

L9 (May 1, 2020), Let us continue with the proof of claim 2, it is May 11 but never mind. Recall that $S_2(n) = 1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + (n-1)^2$ where $2, n \in \mathbb{N}$. We prove that if p is a prime, $2 \in \mathbb{N}$ and $p-1$ does not divide 2 , then $S_2(p) = \sum_{j=1}^{p-1} j^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$. Recall the following algebraic result.

Proposition If $F = (F, +, \cdot)$ is a field, $F^\times = (F^\times, \cdot)$ is the multiplicative group of $\neq 0_F$ elements in F ($F^\times = F \setminus \{0_F\}$), and $C \subseteq F^\times$ is a finite subgroup, then C is cyclic, i.e. $C = \{g^n \mid n=1, 2, \dots, |C|\}$ is generated by a single element g .

We leave ~~the~~ proof to algebraists and prove (1). Let $g \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$ be a generator of the group $\mathbb{Z}_p^\times = (\mathbb{Z}_p^\times, \cdot)$. ~~Since $g \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$ and $\mathbb{Z}_p^\times = \mathbb{Z}_p \setminus \{0\}$, we have $g^2 \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$. We have $g^2 S_2(p) = \sum_{j=1}^{p-1} (g^2 j)^2 \equiv \sum_{j=1}^{p-1} j^2 = S_2(p) \pmod{p}$ because if j runs in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times then so does $g^2 j$. Also $g^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p}$, ~~because $g^2 \equiv 1$ and $\{g^j \mid j=1, 2, \dots, p-1\} = \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$. Thus~~~~

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$$(q^2 - 1) S_2(p) \equiv 0 \pmod{p} \rightsquigarrow S_2(p) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}. \quad (2)$$

$\neq 0$

q^2

~~is~~

and q is even



Claim 3 If $p \in \mathbb{N}$ is a prime ~~and~~ then

$$|B_2 - p^{-1} S_2(p)|_p \leq 1.$$

Proof. If $m \in \mathbb{N}$ and $0 \leq j \leq p^{m+1}$ then j has a unique expression in the form $j = up^m + v$, $0 \leq u < p$ and $0 \leq v < p^m$.

$$\text{Then } S_2(p^{m+1}) = \sum_{j=1,0}^{p^{m+1}} j^2 = \sum_{u=0}^{p-1} \sum_{v=0}^{p^m-1} (up^m + v)^2 \equiv$$

$$\equiv p \sum_{v=0}^{p^m-1} v^2 + \sum_{u=0}^{p-1} u \sum_{v=0}^{p^m-1} v^2 \pmod{p^{2m}}, \text{ by}$$

the binomial expansion $(v + up^m)^2 \equiv v^2 + \binom{2}{1} v^1 up^m + \dots \pmod{p^{2m}}$.

Here $\bullet = S_2(p^m)$. Also, $2 \sum_{u=0}^{p-1} u = p(p-1) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$.

Thus $S_2(p^{m+1}) \equiv p S_2(p^m) \pmod{p^{m+1}}$ (for $p > 2$)

We have $\sum_{u=0}^{p-1} u = p \cdot \frac{p-1}{2} \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$, for $p=2$ we use that in q is even). On dividing by p^{m+1} we can write

$$|p^{-m-1} S_2(p^{m+1}) - p^{-m} S_2(p^m)|_p \leq 1.$$

Since $|\cdot|_p$ satisfies the ultrametric inequality, we have that

For integers $l, m > 0$: $|p^{-l} S_2(p^l) - p^{-m} S_2(p^m)|_p \leq 1$. We

set $m=1$ and send $l \rightarrow \infty$. Then $p^{-l} \rightarrow 0$ in the p-adic sense and by Claim 1, $|B_2 - p^{-1} S_2(p)|_p \leq 1$. \square

Proof. (of the L.-von S. thm.) By Claim 2 and Claim 3:

$|B_2 + p^{-n}|_p \leq 1 \dots (p-1) + 2$
 $|B_2|_p \leq 1 \dots (p-1) + 2$

Let, for every $q \in \mathbb{N}$,

$W_2 := B_2 + \sum_{\substack{q \text{ prime} \\ q \neq p}} \frac{1}{q}$

If p is any prime then

$W_2 = B_2 + p^{-1} + \sum_{\substack{q^{-1} \\ q \neq p}} \dots$ p be-
longs to the q 's
 $B_2 + \sum_{\substack{q^{-1} \\ q \neq p}} \dots$ else.

Since for both $\sum_{\dots} q^{-1}$ we have $|\sum_{\dots} q^{-1}|_p \leq 1$, together

with we get that $|W_2|_p \leq 1$ for every prime number p . (recall that $|a|_p \leq 1, |b|_p \leq 1 \Rightarrow |a+b|_p \leq 1$). But this means that $W_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ (writing $W_2 = \frac{a}{b}$ with coprime $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ we see that no p divides b). $(*)$ \square

Finally, we state and then prove - by means of the theorem on residues - the generalization of the formula

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$

$(*)$ the proof of the von S.-C. thm. is due to Witt, it is taken from Cassels' book Local Fields

Theorem Let $z \in \mathbb{N}$. Then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{2z}} = \frac{(-1)^{z+1} 2^{2z-1}}{(2z)!} B_{2z} \pi^{2z}$$

where B_{2z} are, of course, the Bernoulli numbers.

