

Formal Proofs of Degree 5 Binary BBP-type Formulas

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Abstract

We give formal proofs for the binary BBP-type formulas for $\zeta(5)$, $\pi^4 \ln 2$, $\pi^2 \ln^3 2$ and $\ln^5 2$.

1 Proofs

Evaluating the two-variable degree 5 polylogarithm functional equation (Eq. 63 p5 of [1]) at coordinates $(1/2, 1/2)$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{403}{4} \zeta(5) - \frac{2}{3} \pi^4 \ln 2 + \pi^2 \ln^3 2 - \frac{3}{2} \ln^5 2 \\ &= 144 \operatorname{Li}_5 \left[\frac{1}{2} \right] - \frac{81}{2} \operatorname{Li}_5 \left[\frac{1}{4} \right] + 4 \operatorname{Li}_5 \left[-\frac{1}{8} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Evaluating at $(-i, i)$ and taking the real part gives

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{4371}{128} \zeta(5) - \frac{349}{3072} \pi^4 \ln 2 + \frac{7}{128} \pi^2 \ln^3 2 - \frac{3}{64} \ln^5 2 \\ &= 36 \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{Li}_5 \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \exp \left(\frac{i\pi}{4} \right) \right] - 36 \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{Li}_5 \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \exp \left(\frac{3i\pi}{4} \right) \right] \\ &+ 4 \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{Li}_5 \left[\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \exp \left(\frac{i\pi}{4} \right) \right] - 18 \operatorname{Li}_5 \left[\frac{1}{2} \right] - \frac{9}{16} \operatorname{Li}_5 \left[-\frac{1}{4} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Evaluating the identity at $(-1, i)$ and taking the real part gives

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{279}{8} \zeta(5) - \frac{977}{6144} \pi^4 \ln 2 + \frac{97}{768} \pi^2 \ln^3 2 - \frac{15}{128} \ln^5 2 \\ &= 2 \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{Li}_5 \left[\frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}} \exp \left(\frac{i\pi}{4} \right) \right] - 36 \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{Li}_5 \left[\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \exp \left(\frac{i\pi}{4} \right) \right] \\ &- 32 \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{Li}_5 \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \exp \left(\frac{3i\pi}{4} \right) \right] + 37 \operatorname{Li}_5 \left[\frac{1}{2} \right] + \frac{7}{8} \operatorname{Li}_5 \left[-\frac{1}{4} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

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Broadhurst proved (Eq. 68 of [1] written out) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{31}{32}\zeta(5) - \frac{343}{99360}\pi^4 \ln 2 + \frac{5}{2484}\pi^2 \ln^3 2 - \frac{2}{1035} \ln^5 2 \\ &= \frac{128}{69} \operatorname{ReLi}_5 \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \exp \left(\frac{i\pi}{4} \right) \right] - \frac{20}{69} \operatorname{Li}_5 \left[\frac{1}{2} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Solving Eqs. (1), (2), (3) and (4) simultaneously for $\zeta(5)$, $\pi^4 \ln 2$, $\pi^2 \ln^3 2$ and $\ln^5 2$ and using the identity

$$\operatorname{Re Li}_5 [pe^{iq}] = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{p^k \cos(kq)}{k^5} \quad p \in [0, 1], q \in [0, 2\pi],$$

to write each polylogarithm term in the expressions as a BBP-type formula of length 120 and base 2^{60} and forming the required linear combination in each case gives *directly* the degree 5 binary BBP-type formulas listed in the BBP Compendium [2] for $\zeta(5)$, $\pi^4 \ln 2$, $\pi^2 \ln^3 2$ and $\ln^5 2$.

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