

**DISCARDED PORTIONS OF PUBLISHED
MANUSCRIPTS, AND UNPUBLISHED
MANUSCRIPTS PHOTOCOPIED WITH
RAMANUJAN'S LOST NOTEBOOK**

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Ramanujan Receives a degree at Cambridge



Figure: Ramanujan Receiving a Degree by Research

Partial Manuscripts Originally Intended for Papers Published by Ramanujan

Discarded Work

- 1 S. Ramanujan, *On the product* $\prod_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[1 + \left(\frac{x}{a + nd} \right)^3 \right]$,
J. Indian Math. Soc. **7** (1915), 209–211.
- 2 S. Ramanujan, *Some definite integrals*, Mess. Math. **44**
(1915), 10–18.
- 3 S. Ramanujan, *Some definite integrals connected with Gauss's
sums*, Mess. Math. **44** (1915), 75–85.
- 4 S. Ramanujan, *Some definite integrals*, J. Indian
Math. Soc. **11** (1915), 81–87.
- 5 S. Ramanujan, *On certain infinite series*, Mess. Math. **45**
(1916), 11–15.
- 6 S. Ramanujan, *Some formulae in the analytic theory of
numbers*, Mess. Math. **45** (1916), 81–84.
- 7 S. Ramanujan, *On certain trigonometric sums and their
applications in the theory of numbers*, Trans. Cambridge
Philos. Soc. **22** (1918), 259–276.

Unpublished Manuscripts

- 1 Three partial manuscripts on Diophantine Approximation
- 2 Three partial manuscripts on Fourier Analysis, Fourier Transforms, and Mellin Transforms
- 3 Two Partial manuscripts on Euler's constant
- 4 Two partial manuscripts on primes.
- 5 One wild manuscript on (mostly) analysis (from Ramanujan's early days in Kumbakonam?)

What We Do Not Discuss

- 1 Ramanujan's Unpublished Manuscript on the partition and tau functions
- 2 The completion of Ramanujan's paper on highly composite numbers
- 3 Lists (E.g., Identities for the Rogers–Ramanujan functions; Euler Products)
- 4 Fragments
- 5 Letters from Ramanujan to Hardy from nursing homes
- 6 The Original Lost Notebook

Page 318 From the Lost Notebook

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1) \quad & \frac{d(1)}{1+d} - \frac{2d(1)}{1+d^2} + \frac{5d(1)^2}{1+d^2} - \dots \\
 & = \frac{\pi}{2} \left\{ \operatorname{erfc}(\pi a) - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erfc}(\pi a) + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erfc}(\pi a) - \dots \right\} \\
 & \text{If } \operatorname{erfc}(\pi a) > 1 \text{ and } \operatorname{erfc}(\pi a) > 1, \text{ it is evident that} \\
 (2) \quad & f(u) f(\pi - u) = \frac{\operatorname{erfc}(u)}{1} + \frac{\operatorname{erfc}(u)}{2^2} + \frac{\operatorname{erfc}(u)}{3^2} + \dots \\
 & \text{Simultaneously when } f(u) > 1 \text{ and } f(\pi - u) > 1 \\
 (3) \quad & \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{4^2} + \dots \right) \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \dots \right) \\
 & = \frac{\operatorname{erfc}(1)}{1} - \frac{\operatorname{erfc}(1)}{2^2} + \frac{\operatorname{erfc}(1)}{3^2} - \frac{\operatorname{erfc}(1)}{4^2} + \dots \\
 \text{4. By the theory of residues it can be shown that} \\
 (4) \quad & \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{e^{i\theta} \cot \theta d\theta}{1 + w^2 d^2} + \frac{i\pi \cot \theta d}{1 - w^2 d^2} = \frac{\pi}{2} \cot \theta d \cot \theta d \\
 & \text{with the condition } d > \pi^2 \text{ simultaneously when } d > \pi^2 \\
 (5) \quad & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left\{ \frac{\operatorname{erfc}(\pi n) \operatorname{erfc}(\pi n)}{(\pi n)^2 d + n} + \frac{\operatorname{erfc}(\pi n) \operatorname{erfc}(\pi n)}{(\pi n)^2 d - n} \right\} \\
 & = \frac{\pi}{2} \cot \theta d \cot \theta d \\
 \text{Equating the coefficients of } \frac{1}{d} \text{ in both sides in (5) we have} \\
 (6) \quad & \alpha \left(\frac{1}{\pi^2 d} + \frac{1}{\pi^2 d} + \frac{1}{\pi^2 d} + \dots \right) \\
 & + \beta \left(\frac{1}{\pi^2 d} + \frac{1}{\pi^2 d} + \frac{1}{\pi^2 d} + \dots \right) \\
 & = \frac{\pi}{2} \cot \theta d - \frac{1}{2} \\
 & \text{with the condition } d > \pi^2 \text{ for other words, if } d > \pi^2 \text{ then}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Figure: Page 318

