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Certain integral representations of Stieltjes constants γ_n

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Abstract

A remarkably large number of integral formulas for the Euler-Mascheroni constant γ have been presented. The Stieltjes constants (or generalized Euler-Mascheroni constants) γ_n and $\gamma_0 = \gamma$, which arise from the coefficients of the Laurent series expansion of the Riemann zeta function $\zeta(s)$ at $s = 1$, have been investigated in various ways, especially for their integral representations. Here we aim at presenting certain integral representations for γ_n by choosing to use three known integral representations for the Riemann zeta function $\zeta(s)$. Our method used here is similar to those in some earlier works, but our results seem a little simpler. Some relevant connections of some special cases of our results presented here with those in earlier works are also pointed out.

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1 Introduction and preliminaries

The Riemann zeta function $\zeta(s)$ is defined by (see, e.g., [1, Section 2.3])

$$\zeta(s) := \begin{cases} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} = \frac{1}{1-2^{-s}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^s} & (\Re(s) > 1), \\ \frac{1}{1-2^{1-s}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} & (\Re(s) > 0; s \neq 1), \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

which is an obvious special case of the Hurwitz (or generalized) zeta function $\zeta(s, a)$ defined by

$$\zeta(s, a) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+a)^{-s} \quad (\Re(s) > 1; a \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}_0^-), \quad (1.2)$$

where \mathbb{C} and \mathbb{Z}_0^- denote the sets of complex numbers and nonpositive integers, respectively. Both the Riemann zeta function $\zeta(s)$ and the Hurwitz zeta function $\zeta(s, a)$ can be continued meromorphically to the whole complex s -plane, except for a simple pole only at $s = 1$, with their respective residue 1, in many different ways. The Stieltjes constants γ_n for $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 := \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, $\mathbb{N} := \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$, arise from the following Laurent expansion of the

Riemann zeta function $\zeta(s)$ about $s = 1$ (see, e.g., [2, pp.166-169], [3, p.255] and [1, p.165]):

$$\zeta(s) = \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \gamma_n (s-1)^n, \tag{1.3}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_n &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{(\log k)^n}{k} - \int_1^m \frac{(\log x)^n}{x} dx \right\} \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{(\log k)^n}{k} - \frac{(\log m)^{n+1}}{n+1} \right\} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0) \end{aligned} \tag{1.4}$$

and, in particular, γ_0 (denoted by γ) is the Euler-Mascheroni constant (see, for details, [2, Section 1.5] and [1, Section 1.2]):

$$\gamma := \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{k=1}^m \frac{1}{k} - \log m \right) \cong 0.5772156649 \dots \tag{1.5}$$

The Stieltjes constants γ_n are named after Thomas Jan Stieltjes and often referred to as generalized Euler-Mascheroni constants. Liang and Todd [4] computed numerical approximations of the first 20 Stieltjes constants in 1972. In 1985, using contour integration, Ainsworth and Howell [5] showed that

$$\gamma_n = 2\Re \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(x-i)(\log(1-ix))^n}{(1+x^2)(e^{2\pi x}-1)} dx \right\} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}) \tag{1.6}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= \gamma_0 = \frac{1}{2} + 2\Re \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(x-i)}{(1+x^2)(e^{2\pi x}-1)} dx \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} + 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x}{(1+x^2)(e^{2\pi x}-1)} dx. \end{aligned} \tag{1.7}$$

By using binomial theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\log(1-ix))^{2m} &= \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \log(1+x^2) - i \arctan x \right\}^{2m} \\ &= \mathcal{A}_m(x) + i\mathcal{B}_m(x) \quad (m \in \mathbb{N}), \end{aligned} \tag{1.8}$$

where, for convenience and simplicity,

$$\mathcal{A}_m(x) := \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^k}{2^{2m-2k}} \binom{2m}{2k} (\arctan x)^{2k} (\ln(1+x^2))^{2m-2k}$$

and

$$\mathcal{B}_m(x) := \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{2^{2m-2k-1}} \binom{2m}{2k+1} (\arctan x)^{2k+1} (\ln(1+x^2))^{2m-2k-1}.$$

