

ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

Find a closed form:

$$\Omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2^{m+n}(m+1)^3}$$

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Solution 1 by Bui Hong Suc-Vietnam

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{a>0} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{a^{\alpha n + \beta m} (m+1)^k} = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-1}{a^\alpha}\right)^n \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(m+1)^k} \left(\frac{1}{a^\beta}\right)^{m+1} = \\ &= \left(1 - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{a^\alpha}\right)^n\right) a^\beta \left(-\frac{1}{a^\beta} + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(m+1)^k} \left(\frac{1}{a^\beta}\right)^{m+1}\right) \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{a^\alpha}}\right) \left(-1 + a^\beta Li_k\left(\frac{1}{a^\beta}\right)\right) = \frac{1}{a^\alpha + 1} \left(a^\beta Li_k\left(\frac{1}{a^\beta}\right) - 1\right) \end{aligned}$$

As: $a = 2$, $\alpha = \beta = 1$, $k = 3$.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2^{m+n}(m+1)^3} &= \frac{1}{2+1} \left(2 Li_3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 1\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \left\{2 \left(\frac{7}{8} \zeta(3) + \frac{\ln^3(2)}{6} - \frac{\pi^2 \ln(2)}{12}\right) - 1\right\} = \\ &= \frac{7}{12} \zeta(3) + \frac{\ln^3(2)}{9} - \frac{\pi^2 \ln(2)}{18} - \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Amin Hajiyev-Azerbaijan

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2^{m+n}(m+1)^3} &= - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2^n} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^m(m+1)^3} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{1 + \frac{1}{2}} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{2^{m+1}(m+1)^3} = \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \left(\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^m m^3} - \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{2}{3} Li_3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{7}{12} \zeta(3) + \frac{\ln^3(2)}{9} - \frac{\pi^2 \ln(2)}{18} - \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 3 by Pham Duc Nam-Vietnam

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2^{m+n}(m+1)^3} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2^n} \left(2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{m+1}(m+1)^3}\right) = \frac{1}{3} \left(2 \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^m m^3}\right) =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{1}{3} \left(2 \left(\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^m m^3} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right) = \frac{2}{3} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^m m^3} - \frac{1}{3} \\
 * \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^m m^3} &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^m} \int_0^1 x^{m-1} \ln^2(x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \ln^2(x) dx \left(\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{m-1}}{2^m} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{\ln^2(x)}{2-x} dx = \\
 & \quad \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{\ln^2(1-x)}{1+x} dx = \frac{1}{2} I \\
 * I &= \int_0^1 \frac{\ln^2(1-x)}{1+x} dx, \quad J = \int_0^1 \frac{\ln^2(1+x)}{1+x} dx = \frac{1}{3} \ln^2(2) \\
 I - J &= \int_0^1 \frac{\ln^2(1-x) - \ln^2(1+x)}{1+x} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{\ln\left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right) \ln(1-x^2)}{1+x} dx, \quad x \rightarrow \frac{1-x}{1+x} = \\
 \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(x) \ln\left(\frac{4x}{(1+x)^2}\right)}{1+x} dx &= \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(x)(2 \ln(2) + \ln(x) - 2 \ln(1+x))}{1+x} dx = 2 \ln(2) \underbrace{\int_0^1 \frac{\ln(x)}{1+x} dx}_{\frac{\pi^2}{12}} + \\
 & \quad \underbrace{\int_0^1 \frac{\ln^2(x)}{1+x} dx}_{\frac{3}{2}\zeta(3)} - 2 \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(x) \ln(1+x)}{1+x} dx \\
 &= -\frac{\pi^2}{6} \ln(2) + \frac{3}{2} \zeta(3) + 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n H_n \int_0^1 x^n \ln(x) dx = \\
 &= -\frac{\pi^2}{6} \ln(2) + \frac{3}{2} \zeta(3) - 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n H_n}{(n+1)^2} = -\frac{\pi^2}{6} \ln(2) + \frac{3}{2} \zeta(3) + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \left(H_n - \frac{1}{n}\right)}{n^2} \\
 &= \\
 & \quad -\frac{\pi^2}{6} \ln(2) + \frac{3}{2} \zeta(3) + 2 \left(-\frac{5}{8} \zeta(3) + \frac{3}{4} \zeta(3) \right) = -\frac{\pi^2}{6} \ln(2) + \frac{7}{4} \zeta(3) \Rightarrow \\
 I &= \frac{7}{4} \zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{6} \ln(2) + \frac{\ln^2(2)}{3} \Rightarrow \\
 S &= \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{7}{4} \zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{6} \ln(2) + \frac{\ln^2(2)}{3} \right) - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{7}{12} \zeta(3) + \frac{\ln^3(2)}{9} - \frac{\pi^2 \ln(2)}{18} - \frac{1}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 4 by Ankush Kumar Parcha-India