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$$\frac{\pi}{2} \cot(\sqrt{w\alpha}) \coth(\sqrt{w\beta}) = \frac{1}{2w} + \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\beta}{\alpha} \\ + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{m\alpha \coth(m\alpha)}{w + m^2\alpha} + \frac{m\beta \coth(m\beta)}{w - m^2\beta} \right\}.$$

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A Corollary That Does Not Follow

Entry (p. 320, formula (29))

If α and β are positive numbers such that $\alpha\beta = \pi^2$, and if $\sigma_k(m) = \sum_{d|m} d^k$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m(e^{2m\alpha} - 1)} - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m(e^{2m\beta} - 1)} \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sigma_{-1}(m)e^{-2m\alpha} - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sigma_{-1}(m)e^{-2m\beta} = \frac{1}{4} \log \frac{\alpha}{\beta} - \frac{\alpha - \beta}{12}. \end{aligned}$$

Dedekind Eta Function

$$\begin{aligned} f(-q) &:= f(-q, -q^2) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} (-1)^n q^{n(3n-1)/2} \\ &= (q; q)_{\infty} = q^{-1/24} \eta(\tau), \quad q = e^{2\pi i \tau} \end{aligned}$$

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“It can easily be shown by the theory of residues, that

$$\frac{1}{16\pi\alpha^4} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n \coth n\pi}{n^4 + 4\alpha^4} = \frac{\pi}{8\alpha^2} \cdot \frac{\cosh 2\pi\alpha + \cos 2\pi\alpha}{\cosh 2\pi\alpha - \cos 2\pi\alpha}.”$$

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$$(1) e^{-\pi x} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-4\pi x} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-9\pi x} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \pi\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{2} \pi x - \frac{1}{6} \pi^3 \sqrt{x} + \dots \int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-\pi x} dx$$

$$\frac{R(x)}{6} \geq 0.$$

$$(2) \cos \pi x + \frac{1}{2} \cos 4\pi x + \frac{1}{2} \cos 9\pi x + \dots$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \pi\sqrt{4x} + \frac{1}{2} \pi^2 \sqrt{x} + \dots \int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-2\pi x} dx$$

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If a is an odd integer \dots

$$(i) \cos \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos \frac{4\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos \frac{9\pi}{2} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \frac{\pi^2}{\sqrt{a}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} (1 - \frac{1}{n^2}) \sin(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi n^2}{2a})$$

$$(ii) \sin \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sin \frac{4\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sin \frac{9\pi}{2} + \dots$$

$$= -\frac{\pi^2}{\sqrt{a}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} (1 - \frac{1}{n^2}) \cos(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi n^2}{2a})$$

$$(iii) \sin(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2a}) + \frac{1}{2} \sin(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{4\pi}{2a}) + \dots$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{6\sqrt{a}} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{a}} \left\{ \frac{\pi^2}{6} + \frac{\pi^2 \sqrt{a}}{2\sqrt{a}} + \frac{\pi^2 \sqrt{a}}{2\sqrt{a}} + \dots \right\}$$

$$- 2\pi^2 \sqrt{a} \left\{ \frac{1}{8\sqrt{a}} + \frac{1}{8\sqrt{a}} + \frac{2}{8\sqrt{a}} + \dots \right\}$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{6\sqrt{a}} - \frac{\pi^2}{\sqrt{a}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} (1 - \frac{1}{n^2}) \cos \frac{\pi n^2}{2a}$$

$$e^{-\frac{\pi}{2} x} - \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{2\pi}{2} x} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{9\pi}{2} x} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{6} \pi\sqrt{x} \int_0^{\infty} (-1)^n e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}(n+\frac{1}{2}+x)^2} dx$$

