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ANALYSIS
FACILIS ET PLANA AD EAS SERIES MAXIME
ABSTRVSAS PERDVENS,

QVIBVS OMNIVM

AEQVATIONVM ALGEBRAICARVM
NON SOLVM RADICES IPSAE,
SED ETIAM QVAEVIS EARVM POTESTATES
EXPRIMI POSSVNT.

Auctore

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Problema.

Proposita aequatione algebraica tribus terminis constante, quam semper hac forma repraesentare licet: $1 = \frac{A}{x^\alpha} + \frac{B}{x^\beta}$, inuenire seriem, quae exprimat valorem ipsius x^n .

Solutio.

§. 1. Haec aequatio, ponendo $x = A^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} Z$, semper ad hanc formam simplicioreuocari potest: $1 = \frac{1}{Z^\alpha} + \frac{B}{A^\alpha Z^\beta}$,

unde ponendo $B = A^{\frac{\beta}{\alpha}} C$, erit $1 = \frac{1}{Z^\alpha} + \frac{C}{Z^\beta}$, quae per Z^n
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multiplicata praebet $Z^n = Z^{n-\alpha} + C Z^{n-\beta}$; hinc igitur quaeri oportet valorem potestatis Z^n , quandoquidem hinc erit

$x^n = A^{\frac{n}{\alpha}} Z^n$. Manifestum autem est valorem ipsius Z^n exprimi debere per seriem, in quam exponens n ingrediatur, quam ergo spectare licebit tanquam functionem ipsius n , et quia haec series ex infinitis terminis constabit, eam ita repraesentemus:

$$Z^n = f^{\circ} : n + f' : n + f'' : n + f''' : n + f'''' : n + \text{etc.}$$

quae ergo forma ita debet esse comparata, ut posito $n = 0$ fiat $Z^n = 1$; unde patet statui debere $f^{\circ} : n = 1$, reliquos vero terminos factorem habere debere n , ut evanescant posito $n = 0$, prodeatque $x^0 = 1$.

§. 2. Constituta hac serie, si loco n scribamus $n - \alpha$, habebimus:

$$Z^{n-\alpha} = f^{\circ} : (n-\alpha) + f' : (n-\alpha) + f'' : (n-\alpha) + f''' : (n-\alpha) + \text{etc.}$$

similique modo erit

$$Z^{n-\beta} = f^{\circ} : (n-\beta) + f' : (n-\beta) + f'' : (n-\beta) + \text{etc.}$$

vbi iterum notetur esse $f^{\circ} : (n - \alpha) = 1$ et $f^{\circ} : (n - \beta) = 1$. Cum iam nostra aequatio sit $Z^n - Z^{n-\alpha} = C Z^{n-\beta}$, scribamus loco potestatum ipsius Z series assumtas sequenti modo:

$$+ Z^n = + f^{\circ} : n + f' : n + f'' : n + f''' : n + \text{etc.}$$

$$- Z^{n-\alpha} = - f^{\circ} : (n-\alpha) - f' : (n-\alpha) - f'' : (n-\alpha) - f''' : (n-\alpha) - \text{etc.}$$

$$= C Z^{n-\beta} = C f^{\circ} : (n-\beta) + C f' : (n-\beta) + C f'' : (n-\beta) + C f''' : (n-\beta) + \text{etc.}$$

nunc functiones istae indefinitae ita determinentur, ut fiat

I. $f' : n - f' : (n - \alpha) = C f^{\circ} : (n - \beta) = C,$

II. $f'' : n - f'' : (n - \alpha) = C f' : (n - \beta);$

III.

III. $f''' : n - f'' : (n - \alpha) = C f'' : (n - \beta);$
 IV. $f'''' : n - f''' : (n - \alpha) = C f''' : (n - \beta).$
 etc.

§. 3. Ope harum aequationum ergo primo quaeri debet natura functionis $f' : n$, vt primae aequationi satisfiat; qua inuenta innotescet functio $f' : (n - \beta)$, ex eaque per secundam aequationem quaeri debet indoles functionis $f'' : n$, vnde innotescet functio $f'' : (n - \beta)$, hincque porro simili modo ex aequatione tertia deducetur indoles functionis $f''' : n$, et ita porro, donec lex pateat, qua singulae hae functiones ulterius progrediuntur: vnde patet resolutionem omnium harum aequationum renocari ad hanc quaestionem, qua proposita functione ipsius n quaeritur alia functio, veluti $\Phi : n$, vt fiat $\Phi : n - \Phi : (n - \alpha) = N$, quem in finem sequentia Lemmata euoluamus.

