 dx \geq \frac{(b-a)^2}{4} (f(a) + f(b))^2$$

$$(f(b) + f(a))^2 \leq \frac{b-a}{3} \int_a^b (f'(x))^2 dx$$

1676. If $f \in C^2([a, b])$, $0 < a < b$, $f(a) = f(b)$ then:

$$(f'(b))^2 \leq \frac{b-a}{3} \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx$$

Proposed by Seyran Ibrahimov-Maasilli-Azerbaijan

Solution by proposer

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b (x-a) f''(x) dx &= \int_a^b (x-a) d(f'(x)) = \\ &= (x-a) f'(x) \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b f'(x) d(x-a) = \\ &= (b-a) f'(b) - \int_a^b f'(x) dx = (b-a) f'(b) - f(x) \Big|_a^b = \end{aligned}$$

$$= (b-a)f'(b) - f(b) + f(a) = (b-a)f'(b); (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\int_a^b (x-a)f''(x) dx \right)^2 &\stackrel{CBS}{\leq} \int_a^b (x-a)^2 dx \cdot \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx = \\ &= \frac{(x-a)^3}{3} \Big|_a^b \cdot \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx = \frac{(b-a)^3}{3} \cdot \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx; (2) \end{aligned}$$

From (1) and (2), we get:

$$(b-a)^2(f'(b))^2 \leq \frac{(b-a)^3}{3} \cdot \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx$$

Therefore,

$$(f'(b))^2 \leq \frac{b-a}{3} \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx$$

1677. $f \in C^2([a, b])$, $a < b$, $f(a) = f(b)$. Prove that:

$$3 \cdot \max\left((f'(a))^2, (f'(b))^2\right) \leq (b-a) \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx$$

Proposed by Seyran Ibrahimov-Maasilli-Azerbaijan

Solution by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b (x-a)f''(x) dx &= [(x-a)f'(x)]_a^b - \int_a^b f'(x) dx = \\ &= (b-a)f'(b) - f(b) + f(a) = (b-a)f'(b) \\ \left(\int_a^b (x-a)f''(x) dx \right)^2 &\stackrel{CBS}{\leq} \int_a^b (x-a)^2 dx \cdot \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx \\ \left(\int_a^b (x-a)f''(x) dx \right)^2 &\leq \frac{(b-a)^3}{3} \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx \\ (b-a)^2(f'(b))^2 &\leq \frac{(b-a)^3}{3} \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx \\ (f'(b))^2 &\leq \frac{b-a}{3} \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx; (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_a^b (b-x)f''(x) dx = [(b-x)f'(x)]_a^b + \int_a^b f'(x) dx =$$

$$= -(b-a)f'(x) + f(b) - f(a) = -(b-a)f'(a)$$

$$\left(\int_a^b (b-x)f''(x)dx \right)^2 \stackrel{CBS}{\leq} \int_a^b (b-x)^2 dx \cdot \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx$$

$$(b-a)^2(f'(a))^2 \leq \int_a^b (b-x)^2 dx \cdot \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx$$

$$(b-a)(f'(a))^2 \leq \frac{(b-a)^3}{3} \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx$$

$$(f'(a))^2 \leq \frac{b-a}{3} \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx; (2)$$

From (1) and (2), we get:

$$3 \cdot \max\left((f'(a))^2, (f'(b))^2\right) \leq (b-a) \int_a^b (f''(x))^2 dx$$

1678. Prove that the following equality holds:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_{2n}}{n2^{4n}} \binom{4n}{2n} = \frac{5\pi^2}{12} - \frac{\log^2 2}{2} - 4Li_2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + 2\log^2(\delta_S) + \frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\log(17+12\sqrt{2})$$

where H_n is Skew Harmonic sum, $Li_2(x)$ is dilogarithm function and δ_S is Silver ratio.

Proposed by Naren Bhandari-Bajura-Nepal

Solution by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_{2n}}{n2^{4n}} \binom{4n}{2n}$$

$$(\because) H_{2n} = \log 2 - \int_0^1 \frac{x^{2n}}{1+x} dx; \frac{1}{2^{4n}} \binom{4n}{2n} = \frac{B\left(2n+\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)}{\pi} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{4n} x dx$$

$$\Omega = \log 2 \overbrace{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\binom{4n}{2n}}{n2^{4n}}}^A - \overbrace{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\binom{4n}{2n}}{n2^{4n}} \int_0^1 \frac{x^{2n}}{1+x} dx}^B$$

$$A = \frac{2\log 2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{4n} x dx = -\frac{2\log 2}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(1 - \sin^4 x) dx =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -\frac{2 \log 2}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(\cos x) dx - \frac{2 \log 2}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(1 + \sin^2 x) dx = \\
 &= 2 \log^2 2 - \frac{2 \log 2}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(\cos^2 x + 2 \sin^2 x) dx = 2 \log^2 2 - 2 \log 2 \log\left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{2}}{2}\right) = \\
 &= 4 \log^2 2 + \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \log[(1 + \sqrt{2})]^4 = 4 \log^2 2 + \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \log(17 + 12\sqrt{2})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \binom{4n}{2n} x^{2n} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+4x}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-4x}} \right) - 1; \left(|x| < \frac{1}{4} \right). \text{ Take } 4x = t,$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \binom{4n}{2n} \frac{t^{2n-1}}{2^{4n}} = \frac{1}{2t} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-t}} \right) - \frac{1}{t}$$

Integrating both sides, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \binom{4n}{2n} \frac{x^{2n}}{n 2^{4n}} &= \int_0^x \frac{1}{t} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-t}} - 2 \right) dt = \\
 &= \left[\log \left| \frac{\sqrt{t+1}-1}{\sqrt{t+1}+1} \right| + \log \left| \frac{\sqrt{1-t}-1}{\sqrt{1-t}+1} \right| - 2 \log t \right]_0^x
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \binom{4n}{2n} \frac{x^{2n}}{n 2^{4n}} = \log \left| \frac{\sqrt{x+1}-1}{\sqrt{x+1}+1} \right| + \log \left| \frac{\sqrt{1-x}-1}{\sqrt{1-x}+1} \right| - 2 \log x + 4 \log 2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 B &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x+1} \cdot \log \left(\frac{\sqrt{x+1}-1}{\sqrt{x+1}+1} \right) dx + \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x+1} \cdot \log \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{1-x}}{1+\sqrt{1-x}} \right) dx - \\
 &\quad - 2 \int_0^1 \frac{\log x - 2 \log 2}{x+1} dx = B_1 + B_2 + B_3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_1 &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x+1} \cdot \log \left(\frac{\sqrt{x+1}-1}{\sqrt{x+1}+1} \right) dx \stackrel{y^2=\frac{1}{x+1}}{=} 2 \int_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}^1 \frac{1}{y} \log \left(\frac{1-y}{1+y} \right) dy = \\
 &= 2 \left[-2 \operatorname{Li}_2(y) + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Li}_2(y^2) \right]_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}^1 = -3 \operatorname{Li}_2(1) + 4 \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) - \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$B_2 = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x+1} \cdot \log \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{1-x}}{1+\sqrt{1-x}} \right) dx \stackrel{IBP}{=}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left[\log \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{1-x}}{1 + \sqrt{1-x}} \right) \log(1+x) \right]_0^1 - \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1+x)}{x\sqrt{1-x}} dx = - \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1+x)}{x\sqrt{1-x}} dx \stackrel{x=\sin^2 x}{=} \\
 &= -2 \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1+\sin^2 x)}{\sin x} dx = 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2k-1} x dx = \\
 &= \sqrt{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k \Gamma(k)}{k \Gamma(k + \frac{1}{2})} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-4)^k \Gamma^2(k)}{2k \Gamma(2k)} = -2 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-4)^k (k!)^2}{(k+1)(2k+1)!} = -2(\sinh^{-1}(1))^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$B_2 = -2 \log^2(\delta_S)$$

$$B_3 = -2 \int_0^1 \frac{\log x - 2 \log 2}{x+1} dx = \frac{\pi^2}{6} + 4 \log^2 2$$

$$B = 4Li_2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \log^2 2 - \frac{7\pi^2}{12} - 2 \log^2(\delta_S) + \frac{\pi^2}{6} + 4 \log^2 2$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_{2n}}{n2^{4n}} \binom{4n}{2n} = \frac{5\pi^2}{12} - \frac{\log^2 2}{2} - 4Li_2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + 2 \log^2(\delta_S) + \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \log(17 + 12\sqrt{2})$$

1679. If $f: \mathbb{R}_+^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+^*$ is continuous function, $(x_n)_{n \geq 1}$, $x_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k}$, then prove:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{e^{x_n}}^{e^{x_{n+1}}} \frac{f(x - e^{x_n})}{f(e^{x_{n+1}} - x) + f(x - e^{x_n})} dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (e^{x_n} - ne^{\gamma})$$

Proposed by D.M. Băţineţu-Giurgiu, Neculai Stanciu-Romania

Solution 1 by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_n &= \int_{e^{x_n}}^{e^{x_{n+1}}} \frac{f(x - e^{x_n})}{f(e^{x_{n+1}} - x) + f(x - e^{x_n})} dx \stackrel{x=e^{x_n}+e^{x_{n+1}}-y}{=} \\
 &= \int_{e^{x_n}}^{e^{x_{n+1}}} \frac{f((e^{x_n} + e^{x_{n+1}} - y) - e^{x_n})}{f(e^{x_{n+1}} - (e^{x_n} + e^{x_{n+1}} - y)) + f((e^{x_n} + e^{x_{n+1}} - y) - e^{x_n})} dy = \\
 &= \int_{e^{x_n}}^{e^{x_{n+1}}} \frac{f(y - e^{x_n})}{f(e^{x_{n+1}} - y) + f(y - e^{x_n})} dy
 \end{aligned}$$

$$2I_n = \int_{e^{x_n}}^{e^{x_{n+1}}} \frac{f(y - e^{x_n}) + f(e^{x_{n+1}} - y)}{f(e^{x_{n+1}} - y) + f(y - e^{x_n})} dy = \int_{e^{x_n}}^{e^{x_{n+1}}} dy$$

$$\Rightarrow I_n = \frac{e^{x_{n+1}} - e^{x_n}}{2} = e^{x_n} - \frac{3e^{x_n} - e^{x_{n+1}}}{2}$$

$$x_n \cong \log n + \gamma$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} I_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(e^{x_n} - \frac{3e^{x_n} - e^{x_{n+1}}}{2} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3e^{x_n} - e^{x_{n+1}}}{2} =$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} ne^{\gamma} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (e^{x_n} - ne^{\gamma})$$

Solution 2 by Marian Ursărescu-Romania

$$\text{Let } I = \int_a^b \frac{f(x-a)}{f(b-x) + f(x-a)} dx \stackrel{x=a+b-t}{=} \int_a^b \frac{f(b-t)}{f(b-t) + f(t-a)} dt; (1)$$

$$\text{Let } J = \int_a^b \frac{f(b-x)}{f(b-x) + f(x-a)} dx \stackrel{(1)}{=} I$$

$$I + J = \int_a^b dx = b - a \Rightarrow I = J = \frac{b-a}{2}$$

$$\int_{e^{x_n}}^{e^{x_{n+1}}} \frac{f(x - e^{x_n})}{f(e^{x_{n+1}} - x) + f(x - e^{x_n})} dx = \frac{e^{x_{n+1}} - e^{x_n}}{2}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{e^{x_n}}^{e^{x_{n+1}}} \frac{f(x - e^{x_n})}{f(e^{x_{n+1}} - x) + f(x - e^{x_n})} dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{x_{n+1}} - e^{x_n}}{2} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{x_n} (e^{x_{n+1} - x_n} - 1) = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{x_n} \left(e^{\frac{1}{n+1}} - 1 \right)}{\frac{1}{n+1} \cdot (n+1)} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{x_n}}{n+1} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} \cdot \frac{e^{x_n}}{n} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{x_n}}{e^{\log n}} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{x_n - \log n} = \frac{1}{2} e^{\gamma}; (3)$$