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Figure: Page 196

Very Interesting Formulas on Page 196

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Entry (p. 196)

Let a be an even positive integer. Then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos\left(\frac{\pi n^2}{a}\right)}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \frac{\pi^2}{\sqrt{a}} \sum_{r=1}^a \frac{r}{a} \left(1 - \frac{r}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi r^2}{a}\right),$$

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If we combine the different evaluations, we obtain the identities

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\pi^2}{6a^2} + \frac{\pi^2 \cos(\pi a/4)}{2a^2} + \frac{\pi^2}{a^2} \sum_{j=1}^{\frac{1}{2}a-1} \cos\left(\frac{\pi j^2}{a}\right) \csc^2\left(\frac{\pi j}{a}\right) \\ = \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \frac{\pi^2}{\sqrt{a}} \sum_{r=1}^a \frac{r}{a} \left(1 - \frac{r}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi r^2}{a}\right), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\pi^2 \sin(\pi a/4)}{2a^2} + \frac{\pi^2}{a^2} \sum_{j=1}^{\frac{1}{2}a-1} \sin\left(\frac{\pi j^2}{a}\right) \csc^2\left(\frac{\pi j}{a}\right) \\ = -\frac{\pi^2}{\sqrt{a}} \sum_{r=1}^a \frac{r}{a} \left(1 - \frac{r}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi r^2}{a}\right). \end{aligned}$$

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- 1 On the left side we have “almost” a Gauss sum. There is an “extra” factor

$$\csc^2\left(\frac{\pi j}{a}\right)$$

- 2 On the right side we have “almost” a Gauss sum. We have an “extra” factor of a polynomial of degree 2.
- 3 Have you ever seen a finite trigonometric identity involving polynomials in the summands.
- 4 The polynomial is “almost” the second Bernoulli polynomial, $B_2(x)$.

More General Evaluations

Theorem

If r and a are even positive integers, then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(\pi n^2/a)}{n^r} = \frac{(-1)^{1+r/2} 2^{r-1} \pi^r}{r! \sqrt{a}} \sum_{m=0}^{a-1} B_r\left(\frac{m}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m^2}{a} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(\pi n^2/a)}{n^r} = \frac{(-1)^{1+r/2} 2^{r-1} \pi^r}{r! \sqrt{a}} \sum_{m=0}^{a-1} B_r\left(\frac{m}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi m^2}{a} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right).$$

Entry (p. 196)

If a is an even positive integer, then

$$\frac{4\pi^2}{a^{3/2}} \left\{ \frac{1}{8\pi} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n \cos(\pi n^2/a)}{e^{2n\pi} - 1} \right\} - 2^{3/2} \pi^2 \left\{ \frac{1}{8\pi a} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{e^{2n\pi a} - 1} \right\}$$

$$= -\frac{\pi^2}{a^{5/2}} \sum_{r=1}^a r(a-r) \cos\left(\frac{\pi r^2}{a}\right).$$

Definite Integrals on Pages 190, 191

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E. C. Titchmarsh, *Theory of Fourier Integrals*

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Entry (pp. 270, 271)

If $s > 2$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_{s-1}(n) e^{-2\pi n} &= \frac{\Gamma(s)}{(2\pi)^s} \zeta(s) \left\{ 1 + 2 \cos \frac{\pi s}{4} \sum \frac{\cos \left(s \tan^{-1} \frac{\mu-\nu}{\mu+\nu} \right)}{(\mu^2 + \nu^2)^{\frac{1}{2}s}} \right\} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(s)}{(2\pi)^s} \zeta(s) \left\{ 1 + 2 \cos \frac{\pi s}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{2}s}} + \frac{2 \cos \left(s \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{3} \right)}{5^{\frac{1}{2}s}} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \frac{2 \cos \left(s \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2} \right)}{10^{\frac{1}{2}s}} + \frac{2 \cos \left(s \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{5} \right)}{13^{\frac{1}{2}s}} + \dots \right) \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where the sum is over all coprime positive integers μ and ν .

