

## Note on Chapter 3

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On setting  $R_{jl}(k) = 4/D(k)$  (first display on p. 56), the partial-fraction decomposition of  $R_{jl}(k)$  is given by

$$R_{jl}(k) = \sum_{\nu=1}^4 \frac{4}{D'(k_{\nu})} \frac{1}{k - k_{\nu}},$$

provided the poles  $k_{\nu}$ ,  $\nu = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , are distinct. It is easily verified that  $R_{jl}$  has multiple poles if  $j = l$ , or if  $j$  and  $l$  belong to the sequence  $s_q = (q^2 - q + 2)/2$ ,  $q = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , with an offset of 2, that is  $j = s_{q_1}$  and  $l = s_{q_2}$  with  $|q_1 - q_2| = 2$ . Otherwise, if there are no multiple poles, it follows that

$$g_{jl} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} R_{jl}(k) = - \sum_{\nu=1}^4 \frac{4}{D'(k_{\nu})} \psi(1 - k_{\nu}). \quad (1)$$

The expression (1) has been used to determine  $g_{24}$ ,  $g_{17}$ ,  $g_{13}$ ,  $g_{35}$ . On simplification by means of the functional equations (3) and the values  $\psi(1) = -\gamma$ ,  $\psi'(1) = \pi^2/6$ , the Maple results at the bottom of p. 56 are precisely recovered.

Consider next the case  $j = l$ , in which  $k_1 = k_3$ ,  $k_2 = k_4$ . The partial-fraction decomposition of  $R_{jj}(k)$  is now given by

$$\begin{aligned} R_{jj}(k) &= \frac{4}{(k - k_1)^2(k - k_2)^2} = \frac{4}{(k_1 - k_2)^2} \left( \frac{1}{k - k_1} - \frac{1}{k - k_2} \right)^2 = \\ &= \frac{4}{(k_1 - k_2)^2} \left( \frac{1}{(k - k_1)^2} + \frac{1}{(k - k_2)^2} \right) - \frac{8}{(k_1 - k_2)^3} \left( \frac{1}{k - k_1} - \frac{1}{k - k_2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Then it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} g_{jj} &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} R_{jj}(k) \\ &= \frac{4}{8j - 7} [\psi'(1 - k_1) + \psi'(1 - k_2)] + \frac{8}{(8j - 7)^{3/2}} [\psi(1 - k_1) - \psi(1 - k_2)]. \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

The expression (2) has been used to determine  $g_{11}$ ,  $g_{22}$ ,  $g_{33}$ , and on simplification there is agreement with the Maple results on p. 57.

The Maple result for  $g_{33}$  can be further simplified by use of the following properties of the  $\psi$  function:

- functional equations [AS84, form. 6.3.5]

$$\psi(z + 1) = \frac{1}{z} + \psi(z), \quad \psi'(z + 1) = -\frac{1}{z^2} + \psi'(z); \quad (3)$$

- reflection formulas [AS84, form. 6.3.7]

$$\psi(1/2+z) - \psi(1/2-z) = \pi \tan(\pi z), \quad \psi'(1/2+z) + \psi'(1/2-z) = \pi^2 \sec^2(\pi z). \quad (4)$$

By repeated use of (3) we establish that

$$\begin{aligned} \psi\left(\frac{7 \pm \sqrt{17}}{2}\right) &= \sum_{m=0}^2 \frac{2}{2m+1 \pm \sqrt{17}} + \psi\left(\frac{1 \pm \sqrt{17}}{2}\right), \\ \psi'\left(\frac{7 \pm \sqrt{17}}{2}\right) &= -\sum_{m=0}^2 \frac{4}{(2m+1 \pm \sqrt{17})^2} + \psi'\left(\frac{1 \pm \sqrt{17}}{2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Next it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} &\psi\left(\frac{7 - \sqrt{17}}{2}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{7 + \sqrt{17}}{2}\right) = \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^2 \frac{4\sqrt{17}}{(2m+1)^2 - 17} + \psi\left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{17}}{2}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{17}}{2}\right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{17} - \pi \tan(\sqrt{17}\pi/2), \\ &\psi'\left(\frac{7 - \sqrt{17}}{2}\right) + \psi'\left(\frac{7 + \sqrt{17}}{2}\right) = \\ &= -\sum_{m=0}^2 \frac{8[(2m+1)^2 + 17]}{[(2m+1)^2 - 17]^2} + \psi'\left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{17}}{2}\right) + \psi'\left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{17}}{2}\right) \\ &= -\frac{145}{16} + \pi^2 \sec^2(\sqrt{17}\pi/2), \end{aligned}$$

by means of the reflection formulas (4).