Now, we have:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (e^{x_n} - ne^{\gamma}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (e^{x_n} - e^{\log n} e^{\gamma}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{\log n} (e^{x_n - \log n} - e^{\gamma}) =$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n (e^{x_n - \log n} - e^{\gamma}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{x_n - \log n} - e^{\gamma}}{\frac{1}{n}} \stackrel{C-S}{=}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{x_{n+1} - \log(n+1)} - e^{x_n - \log n}}{\frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{x_n - \log n} (e^{x_{n+1} - \log(n+1) - x_n + \log n} - 1)}{-\frac{1}{n(n+1)}} =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{x_n}}{n} \cdot \frac{e^{\frac{1}{n+1} - \log(n+1) + \log n} - 1}{-\frac{1}{n(n+1)}} = \\
 &= - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{x_n} \cdot \frac{e^{\frac{1}{n+1} - \log(n+1) + \log n} - 1}{\frac{1}{n+1} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{n+1} - \log(n+1) + \log n \right)} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{n+1} - \log(n+1) + \log n \right) = \\
 &= - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n+1) e^{x_n} \cdot \frac{1 - (n+1) \log\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)}{n+1} = - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{x_n}}{e^{\log n}} \cdot \frac{1 - (n+1) \log\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)}{\frac{1}{n}} \\
 &= - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{x_n - \log n} \cdot \frac{1 - (n+1) \log\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)}{\frac{1}{n}} = -e^\gamma \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x + (x+1) \log(1+x)}{x^2} \stackrel{L'H}{=} \\
 &= -e^\gamma \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \log(1+x) - 1}{2x} = -e^\gamma \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\log(1+x)}{2x} = \frac{e^\gamma}{2}; (4)
 \end{aligned}$$

From (3) and (4), we get:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{e^{x_n}}^{e^{x_{n+1}}} \frac{f(x - e^{x_n})}{f(e^{x_{n+1}} - x) + f(x - e^{x_n})} dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (e^{x_n} - ne^\gamma)$$

1680. Find:

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{(2n-1)!!} \left(\sin \left(\frac{\pi^{n+1} \sqrt{(n+1)!}}{2^n \sqrt[n]{n!}} \right) - 1 \right)$$

Proposed by Shivam Sharma, Anisha Garg-India

Solution 1 by Asmat Qatea-Afghanistan

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2n-1)!! &= \frac{(2n)!}{2^n n!}, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{n!}}{n} = \frac{1}{e} \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n! = \sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e} \right)^n \\
 \Omega &= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{(2n)!}}{\sqrt[n]{n!}} \left(\sin \left(\frac{\pi^{n+1} \sqrt{n+1} \cdot (n+1)}{2 \cdot \frac{\sqrt[n]{n}}{n} \cdot n} \right) - 1 \right) =
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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\sqrt{4\pi n} \left(\frac{2n}{e} \right)^{2n} \right)^{\frac{1}{n}}}{\left(\sqrt{2n\pi} \left(\frac{n}{e} \right)^n \right)^{\frac{1}{n}}} \left(\sin \left(\frac{\pi(n+1)}{2n} \right) - 1 \right) = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4n^2}{\frac{n^2}{e^2}} \left(\sin \left(\frac{\pi(n+1)}{2n} \right) - 1 \right) = \frac{2}{e} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left(\sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2n} \right) - 1 \right) = \\
 &= \frac{2}{e} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left(\cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2n} \right) - 1 \right) = \frac{2}{e} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left(1 - \frac{\left(\frac{\pi}{2n} \right)^2}{2!} + \frac{\left(\frac{\pi}{2n} \right)^4}{4!} - \dots - 1 \right) = \\
 &= \frac{2}{e} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(-\frac{\pi^2}{2! \cdot 4n} + \frac{\pi^4}{4! \cdot 2^4 n^3} - \dots \right) = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{(2n-1)!!} \left(\sin \left(\frac{\pi^{n+1} \sqrt{(n+1)!}}{2^n \sqrt[n]{n!}} \right) - 1 \right) = 0$$

Solution 2 by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{(2n-1)!!} \left(\sin \left(\frac{\pi^{n+1} \sqrt{(n+1)!}}{2^n \sqrt[n]{n!}} \right) - 1 \right) = \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{(2n)!} \left(\sin \left(\frac{\pi^{n+1} \sqrt{(n+1)!}}{2^n \sqrt[n]{n!}} \right) - 1 \right) = \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{(2n)!} \frac{\left(\sin \left(\frac{\pi^{n+1} \sqrt{(n+1)!}}{2^n \sqrt[n]{n!}} \right) - 1 \right)}{\frac{n^{n+1} \sqrt{(n+1)!}}{2^n \sqrt[n]{n!}} - 1} \left(\frac{n^{n+1} \sqrt{(n+1)!}}{2^n \sqrt[n]{n!}} - 1 \right) \\
 n! &\cong \sqrt{2n\pi} \left(\frac{n}{e} \right)^n ; \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sin \frac{\pi}{2} x - 1}{(x-1)^2} = -1 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin \left(\frac{\pi^{n+1} \sqrt{(n+1)!}}{2^n \sqrt[n]{n!}} \right) - 1}{\frac{n^{n+1} \sqrt{(n+1)!}}{2^n \sqrt[n]{n!}} - 1} = -1 \\
 \sqrt[n]{(2n)!} &\cong \frac{\sqrt{2\pi(n+1)} \left(\frac{n+1}{e} \right)^{n+1}}{\sqrt{2n\pi} \left(\frac{n}{e} \right)^n} = \left(\frac{n+1}{n} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\pi^{n+1} \sqrt{(n+1)!}}{n \sqrt[n]{n!}} - 1 \right)^2 &\cong \frac{\left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} - 1 \right)}{\frac{1}{n}} \cdot \frac{\left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} - 1 \right)}{\frac{1}{n}} \cdot \frac{1}{n^2} \\ \sqrt[n]{\frac{(2n)!}{2^n n!}} \left(\frac{\pi^{n+1} \sqrt{(n+1)!}}{n \sqrt[n]{n!}} - 1 \right)^2 &\cong \frac{2n}{e} \frac{\left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} - 1 \right)}{\frac{1}{n}} \cdot \frac{\left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} - 1 \right)}{\frac{1}{n}} \cdot \frac{1}{n^2} = \\ &= \frac{2n}{e} \frac{\left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} - 1 \right)}{\frac{1}{n}} \cdot \frac{\left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} - 1 \right)}{\frac{1}{n}} \cdot \frac{2}{ne} \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

Because:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} - 1 \right)}{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x)^{\frac{3}{2}} - 1}{x} \stackrel{L'H}{=} 1$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{(2n-1)!!} \left(\sin \left(\frac{\pi^{n+1} \sqrt{(n+1)!}}{2^n \sqrt[n]{n!}} \right) - 1 \right) = 0$$

1681. Find:

$$\Omega = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0_+} \frac{\log(\sin x) + \log(\cos x) + \log(\tan x) + \log(\cot x)}{\log(\sin 2x) + \log(\cos 3x) + \log(\tan 4x) + \log(\cot 5x)}$$

Proposed by Hikmat Mammadov-Azerbaijan

Solution by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0_+} \frac{\log(\sin x) + \log(\cos x) + \log(\tan x) + \log(\cot x)}{\log(\sin 2x) + \log(\cos 3x) + \log(\tan 4x) + \log(\cot 5x)} = \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0_+} \frac{\log(\cos x \cdot \sin x)}{\log(\cos 3x \cdot \sin 2x \cdot \tan 4x \cdot \cot 5x)} = \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0_+} \frac{\log \left(\frac{\sin x \cdot \cos x}{x} \right) + \log x}{\log \left(\frac{\sin 2x \cdot \cos 3x \cdot \tan 4x \cdot \cot 5x}{2x \cdot 4x} \right) + \log 8 + 2 \log x} = \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\log x}{\log(\cot 5x) + \log 8 + 2 \log x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{\frac{\log(\cot 5x)}{\log x} + 2} = \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{\frac{\log(\cot 5x) - \log(\sin 5x)}{\log x} + 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{-\log\left(\frac{\sin 5x}{5x}\right) - \log 5x + 2} = \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{-\frac{\log 5x}{\log x} + 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{-\frac{\log 5 - \log x}{\log x} + 2} = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

1682. If $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}; m, n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ and $\phi(x, y, z; m, n) =$

$\frac{1}{y} \frac{\partial^m}{\partial x^m} \frac{\partial^n}{\partial x^n} \left(\frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \Gamma\left(z - \frac{x}{y}\right)}{\Gamma(z)} \right)$ then find the conditions imposed on x, y and z such that

the following relationship holds:

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} (-y)^k \phi(yz - x, y, z; m + k, n - k) = (-1)^m \phi(x, y, z; m, n)$$

Proposed by Angad Singh-India

Solution by proposer

It is known from the properties of Beta and Gamma function that,

$$I = \int_0^\infty \frac{t^{x-1}}{(1+t^y)^z} dt = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \Gamma\left(z - \frac{x}{y}\right)}{y \Gamma(z)} \text{ thus,}$$

$$\phi(x, y, z; m, n) = (-1)^n \int_0^\infty \frac{t^{x-1} \log^m(t) \log^n(1+t^y)}{(1+t^y)^z} dt$$

Substituting $t = \frac{1}{x}$ in the above integral and then expanding $(\log(1+t^y) - \log(t^y))^n$, using binomial theorem and simplifying in further, we obtain the desired series in L.H.S..

Notice that ϕ will exists iff the above integral converges. Observe that, converges of

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{t^{x-1}}{(1+t^y)^z} dt \Rightarrow \int_0^\infty (-1)^n \frac{t^{x-1} \log^m(t) \log^n(1+t^y)}{(1+t^y)^z} dt, \text{ converges. Now,}$$

$$\frac{t^{x-1}}{(1+t^y)^z} = O\left(\frac{1}{t^{yz-x+1}}\right) \Rightarrow \int_0^\infty \frac{t^{x-1}}{(1+t^y)^z} dt = O\left(\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{t^{yz-x+1}} dt\right)$$

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Thus, integral I will converge if $yz - x + 1 > 1 \Rightarrow x < yz$.

Observe again that,

$$I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{t^{x-1}}{(1+t^y)^z} dt = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{t^{yz-x-1}}{(1+t^y)^z} dt = o\left(\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{t^{x+1}} dt\right)$$

Thus, integral I will converge if $x + 1 > 1 \Rightarrow x > 0$.

Now, y and z cannot be less than zero since that will lead to a contradiction.

Let $y = -u$ and $z = -v$, where u and v are positive real numbers, following the same line of proof we obtain, $x < 0$ and $x > uv$, which is not possible. Therefore, the integral I converges and the series exists if $0 < x < yz$; $y > 0, z > 0$.

1683. Prove that :

$$\int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} (2 \sin x + 2 \cos x + \sqrt{2})^5 dx > 243\sqrt{2}$$

Proposed by Pavlos Trifon-Greece

Solution 1 by Mohamed Amine Ben Ajiba-Tanger-Morocco

Lemma : $\forall a, b, c > 0, \quad (a + b + c)^5 \geq 81abc(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof : } (a + b + c)^5 &= \frac{(a + b + c)^6}{a + b + c} \\ &= \frac{[(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) + (ab + bc + ca) + (ab + bc + ca)]^3}{a + b + c} \geq \\ &\stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \frac{3^3 \cdot (a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \cdot (ab + bc + ca) \cdot (ab + bc + ca)}{a + b + c} \\ &= \frac{3^3 \cdot (a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \cdot (ab + bc + ca)^2}{a + b + c} \geq \\ &\geq \frac{3^3 \cdot (a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \cdot 3(ab \cdot bc + bc \cdot ca + ca \cdot ab)}{a + b + c} = 81abc(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow (a + b + c)^5 \geq 81abc(a^2 + b^2 + c^2), \forall a, b, c > 0$ with equality iff $a = b = c$.