From (1.6) and (1.8), we obtain a more explicit integral representation for the Stieltjes constants γ_{2m} :

$$\gamma_{2m} = 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{x \mathcal{A}_m(x) + \mathcal{B}_m(x)}{(1+x^2)(e^{2\pi x} - 1)} dx \quad (m \in \mathbb{N}), \tag{1.9}$$

where $\mathcal{A}_m(x)$ and $\mathcal{B}_m(x)$ are given in (1.8). Similarly, we have

$$(\log(1-ix))^{2m+1} = C_m(x) + iD_m(x) \quad (m \in \mathbb{N}_0), \tag{1.10}$$

where, for convenience and simplicity,

$$C_m(x) := \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^k}{2^{2m+1-2k}} \binom{2m+1}{2k} (\arctan x)^{2k} (\ln(1+x^2))^{2m+1-2k}$$

and

$$D_m(x) := \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{2^{2m-2k}} \binom{2m+1}{2k+1} (\arctan x)^{2k+1} (\ln(1+x^2))^{2m-2k}.$$

From (1.6) and (1.10), we get a more explicit integral representation for the Stieltjes constants γ_{2m+1} :

$$\gamma_{2m+1} = 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{x C_m(x) + D_m(x)}{(1+x^2)(e^{2\pi x} - 1)} dx \quad (m \in \mathbb{N}_0), \tag{1.11}$$

where $C_m(x)$ and $D_m(x)$ are given in (1.10). Connon (see, e.g., cf., [6, Eq. (4.3)]; see also [7, Eq. (1.5)]) presented an integral representation of the Stieltjes constants γ_n of a similar nature in (1.6):

$$\gamma_n = i \int_0^\infty \frac{(1-ix)(\log(1+ix))^n - (1+ix)(\log(1-ix))^n}{(1+x^2)(e^{2\pi x} - 1)} dx \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}). \tag{1.12}$$

We recall the polygamma functions $\psi^{(n)}(s)$ ($n \in \mathbb{N}$) defined by

$$\psi^{(n)}(s) := \frac{d^{n+1}}{dz^{n+1}} \log \Gamma(s) = \frac{d^n}{ds^n} \psi(s) \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0; s \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}_0^-), \tag{1.13}$$

where $\psi(s)$ denotes the psi (or digamma) function defined by

$$\psi(s) := \frac{d}{ds} \log \Gamma(s) \quad \text{and} \quad \psi^{(0)}(s) = \psi(s) \quad (s \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}_0^-). \tag{1.14}$$

Connon [8, Eq. (4.27)] also obtained an integral representation of the Stieltjes constants γ_n :

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_n &= (-1)^n \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} Y_k(-\psi(1), -\psi^{(1)}(1), \dots, -\psi^{(k-1)}(1)) \\ &\quad \cdot \int_0^\infty (\log t)^{n-k} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{e^t - 1} - \frac{1}{t} \right) e^{-t} dt \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}), \end{aligned} \tag{1.15}$$

where $Y_n(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ are the complete Bell polynomials defined by $Y_0 = 1$ and

$$Y_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{\pi(n)} \frac{n!}{k_1!k_2! \cdots k_n!} \left(\frac{x_1}{1!}\right)^{k_1} \left(\frac{x_2}{2!}\right)^{k_2} \cdots \left(\frac{x_n}{n!}\right)^{k_n} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}), \tag{1.16}$$

the sum being taken over all partitions $\pi(n)$ of n , i.e., over all sets of $k_j \in \mathbb{N}_0$ such that

$$k_1 + 2k_2 + \cdots + nk_n = n.$$

Canon [8, Eq. (4.11)] presented an integral representation of γ_1 which may be a special case of (1.15):

$$\gamma_1 = \gamma - \gamma^2 - \int_0^\infty \log t \cdot \left(\frac{1}{e^t - 1} - \frac{1}{t}\right) e^{-t} dt. \tag{1.17}$$

A remarkably large number of integral formulas for the Euler-Mascheroni constant γ have been presented (see, e.g., [9, 10], and [1, Section 1.2]). The Stieltjes constants γ_n ($n \in \mathbb{N}_0$) have been investigated in various ways, especially for their integral representations (see, e.g., [4–8]; see also [2, Section 2.21] and the references cited therein). Here we aim at presenting certain integral representations for γ_n by choosing to use three known integral representations for the Riemann zeta function $\zeta(s)$. Our method used here is similar to those in some earlier works, but our results seem a little simpler. Some relevant connections of some special cases of our results presented here with those in earlier works are also pointed out.

