

On Some Orthogonal Polynomial Integrals

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Abstract. The modified moments of the weight functions $w(x) = x^\rho(1-x)^\alpha \ln(1/x)$, on $[0, 1]$, with respect to the shifted Jacobi polynomials $P_n^{*(\alpha, \beta)}(x) = P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(2x-1)$, and $w_p(x) = x^\rho e^{-x} (\ln x)^p$, $p = 1, 2$, on $[0, \infty)$, with respect to the generalized Laguerre polynomials $L_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$, are explicitly evaluated.

1. A Jacobi Polynomial Integral. In a recent paper, Gautschi [3], generalizing a result of Blue [2], has considered and explicitly evaluated the modified moments of the weight function

$$w(x) = x^\mu \ln(1/x), \quad \mu > -1,$$

on $[0, 1]$, with respect to the shifted Legendre polynomials $P_n^*(x) = P_n(2x-1)$.

We further generalize these results by considering the weight function

$$(1.1) \quad w(x) = x^\rho(1-x)^\alpha \ln(1/x), \quad \alpha, \rho > -1,$$

and evaluating its modified moments on $[0, 1]$ with respect to the shifted Jacobi polynomials $P_n^{*(\alpha, \beta)}(x) = P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(2x-1)$.

It is convenient from now on to replace ρ by $\beta + \mu$; thus, the modified moments we have to examine assume the form

$$(1.2) \quad \nu_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu) = \int_0^1 x^{\beta+\mu} (1-x)^\alpha \ln(1/x) P_n^{*(\alpha, \beta)}(x) dx,$$

$\alpha, \beta, \beta + \mu > -1, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

We easily see that

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu) &= -2^{-(\alpha+\beta+\mu+1)} \int_{-1}^1 (1-t)^\alpha (1+t)^{\beta+\mu} \ln(\tfrac{1}{2}(1+t)) P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(t) dt \\ &= -2^{-(\alpha+\beta+\mu+1)} \left\{ \int_{-1}^1 (1-t)^\alpha (1+t)^{\beta+\mu} \ln(1+t) P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(t) dt \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \ln 2 \cdot \int_{-1}^1 (1-t)^\alpha (1+t)^{\beta+\mu} P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(t) dt \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

hence, by putting

$$(1.3) \quad I_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu) = \int_{-1}^1 (1-t)^\alpha (1+t)^{\beta+\mu} P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(t) dt,$$

$\alpha, \beta, \beta + \mu > -1, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

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we obtain

$$(1.4) \quad \nu_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu) = 2^{-(\alpha + \beta + \mu + 1)} \left\{ I_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu) \ln 2 - \frac{d}{d\mu} I_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu) \right\}.$$

The following expression for (1.3),

$$(1.5) \quad I_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu) = 2^{\alpha + \beta + \mu + 1} \frac{\Gamma(\mu + 1)}{n! \Gamma(\mu - n + 1)} \frac{\Gamma(\beta + \mu + 1) \Gamma(n + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(n + \alpha + \beta + \mu + 2)},$$

is known ([1], [4, p. 256]). Indeed, (1.5) is easily obtained, multiplying on both sides of Rodrigues' formula,

$$(1 - t)^\alpha (1 + t)^\beta P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(t) = \frac{(-1)^n}{2^n n!} \frac{d^n}{dt^n} \{ (1 - t)^{n + \alpha} (1 + t)^{n + \beta} \},$$

by $(1 + t)^\mu$, integrating from -1 to 1 and carrying out n partial integrations on the right-hand side.

Differentiating (1.5) with respect to μ gives

$$(1.6) \quad \frac{d}{d\mu} I_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu) = I_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu) \{ \ln 2 + \psi(\mu + 1) + \psi(\beta + \mu + 1) - \psi(\mu - n + 1) - \psi(n + \alpha + \beta + \mu + 2) \},$$

where $\psi(x) = \Gamma'(x)/\Gamma(x)$ is the logarithmic derivative of the gamma function, and, if μ coincides with an integer $m < n$, $m \geq 0$, the right-hand member must be replaced by its limit as $\mu \rightarrow m$.