For $a = 2 \sin x, b = 2 \cos x, c = \sqrt{2}$, where $x \in \left[\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{3}\right]$, we have :

$$\begin{aligned} (2 \sin x + 2 \cos x + \sqrt{2})^5 &\geq 81 \cdot 2 \sin x \cdot 2 \cos x \cdot \sqrt{2} \cdot (4 \sin^2 x + 4 \cos^2 x + 2) \\ &= 972\sqrt{2} \cdot \sin 2x \end{aligned}$$

With equality iff $2 \sin x = 2 \cos x = \sqrt{2}$ or $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} (2 \sin x + 2 \cos x + \sqrt{2})^5 dx &> 972\sqrt{2} \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \sin 2x dx = \\
 &= 972\sqrt{2} \left(\frac{-\cos(2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{3})}{2} - \frac{-\cos(2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{4})}{2} \right) = 972\sqrt{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = 243\sqrt{2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} (2 \sin x + 2 \cos x + \sqrt{2})^5 dx > 243\sqrt{2}.$$

Solution 2 by proposer

Lemma. If $x, y, z > 0$, then $\sqrt[5]{81xyz(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)} \leq x + y + z$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Proof. } (x + y + z)^5 &= \frac{(x + y + z)^6}{x + y + z} = \frac{((x + y + z)^2)^3}{x + y + z} = \\
 &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2(xy + yz + zx))^3}{x + y + z} \stackrel{\text{AGM}}{\geq} \frac{(3 \cdot \sqrt[3]{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)(xy + yz + zx)^2})^3}{x + y + z} = \\
 &= \frac{27(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)(xy + yz + zx)^2}{x + y + z} = \frac{27(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \cdot 3(xy^2z + yz^2x + x^2yz)}{x + y + z} = \\
 &= \frac{81xyz(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)(x + y + z)}{x + y + z} = 81xyz(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \\
 &\sqrt[5]{81xyz(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)} \leq x + y + z
 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for $x = y = z$.

$$x \rightarrow \sin x; y \rightarrow \cos x; z \rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}; x \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right] \Rightarrow$$

$$81 \sin x \cos x - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left(\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x + \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)^2 \right) \leq \left(\sin x + \cos x + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)^5$$

$$\left(\sin x + \cos x + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)^5 \geq 60,75 \cdot \sqrt{2} \cdot \sin x \cdot \cos x \Rightarrow$$

$$(2 \sin x + 2 \cos x + \sqrt{2})^5 \geq 1944 \cdot \sqrt{2} \cdot \sin x \cdot \cos x$$

Equality holds for $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$. Now,

$$\int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} (2 \sin x + 2 \cos x + \sqrt{2})^5 dx > 1944\sqrt{2} \cdot \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} (\sin x \cdot \cos x) dx$$

$$972 \cdot \sqrt{2} \cdot \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \sin 2x dx = -486 \cdot \sqrt{2} \cos 2x \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} = 243\sqrt{2}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} (2 \sin x + 2 \cos x + \sqrt{2})^5 dx > 243\sqrt{2}$$

1684. Let $(y_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be the sequence such that $y_n = \sum_{k=1}^{n^2+n} \left[\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{2} \right]$, then prove the following holds

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2} \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3y_n} = 4\zeta(3) - \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \log 2$$

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+1}}{m^2} \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3y_n} = 4G\pi - \frac{15}{2}\zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \log 2$$

where $\zeta(z)$ is Riemann zeta function, G is Catalan's Constant and $[\cdot]$ is greatest integer function.

Proposed by Naren Bhandari-Bajura-Nepal

Inspired by Florică Anastase's limit

Solution by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$y_n = \sum_{k=1}^{n^2+n} \left[\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{2} \right] = \frac{1}{3n(n+1)(2n+1)}$$

$$\Omega = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2} \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3y_n} = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2} \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)(2n+1)} =$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2} \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{4}{2n+1} \right) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{2\psi\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right) - \psi(m) - \psi(m+1)}{m^2} =$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{2\psi\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right) - 2\psi(m) - \frac{1}{m}}{m^2} = -\zeta(3) + 2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2} \int_0^1 \frac{t^{m-1} - t^{m-\frac{1}{2}}}{1-t} dt =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -\zeta(3) + 2 \int_0^1 \frac{(t^{-1} - t^{-\frac{3}{2}}) Li_2(t)}{1-t} dt \stackrel{t=x^2}{=} -\zeta(3) + 4 \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2(x^2)}{x(1+x)} dx - 4 \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2(x^2)}{1+x} dx \\
 &= -\zeta(3) + 2Li_3(1) - 4[\log(1+x)Li(x^2)]_0^1 - 8 \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1-x^2)\log(1+x)}{x} dx = \\
 &= \zeta(3) - \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \log 2 - 4 \underbrace{\int_0^1 \frac{2 \log(1-x^2)\log(1+x)}{x} dx}_I \\
 I &= \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2(1+x)}{x} dx + \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2(1-x^2)}{x} dx - \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2(1-x)}{x} dx = \\
 &= \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2(1+x)}{x} dx - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2(1-x)}{x} dx \\
 \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2(1+x)}{x} dx &= 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} H_n}{n+1} \int_0^1 x^n dx = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n H_{n-1}}{n^2} = \\
 &= 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n H_n}{n^2} - \frac{(-1)^n}{n^3} = \frac{\zeta(3)}{4} \\
 \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2(1-x)}{x} dx &= \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2 x}{1-x} dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_0^1 x^{n-1} \log^2 x dx = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3} = 2\zeta(3) \\
 I &= \frac{\zeta(3)}{4} - \zeta(3) = -\frac{3\zeta(3)}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\Omega = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2} \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3y_n} = 4\zeta(3) - \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \log 2$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Lambda &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+1}}{m^2} \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3y_n} = - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m}{m^2} \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)(2n+1)} = \\
 &= - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m}{m^2} \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{4}{2n+1} \right) =
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m \left[2\psi\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right) - \psi(m) - \psi(m+1) \right]}{m^2} = \\
 &= - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m \left[2\psi\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right) - 2\psi(m) - \frac{1}{m} \right]}{m^2} = \\
 &= -\frac{3}{4}\zeta(3) - 2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m}{m^2} \int_0^1 \frac{t^{m-1} - t^{m-\frac{1}{2}}}{1-t} dt = \\
 &= -\frac{3}{4}\zeta(3) - 2 \int_0^1 \frac{\left(\frac{1}{t} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right) Li_2(-t)}{1-t} dt \stackrel{t=x^2}{=} -\frac{3}{4}\zeta(3) - 4 \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2(-x^2)}{x(1+x)} dx = \\
 &= -\frac{3}{4}\zeta(3) - 4 \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2(-x^2)}{x} dx + 4 \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2(-x^2)}{1+x} dx \\
 &\Lambda = -\frac{3}{4}\zeta(3) - 2Li_3(-1) + 4 \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2(-x^2)}{1+x} dx = \frac{3}{4}\zeta(3) + 4 \overbrace{\int_0^1 \frac{Li_2(-x^2)}{1+x} dx}^A \\
 &A = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{x^2 \log y}{(1+x^2y)(1+x)} dy dx = \int_0^1 \frac{\log y}{1+y} \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{1+x} - \frac{1-x}{1+x^2y} \right) dx dy = \\
 &= \int_0^1 \frac{\log y}{1+y} \left[\log(1+x) + \frac{1}{2y} \log(1+x^2y) - \frac{\tan^{-1}(x\sqrt{y})}{\sqrt{y}} \right]_0^1 dy = \\
 &= \log 2 \int_0^1 \frac{\log y}{y+1} dy + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{\log y \log(1+y)}{y(y+1)} dy - \overbrace{\int_0^1 \frac{\log y \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{y})}{(y+1)\sqrt{y}} dy}^B \\
 &\int_0^1 \frac{\log y}{y+1} dy = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \int_0^1 y^{n-1} \log y dy = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} = -\frac{\pi^2}{12} \\
 &\int_0^1 \frac{\log y \log(1+y)}{y(y+1)} dy = \int_0^1 \frac{\log y \log(y+1)}{y} dy - \int_0^1 \frac{\log y \log(1+y)}{y+1} dy \\
 &\int_0^1 \frac{\log y \log(1+y)}{y} dy = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \int_0^1 y^{n-1} \log y dy = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^3} = -\frac{3\zeta(3)}{4} \\
 &\int_0^1 \frac{\log y \log(1+y)}{y+1} dy = \left[\frac{1}{2} \log y \log^2(1+y) \right]_0^1 - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2(1+y)}{y} dy = -\frac{\zeta(3)}{8}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Hence, we get:

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\log y \log(1+y)}{y(y+1)} dy = -\frac{3\zeta(3)}{4} + \frac{\zeta(3)}{8} = -\frac{5\zeta(3)}{8}$$

$$B = \int_0^1 \frac{\log y \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{y})}{(y+1)\sqrt{y}} dy \stackrel{y=\tan^2 \theta}{=} 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \theta \log(\tan \theta) d\theta$$

$$B = -8 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \theta \cos((4n-2)\theta) d\theta =$$

$$= -8 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} \left[\frac{\theta \sin((4n-2)\theta)}{2(2n-1)} + \frac{\cos((4n-2)\theta)}{4(2n-1)^2} \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}}$$

$$B = -\pi \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{(2n-1)^2} + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^3} = -\pi G + \frac{7\zeta(3)}{4}$$

$$A = -\frac{\pi^2}{12} \log 2 - \frac{5\zeta(3)}{16} + \pi G - \frac{7\zeta(3)}{4} = \pi G - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \log 2 - \frac{33\zeta(3)}{16}$$

$$\Lambda = \frac{3}{4} \zeta(3) + 4\pi G - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \log 2 - \frac{33\zeta(3)}{16} = 4\pi G - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \log 2 - \frac{15\zeta(3)}{2}$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+1}}{m^2} \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3y_n} = 4G\pi - \frac{15}{2} \zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \log 2$$

$$y_n = \sum_{k=1}^{n^2+n} \left[\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{2} \right] = \sum_{k=1}^2 \left[\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{2} \right] + \sum_{k=3}^6 \left[\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{2} \right] + \sum_{k=7}^{12} \left[\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{2} \right] + \dots =$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=i^2-i+1}^{i^2+i} \left[\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{2} \right] = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=i^2-i+1}^{i^2+i} i = \sum_{i=1}^n 2i^2 = \frac{1}{3n(n+1)(2n+1)}$$

1685. Find:

$$\Omega = \int_0^1 \frac{x \cdot \log^2 x}{x^8 + x^4 + 1} dx$$

Proposed by Hussain Reza Zadah-Afghanistan

Solution 1 by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \int_0^1 \frac{x \cdot \log^2 x}{x^8 + x^4 + 1} dx = \frac{1}{8} \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2 x}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx = \frac{1}{8} \int_0^1 \frac{(1 - x^2) \log^2 x}{1 - x^6} dx \stackrel{t=x^6}{=} \\ &= \frac{1}{1728} \int_0^1 \frac{\left(x^{\frac{1}{6}-1} - x^{\frac{1}{2}-1}\right) \log^2 t}{1 - t} dt = \frac{1}{1728} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left\{ \psi^{(2)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \psi^{(2)}\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) \right\} = \\ &= \frac{1}{1728} \{168\zeta(3) + 4\sqrt{3}\pi^3\}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \int_0^1 \frac{x \cdot \log^2 x}{x^8 + x^4 + 1} dx = \frac{7\zeta(3)}{72} + \frac{\pi^3}{144\sqrt{3}}$$

