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2. Resolution of $\cos \theta$ into factors

Proceeding as in the previous art, we get

$$\sin \theta = 2^{p-1} \sin \frac{\theta}{p} \sin \frac{\pi + \theta}{p} \cdot \sin \frac{2\pi + \theta}{p} \sin \frac{(p-1)\pi + \theta}{p}$$

where $p = 2^n$.

Changing θ into $\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta$ in the above equation, we get

$$\cos \theta = 2^{p-1} \sin \frac{\pi + 2\theta}{2p} \cdot \sin \frac{3\pi + 2\theta}{2p} \cdots \sin \frac{(2p-1)\pi + 2\theta}{2p}$$

$$\text{The last factor} = \sin \left\{ \pi - \frac{\pi - 2\theta}{2p} \right\} = \sin \frac{\pi - 2\theta}{2p}$$

$$\text{The last factor but one} = \sin \frac{(2p-3)\pi + 2\theta}{2p} = \sin \frac{3\pi - 2\theta}{2p} \text{ and so on.}$$

Now combining together the first and the last factor, the second and the last but one and so on, and keeping in view the argument in the previous article.

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \theta &= 2^{p-1} \left\{ \sin \frac{\pi + 2\theta}{2p} \cdot \sin \frac{\pi - 2\theta}{2p} \right\} \left\{ \sin \frac{3\pi + 2\theta}{2p} \cdot \sin \frac{3\pi - 2\theta}{2p} \right\} \\ &\quad \cdots \left\{ \sin \frac{(p-1)\pi + 2\theta}{2p} \cdot \sin \frac{(p-1)\pi - 2\theta}{2p} \right\} \\ \Rightarrow \cos \theta &= 2^{p-1} \left\{ \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{2p} - \sin^2 \frac{2\theta}{2p} \right\} \left\{ \sin^2 \frac{3\pi}{2p} - \sin^2 \frac{2\theta}{2p} \right\} \\ &\quad \cdots \left\{ \sin^2 \frac{(p-1)\pi}{2p} - \sin^2 \frac{2\theta}{2p} \right\} \quad \dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } \theta \rightarrow 0, \text{ therefore } 1 = 2^{p-1} \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{2p} \sin^2 \frac{3\pi}{2p} \cdots \sin^2 \frac{(p-1)\pi}{2p} \quad \dots (2)$$

Dividing (1) by (2)

$$\cos \theta = \left\{ 1 - \frac{\sin^2 \frac{2\theta}{2p}}{\sin^2 \frac{\pi}{2p}} \right\} \left\{ 1 - \frac{\sin^2 \frac{2\theta}{2p}}{\sin^2 \frac{3\pi}{2p}} \right\} \dots \left\{ 1 - \frac{\sin^2 \frac{2\theta}{2p}}{\sin^2 \frac{(p-1)\pi}{2p}} \right\} \dots (3)$$

Thus for all values of θ under consideration

$$\cos \theta = \prod_{r=1}^{p/2} \left\{ \frac{1 - \sin^2 \frac{2\theta}{2p}}{\sin^2 \frac{(2r-1)\pi}{2p}} \right\}$$

Now let $p \rightarrow \infty$, therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \theta &= \left(1 - \frac{4\theta^2}{\pi^2} \right) \left(1 - \frac{4\theta^2}{3^2\pi^2} \right) \left(1 - \frac{4\theta^2}{5^2\pi^2} \right) \dots \\ &= \prod_{r=1}^{\infty} \left\{ 1 - \frac{4\theta^2}{(2r-1)^2\pi^2} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

.3 To deduce the expansion of $\cos \theta$ as an infinite product by assuming the expansion of $\sin \theta$ as an infinite product

We have, $\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \cos \theta &= \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2 \sin \theta} = \frac{(2\theta) \prod_{r=1}^{\infty} \left\{ 1 - \frac{(2\theta)^2}{r^2 \pi^2} \right\}}{2(\theta) \prod_{r=1}^{\infty} \left\{ 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{r^2 \pi^2} \right\}} \\ &= \frac{\left(1 - \frac{4\theta^2}{\pi^2} \right) \left(1 - \frac{4\theta^2}{2^2 \pi^2} \right) \left(1 - \frac{4\theta^2}{3^2 \pi^2} \right) \left(1 - \frac{4\theta^2}{4^2 \pi^2} \right) \dots}{\left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{\pi^2} \right) \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2^2 \pi^2} \right) \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{3^2 \pi^2} \right) \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{4^2 \pi^2} \right) \dots} \end{aligned}$$