Lemma I.

§. 4. Si fuerit $\Phi : n = \Delta n$, erit $\Phi : (n - \alpha) = \Delta (n - \alpha)$, ideoque $\Phi : n - \Phi : (n - \alpha) = \Delta \alpha$; vnde vicissim, si ponatur $\Delta \alpha = k$, vt fieri debeat $\Phi : n - \Phi : (n - \alpha) = k$, reperietur $\Phi : n = \frac{k n}{\alpha}$. Quare cum ex prima aequatione esse debeat $f' : n - f' : (n - \alpha) = C$, necesse est vt fit $f' : n = \frac{c n}{\alpha}$, vnde pro secunda aequatione fiet $f' : (n - \beta) = \frac{c}{\alpha} (n - \beta)$.

Lemma II.

§. 5. Si fuerit $\Phi : n = \Delta n (n + \alpha - v)$, erit $\Phi : (n - \alpha) = \Delta (n - \alpha) (n - v)$, vnde colligitur $\Phi : n - \Phi : (n - \alpha) = 2 \Delta \alpha (n - \frac{1}{2} v)$.

Quodsi ergo prodire debeat

$$\Phi : n - \Phi : (n - \alpha) = k (n - \lambda),$$

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ob. $\Delta = \frac{k}{2\alpha}$ et $v = 2\lambda$, erit

$$\Phi : n = \frac{kn}{2\alpha} (n + \alpha - 2\lambda).$$

Quare cum aequatio secunda iam fit

$$f'' : n - f'' : (n - \alpha) = C f' : (n - \beta) = \frac{cc}{\alpha} (n - \beta),$$

ob $k = \frac{cc}{\alpha}$ et $\lambda = \beta$ erit

$$f'' : n = \frac{cc}{2\alpha\alpha} n (n + \alpha - 2\beta),$$

vnde pro tertia aequatione fiet

$$f'' : (n - \beta) = \frac{cc}{2\alpha\alpha} (n - \beta) (n + \alpha - 3\beta).$$

Lemma III.

§. 6. Si fuerit

$$\Phi : n = \Delta n (n + \alpha - v) (n + 2\alpha - v), \text{ erit}$$

$$\Phi : (n - \alpha) = \Delta (n - \alpha) (n - v) (n + \alpha - v),$$

hinc ergo fit

$$\Phi : n - \Phi : (n - \alpha) = 3\Delta\alpha (n + \alpha - v) (n - \frac{1}{3}v),$$

vnde vicissim, posito $3\Delta\alpha = k$ et $\frac{1}{3}v = \lambda$, vt prodeat

$$k (n + \alpha - 3\lambda) (n - \lambda), \text{ sumi debet}$$

$$\Phi : n = \frac{kn}{3\alpha} (n + \alpha - 3\lambda) (n + 2\alpha - 3\lambda).$$

Quia nunc pro nostra aequatione tertia fieri debet

$$f''' : n - f''' : (n - \alpha) = \frac{c^3}{2\alpha\alpha} (n - \beta) (n + \alpha - 3\beta),$$

facta applicatione fiet $k = \frac{c^3}{2\alpha\alpha}$ et $\lambda = \beta$, hincque concluditur fore

$$f''' : n = \frac{c^3}{6\alpha^3} n (n + \alpha - 3\beta) (n + 2\alpha - 3\beta),$$

vnde pro aequatione sequente habebimus:

$$f''' : (n - \beta) = \frac{c^3}{6\alpha^3} (n - \beta) (n + \alpha + 4\beta) (n + 2\alpha - 4\beta).$$

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Lemma IV.

§. 7. Si fuerit

$$\Phi : n = \Delta n (n + \alpha - v) (n + 2\alpha - v) (n + 3\alpha - v), \text{ erit}$$

$$\Phi : (n - \alpha) = \Delta (n - \alpha) (n - v) (n + \alpha - v) (n + 2\alpha - v),$$

hincque

$$\Phi : n - \Phi : (n - \alpha) = 4 \Delta \alpha (n + \alpha - v) (n + 2\alpha - v) (n - \frac{1}{4}v).$$

Quare si debeat esse

$$\Phi : n - \Phi : (n - \alpha) = k (n - \lambda) (n + \alpha - 4\lambda) (n + 2\alpha - 4\lambda),$$

fumi debet $\Delta = \frac{k}{4\alpha}$ et $v = 4\lambda$, hincque fiet

$$\Phi : n = \frac{k n}{4\alpha} (n + \alpha - 4\lambda) (n + 2\alpha - 4\lambda) (n + 3\alpha - 4\lambda).$$