We first consider the case where $\mu \neq 0, 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$, whenever $n \geq 1$. By inserting (1.5) and (1.6) in (1.4), we obtain

$$(1.7) \quad \nu_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu) = \frac{\Gamma(\mu + 1) \Gamma(\beta + \mu + 1) \Gamma(n + \alpha + 1)}{n! \Gamma(\mu - n + 1) \Gamma(n + \alpha + \beta + \mu + 2)} \cdot \{ \psi(\mu - n + 1) + \psi(n + \alpha + \beta + \mu + 2) - \psi(\mu + 1) - \psi(\beta + \mu + 1) \},$$

with $\alpha, \beta, \beta + \mu > -1$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ and $\mu \neq 0, 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$ if $n \geq 1$.

Taking into account the recurrence relations $\Gamma(x + 1) = x\Gamma(x)$ and $\psi(x + 1) = \psi(x) + 1/x$, we may derive a useful algorithm for the computation of the modified moments $\nu_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu)$. Indeed, it is easily seen that, if we put

$$a_0^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + 1) \Gamma(\beta + \mu + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \mu + 2)},$$

$$b_0^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu) = \psi(\alpha + \beta + \mu + 2) - \psi(\beta + \mu + 1),$$

and we construct the two sequences $\{a_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu)\}$ and $\{b_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu)\}$, defined by the recurrence relationships

$$a_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu) = a_{n-1}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\mu) \frac{(\alpha + n)(\mu - n + 1)}{n(\alpha + \beta + \mu + n + 1)},$$

$$b_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(\mu) = b_{n-1}^{(\alpha,\beta)}(\mu) + \frac{1}{\alpha + \beta + \mu + 1 + n} - \frac{1}{\mu + 1 - n},$$

we have

$$v_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(\mu) = a_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(\mu)b_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(\mu).$$

Therefore, this last expression also shows that (1.7) can be written in the following rational form with respect to n

$$(1.8) \quad v_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(\mu) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)\Gamma(\beta + \mu + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \mu + 2)} \left\{ \psi(\alpha + \beta + \mu + 2) - \psi(\beta + \mu + 1) \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{\alpha + \beta + \mu + 1 + k} - \frac{1}{\mu + 1 - k} \right) \right\} \\ \cdot \prod_{k=1}^n \frac{(\alpha + k)(\mu + 1 - k)}{k(\alpha + \beta + \mu + 1 + k)},$$

where $\alpha, \beta,$ and μ satisfy the above-mentioned conditions.

To examine the remaining case $n \geq 1$ and $\mu = m = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1,$ we recall that for any integer $r \geq 0,$

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\psi(-r + \epsilon)}{\Gamma(-r + \epsilon)} = (-1)^{r-1} r!.$$

Then, from (1.7), we obtain

$$v_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(m) = \lim_{\mu \rightarrow m} v_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(\mu) \\ = \frac{\Gamma(n + \alpha + 1)\Gamma(m + 1)\Gamma(\beta + m + 1)}{n!\Gamma(n + \alpha + \beta + m + 2)} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\psi(m + \epsilon - n + 1)}{\Gamma(m + \epsilon - n + 1)},$$

and finally

$$(1.9) \quad v_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(m) = (-1)^{n-m} \frac{m!(n - m - 1)!}{n!} \frac{\Gamma(n + \alpha + 1)\Gamma(\beta + m + 1)}{\Gamma(n + \alpha + \beta + m + 2)}, \\ \alpha, \beta > -1, m = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n - 1, n \geq 1.$$

This completes the evaluation of the integrals (1.2). Integrals of the form

$$\int_0^1 x^{\beta + \mu} (1 - x)^\alpha (\ln(1/x))^p P_n^{*(\alpha,\beta)}(x) dx,$$

may be similarly evaluated by repeatedly differentiating (1.7) with respect to $\mu.$

2. Some Examples. The results derived in the previous section show that if one has to evaluate modified moments of a given weight function of type (1.1) for given values of ρ and $\alpha,$ then one may choose as polynomial basis the Jacobi polynomials

$P_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(2x - 1)$, with β being a free parameter. For instance, in the case of the weight function

$$w(x) = x^\rho \ln(1/x), \quad \rho > -1,$$

we can construct the modified moments associated with the basis $\{P_n^{(0,\beta)}(2x - 1)\}$ instead of the particular one, $\{P_n^{(0,0)}(2x - 1)\}$ considered by Gautschi [3].