Now, the factors in the numerator for which r is even cancel with those in the denominator. Of course, such a cancellation is valid, for the products involved are convergent. Therefore

$$\cos \theta = \left(1 - \frac{4\theta^2}{\pi^2} \right) \left(1 - \frac{4\theta^2}{3^2 \pi^2} \right) \left(1 - \frac{4\theta^2}{5^2 \pi^2} \right) \dots$$

.4 Sums of powers of the reciprocals of all natural numbers

We have, $\sin \theta = \theta - \frac{\theta^3}{3!} + \frac{\theta^5}{5!} - \dots$

and also $\sin \theta = \theta \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{\pi^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2^2\pi^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{3^2\pi^2}\right) \dots$

Thus, $\theta \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{\pi^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2^2\pi^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{3^2\pi^2}\right) \dots = \theta \left[1 - \frac{\theta^2}{3!} + \frac{\theta^4}{5!} - \dots\right]$

$$\Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{\pi^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2^2\pi^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{3^2\pi^2}\right) \dots = \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{3!} + \frac{\theta^4}{5!} - \dots\right)$$

Taking the logarithms of both sides, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \log \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{\pi^2}\right) + \log \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2^2\pi^2}\right) + \dots + \log \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{r^2\pi^2}\right) + \dots \\ = \log \left\{1 - \left(\frac{\theta^2}{3!} - \frac{\theta^4}{5!} + \dots\right)\right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \log \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{r^2\pi^2}\right) = \log (1 - y) \text{ where } y = \frac{\theta^2}{3!} - \frac{\theta^4}{5!} + \dots$$

Expanding each of the logarithms in the above identity, we have

$$\sum_1^{\infty} \left(\frac{\theta^2}{r^2\pi^2} + \frac{\theta^4}{2r^4\pi^4} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{\theta^6}{r^6\pi^6} + \dots\right) = y + \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{3}y^3 + \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \theta^2 \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{r^2\pi^2} + \theta^4 \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{2r^4\pi^4} + \theta^6 \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{3r^6\pi^6} + \dots \\ = \left(\frac{\theta^2}{6} - \frac{\theta^4}{120} + \dots\right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\theta^4}{6} - \frac{\theta^4}{120} + \dots\right)^2 + \dots \quad \dots(1) \end{aligned}$$

Since the equation (1) is true for all values of θ , the coefficient of θ^2 on both sides must be the same, and similarly those of θ^4 and so on.

Hence we have, $\sum_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{r^2\pi^2} = \frac{1}{6}$

$$\sum \frac{1}{2r^4\pi^4} = \frac{1}{180}, \text{ and so on.}$$

Hence $\sum \frac{1}{r^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$ and $\sum \frac{1}{r^4} = \frac{\pi^4}{90}$ etc.

In other words $\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \dots = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$

and $\frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \frac{1}{4^4} + \dots = \frac{\pi^4}{90}$

By proceeding in a similar manner

$$\prod_{r=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{4\theta^2}{(2r-1)^2\pi^2} \right) = \cos \theta = 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2!} + \frac{\theta^4}{4!} + \dots$$

so that $\sum \log \left\{ 1 - \frac{4\theta^2}{(2r-1)^2\pi^2} \right\} = \log (1 - y)$

where $y = \frac{\theta^2}{2!} - \frac{\theta^4}{4!} + \dots$

Thus, $\sum_1^{\infty} \left(\frac{4\theta^2}{(2r-1)^2\pi^2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{16\theta^4}{(2r-1)^4\pi^4} + \dots \right) = y + \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{3}y^3 + \dots$

$$\Rightarrow \theta^2 \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{4}{(2r-1)^2\pi^2} + \theta^4 \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{8}{(2r-1)^4\pi^4} + \dots$$

$$= \left(\frac{\theta^2}{2} - \frac{\theta^4}{24} + \dots \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\theta^2}{2} - \frac{\theta^4}{24} + \dots \right)^2 + \dots$$

Hence equating the coefficient of θ^2 and θ^4 , we have

$$\sum \frac{4}{(2r-1)^2\pi^2} = \frac{1}{2};$$

$$\sum \frac{8}{(2r-1)^4\pi^4} = \frac{1}{12} \text{ and so on.}$$

Hence $\sum \frac{1}{(2r-1)^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{8}$ and $\sum \frac{1}{(2r-1)^4} = \frac{\pi^4}{96}$ etc.

In other words $\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots = \frac{\pi^2}{8}$

and $\frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \frac{1}{5^4} + \dots = \frac{\pi^4}{96}$