Proof. We take

the function $H(z) = \frac{2\pi i}{e^{2\pi i z} - 1}$. We claim that

$H: \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a meromorphic function with $\text{Res}(H, n) =$

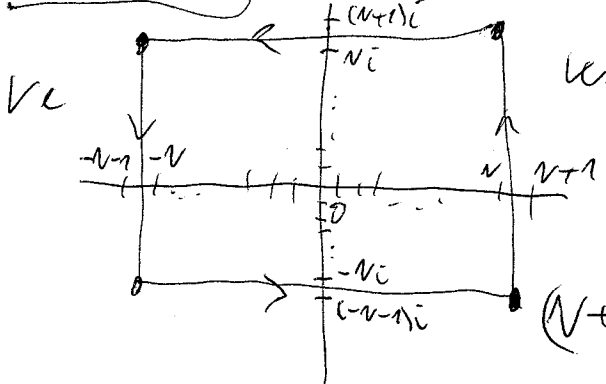
for every $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Indeed, ~~by~~ by the properties of the exponential function we have that $e^{2\pi i z} - 1 = 0 \Leftrightarrow z \in \mathbb{Z}$ and ~~for any~~ for any $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, ~~$\lim_{z \rightarrow n} H(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow n} H'(z)$~~

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$$\lim_{z \rightarrow n} (z-n)H(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow n} \frac{2\pi i (z-n)}{e^{2\pi i z} - 1} =$$

$$= 2\pi i \lim_{z \rightarrow n} \frac{z-n}{e^{2\pi i z} - 1} = 2\pi i \lim_{z \rightarrow n} \frac{(z-n)'}{(e^{2\pi i z} - 1)'} = 2\pi i \lim_{z \rightarrow n} \frac{1}{2\pi i e^{2\pi i z}} =$$

$= 1$. Let $N \in \mathbb{N}$ and Γ_N be the \square -oriented square



where the corners are $(N+\frac{1}{2})(\pm 1 \pm i)$

For $z \in \mathbb{N}$ let $I_N := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_N} H(z) \frac{1}{z^{2z}} dz$.

By the

Residue Theorem or rather **Theorem on residues** Γ_N we have:

$$I_N = \sum_{n=-N}^N \text{Res} \left(H(z) \frac{1}{z^{2n}} \right) = \text{Res} \left(H(z) \frac{1}{z^{2n}} \right) + \dots \quad (5)$$

Because for $n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \neq 0$, we have that

$$\text{Res} \left(H(z) \frac{1}{z^{2n}} \right) = \frac{1}{n^{2n}} \underbrace{\text{Res}(H(z), n)}_{=1} = \frac{1}{n^{2n}}. \text{ We claim}$$

that if we look at I_N as an \int (actually, $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int$) then

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} I_N = 0.$$

(Exercise) \exists constant $c > 0$ s.t. $z \in \Gamma_N \Rightarrow$

$$|H(z)| < c, \text{ independently of } N. \quad \text{thus,}$$

since the perimeter of Γ_N is $8N+4$, we have that

$$|I_N| = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left| \int_{\Gamma_N} H(z) \frac{1}{z^{2n}} dz \right| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot |\Gamma_N| \cdot \max_{z \in \Gamma_N} \left| \frac{H(z)}{z^{2n}} \right| =$$

$$= O\left(\frac{1}{N^{2n-1}}\right) \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } N \rightarrow \infty. \quad \text{thus we have}$$

derived the identity
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{2n}} = -\frac{1}{2} \text{Res} \left(H(z) \frac{1}{z^{2n}} \right).$$

Now
$$H(z) = \frac{2\pi i}{e^{2\pi i z} - 1} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_l (2\pi i)^l z^{l-1}}{l!}$$
 and the

coeff. of $\frac{1}{z}$ in the (Laurent) expansion of $H(z) \frac{1}{z^{2n}}$ around 0 is $(l = 2n)$

$$\text{Res} \left(H(z) \frac{1}{z^{2n}} \right) = \frac{1}{(2n)!} B_{2n} (2\pi)^{2n} (-1)^n.$$

Therefore

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{2k}} = -\frac{1}{2} \text{Res} \left(H(z) \frac{1}{z^{2k+1}} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{(-1)^k (2\pi)^{2k} B_{2k}}{(2k)!}$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^{k+1} 2^{2k-1}}{(2k)!} \pi^{2k} B_{2k}$$



For example
(k=5)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{10}} = \frac{(-1)^6 2^{10} B_{10}}{10!} \pi^{10} \quad // \quad 5/66$$

$$= \frac{5.512}{66 \cdot 10!} \pi^{10}$$