A Look at Page 277 in Ramanujan's Second Notebook

Entry (Formula (9), Page 277)

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k^{n-1}}{e^{2\pi k} - 1} = \frac{|B_n|}{2n} + \frac{|B_n|}{n} \cos\left(\frac{\pi n}{4}\right) \left\{ \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} + \frac{2 \cos(n \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{3})}{5^{n/2}} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{2 \cos(n \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{3})}{5^{n/2}} + \frac{2 \cos(n \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{3})}{5^{n/2}} + \dots \right\},$$

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J. W. L. Glaisher, 1889

A. Hurwitz, equivalent result, Ph.D. thesis, 1881

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Entry (p. 255)

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lies between

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta(-s)\zeta(-r-s) + \frac{n^{1+s}}{1+s}\zeta(1-r) + \frac{n^{1+r+s}}{1+r+s}\zeta(1+r) \\ + \frac{1}{2}n^s\zeta(-r) + \frac{1}{2}n^{r+s}\zeta(r) + \frac{n^{s+(r+1)/2}}{1-r^2} \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta(-s)\zeta(-r-s) + \frac{n^{1+s}}{1+s}\zeta(1-r) + \frac{n^{1+r+s}}{1+r+s}\zeta(1+r) - \frac{n^{s+(r+1)/2}}{1-r^2} \\ + \frac{1}{2}n^s \{2\zeta(1-r) - \zeta(-r)\} + \frac{1}{2}n^{r+s} \{2\zeta(1+r) - \zeta(r)\}. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

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and

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta(-s)\zeta(-r-s) + \frac{n^{1+s}}{1+s}\zeta(1-r) + \frac{n^{1+r+s}}{1+r+s}\zeta(1+r) - \frac{n^{s+(r+1)/2}}{1-r^2} \\ + \frac{1}{2}n^s \{2\zeta(1-r) - \zeta(-r)\} + \frac{1}{2}n^{r+s} \{2\zeta(1+r) - \zeta(r)\}. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

We need some hypotheses and make some comments.

① The error term must be $o(1)$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

②

$$s + \frac{1}{2}r < 0, \quad s + r < 1, \quad \text{and} \quad s < 1. \quad (3)$$

③ For (1) to hold, we need either $s > 0$ or $s + r > 0$.

④ There are two “extra” terms in (2).

⑤ It is impossible to state an inequality in (2) without $o(1)$ term.

⑥ We need to estimate

$$\sum_{k \leq \sqrt{n}} \left\{ \frac{n}{k} \right\} \frac{1}{k^r}$$

(and a similar sum)

Theorem

Let s and r be real numbers satisfying the inequalities (3). Then, for n sufficiently large,

$$S(s, r) = \sum_{k=1}^n k^s \sigma_r(k) \leq \zeta(-s)\zeta(-s-r) + \frac{n^{s+1}}{s+1}\zeta(1-r) \\ + \frac{n^{s+r+1}}{s+r+1}\zeta(r+1) + \frac{n^{s+\frac{1}{2}(r+1)}}{1-r^2} + \frac{n^s}{2}\zeta(-r) + \frac{n^{s+r}}{2}\zeta(r),$$

provided that either $s > 0$ or $s+r > 0$, and

$$S(s, r) \geq \zeta(-s)\zeta(-s-r) + \frac{n^{s+1}}{s+1}\zeta(1-r) + \frac{n^{s+r+1}}{s+r+1}\zeta(r+1) \\ - \frac{n^{s+\frac{1}{2}(r+1)}}{1-r^2} - \frac{n^s}{2}\zeta(-r) - \frac{n^{s+r}}{2}\zeta(r) + o(1).$$