Quare cum aequatio nostra quarta fit

$$f'''' : n - f'''' : (n - \alpha) = \frac{c^4}{6\alpha^3} (n - \beta) (n + \alpha - 4\beta) (n + 2\alpha - 4\beta),$$

facta applicatione fiet $k = \frac{c^4}{6\alpha^3}$ et $\lambda = \beta$, hincque concluditur fore

$$f'''' : n = \frac{c^4}{24\alpha^4} n (n + \alpha - 4\beta) (n + 2\alpha - 4\beta) (n + 3\alpha - 4\beta),$$

unde pro quinta aequatione nanciscemur:

$$f'''' : (n - \beta) = \frac{c^4}{24\alpha^4} (n - \beta) (n + \alpha - 5\beta) (n + 2\alpha - 5\beta) (n + 3\alpha - 5\beta).$$

Lemma V.

§. 8. Si fuerit

$$\Phi : n = \Delta n (n + \alpha - v) (n + 2\alpha - v) (n + 3\alpha - v) (n + 4\alpha - v),$$

erit

$$\Phi : (n - \alpha) = \Delta (n - \alpha) (n - v) (n + \alpha - v) (n + 2\alpha - v) (n + 3\alpha - v),$$

hincque

$$\Phi : n - \Phi : (n - \alpha) = 5 \Delta \alpha (n + \alpha - v) (n + 2\alpha - v) (n + 3\alpha - v) (n - \frac{1}{5}v).$$

Quare si debeat esse

$\Phi : n - \Phi : (n - \alpha) = k(n - \lambda)(n + \alpha - 5\lambda)(n + 2\alpha - 5\lambda)(n + 3\alpha - 5\lambda)$,
fumi debet $\Delta = \frac{k}{5\alpha}$ et $5\lambda = \nu$, tum vero erit

$$\Phi : n = \frac{k}{5\alpha} n(n + \alpha - 5\lambda)(n + 2\alpha - 5\lambda)(n + 3\alpha - 5\lambda)(n + 4\alpha - 5\lambda).$$

Aequatio autem quinta cum ita se habeat:

$f^{IV} : n - f^{IV} : (n - \alpha) = \frac{c^5}{24\alpha^4} (n - \beta)(n + \alpha - 5\beta)(n + 2\alpha - 5\beta)(n + 3\alpha - 5\beta)$,
hic fumi debet $k = \frac{c^5}{24\alpha^4}$ et $\lambda = \beta$, vnde concluditur

$$f^{IV} : n = \frac{c^5}{120\alpha^5} n(n + \alpha - 5\beta)(n + 2\alpha - 5\beta)(n + 3\alpha - 5\beta)(n + 4\alpha - 5\beta).$$

Hinc iam sine vltiore calculo concludere licet fore

$$f^{VI} : n = \frac{c^6}{720\alpha^6} n(n + \alpha - 6\beta)(n + 2\alpha - 6\beta)(n + 3\alpha - 6\beta) \times \\ \times (n + 4\alpha - 6\beta)(n + 5\alpha - 6\beta) \text{ et}$$

$$f^{VII} : n = \frac{c^7}{5040\alpha^7} n(n + \alpha - 7\beta)(n + 2\alpha - 7\beta)(n + 3\alpha - 7\beta) \times \\ \times (n + 4\alpha - 7\beta)(n + 5\alpha - 7\beta)(n + 6\alpha - 7\beta).$$

Conclusio finalis.

§. 9. His igitur colligendis si aequatio proposita fuerit $\mathbf{I} = \frac{\mathbf{I}}{Z^\alpha} + \frac{\mathbf{C}}{Z^\beta}$, tum pro potestate quacunque ipsius Z sequens resultat series:

$$Z^n = \mathbf{I} + \frac{c}{\alpha} n + \frac{c^2}{2\alpha^2} n(n + \alpha - 2\beta) + \frac{c^3}{6\alpha^3} n(n + \alpha - 3\beta)(n + 2\alpha - 3\beta) \\ + \frac{c^4}{24\alpha^4} n(n + \alpha - 4\beta)(n + 2\alpha - 4\beta)(n + 3\alpha - 4\beta) \\ + \frac{c^5}{120\alpha^5} n(n + \alpha - 5\beta)(n + 2\alpha - 5\beta)(n + 3\alpha - 5\beta) \times \\ \times (n + 4\alpha - 5\beta) + \text{etc.}$$

Scholion.