Solution 2 by Soumitra Mandal-Chandar Nagore-India

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \int_0^1 \frac{x \cdot \log^2 x}{x^8 + x^4 + 1} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{(x - x^5) \log^2 x}{1 - x^{12}} dx = \Omega_1 - \Omega_2 \\ \Omega_1 &= \int_0^1 \frac{x \log^2 x}{1 - x^{12}} dx \stackrel{x=\sqrt[12]{y}}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt[12]{y} \log^2 \sqrt[12]{y}}{1 - y} \frac{1}{12 \sqrt[12]{y^{11}}} dy = \\ &= \frac{1}{1728} \int_0^1 \frac{y^{-\frac{5}{6}} \log^2 y}{1 - y} dy = \frac{1}{1728} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 y^{k-\frac{5}{6}} \log^2 y dy \\ &\quad \because \int_0^1 y^{k-\frac{5}{6}} \log^2 y dy = \frac{2}{\left(k + \frac{1}{6}\right)^3} \\ \Omega_1 &= \frac{1}{864} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(k + \frac{1}{6}\right)^3}; (\because \psi_n(z) = (-1)^{n+1} n! \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(z+k)^{n+1}}) \\ \psi_2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) &= (-1)^{2+1} 2! \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(k + \frac{1}{6}\right)^3} \Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(k + \frac{1}{6}\right)^3} = -\frac{\psi_2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)}{2} \\ \Omega_1 &= -\frac{\psi_2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)}{1728}\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega_2 &= \int_0^1 \frac{x^5 \log^2 x}{1-x^{12}} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{12\sqrt[12]{y^5} \log^2 \sqrt[12]{y}}{1-y} \cdot \frac{1}{12\sqrt[12]{y^{11}}} dy = \frac{1}{1728} \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2 y}{(1-y)\sqrt{y}} dy = \\
 &= \frac{1}{1728} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 y^{k-\frac{1}{2}} \log^2 y dy \\
 &\because \int_0^1 y^{k-\frac{1}{2}} \log^2 y dy = \frac{2}{\left(k+\frac{1}{2}\right)^3} \\
 \Omega_2 &= \frac{1}{864} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(k+\frac{1}{2}\right)^3} = -\frac{\psi_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{1728}; \left(\because \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(k+\frac{1}{2}\right)^3} = -\frac{\psi_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{2}\right) \\
 \Omega_2 &= -\frac{\psi_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{1728} \\
 \Omega &= \frac{\psi_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \psi_2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)}{1728} = \frac{168\zeta(3) + 4\sqrt{3}\pi^2}{1728}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 3 by Ose Favour-Nigeria

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &= \int_0^1 \frac{x \cdot \log^2 x}{x^8 + x^4 + 1} dx \stackrel{u=x^2}{=} \frac{1}{8} \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2 u}{u^4 + u^2 + 1} du \\
 \Omega(a) &= \int_0^1 \frac{u^a}{u^4 + u^2 + 1} du = \int_0^1 \frac{u^a(1-u^2)}{1-u^6} du \\
 \Omega(a) &= \Phi(a) - \Psi(a) \\
 \Phi(a) &= \int_0^1 \frac{u^a}{1-u^6} du = \int_0^1 \frac{u^a}{1-u^6} du = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 u^{a+6n} du = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a+6n+1} \\
 \Psi(a) &= \int_0^1 \frac{u^{a+2}}{1-u^6} du = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 u^{a+2+6n} du = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a+6n+3} \\
 \Omega(a) &= -\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a+6n+3} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a+6n+1} \\
 &\because \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+a} = -\psi^{(0)}(a)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega(a) &= -\frac{1}{6} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n + \frac{a+3}{6}} + \frac{1}{6} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n + \frac{a+1}{6}} = \frac{1}{6} \psi^{(0)}\left(\frac{a+3}{6}\right) - \frac{1}{6} \psi^{(0)}\left(\frac{a+1}{6}\right) \\ \Omega'(a) &= \frac{1}{36} \left(\psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{a+3}{6}\right) - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{a+1}{6}\right) \right) \\ \Omega''(a) &= \frac{1}{216} \left(\psi^{(2)}\left(\frac{a+3}{6}\right) - \psi^{(2)}\left(\frac{a+1}{6}\right) \right) \\ \Omega &= \frac{1}{8} \Omega''(0) = \frac{\psi_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \psi_2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)}{1728} = \frac{168\zeta(3) + 4\sqrt{3}\pi^2}{1728}\end{aligned}$$

Solution 4 by Yen Tung Chung-Taichung-Taiwan

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \int_0^1 \frac{x \cdot \log^2 x}{x^8 + x^4 + 1} dx \stackrel{y=x^2}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2(\sqrt{y})}{y^4 + y^2 + 1} \cdot \frac{1}{2} dy = \frac{1}{8} \int_0^1 \frac{\log^2 y}{y^4 + y^2 + 1} dy \stackrel{y=e^{-z}}{=} \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{z^2 e^{-z}}{1 + e^{-2z} + e^{-4z}} dz = \frac{1}{8} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{z^2 (e^{-z} - e^{-3z})}{1 - e^{-6z}} dz = \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \int_0^{\infty} z^2 (e^{-z} + e^{-7z} + e^{-13z} + \dots) dz - \frac{1}{8} \int_0^{\infty} z^2 (e^{-3z} + e^{-9z} + e^{-15z} + \dots) dz = \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{\Gamma(3)}{1^3} + \frac{\Gamma(3)}{7^3} + \frac{\Gamma(3)}{13^3} + \dots \right) - \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{\Gamma(3)}{3^3} + \frac{\Gamma(3)}{9^3} + \frac{\Gamma(3)}{15^3} + \dots \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{1^3} - \frac{1}{3^3} + \frac{1}{7^3} - \frac{1}{9^3} + \frac{1}{13^3} - \frac{1}{15^3} + \dots \right) \cong 0.24117\end{aligned}$$

Solution 5 by Abdul Mukhtar-Nigeria

$$\begin{aligned}x^8 + x^4 + 1 &= \frac{1 - x^{12}}{1 - x^4} \Rightarrow \Omega = \int_0^1 \frac{x \cdot \log^2 x}{x^8 + x^4 + 1} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{x \log^2 x}{1 - x^{12}} dx - \int_0^1 \frac{x^5 \log^2 x}{1 - x^{12}} dx = \\ &= H - J \\ \int_0^1 \frac{x^{p-1} \log^2 x}{1 - x^{12}} dx &\stackrel{x=e^{-t}}{=} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-tp} t^2}{1 - e^{12t}} dt = \int_0^{\infty} t^2 e^{-tp} \sum_{k \geq 0} e^{-12kt} dt = \\ &= \sum_{k \geq 0} \left[\int_0^{\infty} t^2 e^{-t(p+12k)} dt \right] = \sum_{k \geq 0} \left[\frac{1}{(p+12k)^3} \int_0^{\infty} t^2 e^{-t} dt \right] = \Gamma(3) = 2 \\ &\Rightarrow 2 \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{(p+12k)^3} = \frac{1}{864} \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{\left(k + \frac{p}{12}\right)^3} \\ \zeta(s, p) &= \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{1}{(n+p)^s}\end{aligned}$$

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{864} \left[\zeta \left(3, \frac{1}{6} \right) - \zeta \left(3, \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{432} (42\zeta(3) - 53\pi^3)$$

1686.

If we have $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\cos^2 2x + 1}{a \cos^2 2x + 1} dx = \pi a$, then find the value of

$$\Phi = a^5 + a^4 + 8a^3 + 8a^2 - 32a.$$

Proposed by Srinivasa Raghava-AIRMC-India

Solution by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\cos^2 2x + 1}{a \cos^2 2x + 1} dx = 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos^2 2x + 1}{a \cos^2 2x + 1} dx \stackrel{t=\tan x; a+1=b^2}{=} \\ &= 8 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1+t^4}{(b^2+t^2)(1+t^2)^2} dt = \\ &= \frac{8(b^4+1)}{(b^2-1)^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt}{b^2+t^2} + \frac{16}{b^2-1} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt}{(1+t^2)^2} - \frac{16b^2}{(b^2-1)^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt}{1+t^2} = \\ &= \frac{4\pi(b^4+1)}{b(b^2-1)^2} + \frac{4\pi}{b^2-1} - \frac{8\pi^2}{(b^2-1)^2} = \frac{4\pi(b^2+b+1)}{b(b+1)^2} \\ \frac{4\pi(b^2+b+1)}{b(b+1)^2} &= \pi(b^2-1) \Rightarrow 4b^2+4b+4 = b^5+2b^4-6b^2-5b-4 = 0 \\ b &= \frac{2b^4-6b^2-4}{5-b^4}; \sqrt{a+1} = \frac{2a^2-2a-8}{4-a^2-2a} \\ a+1 &= \frac{4a^4-8a^3-28a^2+32a+64}{a^4+4a^3-4a^2-16a+16} \\ \Phi &= a^5 + a^4 + 8a^3 + 8a^2 - 32a = 48 \end{aligned}$$

1687.

$$R(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & t & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ t & 0 & t & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & t & 0 & t & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & t & 0 & t & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & t & 0 & t & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & t & 0 & t & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & t & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Prove the relation for $n > 1$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \text{Tr}[e^{R(t)}] e^{-nt} dt = \frac{8n^7 - 42n^5 + 56n^3 - 16n}{n^8 - 7n^6 + 14n^4 - 8n^2 + 1}$$

$\text{Tr}(\ast)$ – is the Trace of matrix and $e^{R(t)}$ – is matrix exponential.

Proposed by Srinivasa Raghava-AIRMC-India

Solution by Farid Khelili-Algerie

Let $P(z) = z^4 - 7z^3 + 14z^2 - 8z + 1$ and $\{\lambda_k^{\pm}(t), k = 1, 2, \dots, 4\}$ be the eigenvalues of the matrix $R(t)$, we claim that

A. $\det(R(t) - \lambda I_8) = [(y-3)(y-1)y+1]t^8; \lambda^2 = (y+1)t^2$

B. $\lambda_k^{\pm}(t) = \pm \alpha_k t; 0 < \alpha_k < 2; P(\alpha_k^2) = 0; k = 1, 2, \dots, 4$

C. $\int_0^{\infty} \text{Tr}(e^{R(t)}) e^{-nt} dt = \sum_{k=1}^4 \frac{2n}{n^2 - \alpha_k^2} = \frac{8n^7 - 42n^5 + 56n^3 - 16n}{n^8 - 7n^6 + 14n^4 - 8n^2 + 1}$

We first prove claim C then we prove claim B and at the end we prove claim A.

