

# Lambert and Ramanujan

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# ABSTRACT

We consider Lambert and generalized Lambert series studied by Ramanujan. We start with some weighted partition identities and divisor functions. Along the way we meet Ramanujan's mock theta functions and tau function. We show how we used MAPLE to discover, prove and check results. In particular we introduce a new MAPLE package, `thetoids`, for proving theta function identities. The results for the tau function are joint with Michael Schlosser.

# LAMBERT (1728 – 1777)





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> A:=n->subs(S,aa[n]):
> seq(degree(A(n),q),n=2..10);
           0, 1, 3, 6, 10, 15, 21, 28, 36
>
> a:=(m,n)->coeff(A(n),q,m):
> seq(seq(a(m,n),m=0..(n-2)*(n-1)/2),n=2..5);
           1, 2, 1, 5, 5, 5, 1, 14, 21, 31, 30, 19, 9, 1

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**A152290**    Coefficients in a *q*-analog of the LambertW function, as a triangle read by rows. +20  
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1, 1, 2, 1, 5, 5, 5, 1, 14, 21, 31, 30, 19, 9, 1, 42, 84, 154, 210, 245, 217, 175,  
105, 49, 14, 1, 132, 330, 708, 1176, 1722, 2148, 2386, 2358, 2080, 1618, 1086, 644, 294,  
104, 20, 1, 429, 1287, 3135, 6006, 10164, 15093, 20496, 25188, 28770, 30225, 29511,

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OFFSET    0, 3

LINKS    Paul D. Hanna, [Rows 0 to 30 of the triangle, flattened](#).  
Eric Weisstein, [q-Exponential Function](#) from MathWorld.  
Eric Weisstein, [q-Factorial](#) from MathWorld.

FORMULA    G.f.:  $A(x, q) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \sum_{k=0..n(n-1)/2} T(n, k) * q^k * x^n / \text{faq}(n, q)$ ,  
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# CARL JACOBI (1804 – 1851)



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and

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Let  $\zeta$  be a primitive  $k$ -th root of unity. Then as  $q \rightarrow \zeta$  (radially)

- $f(q) = O(1)$  if  $k$  is odd
- $f(q) + b(q) = O(1)$  if  $k \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$
- $f(q) - b(q) = O(1)$  if  $k \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$

Folsom-Ono-Rhoades (2013), Zudilin (2013)

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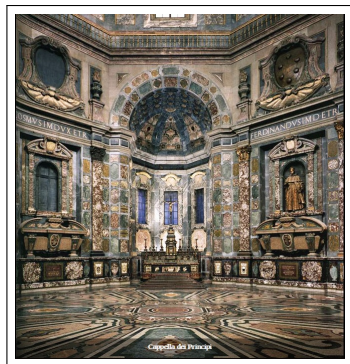
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Example The partitions of 4 are

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so that  $p(4) = 5$ .

## THEOREM [FOKKINK-FOKKINK-WANG (1995)]

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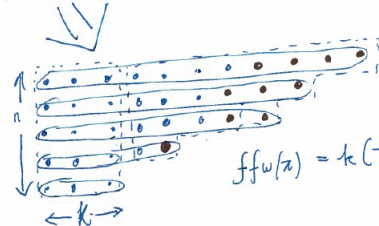
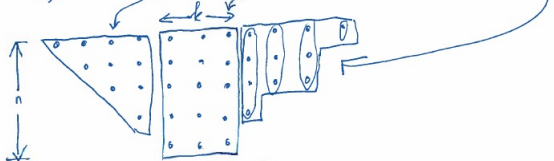
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**THEOREM [G. 2016]**

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> series(jac2series(%,1000),q,1000);
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$$O(q^{1000})$$

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> provemodfuncidBATCH(JACID,55);
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*** There were NO errors. Each term was modular  
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To prove the identity we need to check up to  
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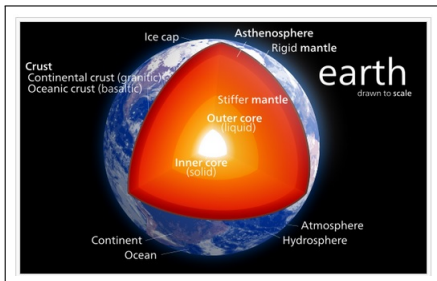
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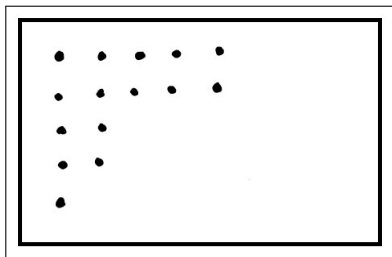
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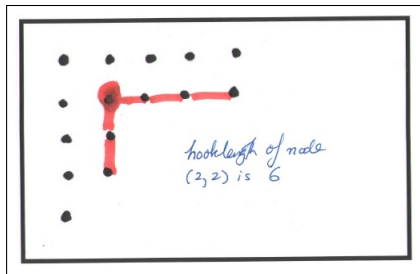
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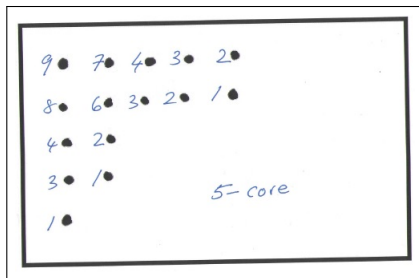
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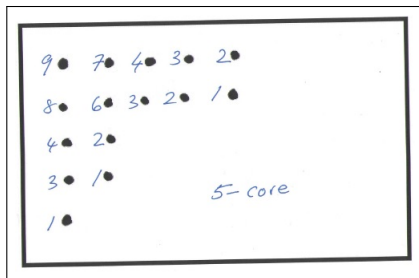
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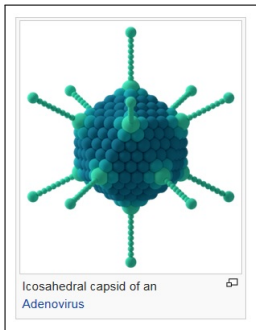
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