It may be of some interest to note that the choice $\rho = \beta$ yields very simple expressions for the corresponding modified moments,

$$(2.1) \quad \nu_n^{(0,\beta)}(0) = \int_0^1 x^\beta \ln(1/x) P_n^{(0,\beta)}(2x - 1) dx = \begin{cases} 1/(\beta + 1)^2, & n = 0, \\ \frac{(-1)^n \Gamma(\beta + 1)(n - 1)!}{\Gamma(n + \beta + 2)}, & n \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Also, in the case of the more general weight functions (1.1), the formulas we obtain are particularly simple when we let $\rho = \beta$,

$$(2.2) \quad \int_0^1 x^\beta (1 - x)^\alpha \ln(1/x) P_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(2x - 1) dx = \begin{cases} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)\Gamma(\beta + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + 2)} \{ \psi(\alpha + \beta + 2) - \psi(\beta + 1) \}, & n = 0, \\ (-1)^n \frac{\Gamma(n + \alpha + 1)\Gamma(\beta + 1)}{n\Gamma(n + \alpha + \beta + 2)}, & n \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

An example of (1.1), with $\alpha \neq 0$, could be the weight function

$$w(x) = x^\rho (1 - x)^{-1/2} \ln(1/x), \quad \rho > -1,$$

for which, recalling that [4, p. 60]

$$P_n^{*(-1/2,-1/2)}(x) = T_n^*(x) \prod_{k=1}^n \frac{2k - 1}{2k},$$

where $T_n^*(x) = T_n(2x - 1)$ is the shifted Chebyshev polynomial of degree n . Setting

$$\tau_n(\rho) = \int_0^1 x^\rho (1 - x)^{-1/2} \ln(1/x) T_n^*(x) dx, \quad \rho > -1,$$

and applying (1.9) and (1.8), we have

$$(2.3) \quad \tau_n(\rho) = \begin{cases} (-1)^{n-m} \frac{m!(n - m - 1)!}{(n + m)!} \pi \prod_{k=1}^m \frac{2k - 1}{2}, & \rho + 1/2 = m < n, \quad m \geq 0 \text{ an integer,} \\ \frac{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(\rho + 1)}{\Gamma(\rho + 3/2)} \left\{ \psi(\rho + 3/2) - \psi(\rho + 1) \right. \\ \quad \left. + \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{\rho + 1/2 + k} - \frac{1}{\rho + 3/2 - k} \right) \right\} \\ \quad \cdot \prod_{k=1}^n \frac{\rho + 3/2 - k}{\rho + 1/2 + k}, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

3. Two Laguerre Polynomial Integrals. In this section we consider the problem of evaluating the modified moments of the weight functions

$$(3.1) \quad w_p(x) = e^{-x} x^\rho (\ln x)^p, \quad \rho > -1, p = 1, 2, \dots,$$

on $[0, \infty)$, with respect to the generalized Laguerre polynomials $L_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$.

We first examine the case $p = 1$, which is relative to a weight function of mixed sign. By introducing, for notational convenience, a new parameter μ such that $\rho = \alpha + \mu$, we refer to the integrals

$$(3.2) \quad N_{1,n}^{(\alpha)}(\mu) = \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^{\alpha+\mu} \ln x L_n^{(\alpha)}(x) dx, \quad \alpha, \alpha + \mu > -1, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

for which, if we set

$$(3.3) \quad I_n^{(\alpha)}(\mu) = \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^{\alpha+\mu} L_n^{(\alpha)}(x) dx,$$

we have

$$(3.4) \quad N_{1,n}^{(\alpha)}(\mu) = \frac{d}{d\mu} I_n^{(\alpha)}(\mu).$$

The evaluation of $I_n^{(\alpha)}(\mu)$, hence of $N_{1,n}^{(\alpha)}(\mu)$, can be carried out in a way much similar to that concerning the Jacobi polynomials described in Section 1. To this end, we need to recall the Rodrigues formula for Laguerre polynomials

$$e^{-x} x^\alpha L_n^{(\alpha)}(x) = \frac{1}{n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (e^{-x} x^{n+\alpha}).$$

Indeed, inserting this last formula in (3.3) and integrating by parts n times, we obtain

$$I_n^{(\alpha)}(\mu) = \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \frac{\Gamma(\mu + 1)\Gamma(\mu + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\mu - n + 1)}.$$

At this point it is not difficult to derive from (3.4) the following two expressions

$$(3.5) \quad N_{1,n}^{(\alpha)}(\mu) = \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \frac{\Gamma(\mu + 1)\Gamma(\mu + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\mu - n + 1)} \cdot \{ \psi(\mu + 1) + \psi(\mu + \alpha + 1) - \psi(\mu - n + 1) \},$$

with $\alpha, \alpha + \mu > -1, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ and $\mu \neq 0, 1, \dots, n - 1$ if $n \geq 1$, and

$$(3.6) \quad N_{1,n}^{(\alpha)}(m) = (-1)^{m-1} \frac{m!(n-m-1)!}{n!} \Gamma(m + \alpha + 1),$$

$$m = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1, n \geq 1;$$

the second being obtained from the first by taking its limit as $\mu \rightarrow m$.

