

A trigonometric integral

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Abstract. In this note we give a trigonometric integral.

1. Integral

Entry 1.

$$\int_0^{\pi/6} \left(\sqrt[4]{\frac{\sin((\pi/6)+x)}{\sin((\pi/6)-x)}} - \sqrt[4]{\frac{\sin((\pi/6)-x)}{\sin((\pi/6)+x)}} \right) \sin(2x) dx = \frac{3\pi}{8\sqrt{12+6\sqrt{3}}} \quad (1)$$

2. Remarks

Entry 2.

$$\int_0^{1/2} \left(\sqrt[4]{\frac{\sqrt{1-x^2} + \sqrt{3}x}{\sqrt{1-x^2} - \sqrt{3}x}} - \sqrt[4]{\frac{\sqrt{1-x^2} - \sqrt{3}x}{\sqrt{1-x^2} + \sqrt{3}x}} \right) x dx = \frac{3\pi}{16\sqrt{12+6\sqrt{3}}} \quad (2)$$

$$\int_{\sqrt{3}/2}^1 \left(\sqrt[4]{\frac{x + \sqrt{3}\sqrt{1-x^2}}{x - \sqrt{3}\sqrt{1-x^2}}} - \sqrt[4]{\frac{x - \sqrt{3}\sqrt{1-x^2}}{x + \sqrt{3}\sqrt{1-x^2}}} \right) x dx = \frac{3\pi}{16\sqrt{12+6\sqrt{3}}} \quad (3)$$

Entry 3.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{12+6\sqrt{3}}} &= \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-2)^{-n} \left(\frac{F(n+1, 1; 2n+(7/4); 1/2)}{8n+3} + \frac{F(n+1, 1; 2n+(9/4); 1/2)}{8n+5} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{12+6\sqrt{3}}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^{-n} \sum_{k=0}^{2n} (-1)^k \left(\frac{1}{4k+3} + \frac{1}{4k+5} \right) \sum_{m=0}^{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor} (-1)^m \binom{n}{k-m} \binom{k-m}{m} \quad (5)$$

Entry 4. If $f(n, k) = \sum_{m=0}^{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor} (-1)^m \binom{n}{k-m} \binom{k-m}{m}$, $n \geq 0, 0 \leq k \leq 2n$, then

$$f(n, k), \quad 0 \leq n \leq 5, \quad 0 \leq k \leq 2n$$

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1	1	-1								
1	2	-1	-2	-1						
1	3	0	-5	0	3	-1				
1	4	2	-8	-5	8	2	-4	1		
1	5	5	-10	-15	11	15	-10	-5	5	-1

Final Remarks:

- $\pi = 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} = 3.141592\dots$
- $F(a, b; c; x) = {}_2F_1(a, b; c; x)$ is the hypergeometric function.

References

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