To do this, we first observe a simple property asserted in the following lemma.

Lemma 1 *If some representations of the Riemann zeta function $\zeta(s)$ are analytic in a deleted neighborhood of $s = 1$, except for a simple pole at $s = 1$ with its residue 1, then the following function $Z(s)$ defined by*

$$Z(s) := \zeta(s) - \frac{1}{s-1} \tag{1.18}$$

is analytic at $s = 1$ if we define

$$Z(1) := \gamma = \lim_{s \rightarrow 1} \zeta(s) - \frac{1}{s-1}. \tag{1.19}$$

Furthermore, we have

$$Z^{(n)}(1) = (-1)^n \gamma_n \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0). \tag{1.20}$$

Proof We prove only (1.20). If the above-defined $Z(s)$ is analytic at $s = 1$, then the Taylor series expansion of $Z(s)$ is given as follows:

$$Z(s) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{Z^{(n)}(1)}{n!} (s-1)^n$$

in a neighborhood of $s = 1$. In view of (1.3), by uniqueness of Taylor (or Laurent) series expansion of a function, (1.20) is proved. The other argument is obvious from a well-known property of the Riemann zeta function $\zeta(s)$. \square

A well-known (and potentially useful) relationship between the polygamma functions $\psi^{(n)}(s)$ and the generalized zeta function $\zeta(s, a)$ is also given by

$$\psi^{(n)}(s) = (-1)^{n+1} n! \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k+s)^{n+1}} = (-1)^{n+1} n! \zeta(n+1, s) \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}; s \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}_0^-). \quad (1.21)$$

In particular, we have

$$\psi^{(n)}(1) = (-1)^{n+1} n! \zeta(n+1) \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}). \quad (1.22)$$

2 Integral representations for γ_n

We begin by presenting an integral representation for the Stieltjes constants γ_n given in the following theorem.

Theorem 1 *The following integral representation for γ_n holds true:*

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_n = & (-1)^n \int_0^{\infty} \left(\psi'(1+t) - \frac{1}{1+t} \right) \\ & \cdot \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} (-1)^{[k/2]+1} \frac{1 - (-1)^{k+1}}{2} \frac{\pi^k}{k+1} (\log t)^{n-k} \right\} dt \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0). \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

We note that $Z(s)$ in (2.7) below is analytic in a neighborhood of $s = 1$. So we can use the relation (1.20) for the integral representation of $Z(s)$. In this regard, we first try to get the following formulas asserted by Lemma 2 below.

Lemma 2 *Each of the following formulas holds true:*

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{d^n}{ds^n} \frac{1}{t^{1-s}} \right) = (\log t)^n \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0) \quad (2.2)$$

and

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1} \left\{ \frac{d^n}{ds^n} \left(\frac{\sin(\pi s)}{\pi(s-1)} \right) \right\} = (-1)^{[n/2]+1} \frac{1 - (-1)^{n+1}}{2} \frac{\pi^n}{n+1} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0), \quad (2.3)$$

where $[x]$ denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to a real number x .

Proof The formula (2.2) is obvious. For (2.3), we recall the Maclaurin series expansion of $\sin t$:

$$\sin t = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k+1)!} t^{2k+1} \quad (|t| < \infty). \quad (2.4)$$

By using (2.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{s \rightarrow 1} \left\{ \frac{d^{2n}}{ds^{2n}} \left(\frac{\sin(\pi s)}{\pi(s-1)} \right) \right\} \\ &= - \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{d^{2n}}{dt^{2n}} \left(\frac{\sin(\pi t)}{\pi t} \right) \right\} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{d^{2n}}{dt^{2n}} (\pi t)^{2n} = (-1)^{n+1} \frac{\pi^{2n}}{2n+1} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0). \end{aligned} \tag{2.5}$$

Similarly, we obtain

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1} \left\{ \frac{d^{2n-1}}{ds^{2n-1}} \left(\frac{\sin(\pi s)}{\pi(s-1)} \right) \right\} = 0 \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}). \tag{2.6}$$

Now it is not difficult to combine the two formulas (2.5) and (2.6) to see the unified formula (2.3). \square

Proof of Theorem 1 We choose to recall the following integral representation of $\zeta(s)$ (see, e.g., [1, p.172, Eq. (47)]):

$$Z(s) = \zeta(s) - \frac{1}{s-1} = \frac{\sin(\pi s)}{\pi(s-1)} \int_0^\infty \left(\psi'(1+t) - \frac{1}{1+t} \right) \frac{dt}{t^{1-s}} \quad (0 < \Re(s) < 2). \tag{2.7}$$

