

MAHLER MEASURES, SHORT WALKS AND LOG-SINE INTEGRALS

A CASE STUDY IN HYBRID COMPUTATION

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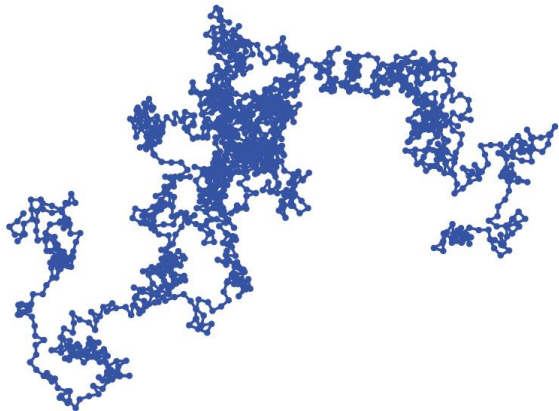
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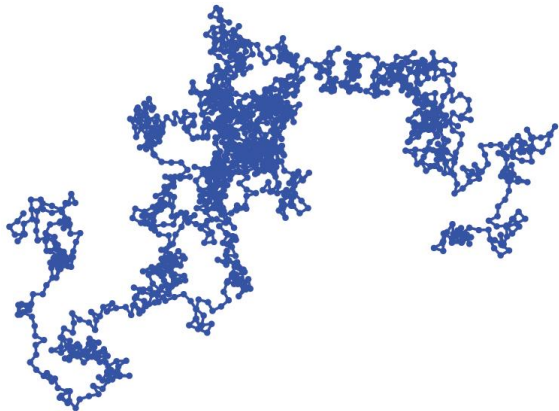


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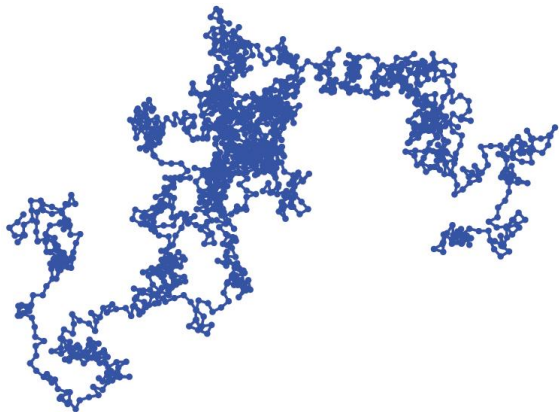


