

# Huge class of infinite series with closed-form expressions

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It is widely known that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{2k}} = \frac{(-1)^{k+1} (2\pi)^{2k} B_{2k}}{2(2k)!}$$

(where  $B_n$  denotes n-th Bernoulli number). Ramanujan gives the identity:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\coth(\pi n)}{n^{4k-1}} = 2^{4k-2} \pi^{4k-1} \sum_{m=0}^{2k} \frac{(-1)^{m+1} B_{2m} B_{4k-2m}}{(2m)!(4k-2m)!}.$$

This paper continues the sequence of infinite series with closed form in terms of  $\pi$ , for example:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\coth(\pi n) \coth(\pi n \sqrt{i}) \coth(\pi \frac{n}{\sqrt{i}})}{n^5} = \frac{127\pi^5}{37800}$$

, where  $\sqrt{i} = \frac{1+i}{\sqrt{2}}$

## *Constructing the sequence*

1. Let  $\mu_1(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}$ . Then

$$\mu_1(2n) = \frac{(-1)^{n+1} (2\pi)^{2n} B_{2n}}{2(2n)!}$$

(the formula also holds for 0:  $\mu_1(0) = -\frac{1}{2}$ ).

1.1. Then for the generating function  $\sigma_1$  holds:

$$\sigma_1(x) = -2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_1(2n)x^{2n} = 1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2x^2}{n^2 - x^2}$$

1.2. But  $\sigma_1(x) = \pi x \cot \pi x$

1.3. Then  $\sigma_1(ix) = \pi x \coth \pi x = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2x^2}{n^2 + x^2}$ .

2. Let  $\mu_2(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_1(in)}{n^s}$ . Then

$$\mu_2(4n) = \sum_{k=0}^{2n} (-1)^{k+1} \mu_1(2k) \mu_1(4n - 2k)$$

(the formula also holds for 0:  $\mu_2(0) = -\frac{1}{4}$ ).

2.1. Then for the generating function  $\sigma_2$  holds:

$$\sigma_2(x) = -4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_2(4n)x^{4n} = 1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4x^4 \sigma_1(in)}{n^4 - x^4}$$

2.2. But

$$-4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_2(4n)x^{4n} = (-2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_1(2n)x^{2n}) (-2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_1(2n)(ix)^{2n}) = \sigma_1(x) \sigma_1(ix)$$

2.3. Then  $\sigma_2(\sqrt{ix}) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4x^4 \sigma_1(in)}{n^4 + x^4}$ .

3. Let  $\mu_3(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_1(in) \sigma_2(\sqrt{in})}{n^s}$ . Then

$$\mu_3(8n) = 2 \sum_{k=0}^{2n} (-1)^{k+1} \mu_2(4k) \mu_2(8n - 4k)$$

(the formula also holds for 0:  $\mu_3(0) = -\frac{1}{8}$ ).

3.1. Then for the generating function  $\sigma_3$  holds:

$$\sigma_3(x) = -8 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_3(8n)x^{8n} = 1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{8x^8 \sigma_1(in) \sigma_2(\sqrt{in})}{n^8 - x^8}$$

3.2. But

$$-8 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_3(8n)x^{8n} = (-4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_2(4n)x^{4n})(-4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_2(4n)(\sqrt{i}x)^{4n}) = \sigma_2(x)\sigma_2(\sqrt{i}x)$$

3.3. Then  $\sigma_3((-1)^{\frac{1}{8}}x) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{8x^8 \sigma_1(in) \sigma_2(\sqrt{in})}{n^8 + x^8}$ .

Let's prove, that we can do it again and again. And let's prove, that  $\mu_L(2^L m)$  has closed form in terms of  $\pi$  for every natural  $L$  and  $m$ .

*Proof by induction*

Let  $\zeta_L = (-1)^{1/2^L}$ ,  $\pi_L(x) = \prod_{k=1}^{L-1} \sigma_k(\zeta_k x)$ ,  $\sigma_L(\zeta_L x) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^L x^{2^L} \pi_L(n)}{n^{2^L} + x^{2^L}}$ , and there is an agreement, that the formula also holds for 0:  $\mu_L(0) = -\frac{1}{2^L}$ , Let's prove that  $\mu_{L+1}(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\pi_{L+1}(n)}{n^s}$  has closed form for  $2^{L+1}m$  for every natural  $L$  and  $m$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{L+1}(2^{L+1}m) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\pi_{L+1}(n)}{n^{2^{L+1}m}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\pi_L(n)}{n^{2^{L+1}m}} \left( 1 + \sum_{N=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^L n^{2^L} \pi_L(N)}{N^{2^L} + n^{2^L}} \right) = \\ &= \mu_L(2^{L+1}m) + 2^L \sum_{N=1}^{\infty} \pi_L(N) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\pi_L(n)}{n^{2^L(2m-1)}(n^{2^L} + N^{2^L})} = \\ &= \mu_L(2^{L+1}m) + 2^L \sum_{N=1}^{\infty} \frac{\pi_L(N)}{N^{2^L}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\pi_L(n)(n^{2^L} + N^{2^L} - n^{2^L})}{n^{2^L(2m-1)}(n^{2^L} + N^{2^L})} = \dots = \\ &= 2\mu_L(2^{L+1}m) + 2^L \sum_{k=1}^{2m-1} (-1)^{k+1} \mu_L(2^L k) \mu_L(2^L(2m-k)) - \sum_{N=1}^{\infty} \frac{\pi_{L+1}(N)}{N^{2^{L+1}m}} \end{aligned}$$

That's why

$$\mu_{L+1}(2^{L+1}m) = \mu_L(2^{L+1}m) + 2^{L-1} \sum_{k=1}^{2m-1} (-1)^{k+1} \mu_L(2^L k) \mu_L(2^L(2m-k))$$

Using the agreement for  $\mu_L(0)$ , we finally gain

$$\mu_{L+1}(2^{L+1}m) = 2^{L-1} \sum_{k=0}^{2m} (-1)^{k+1} \mu_L(2^L k) \mu_L(2^L(2m-k))$$

So, if  $\mu_L(2^L m)$  has closed form in terms of  $\pi$ ,  $\mu_{L+1}(2^{L+1}m)$  has it too. This way we gain a new class of series with closed form in terms of  $\pi$ . But for large  $L$  and  $m$  the construction loses its beauty.

Also for  $\sigma_2$ , we can gain another nontrivial result: If we take  $\sigma_1$  and change  $\sigma_1(in)$  to  $\sigma_1(inx)$  inside  $\mu_2$ , we gain the Ramanujan's formula

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\coth(\pi n x) + x^2 \coth(\frac{\pi n}{x})}{n^3} = \frac{\pi^3}{90x} (x^4 + 5x^2 + 1)$$

Its analogue for  $\sigma_2$  and  $\mu_3$  is going to be

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\coth(\pi n)}{n^5} \left( \coth \frac{\pi n x}{\sqrt{i}} \coth \pi n x \sqrt{i} + x^4 \coth \frac{\pi n}{x \sqrt{i}} \coth \frac{\pi n \sqrt{i}}{x} \right) = \\ = \frac{\pi^5}{56700x^2} (19x^8 + 343x^4 + 19) \end{aligned}$$