

Some questions related to the omega constant

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Abstract: This note is about a specific value of Lambert's W function

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1. Omega Constant

The Omega constant $\Omega = W(1) = 0.567143290409 \dots$ is the unique real solution of the transcendental equation:

$$\Omega e^{\Omega} = 1 \tag{1}$$

where $W(x)$ is the Lambert W-function: $W(x) e^{W(x)} = x$.

2. Integral Representation

$$\frac{1}{1 + \Omega} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{(e^x - x)^2 + \pi^2} dx \tag{2}$$

Remark: (2) is due to V. Adamchik ([5],[8]).

3. Some Relations

$$\frac{1}{1 + \Omega} = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{(e^x - x)^2 + \pi^2} + \frac{1}{(e^{-x} + x)^2 + \pi^2} \right) dx \tag{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{1 + \Omega} = \int_{-s}^s \frac{1}{(e^x - x)^2 + \pi^2} dx + \int_s^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{(e^x - x)^2 + \pi^2} + \frac{1}{(e^{-x} + x)^2 + \pi^2} \right) dx, \quad s > 0 \tag{4}$$

For $a > 0.91021 \dots$ we have

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{(e^x - x)^2 + \pi^2} dx = \int_0^a \frac{1}{(e^x - x)^2 + \pi^2} dx + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{m=0}^k \binom{n}{k} \binom{k}{m} \frac{(-1)^k 2^{n-k} \pi^{2k-2m} \Gamma(n-k+2m+1, (n+k+2)a)}{(n+k+2)^{n-k+2m+1}} \tag{5}$$

For $a > \pi$ we have

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{(e^{-x} + x)^2 + \pi^2} dx = \int_0^a \frac{1}{(e^{-x} + x)^2 + \pi^2} dx + \frac{1}{\pi} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right) + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{m=0}^{n-k+1} \binom{n+1}{k} \binom{n-k+1}{m} (-1)^{n+1} \pi^{2k} 2^{n-k-m+1} (n-k+m+1)^{n+k+m+2} \Gamma(-n-k-m-2, (n-k+m+1)a) \quad (6)$$

Remark: In (5) and (6) $\Gamma(x, y)$ is the incomplete Gamma function.

$$\frac{1}{1 + \Omega} = \int_0^{e^{-1}} \frac{1}{x((\ln(x))^2 + \pi^2)} \left(\frac{1}{1 + W(0, -x)} - \frac{1}{1 + W(-1, -x)} \right) dx \quad (7)$$

Remark: $W(0, x)$ and $W(-1, x)$ are the two real branches of $W(x)$.

$$\frac{1}{1 + \Omega} = \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x((x - \ln(x))^2 + \pi^2)} dx + \int_1^{\infty} \frac{x}{((1 + x \ln(x))^2 + x^2 \pi^2)} dx \quad (8)$$

$$\frac{1}{1 + \Omega} = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x}{((1 + x \ln(x))^2 + x^2 \pi^2)} dx \quad (9)$$

4. A Fixed Point

$$F(s) = \int_s^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{(e^x - x)^2 + \pi^2} + \frac{1}{(e^{-x} + x)^2 + \pi^2} \right) dx, \quad s > 0 \quad (10)$$

$$s^* = F(s^*) \implies s^* = 0.539720 \dots \quad (11)$$

5. Iterations

Iteration 1:

$$s_1 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad s_{n+1} = F(s_n) \implies s_n \rightarrow s^* = 0.539720 \dots \quad (12)$$

Iteration 2:

$$s_1 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad s_{n+1} = \frac{G(s_n)}{1 + G(s_n)} s_n + \frac{F(s_n)}{1 + G(s_n)} \implies s_n \rightarrow s^* = 0.539720 \dots \quad (13)$$

where

$$G(x) = \frac{1}{(e^x - x)^2 + \pi^2} + \frac{1}{(e^{-x} + x)^2 + \pi^2} \quad (14)$$

6. A Series

$$\frac{1}{1 + \Omega} = s^* + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\pi^{2n+2}} \left(\frac{(s^*)^{2n+1}}{2n+1} - \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \binom{2n}{k} \frac{\Gamma(2n-k+1, ks^*) - \Gamma(2n-k+1, -ks^*)}{k^{2n-k+1}} \right) \quad (15)$$

where $\Gamma(x, y)$ is the incomplete Gamma function.