Finally, we remark that (3.5) may be put in the following form

$$(3.7) \quad N_{1,n}^{(\alpha)}(\mu) = \Gamma(\mu + \alpha + 1) \left\{ \psi(\mu + \alpha + 1) - \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k - \mu - 1} \right\} \prod_{k=1}^n \frac{k - \mu - 1}{k}.$$

The evaluation of the modified moments

$$N_{p,n}^{(\alpha)}(\mu) = \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^{\alpha+\mu} (\ln x)^p L_n^{(\alpha)}(x) dx, \quad p \geq 2,$$

associated to the weight functions (3.1), can be obtained by repeatedly differentiating (3.5) with respect to μ . We shall only examine, with some details, the case $p = 2$.

Differentiating (3.5) once, with respect to μ , gives

$$(3.8) \quad N_{2,n}^{(\alpha)}(\mu) = \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \frac{\Gamma(\mu + 1)\Gamma(\mu + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\mu - n + 1)} \cdot \{ (\psi(\mu + 1) + \psi(\mu + \alpha + 1) - \psi(\mu - n + 1))^2 + \psi'(\mu + 1) + \psi'(\mu + \alpha + 1) - \psi'(\mu - n + 1) \},$$

which holds for all $n \geq 0$ with $\mu \neq 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$, when $n \geq 1$.

A more convenient form of (3.8), obtained by using the previously recalled properties of the functions $\Gamma(x)$ and $\psi(x)$, together with the recurrence relation $\psi'(x+1) = \psi'(x) - 1/x^2$, is

$$(3.9) \quad N_{2,n}^{(\alpha)}(\mu) = \Gamma(\mu + \alpha + 1) \left\{ \left(\psi(\mu + \alpha + 1) - \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k - \mu - 1} \right)^2 + \psi'(\mu + \alpha + 1) - \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{(k - \mu - 1)^2} \right\} \prod_{k=1}^n \frac{k - \mu - 1}{k}.$$

If $\mu = m = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1, n \geq 1$, from (3.8) we have

$$(3.10) \quad N_{2,n}^{(\alpha)}(m) = \lim_{\mu \rightarrow m} N_{2,n}^{(\alpha)}(\mu) = \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \Gamma(m + 1)\Gamma(m + \alpha + 1) \{ A_n(m) - 2B_n(m) \},$$

where

$$A_n(m) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\psi^2(m + \epsilon - n + 1) - \psi'(m + \epsilon - n + 1)}{\Gamma(m + \epsilon - n + 1)},$$

$$B_n(m) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \{ \psi(m + \epsilon + 1) + \psi(m + \epsilon + \alpha + 1) \} \frac{\psi(m + \epsilon - n + 1)}{\Gamma(m + \epsilon - n + 1)}.$$

By means of the two series expansions

$$\Gamma(x) = \frac{(-1)^r}{r!} \frac{1}{x+r} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k (x+r)^k, \quad r = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$\psi(x) = \frac{-1}{x+r} + \psi(1+r) + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k (x+r)^k,$$

which are valid for $|x + r| < 1$, it is easily seen that

$$A_n(m) = (-1)^{n-m} 2(n - m - 1)! \psi(n - m),$$

$$B_n(m) = (-1)^{n-m} (n - m - 1)! \{ \psi(m + 1) + \psi(m + \alpha + 1) \}.$$

Hence, substituting these last two expressions into (3.10), we obtain the final result

$$(3.11) \quad N_{2,n}^{(\alpha)}(m) = (-1)^m 2 \frac{m! (n - m - 1)!}{n!} \Gamma(m + \alpha + 1) \cdot \{ \psi(n - m) - \psi(m + 1) - \psi(m + \alpha + 1) \},$$

$$m = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1, n \geq 1.$$

4. Some Particular Cases. The results derived in Section 3 assume a very simple form when $\mu = 0$, that is in the cases where the weight functions

$$e^{-x} x^\alpha \ln x \quad \text{and} \quad e^{-x} x^\alpha (\ln x)^2, \quad \alpha > -1,$$

and the polynomials $L_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$ have the same parameter α .