§. 10. Haec series, quam eruimus, eo magis est notatu digna, quod nulla alia via patet eam inueniendi. Quin etiam

iam Analysis nostra ita est comparata, ut veritas solutionis non solum ad omnes exponentes integros n , sed etiam ad quosuis valores fractos, atque adeo negativos extenditur. Praeterea vero etiam ex nostra serie generali logarithmus Hyperbolicus ipsius Z exprimi potest. Cum enim semper, casu $n = 0$, fit

$$\frac{Z^n - 1}{n} = lZ,$$

erit nostro casu

$$lZ = \frac{c}{a} + \frac{cc}{2a^2} (\alpha - 2\beta) + \frac{c^3}{6a^3} (\alpha - 3\beta) (2\alpha - 3\beta) \\ + \frac{c^4}{24a^4} (\alpha - 4\beta) (2\alpha - 4\beta) (3\alpha - 4\beta) \\ + \frac{c^5}{120a^5} (\alpha - 5\beta) (2\alpha - 5\beta) (3\alpha - 5\beta) (4\alpha - 5\beta) + \text{etc.}$$

Vnde si tota haec series designetur littera Δ , ut fit $lZ = \Delta$, erit $Z = e^\Delta$, ideoque $Z^n = e^{n\Delta}$, quae ergo quantitas aequalis erit seriei supra inuentae pro Z^n . At vero ista expressio $e^{n\Delta}$ in seriem euoluta praebet

$$Z^n = 1 + n\Delta + \frac{1}{2}nn\Delta^2 + \frac{1}{6}n^3\Delta^3 + \frac{1}{24}n^4\Delta^4 + \frac{1}{120}n^5\Delta^5 + \text{etc.}$$

quae ergo series seriei supra inuentae necessario erit aequalis, id quod etiam comprobabitur, dum saltem priores termini evoluentur. Cum enim fit

$$\Delta = \frac{c}{a} + \frac{cc}{2a^2} (\alpha - 2\beta) + \text{etc. erit}$$

$$\Delta^2 = \frac{cc}{a^2} + \frac{c^3}{a^3} (\alpha - 2\beta)$$

$$\Delta^3 = \frac{c^3}{a^3},$$

vnde deducimus

$$Z^n = 1 + \frac{c}{a} n + \frac{cc}{2aa} n (\alpha - 2\beta) + \frac{c^3}{6a^3} n (\alpha - 3\beta) (2\alpha - 3\beta) + \text{etc.} \\ + \frac{cc}{2aa} n n + \frac{c^3}{2a^3} n n (\alpha - 2\beta) + \text{etc.} \\ + \frac{c^3}{6a^3} n^3 + \text{etc.}$$

siue

$$Z^n = 1 + \frac{c}{a} n + \frac{cc}{2aa} n(n + a - 2\beta) + \frac{c^3}{6a^3} (n(a - 3\beta)(2a - 3\beta) + nn(n + 3a - 6\beta)),$$

quod cum serie pro Z^n supra inuenta perfecte congruit.

Theorema generale.

§. II. Quodsi ergo proposita fuerit aequatio initio commemorata: $1 = \frac{A}{x^\alpha} + \frac{B}{x^\beta}$, quoniam posuimus $Z = \frac{x}{A^\alpha}$ et

$C = \frac{B}{A^\alpha}$, erit

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x}{A^\alpha} &= 1 + \frac{B}{A^\alpha} \cdot \frac{n}{a} + \frac{B^2}{A^\alpha} \cdot \frac{n}{a} \cdot \frac{(n + a - 2\beta)}{2a} \\ &+ \frac{B^3}{A^\alpha} \cdot \frac{n}{a} \cdot \frac{(n + a - 3\beta)(n + 2a - 3\beta)}{2a \cdot 3a} \\ &+ \frac{B^4}{A^\alpha} \cdot \frac{n}{a} \cdot \frac{(n + a - 4\beta)(n + 2a - 4\beta)(n + 3a - 4\beta)}{2a \cdot 3a \cdot 4a} \text{ etc.} \end{aligned}$$

fiue

$$\begin{aligned} X^n &= A^{\frac{n}{\alpha}} + A^{\frac{n-\beta}{\alpha}} B \frac{n}{a} + A^{\frac{n-2\beta}{\alpha}} B^2 \frac{n}{a} \frac{(n + a - 2\beta)}{2a} \\ &+ A^{\frac{n-3\beta}{\alpha}} B^3 \frac{n}{a} \frac{(n + a - 3\beta)(n + 2a - 3\beta)}{2a \cdot 3a} \\ &+ A^{\frac{n-4\beta}{\alpha}} B^4 \frac{n}{a} \frac{(n + a - 4\beta)(n + 2a - 4\beta)(n + 3a - 4\beta)}{2a \cdot 3a \cdot 4a} \\ &+ A^{\frac{n-5\beta}{\alpha}} B^5 \frac{n}{a} \frac{(n + a - 5\beta)(n + 2a - 5\beta)}{2a \cdot 3a} \times \\ &\times \frac{(n + 3a - 5\beta)(n + 4a - 5\beta)}{4a \cdot 5a} + \text{etc.} \end{aligned}$$