To get the n th derivative of a product of the two involved functions in (2.7),

$$\frac{\sin(\pi s)}{\pi(s-1)} \cdot \frac{1}{t^{1-s}},$$

we apply Leibniz's generalization of the product rule for differentiation and use the results in Lemma 2, in view of (1.20), to yield (2.1). \square

Recall an integral representation for $\zeta(s)$ (see, e.g., [1, p.169, Eq. (31)]):

$$Z(s) = \zeta(s) - \frac{1}{s-1} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\Gamma(s)} \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{e^t-1} - \frac{1}{t} + \frac{1}{2} \right) e^{-t} t^{s-1} dt \quad (\Re(s) > -1). \tag{2.8}$$

In order to use (2.8) to get an integral representation for γ_n , we first find the following formula given in Lemma 3.

Lemma 3 *If we define α_j by*

$$\alpha_j := \lim_{s \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(s)} \right)^{(j)} \quad (j \in \mathbb{N}_0), \tag{2.9}$$

then we have a recurrence formula for α_j

$$\alpha_{k+1} = \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} (-1)^{k-j} \frac{k!}{j!} \zeta(k+1-j) \alpha_j + \gamma \alpha_k \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}_0), \tag{2.10}$$

where

$$\alpha_0 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_1 = -\psi(1) = \gamma, \tag{2.11}$$

and an empty sum (as usual) is understood to be nil throughout this paper.

In addition to the formulas in (2.11), the next several α_j are given as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_2 &= \gamma^2 - \zeta(2), & \alpha_3 &= \gamma^3 - 3\gamma\zeta(2) + 2\zeta(3), \\ \alpha_4 &= \gamma^4 - 6\gamma^2\zeta(2) + 8\gamma\zeta(3) + 3(\zeta(2))^2 - 6\zeta(4), \\ \alpha_5 &= \gamma^5 - 10\gamma^3\zeta(2) + 20\gamma^2\zeta(3) - 20\zeta(2)\zeta(3) \\ &\quad + 15\gamma(\zeta(2))^2 - 30\gamma\zeta(4) + 24\zeta(5). \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

Proof of Lemma 3 Taking the logarithmic derivative of $1/\Gamma(s)$, we have

$$\left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(s)}\right)' = -\frac{1}{\Gamma(s)} \cdot \psi(s).$$

Using Leibniz’s generalization of the product rule for differentiation when we differentiate the last formula k times and taking the limit $s \rightarrow 1$ on the resulting identity, and applying (1.22) to the last resulting formula, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{k+1} &= -\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \binom{k}{j} \psi^{(k-j)}(1) + \gamma\alpha_k \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} (-1)^{k-j} \frac{k!}{j!} \zeta(k+1-j)\alpha_j + \gamma\alpha_k. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 3. □

Using Leibniz’s generalization of the product rule for differentiation to differentiate both sides of $Z(s)$ in (2.8) with respect to s , n times, and taking the limit $s \rightarrow 1$, $Z(s)$ being analytic at $s = 1$ on the resulting identity, and finally using the α_j in (2.9) and the relation (1.20), we obtain an integral formula for γ_n asserted by Theorem 2 below.

Theorem 2 *The following integral representation for γ_n holds true:*

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= \gamma_0 = 1 + \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{e^t - 1} - \frac{1}{t}\right) e^{-t} dt \\ &= \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{1 - e^{-t}} - \frac{1}{t}\right) e^{-t} dt \end{aligned} \tag{2.13}$$

and

$$\gamma_n = \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{e^t - 1} - \frac{1}{t} + \frac{1}{2}\right) e^{-t} \left(\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \alpha_k (\log t)^{n-k}\right) dt \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}), \tag{2.14}$$

where α_k are given in Lemma 3.

The first three of γ_n in (2.14) are given in Corollary 1 below.