Proof of claim C: It follows from claim (B) that

$$J_n = \int_0^{\infty} \text{Tr}(e^{R(t)}) e^{-nt} dt = \sum_{k=1}^4 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\lambda_k^+(t)} e^{-nt} dt + \sum_{k=1}^4 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\lambda_k^-(t)} e^{-nt} dt$$

$$J_n = \sum_{k=1}^4 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\alpha_k t} e^{-nt} dt + \sum_{k=1}^4 \int_0^{\infty} e^{\alpha_k t} e^{-nt} dt =$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^4 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(\alpha_k+n)t} dt + \sum_{k=1}^4 \int_0^{\infty} e^{(\alpha_k-n)t} dt$$

$$J_n = \sum_{k=1}^4 \left(\frac{1}{n + \alpha_k} + \frac{1}{n - \alpha_k} \right) = \sum_{k=1}^4 \frac{2n}{n^2 - \alpha_k^2}$$

Since, by claim B, $P(\alpha_k^2) = 0, k = 1, 2, \dots, 4$, then

$$P(z) = z^4 - 7z^3 + 14z^2 - 8z + 1 = (z - \alpha_1^2)(z - \alpha_2^2)(z - \alpha_3^2)(z - \alpha_4^2)$$

and

$$\sum_{k=1}^4 \frac{1}{z - \alpha_k^2} = \frac{P'(z)}{P(z)} = \frac{4z^3 - 21z^2 + 28z - 8}{z^4 - 7z^3 + 14z^2 - 8z + 1}$$

It follows that

$$J_n = \sum_{k=1}^4 \frac{2n}{n^2 - \alpha_k^2} = 2n \frac{P'(n^2)}{P(n^2)} = \frac{8n^7 - 42n^5 + 56n^3 - 16n}{n^8 - 7n^6 + 14n^4 - 8n^2 + 1}$$

The claim *C* is then demonstrated.

$$\int_0^\infty \text{Tr}[e^{R(t)}] e^{-nt} dt = \frac{8n^7 - 42n^5 + 56n^3 - 16n}{n^8 - 7n^6 + 14n^4 - 8n^2 + 1}$$

Proof of claim *B*: It follows from claim (*A*) that the eigenvalues $\{\lambda_k^\pm(t), k = 1, 2, \dots, 4\}$ of the matrix $R(t)$ are given by $\lambda_k^\pm(t) = \pm\sqrt{y_k + 1}t$, where the real numbers

$\{y_k, k = 1, 2, \dots, 4\}$ are the roots of the equation

$$(y - 3)(y - 1)(y + 1) + 1 = 0.$$

Let $\alpha_k = \sqrt{y_k + 1}$, then the real numbers $\{\alpha_k^2, k = 1, 2, \dots, 4\}$ are the roots of the equation

$$(z - 4)(z - 2)(z - 1)z + 1 = 0.$$

Let $P(z) = (z - 4)(z - 2)(z - 1)z + 1$, then

$$P(z) = z^4 - 7z^3 + 14z^2 - 8z + 1; P(\alpha_k^2) = 0, k = 1, 2, \dots, 4$$

Let γ be a root of $P(z)$, it is easy to see that $P(\gamma) \geq 1$ if $\gamma \geq 4$, then $0 < \gamma < 4$, and $0 < \alpha_k < 2$. The claim of *B* is then demonstrated.

$$B. \alpha_k^\pm(t) = \pm\alpha_k t; 0 < \alpha_k < 2; P(\alpha_k^2) = 0; k = 1, 2, \dots, 4$$

Proof of claim *A*: Let $A(\mu)$ and $B_n(\mu)$ the 8×8 real matrix and $n \times n$ real matrix, respectively.

$$A(\mu) = \begin{pmatrix} \mu & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \mu & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \mu & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \mu & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \mu & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \mu & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \mu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \mu \end{pmatrix}; B_n(\mu) = \begin{pmatrix} \mu & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & \mu \end{pmatrix}$$

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Let $\mu = -\frac{\lambda}{t}$, then $\det(R(t) - \lambda I_8) = t^8 \det A(\mu)$ and

$\det A(\mu) = \mu D_7 - (\mu^2 - 1)D_4$, where D_n — is the determinant of the $n \times n$ matrix $B_n(\mu)$.

It is easy to show that D_n satisfies the recurrence relations.

$$D_n = \mu D_{n-1} - D_{n-2} = (\mu^2 - 1)D_{n-2} - \mu D_{n-3}$$

$$D_n = [(\mu^2 - 1)^2 - \mu^2]D_{n-4} - \mu(\mu^2 - 2)D_{n-5}$$

Since, $D_1 = \mu$; $D_2 = \mu^2 - 1$; $D_3 = \mu(\mu^2 - 2)$, then $D_4 = (\mu^2 - 1)^2 - \mu^2$;

$$D_7 = \mu(\mu^2 - 2)((\mu^2 - 1)^2 - 2\mu^2 + 1) \text{ and}$$

$$\det A(\mu) = \mu D_7 - (\mu^2 - 1)D_4 = (y - 3)(y - 1)(y + 1)y + 1, \text{ where } y = \mu^2 - 1.$$

It follows that:

$$\det(R(t) - \lambda I_8) = t^8 \det A(\mu) = [(y - 3)(y - 1)(y + 1)y + 1]t^8, \text{ where}$$

$$\lambda^2 = \mu^2 t^2 (y + 1) t^2. \text{ The claim A is then demonstrated.}$$

$$A. \det(R(t) - \lambda I_8) = [(y - 3)(y - 1)y + 1]t^8; \lambda^2 = (y + 1)t^2$$

1688. Find a closed form:

$$\Omega = \int_0^\infty \frac{\log(1+x)}{x^2 - x + 1} dx$$

Proposed by Vasile Mircea Popa-Romania

Solution by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_0^\infty \frac{\log(1+x)}{x^2 - x + 1} dx = \int_0^1 \int_0^\infty \frac{x}{(1+xy)(1-x+x^2)} dx dy = \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{1+y+y^2} \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{x+y}{1-x+x^2} - \frac{y}{1+xy} \right) dx dy = \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{1+y+y^2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \log(1-x+x^2) - \log(1+xy) + \frac{2y+1}{\sqrt{3}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2x-1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) \right]_0^\infty dy = \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{3\sqrt{3}} \int_0^1 \frac{2y+1}{1+y+y^2} dy - \int_0^1 \frac{\log y}{1+y+y^2} dy = \\ &= \frac{2\pi \log 3}{3\sqrt{3}} - \int_0^1 \frac{(1-y) \log y}{1-y^3} dy = \frac{2\pi \log 3}{3\sqrt{3}} - \frac{1}{9} \int_0^1 \frac{\left(t^{\frac{1}{3}-1} - t^{\frac{2}{3}-1} \right) \log t}{1-t} dt = \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi \log 3}{3\sqrt{3}} - \frac{1}{9} \left\{ \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) - \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \right\} =$$

$$= \frac{2\pi \log 3}{3\sqrt{3}} - \frac{1}{9} \left\{ \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \right\} + \frac{2}{9} \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\log(1+x)}{x^2 - x + 1} dx = \frac{2\pi \log 3}{3\sqrt{3}} - \frac{4\pi^2}{27} + \frac{2}{9} \psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$$

1689. Show that:

$$\int_0^1 \log \left(\frac{(\sqrt{1-x}-1)(\sqrt{1-x^2}+1)}{(\sqrt{1-x}+1)(\sqrt{1-x^2}-1)} \right) \sin^{-1}(x)^2 dx =$$

$$= \frac{\pi^3}{12} - \pi \left(6\sqrt{2} + 2 + \log \left(\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right) - 4(2C - 7)$$

C –Catalan's constant.

Proposed by Srinivasa Raghava-AIRMC-India

Solution by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\Omega = \int_0^1 \log \left(\frac{(\sqrt{1-x}-1)(\sqrt{1-x^2}+1)}{(\sqrt{1-x}+1)(\sqrt{1-x^2}-1)} \right) \sin^{-1}(x)^2 dx =$$

$$= \int_0^1 \log \left(\frac{(1-\sqrt{1-x})(1+\sqrt{1-x^2})}{(1+\sqrt{1-x})(1-\sqrt{1-x^2})} \right) \sin^{-1}(x)^2 dx$$

$$= \overbrace{\int_0^1 \log \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{1-x}}{1+\sqrt{1-x}} \right) \sin^{-1}(x)^2 dx}^A + \overbrace{\int_0^1 \log \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{1-x^2}}{1-\sqrt{1-x^2}} \right) \sin^{-1}(x)^2 dx}^B$$

$$\stackrel{B}{=} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log \left(\tan \frac{t}{2} \right) \cos t dt = -16 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} t^2 \log(\tan t) \cos 2t dt =$$

$$= -16 \left[\left(\frac{1}{2} t^2 \sin 2t + \frac{1}{2} t \sin 2t - \frac{1}{4} \sin 2t \right) \log(\tan t) \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} + 8 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} (2t^2 + 2t \cos 2t - 1) dt$$

$$= \frac{\pi^3}{12} + 2\pi \log 2 - 2\pi$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \left[\left(2\sqrt{1-x^2} \sin^{-1} x - 2x + x \sin^{-1}(x)^2 \right) \log \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{1-x}}{1+\sqrt{1-x}} \right) \right]_0^1 - \\
 &\quad - \int_0^1 \frac{2\sqrt{1-x^2} \sin^{-1} x - 2x + x \sin^{-1}(x)^2}{x\sqrt{1-x}} dx = \\
 &= 2 \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x}} - \int_0^1 \frac{\sin^{-1}(x)^2}{\sqrt{1-x}} dx - 2 \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{1+x} \sin^{-1} x}{x} dx - \int_0^1 \frac{\sin^{-1}(x)^2}{\sqrt{1-x}} dx = \\
 &= [\sin^{-1}(x)^2 \sqrt{1-x}]_0^1 - 4 \int_0^1 \frac{\sin^{-1} x}{\sqrt{1+x}} dx = -8[\sqrt{1+x} \sin^{-1} x]_0^1 + 8 \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x}} dx = \\
 &= 16 - 4\pi\sqrt{2} - 2 \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{1+x} \sin^{-1} x}{x} dx = \\
 &= -2[\sqrt{1+x} \sin^{-1} x \log x]_0^1 + 2 \int_0^1 \frac{\log x}{\sqrt{1-x}} dx + \int_0^1 \frac{\log x \sin^{-1} x}{\sqrt{1+x}} dx
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, we have:

$$2 \int_0^1 \frac{\log x}{\sqrt{1-x}} dx = 2 \int_0^1 x^{\frac{1}{2}-1} \log(1-x) dx = -4H_{\frac{1}{2}} = 8 \log 2 - 8$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\log x \sin^{-1} x}{\sqrt{1+x}} dx \stackrel{x=\cos t}{=} \sqrt{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - t \right) \log(\cos t) \sin\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) dt =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \overbrace{\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(\cos t) \sin\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) dt}^I - \overbrace{\sqrt{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} t \log(\cos t) \sin\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) dt}^J
 \end{aligned}$$

Where,

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log \left(2 \cos^2 \left(\frac{t}{2} \right) - 1 \right) \sin\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) dt \stackrel{y=\sqrt{2} \cos(\frac{t}{2})}{=} \pi \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} \log(y^2 - 1) dy = \\
 &= \pi[(y+1) \log(y+1) + (y-1) \log(y-1) - 2y]_1^{\sqrt{2}} = 2\pi - 2\pi\sqrt{2} + 2\pi \log\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$J = 4 \log 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} t \left(\log 2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \cos(4nt) \right) \sin t dt =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 4\sqrt{2} \log 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} t \sin t \, dt + 4\sqrt{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} t \sin t \cos(4nt) \, dt = \\
 &= 4 \log 2 - \pi \log 2 + \\
 &+ 2\sqrt{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \left[\frac{\sin(4nt+t)}{(4n+1)^2} - \frac{\sin(4nt-t)}{(4n-1)^2} + \frac{t \cos(4nt-t)}{4n-1} - \frac{t \cos(4nt+t)}{4n+1} \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} = \\
 &= 4 \log 2 - \pi \log 2 + \\
 &+ 2\sqrt{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \left(\frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{2}(4n+1)^2} + \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{2}(4n-1)^2} + \frac{(-1)^n \pi}{4\sqrt{2}(4n-1)} - \frac{(-1)^n \pi}{4\sqrt{2}(4n+1)} \right) = \\
 &= 4 \log 2 - \pi \log 2 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \overbrace{\left(\frac{1}{n(4n+1)^2} + \frac{1}{n(4n-1)^2} \right)}^{S_1} \\
 &\quad + \frac{\pi}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \overbrace{\left(\frac{1}{n(4n-1)} - \frac{1}{n(4n+1)} \right)}^{S_2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Where,