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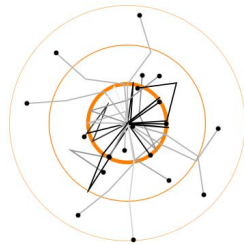
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- In several dimensions life is harder.
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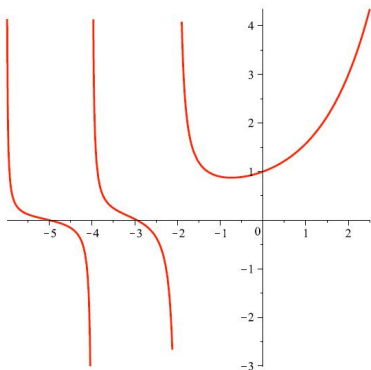
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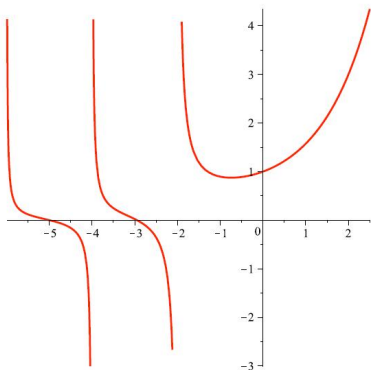
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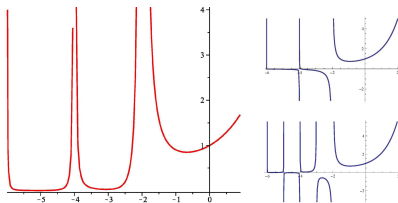
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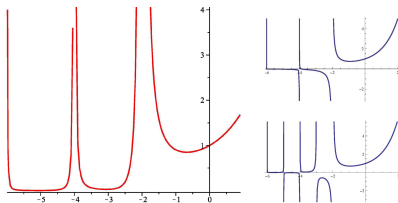
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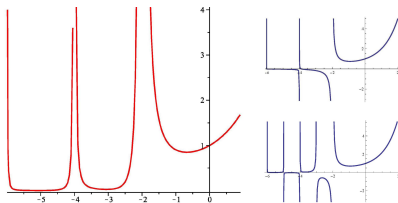
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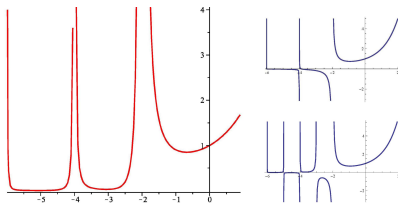
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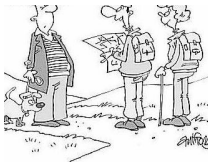
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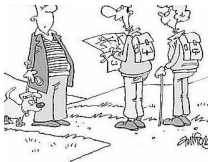
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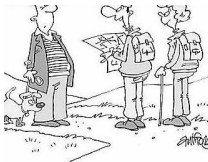
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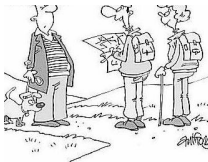
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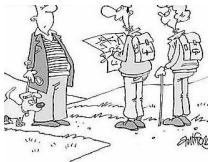
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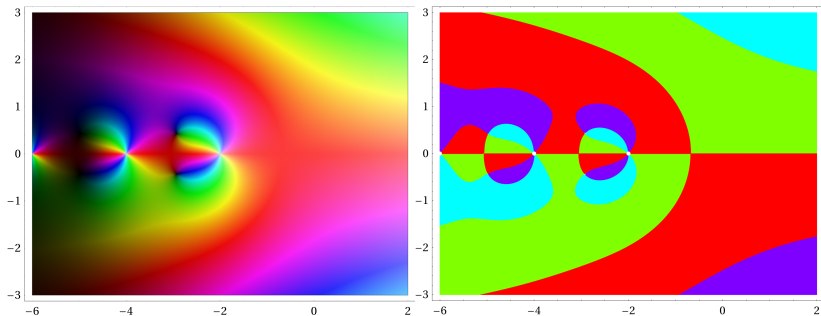
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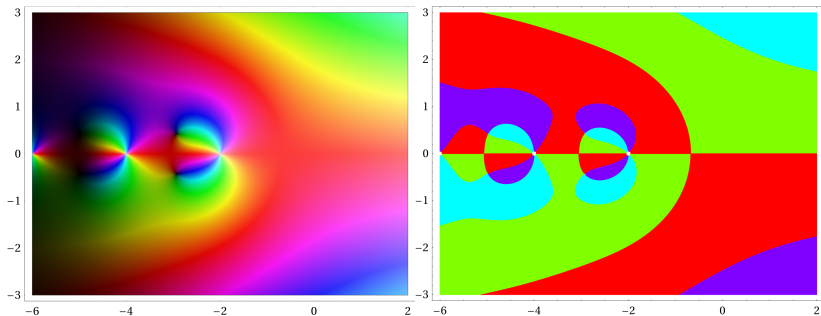
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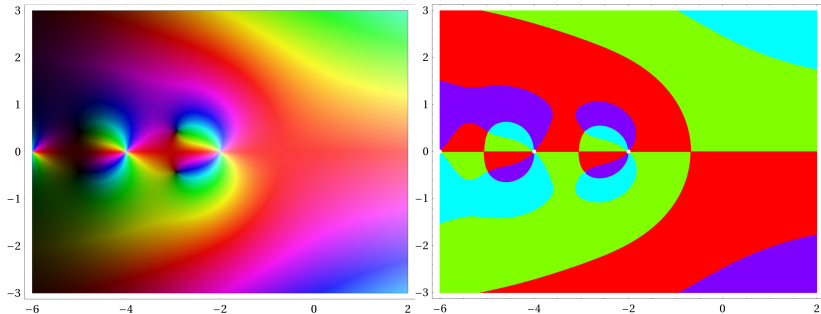
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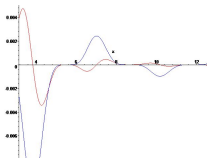
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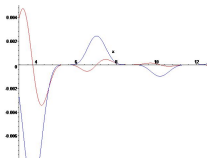
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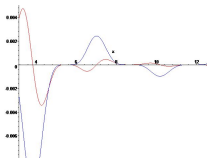
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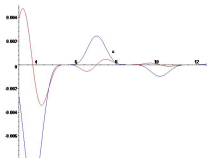
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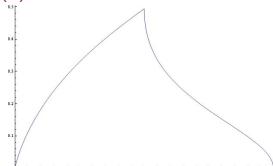
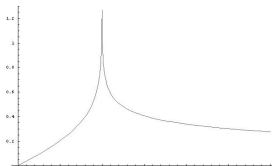
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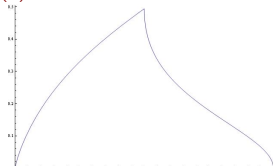
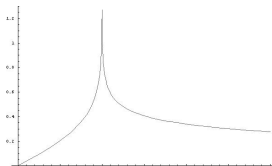
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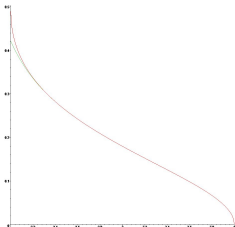
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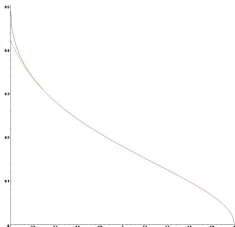
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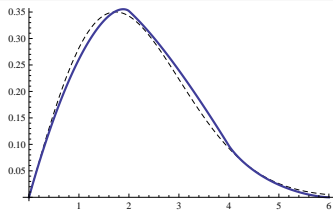
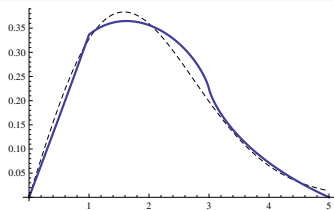
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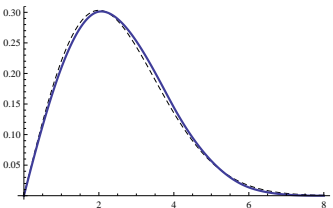
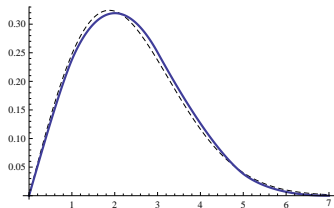
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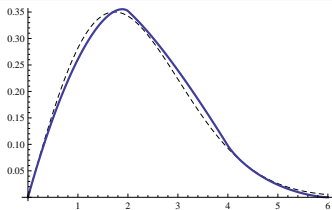
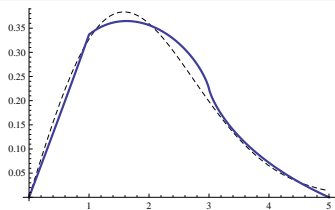
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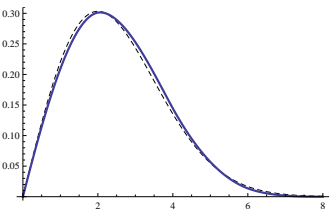
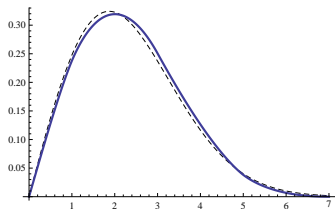
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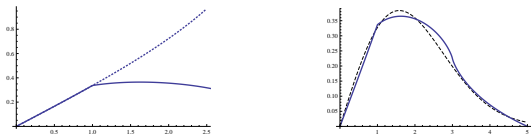