For the first weight function, applying (3.7) and (3.6), we find

$$(4.1) \quad \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^\alpha \ln x L_n^{(\alpha)}(x) dx = \begin{cases} \Gamma(\alpha + 1) \psi(\alpha + 1), & n = 0, \\ -\Gamma(\alpha + 1)/n, & n \geq 1, \end{cases}$$

which may be regarded as a generalization of the well-known integral representation

$$\gamma = -\int_0^\infty e^{-x} \ln x dx,$$

of the Euler-Mascheroni constant $\gamma = -\psi(1) = .57721\ 56649 \dots$

For the second weight function, by using (3.9) and (3.11), we obtain

$$(4.2) \quad \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^\alpha (\ln x)^2 L_n^{(\alpha)}(x) dx = \begin{cases} \Gamma(\alpha + 1) \{ \psi^2(\alpha + 1) + \psi'(\alpha + 1) \}, & n = 0, \\ \frac{2}{n} \Gamma(\alpha + 1) \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{k} - \psi(\alpha + 1) \right\}, & n \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Two other cases of interest, which may be used, for instance, in constructing the modified moments of the weight functions

$$\exp(-x^2) \ln|x| \quad \text{and} \quad \exp(-x^2) (\ln|x|)^2,$$

on $(-\infty, \infty)$, with respect to the Hermite polynomials $H_n(x)$, are obtained by means of Szegő's relationships [4, p. 106] between Hermite and Laguerre polynomials,

$$(4.3) \quad H_{2n}(x) = (-1)^n 2^{2n} n! L_n^{(-1/2)}(x^2), \quad H_{2n+1}(x) = (-1)^n 2^{2n+1} n! x L_n^{(1/2)}(x^2).$$

Indeed, setting $x = t^2$ in the integral (3.2), with $\alpha = -1/2$ and $\mu = 0$, from (3.7) and (3.6) we obtain

$$4 \int_0^\infty \exp(-t^2) \ln t L_n^{(-1/2)}(t^2) dt = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\pi} \psi(1/2) = -\sqrt{\pi}(\gamma + 2 \ln 2), & n = 0, \\ -\sqrt{\pi}/n, & n \geq 1, \end{cases}$$

hence, by applying the first relation in (4.3),

$$(4.4) \quad \int_0^\infty \exp(-x^2) \ln x H_{2n}(x) dx = \begin{cases} \frac{-\sqrt{\pi}}{4} (\gamma + 2 \ln 2), & n = 0, \\ (-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! 2^{2(n-1)} \sqrt{\pi}, & n \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Similarly, if we assume $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\mu = -\frac{1}{2}$ in (3.2), then (3.7), together with the second relation in (4.3), gives

$$(4.5) \quad \int_0^\infty \exp(-x^2) \ln x H_{2n+1}(x) dx = (-1)^{n-1} 2^{n-1} \left(\gamma + 2 \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2k-1} \right) \prod_{k=1}^n (2k-1),$$

$n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

The integrals involving the weight function $\exp(-x^2)(\ln x)^2$ can be dealt with in the same way. Recalling that $\psi'(\frac{1}{2}) = \pi^2/2$ and $\psi'(1) = \pi^2/6$, by use of (3.9) and (3.11), this leads to the following results,

$$(4.6) \quad \int_0^\infty \exp(-x^2) (\ln x)^2 H_{2n}(x) dx = \begin{cases} \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{8} \{ \psi^2(\frac{1}{2}) + \psi'(\frac{1}{2}) \} = 1.94752 21803 \dots, & n = 0, \\ (-1)^n 2^{2(n-1)} (n-1)! \sqrt{\pi} \left(\gamma + 2 \ln 2 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{k} \right), & n \geq 1, \end{cases}$$

and

$$(4.7) \quad \int_0^\infty \exp(-x^2) (\ln x)^2 H_{2n+1}(x) dx = (-1)^n 2^{n-2} \left\{ \left(\gamma + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{2}{2k-1} \right)^2 + \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{4}{(2k-1)^2} \right\} \prod_{k=1}^n (2k-1),$$

$n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

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