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_1 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{n} + \frac{4}{(4n-1)^2} - \frac{4}{(4n+1)^2} - \frac{4}{4n-1} - \frac{4}{4n+1} \right) = \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{n+1} + \frac{1}{4\left(n+\frac{3}{2}\right)^2} - \frac{1}{4\left(n+\frac{5}{4}\right)^2} - \frac{1}{n+\frac{3}{4}} - \frac{1}{n+\frac{5}{4}} \right) = \\
 &= -2\psi(1) + \psi\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) + \psi\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) + \frac{1}{4}\psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - \frac{1}{4}\psi^{(1)}\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) = \\
 &= 2\gamma - \gamma + \frac{\pi}{2} - 3 \log 2 + 4 - \gamma - \frac{\pi}{2} - 3 \log 2 + \frac{\pi^2}{4} - 2C - 2C + 4 - \frac{\pi^2}{4} = \\
 &= 8 - 6 \log 2 - 4C
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$S_2 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n+\frac{3}{4}} + \frac{1}{n+\frac{5}{4}} - \frac{2}{n} \right) = 2\psi(1) - \psi\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) =$$

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$$= -2\gamma - 4 + \gamma + \frac{\pi}{2} + 3 \log 2 + \gamma - \frac{\pi}{2} + 3 \log 2 = 6 \log 2 - 4$$

$$\begin{aligned} J &= 4 \log 2 - \pi \log 2 + 16 - 12 \log 2 - 8C + 3\pi \log 2 - 2\pi = \\ &= 16 + 2\pi \log 2 - 8 \log 2 - 2\pi - 8C \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\log x \sin^{-1} x}{\sqrt{1+x}} dx = 16 - 2\pi\sqrt{2} + 2\pi \log(1 + \sqrt{2}) - 8 \log 2 - 8C$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 4 + 16 - 4\pi\sqrt{2} + 8 \log 2 - 8 + 16 - 2\pi\sqrt{2} + 2\pi \log(1 + \sqrt{2}) - 8 \log 2 - 8C \\ &= 28 - 6\pi\sqrt{2} + 2\pi \log(1 + \sqrt{2}) - 8C \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= 28 - 6\pi\sqrt{2} + 2\pi \log(1 + \sqrt{2}) - 8C + \frac{\pi^3}{12} + 2\pi \log 2 - 2\pi \\ &= \frac{\pi^3}{12} - \pi \left(6\sqrt{2} + 2 + \log \left(\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right) - 4(2C - 7) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \log \left(\frac{(\sqrt{1-x}-1)(\sqrt{1-x^2}+1)}{(\sqrt{1-x}+1)(\sqrt{1-x^2}-1)} \right) \sin^{-1}(x)^2 dx = \\ = \frac{\pi^3}{12} - \pi \left(6\sqrt{2} + 2 + \log \left(\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right) - 4(2C - 7) \end{aligned}$$

1690. Prove that:

$$\Omega = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(\sin(2\pi - z))^{2l} \cdot (2\pi - z)}{(\sin(2\pi - z))^{2l} + (\cos(2\pi - z))^{2l}} dz = \pi^2$$

Proposed by Hikmat Mammadov-Azerbaijan

Solution 1 by Togrul Ehmedov-Azerbaijan

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(\sin(2\pi - z))^{2l} \cdot (2\pi - z)}{(\sin(2\pi - z))^{2l} + (\cos(2\pi - z))^{2l}} dz = \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\sin^{2l} z (2\pi - z)}{\sin^{2l} z + \cos^{2l} z} dz = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{z \cdot \sin^{2l} z}{\sin^{2l} z + \cos^{2l} z} dz \\ 2\Omega &= 2\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\sin^{2l} z}{\sin^{2l} z + \cos^{2l} z} dz \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \pi \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\sin^{2l} z}{\sin^{2l} z + \cos^{2l} z} dz = 4\pi \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin^{2l} z}{\sin^{2l} z + \cos^{2l} z} dz = \\ &= 4\pi \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos^{2l} z}{\sin^{2l} z + \cos^{2l} z} dz\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$2\Omega = 4\pi \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} dz \Rightarrow \Omega = \pi^2$$

Solution 2 by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(\sin(2\pi - z))^{2l} \cdot (2\pi - z)}{(\sin(2\pi - z))^{2l} + (\cos(2\pi - z))^{2l}} dz = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(\sin z)^{2l} \cdot (2\pi - z)}{(\sin z)^{2l} + (\cos z)^{2l}} dz \Rightarrow \\ 2\Omega &= 2\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\sin^{2l} t}{\sin^{2l} t + \cos^{2l} t} dt = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin^{2l} t}{\sin^{2l} t + \cos^{2l} t} dt + \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} \frac{\sin^{2l} t}{\sin^{2l} t + \cos^{2l} t} dt + \\ &+ \int_{\pi}^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin^{2l} t}{\sin^{2l} t + \cos^{2l} t} dt + \int_{\frac{3\pi}{2}}^{2\pi} \frac{\sin^{2l} t}{\sin^{2l} t + \cos^{2l} t} dt = \Omega_1 + \Omega_2 + \Omega_3 + \Omega_4 \\ \Omega_2 &\stackrel{t \rightarrow t - \frac{\pi}{2}}{=} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin^{2l} t}{\sin^{2l} t + \cos^{2l} t} dt \\ \Omega_3 &\stackrel{t \rightarrow t - \pi}{=} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin^{2l} t}{\sin^{2l} t + \cos^{2l} t} dt \\ \Omega_4 &\stackrel{t \rightarrow t - \frac{3\pi}{2}}{=} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin^{2l} t}{\sin^{2l} t + \cos^{2l} t} dt\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$2\Omega = 2\pi(\Omega_1 + \Omega_2 + \Omega_3 + \Omega_4) = 2\pi \cdot \left(2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} dt \right) = 2\pi^2 \Rightarrow \Omega = \pi^2$$

1691. Find:

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(1 \cdot n + 2 \cdot (n-1) + 3 \cdot (n-2) + \dots + n \cdot 1)}{1 \cdot n^2 + 2 \cdot (n-1)^2 + 3 \cdot (n-2)^2 + \dots + n \cdot 1^2}$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

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Solution 1 by Sergio Esteban-Buenos Aires-Argentina

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_1 &= \sum_{k=1}^n k(n-k+1) = \sum_{k=1}^n (nk - k^2 + k) = n \sum_{k=1}^n k - \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 + \sum_{k=1}^n k = \\
 &= n \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{6} \\
 S_2 &= \sum_{k=1}^n k(n+1)^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n k[(n+1)^2 + k^2 - 2(n+1)k] = \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n k(n+1)^2 + \sum_{k=1}^n k^3 - \sum_{k=1}^n 2(n+1)k^2 = \\
 &= \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \cdot (n+1)^2 + \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right)^2 - 2(n+1) \cdot \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \\
 \Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{nS_1}{S_2} = 2
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Adrian Popa-Romania

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_1 &= \sum_{k=1}^n k(n-k+1) = \sum_{k=1}^n (nk - k^2 + k) = n \sum_{k=1}^n k - \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 + \sum_{k=1}^n k = \\
 &= n \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + n \\
 S_2 &= \sum_{k=1}^n k(n+1)^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n k[(n+1)^2 + k^2 - 2(n+1)k] = \\
 &= n^2 \sum_{k=1}^n k + \sum_{k=1}^n k^3 + \sum_{k=1}^n k - 2n \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 + 2n \sum_{k=1}^n k - 2 \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 \\
 &= n^2 \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - 2n \cdot \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + 2n \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \\
 &\quad - \frac{2n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}, \quad \Omega = \frac{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{6}}{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{4}{6}} = 2
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 3 by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$S_1 = n \sum_{k=1}^n k(n-k+1) = n \sum_{k=1}^n k(n+1-k) = n(n+1) \sum_{k=1}^n k - \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 =$$

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$$= n(n+1) \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} = \frac{n^2(n+1)(n+2)}{6}$$

$$S_2 = \sum_{k=1}^n k^2(n+1-k) = (n+1) \frac{1}{6} n(n+1)(2n+1) - \frac{1}{4} n^2(n+1)^2 =$$

$$= \frac{1}{12} n(n+1)^2(4n+2-3n) = \frac{1}{12} n(n+1)^2(n+2)$$

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n^2(n+1)(n+2)}{6}}{\frac{n(n+1)^2(n+2)}{12}} = 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} = 2$$

Solution 4 by Hikmat Mammadov-Azerbaijan

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= \sum_{k=1}^n k(n-k+1) = \sum_{k=1}^n (nk - k^2 + k) = n \sum_{k=1}^n k - \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 + \sum_{k=1}^n k = \\ &= n \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{6} (3n+3-2n-1) = \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_2 &= \sum_{k=1}^n k(n+1)^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n k[(n+1)^2 + k^2 - 2(n+1)k] = \\ &= n^2 \sum_{k=1}^n k + \sum_{k=1}^n k^3 + \sum_{k=1}^n k - 2n \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 + 2n \sum_{k=1}^n k - 2 \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 \\ &= n^2 \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right)^2 + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - 2n \cdot \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + 2n \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \\ &\quad - \frac{2n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} = \frac{n(n+1)}{12} [6n+6-4(2n+1)+3n] = \frac{n(n+1)^2(n+2)}{12} \\ \Omega &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n^2(n+1)(n+2)}{6}}{\frac{n(n+1)^2(n+2)}{12}} = 2 \end{aligned}$$

1692. If $A(n)$ denotes the n^{th} term of the sequence A344317 in OEIS and defined as $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, A(n) = n \cdot A(n-1) + n^{(1+n) \bmod 2}; A(0) = 1$. Prove that:

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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A(n)}{n!} = 1 + 2 \sinh(1) = 1 - \frac{1}{e} + e$$

Proposed by Amrit Awasthi-India

Solution by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } v_n &= \frac{A(n)}{n!} \Rightarrow v_k = v_{k-1} + \frac{k^{(k+1) \bmod 2}}{k!} \Rightarrow v_k - v_{k-1} = \frac{k^{(k+1) \bmod 2}}{k!} \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (v_k - v_{k-1}) &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^{(k+1) \bmod 2}}{k!} \Rightarrow v_n - v_0 = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^{(k+1) \bmod 2}}{k!} \Rightarrow \\ v_n &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^{(k+1) \bmod 2}}{k!} + 1 \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A(n)}{n!} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^{(k+1) \bmod 2}}{k!} + 1 \right) = \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k+1)!} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2k}{(2k)!} + 1 = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k+1)!} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k-1)!} + 1 = \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k+1)!} = \sinh 1 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A(n)}{n!} = 1 + 2 \sinh(1) = 1 - \frac{1}{e} + e$$

1693.