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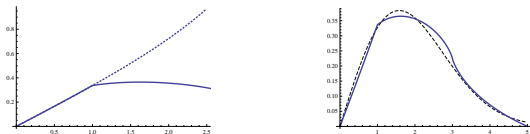


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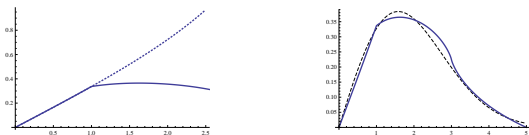


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Example (Values of $LS_n(\pi)$)

For instance, we have $LS_2(\pi) = 0$ as well as

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Equation (21) is made for a CAS (Mma, Sage or **Maple**):

for k to 7 do

 simplify(subs(x=0,diff(Pi*binomial(x,x/2),x\$k))) od

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Theorem

For all positive integers k , we have

$$\mu_k(1+x+y_*+z_*) = -\frac{1}{\pi^{k+1}} \int_0^\pi \left(\theta \log \left(2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \right) - \text{Cl}_2(\theta) \right)^k d\theta$$

Then

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Two More Evaluations: with Kummer-type logarithms

Let

$$\lambda_n(x) := (n-2)! \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} \operatorname{Li}_{n-k}(x) \log^k |x| + \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \log^n |x|,$$

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Theorem

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KLO's Mahler Measures

Theorem (Hypergeometric forms for $\mu_n(1+x+y)$)

For complex $|s| < 2$, we may write

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Evaluation of $\mu_n(1+x+y)$ Requires a Taylor Expansion

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Indeed, from (23) and Leibnitz' rule we have

$$\mu_n(1+x+y) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\pi} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \alpha_k \beta_{n-k} \quad (25)$$

where β_k is defined by

$$3^{\varepsilon+1} \frac{\Gamma(1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2})^2}{\Gamma(\varepsilon + 2)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \beta_n \varepsilon^n.$$

Note, as above, that β_k is easy to compute.

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