Vicis-

Vicissim igitur proposita hac serie, eius summa erit $= x^n$, existente x radice huius aequationis: $1 = \frac{A}{x^\alpha} + \frac{B}{x^\beta}$, id quod aliquot exemplis illustrare liceat.

Exemplum 1.

§. 12. Statuamus $\alpha = 1$ et $\beta = 1$, vt proposita sit ista aequatio: $1 = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x}$, vnde fit $x = A + B$, consequenter $x^n = (A + B)^n$, series autem inuenta hoc casu nobis dat

$$(A + B)^n = A^n + \frac{n}{1} A^{n-1} B + \frac{n(n-1)}{1 \cdot 2} A^{n-2} B^2 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} A^{n-3} B^3 + \text{etc.}$$

quae est ipsa euolutio Binomii Newtoniana, quam nunc patet veram esse, quicumque numerus pro exponente n accipiatur, siue integer, siue fractus, siue positius, siue negatiuus, siue etiam surdus; cum in Algebra communi, vbi haec euolutio est tractata, exponens n necessario fit integer positius.

Exemplum 2.

§. 13. Ponamus, vt ante, $\alpha = 1$, at sumatur $\beta = 0$, ita vt fit $1 = \frac{A}{x} + B$, vnde fit $x = \frac{A}{1-B}$, consequenter

$$x^n = \frac{A^n}{(1-B)^n} = A^n (1-B)^{-n},$$

series autem, ad quam sumus perducti, hoc casu erit

$$A^n (1-B)^{-n} = A^n + \frac{n}{1} A^n B + \frac{n(n+1)}{1 \cdot 2} A^n B^2 + \text{etc.}$$

siue

$$(1-B)^{-n} = 1 + \frac{n}{1} B + \frac{n(n+1)}{1 \cdot 2} B^2 + \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} B^3 + \text{etc.}$$

quae est demonstratio eiusdem theoromatis Newtoniani pro exponentibus negatiuis.

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Exemplum 3.

§. 14. Sumamus $A = 2a$ et $B = b$, fitque porro $\alpha = 1$ et $\beta = 2$, vt nostra aequatio fiat $1 = \frac{2a}{x} + \frac{b}{xx}$, siue $xx = 2ax + b$, vnde fit $x = a + \sqrt{aa + b}$, quo valore substituto series ante inuenta praebebit

$$(a + \sqrt{aa + b})^n = 2^n a^n + \frac{n}{1} 2^{n-2} a^{n-2} b + \frac{n(n-3)}{1 \cdot 2} 2^{n-4} a^{n-4} b b \\ + \frac{n(n-5)(n-4)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} 2^{n-6} a^{n-6} b^3 + \frac{n(n-7)(n-6)(n-5)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} 2^{n-8} a^{n-8} b^4 \\ + \text{etc.}$$

cuius veritas pro casu, quo $n = 1$, ex evolutione vulgari confirmari potest. Sumto enim $n = 1$ erit

$$a + \sqrt{aa + b} = 2a + \frac{b}{2a} - \frac{bb}{2^3 a^3} + \frac{3b^3}{2^5 a^5} - \frac{5b^4}{2^7 a^7} - \frac{7b^5}{2^9 a^9} - \text{etc.}$$

nouimus autem ex resolutione vulgari esse

$$\sqrt{aa + b} = a + \frac{b}{2a} - \frac{1 \cdot 1 \cdot bb}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot a^3} + \frac{1 \cdot 1 \cdot 3 \cdot b^3}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdot a^5} - \frac{1 \cdot 1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot b^4}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdot 8 \cdot a^7} + \text{etc.}$$

cui si addatur a , ipsa illa series prodit.

Exemplum 4.

