

Various Trigonometric Formulas

Derived From The Infinite Product Representation of $\sin x$

Research group 6 (mathematics) "Learn from Euler"

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Introduction

Euler, an 18th-century Swiss mathematician, helped develop many functional equations by using infinite series and infinite products, including the solution of the Basel problem, $1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \dots = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$, which was an early achievement, and the results of which were later used in mathematics. That also had a great impact.

Infinite product of $\sin x$

Let $n = 2m + 1$, the factorization of $x^n - 1$ can be expressed as

$$x^n - 1 = (x - 1) \prod_{k=1}^m (x^2 - 2p_k x + 1) \quad \left(p_k = \cos \frac{2\pi k}{n} \right).$$

We choose variables as follows $(a, b) \rightarrow (1 + t, 1 - t)$. We get

$$(1 + t)^n - (1 - t)^n = 2nt \prod_{k=1}^m \left(1 + t^2 \cot^2 \frac{\pi k}{n} \right).$$

In this equation, we replace t with x/n . So, we get

$$\left(1 + \frac{x}{n} \right)^n - \left(1 - \frac{x}{n} \right)^n = 2x \prod_{k=1}^m \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{n^2} \cot^2 \frac{\pi k}{n} \right).$$

Here, considering the limit of $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get $\sinh x = x \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{\pi^2 k^2} \right)$. We set $x \rightarrow ix$, $x \rightarrow \pi x$ and so on. We derive the equations, following:

$$\sin x = x \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{\pi^2 k^2} \right), \quad \sinh \pi x = \pi x \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{k^2} \right), \quad \sin \pi x = \pi x \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{k^2} \right).$$

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We get

$$\sin \pi x = \pi x \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{k^2} \right), \quad (1 + t)^n - (1 - t)^n = 2nt \prod_{k=1}^m \left(1 + t^2 \cot^2 \frac{\pi k}{n} \right).$$

These two equations led to various relational expressions.

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