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Resolution into factors (Some problems)

① Prove that $(1 - \frac{1}{2^2})(1 - \frac{1}{4^2})(1 - \frac{1}{6^2}) \dots$ to $\infty = \frac{2}{\pi}$

Proof:- we know that

$$\sin \theta = \theta \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{\pi^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2^2 \pi^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{3^2 \pi^2}\right) \dots$$

Putting $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{\theta}{\pi} = \frac{1}{2}$

Then,

$$\sin \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^2 \cdot 2^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3^2 \cdot 2^2}\right) \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{\pi}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{4^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{6^2}\right) \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{4^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{6^2}\right) \dots = \frac{2}{\pi} ; \text{proved}$$

② Prove that $\frac{1}{3^4} + \frac{3}{5^4} + \frac{6}{7^4} + \frac{10}{9^4} + \dots$ to $\infty = \frac{\pi^2}{64} \left(1 - \frac{\pi^2}{12}\right)$

Proof:- The give series may be written as

$$\frac{1}{8} \frac{(3^2-1)}{3^4} + \frac{1}{8} \frac{(5^2-1)}{5^4} + \frac{1}{8} \frac{(7^2-1)}{7^4} + \frac{1}{8} \frac{(9^2-1)}{9^4} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left[\frac{3^2}{3^4} - \frac{1}{3^4} + \frac{5^2}{5^4} - \frac{1}{5^4} + \frac{7^2}{7^4} - \frac{1}{7^4} + \frac{9^2}{9^4} - \frac{1}{9^4} + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left[\left(\frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{7^2} + \frac{1}{9^2} + \dots\right) - \left(\frac{1}{3^4} + \frac{1}{5^4} + \frac{1}{7^4} + \dots\right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left[\left(\frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{32} + \frac{1}{52} + \dots\right) - \left(\frac{1}{14} + \frac{1}{34} + \frac{1}{54} + \dots\right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left[\frac{\pi^2}{8} - \frac{\pi^4}{96} \right] = \frac{1}{8} \frac{\pi^2}{8} \left[1 - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{64} \left[1 - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \right] ; \text{proved}$$

③ Prove that $(1 - \frac{1}{3^2})(1 - \frac{1}{5^2})(1 - \frac{1}{7^2}) \dots = \frac{\pi}{4}$

Proof:- we have already know that

$$\cos x = (1 - \frac{4x^2}{\pi^2}) (1 - \frac{4x^2}{3^2\pi^2}) (1 - \frac{4x^2}{5^2\pi^2}) (1 - \frac{4x^2}{7^2\pi^2}) \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cos x}{1 - \frac{4x^2}{\pi^2}} = (1 - \frac{4x^2}{3^2\pi^2}) (1 - \frac{4x^2}{5^2\pi^2}) (1 - \frac{4x^2}{7^2\pi^2}) \dots$$

Putting $x = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{2x}{\pi} = 1$, we get

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos x}{1 - \frac{4x^2}{\pi^2}} = (1 - \frac{1}{3^2})(1 - \frac{1}{5^2})(1 - \frac{1}{7^2}) \dots$$

$$\text{L.H.S} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\frac{d}{dx}(\cos x)}{\frac{d}{dx}(1 - \frac{4x^2}{\pi^2})} \quad [\text{By L' Hospital Rule}]$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{-\sin x}{-\frac{8x}{\pi^2}} = \frac{\sin \frac{\pi}{2}}{\frac{4\pi}{\pi^2}} = \frac{\pi^2 \sin \frac{\pi}{2}}{4\pi} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Hence, $(1 - \frac{1}{3^2})(1 - \frac{1}{5^2})(1 - \frac{1}{7^2}) \dots = \frac{\pi}{4}$; proved.

④ Prove that $\frac{\sinh \pi}{\pi} = (1 + \frac{1}{1^2})(1 + \frac{1}{2^2})(1 + \frac{1}{3^2}) \dots$

Proof:- we know that

$$\sinh \theta = \theta (1 + \frac{\theta^2}{\pi^2}) (1 + \frac{\theta^2}{2^2\pi^2}) (1 + \frac{\theta^2}{3^2\pi^2}) \dots$$

Putting $\theta = \pi$

$$\sinh \pi = \pi (1 + \frac{\pi^2}{\pi^2}) (1 + \frac{\pi^2}{2^2\pi^2}) (1 + \frac{\pi^2}{3^2\pi^2}) \dots$$

$$= \pi (1 + \frac{1}{1^2}) (1 + \frac{1}{2^2}) (1 + \frac{1}{3^2}) \dots$$

$$\therefore \frac{\sinh \pi}{\pi} = (1 + \frac{1}{1^2})(1 + \frac{1}{2^2})(1 + \frac{1}{3^2}) \dots$$

proved.