Insert these results into the Maple expression for  $g_{33}$  on top of p. 57. Then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} g_{33} &= \frac{4}{17} \left( -\frac{145}{16} + \pi^2 \sec^2(\sqrt{17}\pi/2) \right) + \frac{8\sqrt{17}}{289} \left( -\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{17} - \pi \tan(\sqrt{17}\pi/2) \right) \\ &= -\frac{9}{4} + \frac{4\pi}{289} \sec^2(\sqrt{17}\pi/2) [17\pi - \sqrt{17} \sin(\sqrt{17}\pi)], \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

in accordance with the *Mathematica* expression (middle of p. 57).

In the same manner we derive an expression for  $g_{jj}$ , as given by (2), in terms of elementary functions. The idea is to reduce

$$\psi(1 - k_{1,2}) = \psi\left(\frac{2j+1 \mp \sqrt{8j-7}}{2}\right), \quad \psi'(1 - k_{1,2}) = \psi'\left(\frac{2j+1 \mp \sqrt{8j-7}}{2}\right),$$

to  $\psi((1 \mp \sqrt{8j-7})/2)$ ,  $\psi'((1 \mp \sqrt{8j-7})/2)$  by repeated use of (3). Next one should use the reflection formulas (4). Omitting the details we present the final result

$$g_{jj} = -4 \sum_{m=0}^{j-1} \frac{1}{(m^2 + m + 2 - 2j)^2} + \frac{4\pi}{(8j-7)^2} \sec^2(\sqrt{8j-7}\pi/2) [(8j-7)\pi - \sqrt{8j-7} \sin(\sqrt{8j-7}\pi)]. \quad (6)$$

The latter expression is valid if  $\sqrt{8j-7} \neq 2q+1$ , (odd integer),  $q = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , or equivalently, if  $j \neq (q^2 + q + 2)/2$ . For such values of  $j$ , the  $(m = q)$ -term of the sum in (6) and  $\sec^2(\sqrt{8j-7}\pi/2)$  become singular; of course, these singularities cancel. In the case  $j = (q^2 + q + 2)/2$  for some  $q = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , one has  $\sqrt{8j-7} = 2q+1$ ,  $k_1 = 1 - j + q$ ,  $k_2 = -j - q$ , whereupon the expression (2) simplifies to

$$g_{jj} = \frac{4}{(2q+1)^2} [\psi'(j-q) + \psi'(1+j+q)] + \frac{8}{(2q+1)^3} [\psi(j-q) - \psi(1+j+q)].$$

By means of (3) and the known value  $\psi'(1) = \pi^2/6$  the latter expression can be further reduced to

$$g_{jj} = \frac{4\pi^2}{3(2q+1)^2} - \frac{4}{(2q+1)^2} \left[ \sum_{m=1}^{j-q-1} \frac{1}{m^2} + \sum_{m=1}^{j+q} \frac{1}{m^2} \right] - \frac{8}{(2q+1)^3} \sum_{m=j-q}^{j+q} \frac{1}{m}, \quad (7)$$

valid for  $j = (q^2 + q + 2)/2$  for some  $q = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . In the special cases  $q = 0$ ,  $j = 1$ , and  $q = 1$ ,  $j = 2$ , the expression (7) leads again to the Maple results for  $g_{11}$ ,  $g_{22}$  on p. 56. As an additional result for  $q = 2$ ,  $j = 4$ , one has

$$g_{44} = \frac{4\pi^2}{75} - \frac{11057}{22500}.$$