7. Two Fixed Points

$$u = \int_u^{\infty} \frac{1}{(e^x - x)^2 + \pi^2} dx \implies u = 0.140603 \dots \quad (16)$$

$$v = \int_v^{\infty} \frac{1}{(e^{-x} + x)^2 + \pi^2} dx \implies v = 0.443954 \dots \quad (17)$$

$$\frac{1}{1 + \Omega} = u + v + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\pi^{2n+2}} \left(\frac{u^{2n+1} + v^{2n+1}}{2n+1} + \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \binom{2n}{k} \frac{\Gamma(2n-k+1, -ku) - \Gamma(2n-k+1, kv)}{k^{2n-k+1}} \right) \quad (18)$$

where $\Gamma(x, y)$ is the incomplete Gamma function.

8. Two Identities

For $a > 0, b > 0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{1 + \Omega} &= \frac{a}{(e^a - a)^2 + \pi^2} + \int_a^{\infty} \frac{1}{(e^x - x)^2 + \pi^2} dx + \int_{(e^a - a)^2 + \pi^2}^{(1+\pi^2)^{-1}} \left(-\sqrt{\frac{1}{x} - \pi^2} - W\left(-1, -e^{-\sqrt{\frac{1}{x} - \pi^2}}\right) \right) dx + \\ &\frac{b}{(e^{-b} + b)^2 + \pi^2} + \int_b^{\infty} \frac{1}{(e^{-x} + x)^2 + \pi^2} dx + \int_{(e^{-b} + b)^2 + \pi^2}^{(1+\pi^2)^{-1}} \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{x} - \pi^2} + W\left(0, -e^{-\sqrt{\frac{1}{x} - \pi^2}}\right) \right) dx \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

For $a > 0, b > 0, e^a - a = e^{-b} + b, c = \frac{1}{(e^a - a)^2 + \pi^2}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{1 + \Omega} &= (a + b)c + \int_a^{\infty} \frac{1}{(e^x - x)^2 + \pi^2} dx + \\ &\int_b^{\infty} \frac{1}{(e^{-x} + x)^2 + \pi^2} dx + \int_c^{(1+\pi^2)^{-1}} \left(W\left(0, -e^{-\sqrt{\frac{1}{x} - \pi^2}}\right) - W\left(-1, -e^{-\sqrt{\frac{1}{x} - \pi^2}}\right) \right) dx \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Remark: $W(0, x)$ and $W(-1, x)$ are the two real branches of $W(x)$.

9. Final Formulas

$$\frac{1}{1 + \Omega} = r + \int_0^r \frac{1}{x((x - \ln(x))^2 + \pi^2)} dx \quad (21)$$

where $r = 0.269121 \dots$

$$r_1 = \frac{1}{4}, \quad r_{n+1} = H(r_n) \implies r_n \rightarrow r \quad (22)$$

$$H(y) = \int_y^\infty \frac{1}{x((x - \ln(x))^2 + \pi^2)} dx \quad (23)$$

For $a > 0$, $a \rightarrow \infty$ we have

$$\frac{1}{1 + \Omega} \sim \int_{-a}^a \frac{1}{(e^x - x)^2 + \pi^2} dx + \frac{e^{-2a}}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right) \quad (24)$$

$$\frac{1}{1 + \Omega} \sim \int_{-a}^a \frac{1}{(e^x - x)^2 + \pi^2} dx + \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \ln(1 + \pi^2 e^{-2a}) + \frac{1}{\pi} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right) \quad (25)$$

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