§. 15. Sumamus $\alpha = 2$ et $\beta = 1$, vt fit $1 = \frac{A}{xx} + \frac{B}{x}$, siue $xx = A + Bx$, ideoque $x = \frac{B + \sqrt{BB + 4A}}{2}$, loco A autem scribamus aa et $2b$ loco B , vt fit $x = b + \sqrt{bb + aa}$, quocirca series inuenta nobis dabit

$$(b + \sqrt{bb + aa})^n = a^n + \frac{n}{2} a^{n-1} \cdot 2b + \frac{n}{2} \cdot \frac{n}{2} a^{n-2} \cdot 4bb \\ + \frac{n(n-1)(n+1)}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6} a^{n-3} \cdot 8b^3 + \frac{n}{2} \cdot \frac{(n-2)n(n+2)}{4 \cdot 6 \cdot 8} a^{n-4} \cdot 16b^4 + \text{etc.}$$

quae reducitur ad hanc formam:

$$(b + \sqrt{bb + aa})^n = a^n + \frac{n}{1} a^{n-1} b + \frac{n}{1} \cdot \frac{n}{2} a^{n-2} b b \\ + \frac{n}{1} \cdot \frac{(n-1)(n+1)}{2 \cdot 3} a^{n-3} b^3 + \frac{n}{1} \cdot \frac{(n-2)n}{2 \cdot 3} \cdot \frac{(n+2)}{4} a^{n-4} b^4 \text{ etc.}$$

haec autem forma vltierius reducetur ad hanc:

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$$\begin{aligned}
 (b + \sqrt{bb + aa})^n &= a^n + \frac{n}{1} a^{n-1} b + \frac{n \cdot n}{1 \cdot 2} a^{n-2} b b \\
 &+ \frac{n(n-1)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} a^{n-3} b^3 + \frac{n \cdot n(n-4)}{1 \cdot \dots \cdot 4} a^{n-4} b^4 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-9)}{1 \cdot \dots \cdot 5} a^{n-5} b^5 \\
 &+ \frac{n \cdot n(n-4)(n-16)}{1 \cdot \dots \cdot 6} a^{n-6} b^6 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-9)(n-25)}{1 \cdot \dots \cdot 7} a^{n-7} b^7 \\
 &+ \text{etc.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Ita si sumamus $n = 1$, habebimus

$$b + \sqrt{bb + aa} = a + b + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} \frac{bb}{a} - \frac{3}{1 \cdot \dots \cdot 4} \frac{b^4}{a^3} + \frac{3 \cdot 15}{1 \cdot \dots \cdot 6} \frac{b^6}{a^5} - \text{etc.}$$

nouimus autem esse

$$\sqrt{bb + aa} = a + \frac{1}{2} \frac{bb}{a} - \frac{1 \cdot 1}{2 \cdot 4} \frac{b^4}{a^3} + \frac{1 \cdot 1 \cdot 3}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6} \frac{b^6}{a^5} - \text{etc.}$$

cui si addatur b , ipsa illa series prodit.

Exemplum 5.

§. 16. Sumamus $\alpha = 1$ et $\beta = -1$, vt nostra aequatio fit $1 = \frac{A}{x} + B \cdot x$, vnde fit $x = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 - 4AB}}{2B}$, hinc ergo prodit

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{1 - 4AB}}{2B}\right)^n &= A^n + \frac{n}{1} A^{n+1} B + \frac{n(n+3)}{1 \cdot 2} A^{n+2} B^2 \\
 &+ \frac{n}{1} \frac{(n+4)(n+5)}{2 \cdot 3} A^{n+3} B^3 + \frac{n}{1} \frac{(n+5)(n+6)(n+7)}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} A^{n+4} B^4 \\
 &+ \frac{n(n+6)(n+7)(n+8)(n+9)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} A^{n+5} B^5 + \text{etc.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hinc ergo si sumamus $n = 1$, erit

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 - 4AB}}{2B} &= A + A^2 B + \frac{4}{2} A^3 B^2 + \frac{5 \cdot 6}{2 \cdot 3} A^4 B^3 \\
 &+ \frac{6 \cdot 7 \cdot 8}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} A^5 B^4 + \frac{7 \cdot 8 \cdot 9 \cdot 10}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} A^6 B^5 + \text{etc.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Est vero

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sqrt{1 - 4AB} &= 1 - 2AB - 2A^2 B^2 - 4A^3 B^3 \\
 &- 2 \cdot 5 A^4 B^4 - \text{etc.}
 \end{aligned}$$

quae series ab unitate subtracta et per $2B$ diuisa praebet seriem modo inuentam.

Scholion.

§. 17. Series autem generalis, quam supra elicuimus, primum ab acutissimo *Lamberto* ex principiis maxime diuersis est inuenta, quam idcirco *Lambertinam* appellare liceat, propterea quod inter egregia huius viri inuenta merito est referenda. Methodus autem, qua hic vti sumus, ad aequationes multo generaliores extendi potest, quando scilicet aequatio proposita quatuor pluresue terminos continet; id quod pro casu quatuor terminorum ostendisse operae erit pretium.