Partial Manuscripts Never Completed by Ramanujan

G. H. Hardy



Figure: G. H. Hardy

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Page a little difficult to understand after 10^4 sec. $\text{Arr} = 10^4 \cdot 10^4$
 when age (10) comes from $\gamma = 0.8$ $k=8$ (quoted as $+3$) does
 not come from the value of k given [8], as $\gamma > 0.8$

$$\text{ARR} = 10^4 \cdot 10^4 \quad (10^8)$$

we now consider the maximum of $\frac{d\text{ARR}}{dt}$ when ARR is at its
 maximum. This value
 is: $\text{ARR} = 10^8$

$$(1) \quad \text{ARR} = 10^8 \cdot (1 - e^{-\lambda t}) \cdot e^{-\lambda t}$$

when λt is a positive proper fraction and λt and $e^{-\lambda t}$
 are positive integers. We take the maximum of (1). If we
 do not assume that λt is a proper fraction, we get that

$$(2) \quad \lambda t = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \lambda t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Now let $\lambda t = \frac{1}{2}$ or $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ be an integer when $e^{-\lambda t}$ is a positive
 proper fraction. Then we see from (1) that ARR is either

$$(3) \quad \frac{10^8(1 - \frac{1}{2})e^{-1/2}}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{10^8(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})e^{-1/\sqrt{2}}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$(4) \quad \text{If } \lambda t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \text{then } \lambda t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{10^8}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{10^8}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$(5) \quad \text{and if } \lambda t = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{then } \lambda t = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{10^8}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - \frac{1}{2}}{2} = \frac{10^8}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$(6) \quad \text{Hence if } \lambda t < \frac{1}{2} = \frac{10^8 - 1}{2 \cdot 10^8}, \text{ ARR is greater}$$

$$(7) \quad \text{and if } \lambda t > \frac{1}{2} = \frac{10^8 - 1}{2 \cdot 10^8}, \text{ ARR is greater}$$

Hence from (3), (4) and (5) we have

$$(8) \quad \text{ARR} = \frac{10^8}{4} \cdot \frac{1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Hence we have

$$v_1 = 0, \quad v_2 = 0, \quad v_3 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad v_4 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad v_5 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad v_6 = \frac{10^8}{20}$$

$$v_7 = \frac{10^8}{2}, \quad v_8 = \frac{10^8}{2}, \quad v_9 = \frac{10^8}{2}, \quad v_{10} = \frac{10^8}{10}, \dots$$

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“Let us consider the maximum of

$$\epsilon_m(1 - \epsilon_m)(1 - 2\epsilon_m) \tag{4}$$

when ϵ_m is a positive proper fraction and m and $m\epsilon_m$ are positive integers. Let v_m be the maximum of (4).”

Theorem

For all values of m ,

$$v_m \geq \frac{m^2 - 4}{6m^3} \sqrt{\frac{m^2 - 1}{3}}.$$

and

$$v_m \leq \frac{(m^2 - 1)}{6m^3} \sqrt{\frac{m^2 + 2}{3}},$$

with equality holding above when

$$\epsilon_m = \frac{1}{m} \left(\frac{m}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{m^2 + 2}{12}} \right). \quad (5)$$

Ramanujan seeks to determine the maximum value of k in order that

$$v_m = v_{2m} = v_{3m} = \cdots = v_{km}. \quad (6)$$

Theorem

As in (5), consider only those values of m for which

$$\epsilon_m = \frac{1}{m} \left(\frac{m}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{m^2 + 2}{12}} \right)$$

is a rational number. Let k be the maximum value such that (6) holds. Then

$$k \not\geq \left[\frac{x}{m} \right] = \sqrt{3m^2 + 6} - 1,$$

where

$$\frac{1}{x} \left(\frac{x-1}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{x^2-1}{12}} \right) = \frac{1}{m} \left(\frac{m}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{m^2+2}{12}} \right) = \epsilon_m.$$

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If $F(x)$ denotes the fractional part of x (e.g. $F(\pi) = 0.14159\dots$),
and if N is a positive integer, shew that

$$\begin{aligned}\liminf_{N \rightarrow \infty} NF(N\sqrt{2}) &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}, & \liminf_{N \rightarrow \infty} NF(N\sqrt{3}) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \\ \liminf_{N \rightarrow \infty} NF(N\sqrt{5}) &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}}, & \liminf_{N \rightarrow \infty} NF(N\sqrt{6}) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \\ \liminf_{N \rightarrow \infty} NF(N\sqrt{7}) &= \frac{3}{2\sqrt{7}}, \\ \liminf_{N \rightarrow \infty} N(\log N)^{1-p} F(Ne^{2/n}) &= 0, & & (7)\end{aligned}$$

where n is any integer and p is any positive number; shew further
that in (7) p cannot be zero.

