

The number Pi and the integral: $\int (\tanh x)^a \frac{dx}{x}$

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abstract

This note presents some formulas for Pi .

1. Introduction

The number π is defined by :

$$\pi = 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} = 3.141592... \quad (1)$$

This note presents some series for π .

2. The arctangent function

If $0 \leq x < 1$, then

$$\tan^{-1} x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n B_n(x) \quad (2)$$

where

$$A_{n+1} = -A_n - \frac{2}{(2n+1)(2n+3)} , A_0 = 1 \quad (3)$$

$$B_n(x) = \int_0^{\tanh^{-1} x} \frac{(\tanh u)^{2n+1}}{u} du \quad (4)$$

Remarks :

$$\tanh u = \frac{e^u - e^{-u}}{e^u + e^{-u}} , e = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} = 2.71828... \quad (5)$$

$$A_n = \left\{ 1, -\frac{5}{3}, \frac{23}{15}, -\frac{167}{105}, \frac{491}{315}, -\frac{5471}{3465}, \dots \right\} \quad (6)$$

$$A_n = (-1)^n \left(1 - 2 \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{4k^2 - 1} \right) \quad (7)$$

$$|A_n| \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}, n \rightarrow \infty \quad (8)$$

3. Formulas

$$\pi = 6 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n B_n (1/\sqrt{3}) \quad (9)$$

$$B_n (1/\sqrt{3}) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{2} \ln(2+\sqrt{3})} \frac{(\tanh u)^{2n+1}}{u} du \quad (10)$$

$$\pi = 8 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n B_n (\sqrt{2}-1) \quad (11)$$

$$B_n (\sqrt{2}-1) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{2} \ln(\sqrt{2}+1)} \frac{(\tanh u)^{2n+1}}{u} du \quad (12)$$

$$\pi = 12 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n B_n (2-\sqrt{3}) \quad (13)$$

$$B_n (2-\sqrt{3}) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{4} \ln 3} \frac{(\tanh u)^{2n+1}}{u} du \quad (14)$$

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