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_1(n) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \left| (i-j) \left(\frac{1}{2n-i+1} - \frac{1}{2n-j+1} \right) \right| \\ \Omega_2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \left| \frac{1}{2n-i+1} - \frac{1}{2n-j+1} \right| \end{aligned}$$

Find:

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\Omega_1(n)}{\Omega_2(n)}$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

Solution by Kamel Gandouli Rezgui-Tunisia

Let $k = n - i + 1$ and $p = n - j + 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega_1(n) &= \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{p=1}^n \left| (p-k) \left(\frac{1}{n+k} - \frac{1}{n+p} \right) \right| = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{p=1}^n \frac{(p-k)^2}{(n+p)(n+k)} = \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{n+k} \sum_{p=1}^n \frac{(p-k)^2}{n+p} \Rightarrow \\ \Omega_1(n) &\geq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{n+k} \sum_{p=1}^n \frac{(k-1)^2}{2n} \geq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(k-1)^2}{2(n+k)}\end{aligned}$$

Because:

$$\sum_{p=1}^n \frac{(p-k)^2}{n+p} (p-k)^2 \geq (k-1)^2; p \geq 1 \text{ and } \frac{1}{n+p} \geq \frac{1}{2n}; \forall p \leq n$$

$$\sum_{p=1}^n \frac{(k-1)^2}{2n} = n \frac{(k-1)^2}{2n} = \frac{(k-1)^2}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{n+k} \geq \frac{1}{2n} \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(k-1)^2}{2(n+k)} \geq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(k-1)^2}{4n}$$

$$\Omega_1(n) \geq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(k-1)^2}{4n} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{k^2}{4n} = \frac{1}{12}n^2 - \frac{1}{8}n + \frac{1}{24}$$

$$\Omega_2(n) = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{p=1}^n \left| \left(\frac{1}{n+k} - \frac{1}{n+p} \right) \right| = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{p=1}^n \frac{|p-k|}{(n+p)(n+k)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_2(n) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{n+k} \sum_{p=1}^n \frac{|p-k|}{n+p} \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{n+k} \sum_{p=1}^n \frac{|n-k|}{n+1}$$

$$|p-k| \leq |n-k| \leq n-1 \text{ and } \frac{1}{n+p} \leq \frac{1}{n+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega_2(n) &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{n+k} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{n-k}{n+1} \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{n+k} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{n-1}{n+1} \leq \frac{n(n-1)}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{n+k} \leq \\ &\leq \frac{n(n-1)}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n}{n+1} \leq \frac{n^3}{(n+1)^2} \leq n\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\Omega_1(n)}{\Omega_2(n)} \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n^2}{12} - \frac{n}{8} + \frac{1}{24}}{n} = +\infty$$

1694. Let $A(x)$ be the following $n \times n$ real matrix

$$A(x) = \begin{pmatrix} x^2 & 1 & x^2 & 1 & \dots & x^2 & 1 \\ 1 & x^{-2} & 1 & x^{-2} & \dots & 1 & x^{-2} \\ x^2 & 1 & x^2 & 1 & \dots & x^2 & 1 \\ 1 & x^{-2} & 1 & x^{-2} & \dots & 1 & x^{-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x^2 & 1 & x^2 & 1 & \dots & x^2 & 1 \\ 1 & x^{-2} & 1 & x^{-2} & \dots & 1 & x^{-2} \end{pmatrix}; n - \text{even and } F(x) = \det(I_n + A(x))$$

Prove that:

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{(1 - F(x)) \left(1 - F\left(e^{\frac{\pi x^2}{8}}\right)\right)} \frac{dx}{x} = \frac{\pi - 2 \log(1 + \sqrt{2})}{n^2 \sqrt{2}}$$

Proposed by Farid Khelili-Algerie

Solution by proposer

Let $X = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\|X\|^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k x_k$. If regard X as an element of $Mat(n \times n, \mathbb{R})$, then $X^T \in Mat(1 \times n, \mathbb{R})$ and $XX^T = (x_j x_k)_{1 \leq j, k \leq n} \in Mat(n, \mathbb{R})$. Let

$$J_n = \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{(1 - F(x)) \left(1 - F\left(e^{\frac{\pi x^2}{8}}\right)\right)} \frac{dx}{x}$$

We claim that:

$$\text{A. } \det(I_n + XX^T) = 1 + \|X\|^2; \forall X \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\text{B. } \det(I_n + A(x)) = 1 + \frac{n}{2} \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right); \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^*$$

$$\text{C. } J_n = \frac{1}{n^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{(1 + x^2) \cosh\left(\frac{\pi x}{4}\right)} = \frac{4}{n^2} \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{(-1)^m}{4m + 3}$$

Proof of claim A: Let $E = (1, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $X = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $\|X\| \neq 0$, if we regard X and E as elements of $Mat(n \times 1, \mathbb{R})$, then there exists an orthogonal

matrix $R \in O(n, \mathbb{R})$, $R^t R = I_n$, such that $RX = \|X\|E$.

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Since $\det(RMR^T) = \det(MR^TR) = \det(M)$, for any $M \in \text{Mat}(n, \mathbb{R})$, then

$$\det(I_n + XX^T) = \det[R(I_n + XX^T)R^T] = \det(I_n + (RX)(RX)^T) = \det(I_n + \|X\|^2 EE^T)$$

Since EE^T is the diagonal matrix $\text{diag}(1, 0, \dots, 0)$, then

$$I_n + \|X\|^2 EE^T = \text{diag}(1 + \|X\|^2, 1, \dots, 1) \text{ and}$$

$$\det(I_n + XX^T) = \det(I_n + \|X\|^2 EE^T) = 1 + \|X\|^2$$

The claim $\mathbb{A}$ is demonstrated.

Proof of claim $\mathbb{B}$: Let $X = (x, \frac{1}{x}, x, \frac{1}{x}, \dots, x, \frac{1}{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and n is even, then

$$\|X\|^2 = \frac{n}{2} \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right) \text{ and } XX^T = A(x). \text{ It follows from claim } \mathbb{A} \text{ that}$$

$$\det(I_n + A(x)) = \det(I_n + XX^T) = 1 + \|X\|^2 = 1 + \frac{n}{2} \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right)$$

The claim $\mathbb{B}$ is demonstrated.

Proof of claim $\mathbb{C}$: Let $F(x) = \det(I_n + A(x))$, it follows from claim $\mathbb{B}$ that

$$1 - F(x) = 1 - \det(I_n + A(x)) = -\frac{n}{2} \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right) \text{ and}$$

$$1 - F\left(e^{\frac{\pi x^2}{8}}\right) = -\frac{n}{2} \left(e^{\frac{\pi x^2}{4}} + e^{-\frac{\pi x^2}{4}} \right) = -n \cosh\left(\frac{\pi x^2}{4}\right)$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} J_n &= \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{(1 - F(x)) \left(1 - F\left(e^{\frac{\pi x^2}{8}}\right) \right)} \frac{dx}{x} = \frac{2}{n^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{x dx}{(1 + x^4) \cosh\left(\frac{\pi x^2}{4}\right)} \stackrel{x^2 \rightarrow x}{=} \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{(1 + x^2) \cosh\left(\frac{\pi x}{4}\right)} \end{aligned}$$

Now, use the partial fraction expansion of $\cosh\left(\frac{\pi x}{4}\right)$

$$\frac{1}{\cosh\left(\frac{\pi x}{4}\right)} = \frac{16}{\pi} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^m \frac{2m+1}{x^2 + 4(2m+1)^2}$$

To rewrite J_n as

$$J_n = \frac{16}{\pi n^2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^m (2m+1) \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{1+x^2} \frac{dx}{x^2 + 4(2m+1)^2} dx$$

The integral on the right is equal to

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$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^2} \frac{dx}{x^2 + 4(2m+1)^2} dx = \frac{\pi}{4} \frac{1}{(4m+3)(2m+1)}$$

So,

$$J_n = \frac{1}{n^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(1+x^2) \cosh\left(\frac{\pi x}{n}\right)} = \frac{4}{n^2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m}{4m+3}; (1)$$

The claim C is then demonstrated. The summation on the right of Eq. (1) is equal to

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m}{4m+3} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^m \int_0^1 x^{4m+2} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{x^2}{1+x^4} dx$$

$$J_n = \frac{4}{n^2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m}{4m+3} = \frac{4}{n^2} \int_0^1 \frac{x^2}{1+x^4} dx$$

Which can be rewritten as

$$J_n = \frac{2}{n^2} \int_0^1 \frac{x^2-1}{1+x^4} dx + \frac{2}{n^2} \int_0^1 \frac{x^2+1}{1+x^4} dx$$

$$J_n = \frac{2}{n^2} \int_0^1 \frac{1+x^{-2}}{(x+x^{-1})^2+2} dx + \frac{2}{n^2} \int_0^1 \frac{1-x^{-2}}{(x+x^{-1})^2-2} dx$$

Making the change of variable $u = -(x - x^{-1})$ in the first integral and $u = x + x^{-1}$ in the second integral, one has

$$J_n = \frac{2}{n^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{du}{u^2+2} - \frac{2}{n^2} \int_2^{\infty} \frac{du}{u^2-2} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}n^2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}n^2} \log\left(\frac{2+\sqrt{2}}{2-\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{(1-F(x)) \left(1 - F\left(e^{\frac{\pi x^2}{8}}\right)\right)} \frac{dx}{x} = \frac{\pi - 2 \log(1+\sqrt{2})}{n^2 \sqrt{2}}$$

1695. Find:

$$\Omega = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{(x+1)(x^2+1)} dx$$

Proposed by Vasile Mircea Popa-Romania

Solution by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\int \frac{dx}{(1+x)(1+x^2)} = \frac{1}{2} \int \left(\frac{1}{1+x} + \frac{1-x}{1+x^2} \right) dx = \frac{1}{4} \log \left(\frac{x^2+2x+1}{x^2+1} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &\stackrel{IBP}{=} \frac{1}{4} \left[\log \left(\frac{x^2+2x+1}{x^2+1} \right) \tan^{-1} x + 2(\tan^{-1} x)^2 \right]_0^\infty - \\ &- \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \frac{\log(1+x)}{1+x^2} dx + \frac{1}{4} \int_0^\infty \frac{\log(1+x^2)}{1+x^2} dx - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{1+x^2} dx = \\ &= \frac{\pi^2}{8} - \frac{A}{2} + \frac{B}{4} - \frac{C}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \int_0^\infty \frac{\log(1+x)}{1+x^2} dx = \int_0^1 \int_0^\infty \frac{x}{(1+xy)(1+x^2)} dx dy = \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{1+y^2} \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{x+y}{1+x^2} - \frac{y}{1+xy} \right) dx dy = \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{dy}{1+y^2} \left[y \cdot \tan^{-1} x + \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{1+x^2}{1+2xy+x^2y^2} \right) \right]_0^\infty = \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{y}{1+y^2} dy - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{\log y}{1+y^2} dy = \frac{\pi}{4} \log 2 + \frac{G}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$B = \int_0^\infty \frac{\log(1+x^2)}{1+x^2} dx \stackrel{x=\tan \theta}{=} 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(\cos \theta) d\theta = \pi \log 2$$

$$C = \int_0^\infty \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{1+x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} (\tan^{-1} \infty)^2 = \frac{\pi^2}{8}$$

$$\Omega = \int_0^\infty \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{(x+1)(x^2+1)} dx = \frac{\pi^2}{16} + \frac{\pi}{8} \log 2 - \frac{G}{2}$$

1696. In $\triangle ABC$, $\omega = \tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{\frac{rr_a}{r_b r_c}} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{\frac{rr_b}{r_c r_a}} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{\frac{rr_c}{r_a r_b}} \right)$. Find:

$$\Omega = \int_0^\omega \frac{3\sin^2 x + \cos x + 2}{\sin x + \cos x + 7} dx$$

Proposed by Daniel Sitaru-Romania

Solution 1 by Ravi Prakash-New Delhi-India

$$\sqrt{\frac{rr_a}{r_br_c}} = \sqrt{\frac{\frac{F^2}{s(s-a)}}{\frac{F^2}{(s-b)(s-c)}}} = \sqrt{\frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{s(s-a)}} = \tan \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\tan^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{rr_a}{r_br_c}} + \tan^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{rr_b}{r_cr_a}} + \tan^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{rr_c}{r_ar_b}} = \frac{A}{2} + \frac{B}{2} + \frac{C}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Omega = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{3 \sin^2 x + \cos x + 2}{\sin x + \cos x + 7} dx; (1)$$

$$\Omega = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{3 \cos^2 x + \sin x + 2}{\cos x + \sin x + 7} dx; (2)$$

By adding (1) and (2), we get:

$$2\Omega = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{3 + \cos x + \sin x + 4}{\cos x + \sin x + 7} dx = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Therefore,

$$\Omega = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{3 \sin^2 x + \cos x + 2}{\sin x + \cos x + 7} dx = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Solution 2 by Syed Shahabudeen-Kerala-India

$$\omega = \sum_{cyc} \tan^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{rr_a}{r_br_c}} = \sum_{cyc} \tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{\frac{(s-b)(s-c)}{s(s-a)}} \right) =$$

$$= \sum_{cyc} \tan^{-1} \left(\tan \left(\frac{A}{2} \right) \right) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{cyc} A = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \omega = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Omega = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{3 \sin^2 x + \cos x + 2}{\sin x + \cos x + 7} dx$$

$$2\Omega = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} dx$$

Therefore,

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$$\Omega = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{3 \sin^2 x + \cos x + 2}{\sin x + \cos x + 7} dx = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

1697. Prove that:

$$\int_0^1 \frac{(\tan^{-1} x)^5}{(1+x)(1+x^2)} dx = \frac{225\pi}{256} \zeta(5) + \frac{\pi^6}{49152} - \frac{15\pi^3}{512} \zeta(3) + \frac{\pi^5}{2048} \log 2 +$$

$$+ \frac{1}{262144} \left(\psi_5\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - \psi_5\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \right)$$

where ζ is Zeta function and $\psi_n(z)$ is n^{th} polygamma function.