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At the top of page 266, Hardy writes, “See Q. 784(ii) in volume.
This goes further,”

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Approximate any integer x by a power of 2 (rounded down)

(a) $x = 10$ (not diff) $\approx 2^3 = 8$ (not diff)

(b) $x = 11$? $\approx 2^3 = 8$ (not diff) $\approx 2^4 = 16$ (not diff)

$$\text{Let } x = 2^k \cdot m \quad \text{where } m \text{ is odd}$$

Let $[x]$ denote the greatest integer in x .

I a is any integer

It is possible to find an integer N as large as we please such that

$$(1) \quad N e^{\frac{1}{N}} - [N e^{\frac{1}{N}}] < \frac{(1+\epsilon) \log N}{2 \log N}$$

Given ϵ , there is a δ such that

$$(2) \quad N e^{\frac{1}{N}} - [N e^{\frac{1}{N}}] > \frac{(1-\epsilon) \log N}{2 \log N}$$

for all values of N greater than δ .

II a is any even integer

It is possible to find an integer N as large as we please such that

$$(3) \quad 1 + [N e^{\frac{1}{N}}] - N e^{\frac{1}{N}} < \frac{(1+\epsilon) \log N}{2 \log N}$$

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Entry

If a is any odd integer and $\epsilon > 0$ is given, then there exist infinitely many positive integers N such that

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C. S. Davis, *Rational approximation to e* ,
J. Austral. Math. Soc. **25** (1978), 497–502.

Formulation Due to Davis

Theorem

Let $a = \pm 2/t$, where t is a positive integer, and set

$$c = \begin{cases} 1/t, & \text{if } t \text{ is even,} \\ 1/(4t), & \text{if } t \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Then, for each $\epsilon > 0$, the inequality

$$\left| e^a - \frac{p}{q} \right| < (c + \epsilon) \frac{\log \log q}{q^2 \log q}$$

has an infinity of solutions in integers p, q . Furthermore, there exists a number q' , depending only on ϵ and t , such that, for all integers p, q , with $q \geq q'$.

$$\left| e^a - \frac{p}{q} \right| > (c - \epsilon) \frac{\log \log q}{q^2 \log q}.$$

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$$\langle 2, 1, 2, 1, 1, 4, 1, 1, 6, 1, 1, 8, 1, 1, \dots \rangle = 2 + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots$$

Sondow's Conjecture, Cont.

Theorem

Fix a nonzero integer a . If we randomly choose one of the first n convergents to the continued fraction of $e^{2/a}$, the probability that this convergent is also a partial sum of the Taylor series of $e^{2/a}$ is

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B. C. Berndt, S. Kim, and A. Zaharescu, *Diophantine Approximation of the Exponential Function and Sondow's Conjecture*, submitted.

A Transformation Formula, Notation

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$$\psi(x) := \frac{\Gamma'(x)}{\Gamma(x)}$$

A Transformation Formula

Entry

Define

$$\phi(x) := \psi(x) + \frac{1}{2x} - \log x. \quad (8)$$

If α and β are positive numbers such that $\alpha\beta = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{\alpha} \left\{ \frac{\gamma - \log(2\pi\alpha)}{2\alpha} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi(n\alpha) \right\} &= \sqrt{\beta} \left\{ \frac{\gamma - \log(2\pi\beta)}{2\beta} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi(n\beta) \right\} \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi^{3/2}} \int_0^{\infty} \left| \Xi\left(\frac{1}{2}t\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{-1+it}{4}\right) \right|^2 \frac{\cos\left(\frac{1}{2}t \log \alpha\right)}{1+t^2} dt, \quad (9) \end{aligned}$$

where γ denotes Euler's constant and $\Xi(x)$ denotes Riemann's Ξ -function.