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} x^n = \frac{x}{1-x}, \quad |x| < 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{n, m \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2^{n+m} (m+1)^3} \stackrel{m \rightarrow m-1}{=} \frac{2}{3} \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \sum_{n, m \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{2^m m^3} \right) =$$

$$-\frac{1}{3} + Li_3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \quad (1)$$

$$(Li_2(1-z) + Li_2\left(\frac{z-1}{z}\right)) = -\frac{\ln^2(z)}{2}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$$

Divide both sides by $-z(1-z)$ and integrate if with respect to z . We get.

$$-\int \frac{Li_2(1-z)}{z(1-z)} dz - \int Li_2\left(\frac{z-1}{z}\right) \frac{dz}{z(1-z)} = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\ln^2(z)}{z(1-z)} dz \Rightarrow$$

$$\int dLi_3\left(\frac{z-1}{z}\right) - \underbrace{\int \frac{Li_2(1-z)}{z} dz}_{IBP} - \int \frac{Li_2(1-z)}{1-z} dz$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\ln^2(z)}{z} dz + \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\ln^2(z)}{1-z} dz Li_3\left(\frac{z-1}{z}\right) + \int dLi_3(1-z)$$

$$- Li_2(1-z) \ln(z) + \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\int \frac{\ln^2(z)}{1-z} dz}_{IBP} = \int \frac{d \ln^3(z)}{6} \Rightarrow$$

$$Li_3\left(\frac{z-1}{z}\right) + Li_3(1-z) - Li_2(1-z) \ln(z) - \frac{\ln^2(z) \ln(1-z)}{2} + \underbrace{\int \frac{\ln(z) \ln(1-z)}{z} dz}_{IBP}$$

$$= \frac{\ln^3(z)}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow Li_3\left(\frac{z-1}{z}\right) + Li_3(1-z) - Li_2(1-z) \ln(z) - Li_2(z) \ln(z) + Li_3(z) \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{\ln^3(z)}{6} + \frac{\ln^2(z) \ln(1-z)}{2} + C$$

$$\left(* Li_2(z) + Li_2(1-z) = \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \ln(z) \ln(1-z), z \in \mathbb{C} \right) \Rightarrow$$

$$Li_3(z) + Li_3(1-z) + Li_3\left(\frac{z-1}{z}\right) = \frac{\pi^2}{6} \ln(2) + \frac{\ln^3(z)}{6} - \frac{\ln^2(z) \ln(1-z)}{2} + C \xrightarrow{\text{set } z=1} \Rightarrow$$

$$Li_3(1) + 0 = - \underbrace{\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\ln^2(x) \ln(1-x)}{2}}_{=0} + C \Rightarrow C = \zeta(3)$$

$$Li_3(z) + Li_3(1-z) + Li_3\left(1 - \frac{1}{z}\right) = \zeta(3) + \frac{\pi^2}{6} \ln(2) + \frac{\ln^3(z)}{6} - \frac{\ln^2(z) \ln(1-z)}{2} \xrightarrow{\text{at } z=\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow$$

$$Li_3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{7}{8} \zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \ln(2) + \frac{\ln^3(2)}{6}$$

Put the value of $Li_3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ in equation - (1). We get:

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{7}{8} \zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \ln(2) + \frac{\ln^3(2)}{6} \right) \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2^{m+n}(m+1)^3}$$

$$= \frac{7}{12} \zeta(3) + \frac{\ln^3(2)}{9} - \frac{\pi^2 \ln(2)}{18} - \frac{1}{3}$$

Note : $\zeta(3) \rightarrow$ Apery's constant