Hypergeometric relations, Catalan constant

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Abstract

In this note we give some formulas related to Catalan constant

Introduction

The number Pi (Pi $\equiv \pi$) is defined by

$$\pi = 4 \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{9} - \dots\right) = 3.141592\dots$$

The Catalan constant is defined by

$$G = 1 - \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} - \frac{1}{7^2} + \frac{1}{9^2} - \dots = 0.915965 \dots$$

The Gauss hypergeometric function is defined by

$$_{2}F_{1}(a,b,c,x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_{n} \cdot (b)_{n}}{(c)_{n} n!} x^{n}$$
, $|x| < 1$

where $(a)_n = a(a+1)(a+2)...(a+n-1)$, $(a)_0 = 1$.

In this note we give some series related to G.

Formulas

Entry 1. for 0 we have

$$\frac{\pi}{2}\ln p + G = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n p^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)^2} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^2} \left(\frac{1-p}{1+p}\right)^{2n+1} {}_{2}F_{1}\left(2n+1, 1, n+\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{1+p}\right)$$

Entry 2. for p > 1 we have

$$\frac{\pi}{2}\ln p + G = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-2n}}{(2n+1)^2} {2n \choose n} \left(\frac{p^2}{1+p^2}\right)^{n+\frac{1}{2}} {}_{2}F_{1}\left(n+\frac{1}{2},1,n+\frac{3}{2},\frac{p^2}{1+p^2}\right)$$

$$+ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^2} \left(\frac{p-1}{p+1}\right)^{2n+1} {}_{2}F_{1}\left(2n+1,1,n+\frac{3}{2},\frac{1}{1+p}\right)$$

Entry 3. for 0 we have

$$\frac{\pi}{2}\ln p + G = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n p^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)^2} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^2} \left(\frac{1-p}{1+p}\right)^{2n+1} {}_{2}F_{1}\left(2n+1, 1, n+\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{1+p}\right)$$

Entry 4. for p > 1 we have

$$\frac{\pi}{2}\ln p + G = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-2n}}{(2n+1)^2} {2n \choose n} \left(\frac{p^2}{1+p^2}\right)^{n+\frac{1}{2}} {}_{2}F_{1}\left(n+\frac{1}{2},1,n+\frac{3}{2},\frac{p^2}{1+p^2}\right) + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^2} \left(\frac{p-1}{p}\right)^{2n+1} {}_{2}F_{1}\left(2n+1,n+\frac{1}{2},n+\frac{3}{2},-\frac{1}{p}\right)$$

Entry 5. for p > 1 we have

$$\frac{\pi}{2}\ln p + G = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-2n}}{(2n+1)^2} {2n \choose n} \left(\frac{p^2}{1+p^2}\right)^{n+\frac{1}{2}} {}_{2}F_{1}\left(n+\frac{1}{2},1,n+\frac{3}{2},\frac{p^2}{1+p^2}\right) + \left(\frac{1+p}{p}\right) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^2} \left(\frac{p-1}{p+1}\right)^{2n+1} {}_{2}F_{1}\left(1,-n+\frac{1}{2},n+\frac{3}{2},-\frac{1}{p}\right)$$

Entry 6. for p > 1 we have

$$\frac{\pi}{2}\ln p + G = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-2n}}{(2n+1)^2} {2n \choose n} \left(\frac{p^2}{1+p^2}\right)^{n+\frac{1}{2}} {}_{2}F_{1}\left(n+\frac{1}{2},1,n+\frac{3}{2},\frac{p^2}{1+p^2}\right) + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^2} \left(\frac{p-1}{\sqrt{p(p+1)}}\right)^{2n+1} {}_{2}F_{1}\left(-n+\frac{1}{2},n+\frac{1}{2},n+\frac{3}{2},\frac{1}{1+p}\right)$$

Entry 7.

$$\frac{\pi}{2}\ln\left(\sqrt{2}-1\right) + G = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(-1\right)^{n} \left(\sqrt{2}-1\right)^{2n+1}}{\left(2n+1\right)^{2}} \left(1 - {}_{2}F_{1}\left(2n+1, 1, n+\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\right)$$

$$\frac{\pi}{2}\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + G = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(-1\right)^{n} 2^{-2n-1}}{\left(2n+1\right)^{2}} \left(1 - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{2n+1} {}_{2}F_{1}\left(2n+1, 1, n+\frac{3}{2}, \frac{2}{3}\right)\right)$$

Entry 8. for p > 1 we have

$$\frac{\pi}{2}\ln p + G = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n+1} \left(\frac{p^2}{1+p^2}\right)^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \frac{2^{-2k}}{2k+1} {2k \choose k} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^2} \left(\frac{p-1}{p+1}\right)^{2n+1} {}_{2}F_{1}\left(2n+1, 1, n+\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{1+p}\right)$$

remark:
$$\sum_{k=0}^{n} \frac{2^{-2k}}{2k+1} {2k \choose k} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4^{-n-1}}{2n+3} {2n+2 \choose n+1} {}_{3}F_{2}\left(1, n+\frac{3}{2}, n+\frac{3}{2}; n+2, n+\frac{5}{2}; 1\right)$$

Entry 9.

$$\frac{\pi}{2}\ln\left(1+\sqrt{2}\right) + G =$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2+\sqrt{2}}{4}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-2n}}{(2n+1)^2} {2n \choose n} \left(\frac{2+\sqrt{2}}{4}\right)^n {}_{2}F_{1}\left(n+\frac{1}{2},1,n+\frac{3}{2},\frac{2+\sqrt{2}}{4}\right)$$

$$+\sqrt{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^2} \left(\sqrt{2}-1\right)^{2n+1} {}_{2}F_{1}\left(1,-n+\frac{1}{2},n+\frac{3}{2},-(\sqrt{2}-1)\right)$$

Entry 10.

$$\frac{\pi}{2}\ln(1+\sqrt{2}) + G = \sqrt{\frac{2+\sqrt{2}}{4}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n+1} \left(\frac{2+\sqrt{2}}{4}\right)^n \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{2^{-2k}}{2k+1} {2k \choose k} + \sqrt{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^2} \left(\sqrt{2}-1\right)^{2n+1} {}_2F_1\left(1,-n+\frac{1}{2},n+\frac{3}{2},-(\sqrt{2}-1)\right)$$

Endnote

$$G = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{4 + (1 - x)^2} \ln \left(\frac{6 - 2x}{1 - x^2} \right) + \frac{1}{4 + (1 + x)^2} \ln \left(\frac{6 + 2x}{1 - x^2} \right) \right) dx$$

$$G = \frac{\pi}{8} \ln(2) + \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{4 + x^2} \ln \left(\frac{2 + x}{x (2 - x)} \right) + \frac{1}{4 + (2 - x)^2} \ln \left(\frac{4 - x}{x (2 - x)} \right) \right) dx$$

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