Problema generalius.

Si proposita fuerit aequatio algebraica huius formae:

$$1 - \frac{1}{Z^\alpha} = \frac{B}{Z^\beta} + \frac{C}{Z^\gamma},$$

inuenire seriem, quae valorem potestatis cuiuscunque ipsius Z, puta Zⁿ exprimat.

Solutio.

§. 18. Multiplicetur aequatio proposita per Zⁿ, vt habeatur Zⁿ - Z^{n-α} = B Z^{n-β} + C Z^{n-γ}; et potestatem quaesitam Zⁿ vt ante tanquam functionem ipsius n spectare licebit, quae per partes continuo procedentes ita repraesentetur, vt sit

$$Z^n = f^0 : n + f' : n + f'' : n + f''' : n + f'''' : n + \text{etc.}$$

vbi cum sumto n = 0 fieri debeat Zⁿ = 1, sit perpetuo f⁰ : n = 1, tum vero vt reliquae partes casu n = 0 euanescant, singulas factorem n habere necesse est. Hinc ergo erit

$$Z^{n-\alpha} = f^0 : (n - \alpha) + f' : (n - \alpha) + f'' : (n - \alpha) + \text{etc.}$$

$$Z^{n-\beta} = f^0 : (n - \beta) + f' : (n - \beta) + f'' : (n - \beta) + \text{etc.}$$

$$Z^{n-\gamma} = f^0 : (n - \gamma) + f' : (n - \gamma) + f'' : (n - \gamma) + \text{etc.}$$

Iam

Iam istae series loco harum potestatum in nostra aequatione substituuntur, et cum partes in membro sinistro sponte se tollant, reliquae partes sinistrae partibus antecedentibus in dextro membro aequari debebunt, vnde sequentes aequationes resultabunt.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{I. } f' : n - f' : (n - \alpha) &= B f^{\circ} : (n - \beta) + C f^{\circ} : (n - \gamma) = B + C \\ \text{II. } f'' : n - f'' : (n - \alpha) &= B f' : (n - \beta) + C f' : (n - \gamma) \\ \text{III. } f''' : n - f''' : (n - \alpha) &= B f'' : (n - \beta) + C f'' : (n - \gamma) \\ \text{IV. } f'''' : n - f'''' : (n - \alpha) &= B f''' : (n - \beta) + C f''' : (n - \gamma) \\ &\text{etc.} \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{etc.} \end{aligned}$$

§. 19. In subsidium iam vocemus lemmata supra allata, ex quibus constat fore ut sequitur:

- I. Si fuerit $\Phi : n - \Phi : (n - \alpha) = k$, erit $\Phi : n = \frac{k n}{\alpha}$,
 - II. Si fuerit $\Phi : n - \Phi : (n - \alpha) = k (n - \lambda)$, erit
 $\Phi : n = \frac{k n}{2 \alpha} (n + \alpha - 2 \lambda)$.
 - III. Si fuerit $\Phi : n - \Phi : (n - \alpha) = k (n - \lambda) (n + \alpha - 3 \lambda)$, erit
 $\Phi : n = \frac{k n}{3 \alpha} (n + \alpha - 3 \lambda) (n + 2 \alpha - 3 \lambda)$.
 - IV. Si fuerit $\Phi : n - \Phi : (n - \alpha) = k (n - \lambda) (n + \alpha - 4 \lambda) (n + 2 \alpha - 4 \lambda)$,
erit
 $\Phi : n = \frac{k n}{4 \alpha} (n + \alpha - 4 \lambda) (n + 2 \alpha - 4 \lambda) (n + 3 \alpha - 4 \lambda)$.
 - V. Si fuerit $\Phi : n - \Phi : (n - \alpha) = k (n - \lambda) (n + \alpha - 5 \lambda) (n + 2 \alpha - 5 \lambda) (n + 3 \alpha - 5 \lambda)$,
erit
 $\Phi : n = \frac{k n}{5 \alpha} (n + \alpha - 5 \lambda) (n + 2 \alpha - 5 \lambda) (n + 3 \alpha - 5 \lambda) (n + 4 \alpha - 5 \lambda)$.
- et ita porro.