Corollary 1 *Each of the following integral formulas holds true:*

$$\gamma_1 = \gamma - \gamma^2 - \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{e^t - 1} - \frac{1}{t} \right) e^{-t} \log t \, dt; \tag{2.15}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_2 = & \gamma^3 - \gamma^2 - \gamma \zeta(2) + \zeta(2) \\ & + \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{e^t - 1} - \frac{1}{t} \right) e^{-t} \{ 2\gamma \log t + (\log t)^2 \} \, dt; \end{aligned} \tag{2.16}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_3 = & \gamma^3 - \gamma^4 + 3\gamma^2 \zeta(2) - 3\gamma \zeta(2) - 2\gamma \zeta(3) + 2\zeta(3) \\ & - \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{e^t - 1} - \frac{1}{t} \right) e^{-t} \{ 3(\gamma^2 - \zeta(2)) \log t + 3\gamma (\log t)^2 + (\log t)^3 \} \, dt. \end{aligned} \tag{2.17}$$

Proof It is enough to apply (2.13) and a known recurrence formula (see, e.g., [1, pp.369-371]) for

$$\Gamma^{(n)}(1) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} (\log t)^n \, dt \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0) \tag{2.18}$$

to the first three of γ_n in (2.14). For easy reference, we record here the first three of $\Gamma^{(n)}(1)$:

$$\Gamma'(1) = -\gamma; \quad \Gamma^{(2)}(1) = \gamma^2 + \zeta(2); \quad \Gamma^{(3)}(1) = -\gamma^3 - 3\gamma \zeta(2) - 2\zeta(3). \tag{2.19}$$

□

We recall Hermite's integral formula for $\zeta(s)$ (see, e.g., [1, p.169, Eq. (34)]):

$$Z(s) = \zeta(s) - \frac{1}{s-1} = \frac{1}{2} + 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin(s \arctan t)}{(1+t^2)^{\frac{1}{2}s}} \frac{dt}{e^{2\pi t} - 1}. \tag{2.20}$$

Applying Leiniz's generalization of the product rule for differentiation to (2.20), similarly as in Theorems 1 and 2, we get an integral representation for γ_n given in Theorem 3 below.

Theorem 3 *The following integral representation for γ_n holds true:*

$$\gamma = \gamma_0 = \frac{1}{2} + 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{t}{(1+t^2)(e^{2\pi t} - 1)} \, dt \tag{2.21}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_n = & (-1)^n \int_0^\infty \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^{n-k} (\arctan t)^k \sin \left(\arctan t + \frac{k\pi}{2} \right) \right. \\ & \left. \cdot \frac{(\log(1+t^2))^{n-k}}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} \right\} \frac{dt}{e^{2\pi t} - 1} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}), \end{aligned} \tag{2.22}$$

where

$$\sin(\arctan t) = \frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} \quad \text{and} \quad \cos(\arctan t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}. \tag{2.23}$$

The first three of γ_n in (2.22) are given in Corollary 2 below.

Corollary 2 *Each of the following integral formulas holds true:*

$$\gamma_1 = - \int_0^\infty \frac{2 \arctan t - t \log(1+t^2)}{1+t^2} \frac{dt}{e^{2\pi t} - 1}; \quad (2.24)$$

$$\gamma_2 = \int_0^\infty \frac{-4t \arctan^2 t - 4 \arctan t \log(1+t^2) + t(\log(1+t^2))^2}{2(1+t^2)} \frac{dt}{e^{2\pi t} - 1}; \quad (2.25)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_3 = \int_0^\infty \{ & 8 \arctan^3 t - 12t \arctan^2 t \log(1+t^2) \\ & - 6 \arctan t (\log(1+t^2))^2 + t(\log(1+t^2))^3 \} \frac{1}{4(1+t^2)} \frac{dt}{e^{2\pi t} - 1}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.26)$$

Remark Setting $n = 0$ in (2.1), in view of relation (1.21), we obtain an integral representation for γ :

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma = \gamma_0 &= \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{1+t} - \psi'(1+t) \right) dt \\ &= \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{1+t} - \zeta(2, 1+t) \right) dt, \end{aligned} \quad (2.27)$$

which is a known formula (see, e.g., [9, Eq. (3.67)]). Equation (1.7) is equal to Equation (2.21), which is recorded, for example, in [1, p.17, Eq. (31)]. Equation (2.13) is a known result (see, e.g., [10, p.355, Entry 3.427-2]). The result (2.24) is equal to the special case of (1.11) when $m = 0$. Connon's result (1.17) is equal to the integral representation (2.15) for γ_1 . It is also interesting to compare Connon's result with our one (2.14).

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