Remarks on this Transformation Formula

- 1 Ramanujan writes that it “can be deduced from”

Entry

If $n > 0$,

$$\int_0^{\infty} (\psi(1+x) - \log x) \cos(2\pi nx) dx = \frac{1}{2} (\psi(1+n) - \log n). \quad (10)$$

- 2 He probably used the Poisson summation formula.
- 3 The Poisson summation formula could only be used to prove the first equality.
- 4 The first equality in (8) established by Guinand in 1947. “This formula also seems to have been overlooked.”

Remarks on this Transformation Formula

- 1 “Professor T. A. Brown tells me that he proved the self-reciprocal property of $\psi(1+x) - \log x$ some years ago, and that he communicated the result to the late Professor G. H. Hardy. Professor Hardy said that the result was also given in a progress report to the University of Madras by S. Ramanujan, but was not published elsewhere.”
- 2 For $|\arg z| < \pi$, as $z \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\psi(z) \sim \log z - \frac{1}{2z} - \frac{1}{12z^2} + \frac{1}{120z^4} - \frac{1}{252z^6} + \cdots$$

- 3 Two proofs by BCB and Atul Dixit.
- 4 Dixit has found two further proofs, generalizations, and analogues.



Figure: A. P. Guinand

Generalization Due to Dixit

Theorem

Let $\zeta(z, a)$ denote the Hurwitz zeta function defined for $a > 0$ and $\operatorname{Re} z > 1$ by

$$\zeta(z, a) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+a)^z}.$$

If α and β are positive numbers such that $\alpha\beta = 1$, then for $\operatorname{Re} z > 2$ and $1 < c < \operatorname{Re} z - 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^{-z/2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \zeta\left(z, 1 + \frac{k}{\alpha}\right) &= \beta^{-z/2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \zeta\left(z, 1 + \frac{k}{\beta}\right) \\ &= \frac{\alpha^{z/2}}{2\pi i \Gamma(z)} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} \Gamma(s) \zeta(s) \Gamma(z-s) \zeta(z-s) \alpha^{-s} ds \end{aligned}$$

Generalization Due to Dixit, Cont.

Theorem

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{8(4\pi)^{(z-4)/2}}{\Gamma(z)} \int_0^\infty \Gamma\left(\frac{z-2+it}{4}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{z-2-it}{4}\right) \\ &\quad \times \Xi\left(\frac{t+i(z-1)}{2}\right) \Xi\left(\frac{t-i(z-1)}{2}\right) \frac{\cos\left(\frac{1}{2}t \log \alpha\right)}{z^2+t^2} dt, \end{aligned}$$

where $\Xi(t)$ is the Riemann Ξ -function.

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Entry (p. 274)

Let p , q , and r be positive. Then

$$\int_0^1 \left(\frac{x^{p-1}}{1-x} - \frac{rx^{q-1}}{1-x^r} \right) dx = \psi(q/r) - \psi(p) + \log r. \quad (11)$$

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Entry (p. 274)

Suppose that a , b , and c are positive with $b > 1$. Then

$$\int_0^1 \left(\frac{x^{c-1}}{1-x} - \frac{bx^{bc-1}}{1-x^b} \right) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^{ab^k} dx = \psi \left(\frac{a}{b} + c \right) - \log \frac{a}{b}.$$

Entry (p. 275)

We have

$$(a) \quad \int_0^1 \frac{1}{1+x} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x^{2^k} dx = 1 - \gamma,$$

$$(b) \quad \int_0^1 \frac{1+2x}{1+x+x^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x^{3^k} dx = 1 - \gamma,$$

$$(c) \quad \int_0^1 \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x}}{(1 + \sqrt{x})(1 + \sqrt{x} + x)} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x^{(3/2)^k} dx = 1 - \gamma.$$

Formula From Second Manuscript

Entry (p. 276)

$$\gamma = \log 2 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2n \sum_{k=\frac{3^{n-1}+1}{2}}^{\frac{3^n-1}{2}} \frac{1}{(3k)^3 - 3k}. \quad (12)$$

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