Proposed by Naren Bhandari-Bajura-Nepal

Solution by Rana Ranino-Setif-Algerie

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_0^1 \frac{(\tan^{-1} x)^5}{(1+x)(1+x^2)} dx \stackrel{x=\tan x}{=} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{x^5}{1+\tan x} dx \stackrel{IBP}{=} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [x^6 + x^5 \log(\sin x + \cos x)]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} - \frac{5}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} x^4 \log(\sin x + \cos x) dx \\ \Omega &= \frac{\pi^6}{49152} - \frac{5}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} x^4 \log\left(\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x\right)\right) dx = \frac{\pi^6}{49152} - \frac{5}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x\right)^4 \log(\cos x) dx \\ \Omega &= \frac{\pi^6}{49152} + \frac{5}{2} \log 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x\right)^4 dx + \frac{5}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x\right)^4 \cos(2nx) dx \\ \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x\right)^4 dx &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} x^4 dx = \frac{\pi^5}{5120} \\ \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x\right)^4 \cos(2nx) dx &= \\ &= \left[\left(\frac{3}{4n^5} - \frac{3\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x\right)^2}{2n^3} + \frac{3\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x\right)^4}{2n} \right) \sin(2nx) - \left(\frac{\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x\right)^3}{n^2} - \frac{3\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - x\right)}{2n^4} \right) \cos(2nx) \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \\ &= \frac{3}{4n^5} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{\pi^3}{64n^2} - \frac{3\pi}{n^4} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Omega = \frac{\pi^6}{49152} + \frac{\pi^5}{2048} \log 2 + \frac{5\pi^3}{128} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^5} + \frac{15}{8} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right)}{n^6}$$

$$\Omega = \frac{\pi^6}{49152} + \frac{\pi^5}{2048} \log 2 - \frac{5\pi^3}{128} \zeta(3) + \frac{225\pi}{256} \zeta(5) - \frac{15}{8} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^6}$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^6} = \frac{1}{4096} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\left(n + \frac{1}{4}\right)^6} - \frac{1}{\left(n + \frac{3}{4}\right)^6} \right) = -\frac{1}{491520} \left(\psi_5\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - \psi_5\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \right)$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^1 \frac{(\tan^{-1} x)^5}{(1+x)(1+x^2)} dx = \frac{225\pi}{256} \zeta(5) + \frac{\pi^6}{49152} - \frac{15\pi^3}{512} \zeta(3) + \frac{\pi^5}{2048} \log 2 +$$

$$+ \frac{1}{262144} \left(\psi_5\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - \psi_5\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \right)$$

1698. Let the matrix: $R(x) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\pi x} & e^{-\frac{\pi}{x}} & e^{-\pi x} & e^{-\frac{i\pi}{x}} \\ e^{-\frac{\pi}{x}} & e^{-i\pi x} & e^{-\frac{i\pi}{x}} & e^{-\pi x} \\ e^{-i\pi x} & e^{-\frac{i\pi}{x}} & e^{-\pi x} & e^{-\frac{\pi}{x}} \\ e^{-\frac{i\pi}{x}} & e^{-\pi x} & e^{-\frac{\pi}{x}} & e^{-i\pi x} \end{pmatrix}$ then prove that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2} \text{Tr}[R(x) \otimes R(ix)] dx = 4(1 + e^{-\pi})$$

where Tr is trace and $\otimes$ is the Kronecker Product

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$$\Omega = \text{Tr} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-\pi x} R(ix) & e^{-\frac{\pi}{x}} R(ix) & e^{-\pi x} R(ix) & e^{-\frac{i\pi}{x}} R(ix) \\ e^{-\frac{\pi}{x}} R(ix) & e^{-i\pi x} R(ix) & e^{-\frac{i\pi}{x}} R(ix) & e^{-\pi x} R(ix) \\ e^{-i\pi x} R(ix) & e^{-\frac{i\pi}{x}} R(ix) & e^{-\pi x} R(ix) & e^{-\frac{\pi}{x}} R(ix) \\ e^{-\frac{i\pi}{x}} R(ix) & e^{-\pi x} R(ix) & e^{-\frac{\pi}{x}} R(ix) & e^{-i\pi x} R(ix) \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{16} a_{ii} = a_{11} + a_{22} + \dots + a_{1616} =$$

$$= 2[2e^{-(1+i)\pi x} + 2] + 2[2e^{-2i\pi x} + 2e^{(1-i)\pi x}]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2} \cdot \Omega \, dx = 4 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi[x^2+(1+i)x]} \, dx + 8 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2} \, dx + \\
 &\quad + 4 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi(x^2+2ix)} \, dx + 4 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi[x^2+(i-1)x]} \, dx = \\
 &= 4 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi\left[\left(x+\frac{1+i}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{i}{2}\right]} \, dx + 8 \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right] + 4 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi[(x+i)^2+1]} \, dx \\
 &\quad + 4 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi\left[\left(x+\frac{i-1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{i}{2}\right]} \, dx = \\
 &= 4e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi u^2} \, du + 8 \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\pi} \sqrt{\pi} + 4e^{-\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi u^2} \, du + 4e^{-i\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi u^2} \, du = \\
 &= 4i \left(2 \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right) + 4 + 4e^{-\pi} \left(2 \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right) - 4i \left(2 \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right) = \\
 &= 4i + 4 + 4e^{-\pi} - 4i = 4(1 + e^{-\pi}) \\
 I &= 4(1 + e^{-\pi})
 \end{aligned}$$

1699. Let $(x_n)_{n \geq 1}$ and $(y_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be sequences of real numbers defined as

$$x_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \sin\left(\frac{1}{k}\right) + \log\left(\sin\frac{1}{n}\right), y_n = \sum_{k=1}^{n^2+n} \left[\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

then prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3 x_n}{y_n} = \gamma$, where γ is Euler Mascheroni constant and $[\cdot]$ is greatest integer function.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 y_n &= \sum_{k=1}^{n^2+n} \left[\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{2} \right] = \sum_{k=1}^2 \left[\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{2} \right] + \sum_{k=3}^6 \left[\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{2} \right] + \sum_{k=7}^{12} \left[\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{2} \right] + \\
 &\quad + \sum_{k=13}^{20} \left[\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{2} \right] + \sum_{k=21}^{30} \left[\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{2} \right] + \dots = \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=i^2-i+1}^{i^2+i} \left[\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{2} \right] = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{k=i^2-i+1}^{i^2+i} i = \sum_{i=1}^n 2i^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Let $f(x) = \sin \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{3x} - \frac{1}{3} \log \left(\frac{x+2}{x+1} \right) \geq 0$ and $g(x) = \sin \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{3x} - \frac{1}{3} \log \frac{x}{x-1} \leq 0$,

then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(-\frac{1}{3k} - \frac{1}{3} \log \left(\frac{2+k}{k+1} \right) \right) &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sin \frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k} \right) \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \left(-\frac{1}{3k} - \frac{1}{3} \log \left(\frac{k}{k-1} \right) \right) \\ -\frac{1}{3} (H_n (\log n + 2)) &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sin \frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k} \right) \leq -\frac{1}{3} (H_n - \log n) \\ \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\sin \frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k} \right) &= -\frac{\gamma}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_n &= \sum_{k=1}^n \sin \left(\frac{1}{k} \right) + \log \left(\sin \frac{1}{n} \right) = \sum_{k=1}^n \sin \left(\frac{1}{k} \right) + \log n + \log \left(\sin \frac{1}{n} \right) - \log n = \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sin \frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k} \right) + \log n + \log \left(\sin \frac{1}{n} \right) - \log n + H_n \\ \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n &= -\frac{\gamma}{3} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\log n + \log \left(\sin \frac{1}{n} \right) \right) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-\log n + H_n) = \\ &= -\frac{\gamma}{3} + \gamma = \frac{2}{3} \gamma \end{aligned}$$

$$\because \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\log n + \log \left(\sin \frac{1}{n} \right) \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log \frac{\sin \frac{1}{n}}{\frac{1}{n}} = \log 1 = 0$$

Therefore,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3 x_n}{y_n} = \gamma$$

1700. Prove that:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{2n}{n} \binom{2m}{m} \frac{m+n+3}{8^{m+n} (m+n+2)^3} &= \\ = \frac{7}{2} \zeta(3) + \frac{\pi^2}{3} + \frac{2}{3} \log^3(2) - 2 \log^2(2) - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \log(2) - 4 \end{aligned}$$

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Let S be the sum and since

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{m+n+3}{(m+n+2)^3} &= \frac{1}{(m+n+2)^2} + \frac{1}{(m+n+2)^3} = \\ &= \int_0^1 x^{m+n+1} \left(-\log x + \frac{\log^2 x}{2} \right) dx \\ S &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{2n}{n} \binom{2m}{m} \frac{1}{8^{m+n}} \int_0^1 x^{m+n+1} \left(-\log x + \frac{\log^2 x}{2} \right) dx = S_1 + S_2 \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see:

$$\sum_{m,n \geq 0} \binom{2m}{m} \binom{2n}{n} x^{n+m} = \left(\sum_{j \geq 0} \binom{2j}{j} y^j \right)^2 = \frac{1}{1-4y}$$

for $|x| \leq \frac{1}{4}$ we used then generating function of central binomial coefficients,

namely

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} \binom{2n}{n} y^n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-4y}}$$

Putting $y = \frac{1}{8}$, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 + S_2 &= - \int_0^1 \frac{x \log x}{1 - \frac{x}{2}} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{x \log^2 x}{1 - \frac{x}{2}} dx = \\ &= \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \left(-\frac{1}{(n+1)^2} + \frac{1}{2(n+1)^3} \right) = -2 + 4Li_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 2 + 4Li_3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \\ \therefore Li_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) &= \frac{\pi^2}{12} - \frac{1}{2} \log^2(2) \text{ and } Li_3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{7}{8} \zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \log(2) + \frac{\log^3(3)}{6} \end{aligned}$$

Plugging these values in the latter expression and simplifying gives the announced result.



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