§. 20. Harum lemmatum ope ex prima aequatione, ubi pro lemmate primo est $k=B+C$, elicimus $f' : n = \frac{Bn}{\alpha} + \frac{cn}{\alpha}$, hinc igitur pro secunda aequatione erit

$$Bf' : (n - \beta) = B^2 \frac{(n - \beta)}{\alpha} + BC \frac{(n - \beta)}{\alpha} \text{ et}$$

$$Cf' : (n - \gamma) = C^2 \frac{(n - \gamma)}{\alpha} + BC \frac{(n - \gamma)}{\alpha},$$

$$\text{Summa} = \frac{B^2}{\alpha} (n - \beta) + \frac{2BC}{\alpha} (n - \frac{\beta + \gamma}{2}) + \frac{C^2}{\alpha} (n - \gamma),$$

quae formula quia ex tribus constat partibus, singulas cum lemmate secundo conferri oportet, ac pro prima parte erit $k = \frac{B^2}{\alpha}$ et $\lambda = \beta$, pro secunda parte est $k = \frac{2BC}{\alpha}$ et $\lambda = \frac{\beta + \gamma}{2}$, pro tertia parte est $k = \frac{C^2}{\alpha}$ et $\lambda = \gamma$, vnde ex omnibus simul sumtis colligitur:

$$f'' : n = \frac{B^2}{2\alpha^2} (n + \alpha - 2\beta) + \frac{2BC}{2\alpha^2} n (n + \alpha - \beta - \gamma) + \frac{C^2}{2\alpha^2} n (n + \alpha - 2\gamma).$$

§. 21. Progrediamur iam ad aequationem tertiam, ac pro eius membro dextro habebimus:

$$Bf'' : (n - \beta) = \frac{B^3}{2\alpha^2} (n - \beta) (n + \alpha - 3\beta) + \frac{2B^2C}{2\alpha^2} (n - \beta) (n + \alpha - 2\beta - \gamma) + \frac{BC^2}{2\alpha^2} (n - \beta) (n + \alpha - \beta - 2\gamma),$$

$$Cf'' : (n - \gamma) = \frac{C^3}{2\alpha^2} (n - \gamma) (n + \alpha - 3\gamma) + \frac{2BC^2}{2\alpha^2} (n - \gamma) (n + \alpha - \beta - 2\gamma) + \frac{2B^2C}{2\alpha^2} (n - \gamma) (n + \alpha - \beta - 2\gamma)$$

$$\text{Summa} = \frac{B^3}{2\alpha^2} (n - \beta) (n + \alpha - 3\beta) + \frac{3B^2C}{2\alpha^2} (n + \alpha - 2\beta - \gamma) (n - \frac{2\beta - \gamma}{3}) + \frac{3BC^2}{2\alpha^2} (n + \alpha - \beta - 2\gamma) (n - \frac{\beta - 2\gamma}{2}) + \frac{C^3}{2\alpha^2} (n - \gamma) (n + \alpha - 3\gamma),$$

quae

quae quia quatuor constat partibus, cum lemmate III. confere-
rendis, pro prima parte erit $k = \frac{B^5}{2\alpha^2}$ et $\lambda = \beta$, pro secunda
parte erit $k = \frac{3B^2C}{2\alpha^2}$ et $\lambda = \frac{2\beta + \gamma}{3}$; pro tertia vero parte est
 $k = \frac{3B^2C^2}{2\alpha^2}$ et $\lambda = \frac{\beta + 2\gamma}{3}$, denique pro quarta parte est $k = \frac{C^3}{2\alpha^2}$
et $\lambda = \gamma$, quibus obseruatis functio quaesita f''' itidem ex
quatuor partibus constabit, quae sunt:

$$f''' : n = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} + \frac{B^5}{6\alpha^3} n (n + \alpha - 3\beta) (n + 2\alpha - 3\beta) \\ + \frac{3B^2C}{6\alpha^3} n (n + \alpha - 2\beta - \gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 2\beta - \gamma) \\ + \frac{3B^2C^2}{6\alpha^3} n (n + \alpha - \beta - 2\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - \beta - 2\gamma) \\ + \frac{C^3}{6\alpha^3} n (n + \alpha - 3\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 3\gamma) \end{array} \right\}$$

§. 22. Tractemus simili modo aequationem quartam,
atque ex valore $f''' : n$ inuento habebimus:

$$Bf''' : (n - \beta) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} + \frac{B^4}{6\alpha^3} (n - \beta) (n + \alpha - 4\beta) (n + 2\alpha - 4\beta) \\ + \frac{3B^3C}{6\alpha^3} (n - \beta) (n + \alpha - 3\beta - \gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 3\beta - \gamma) \\ + \frac{3B^2C^2}{6\alpha^3} (n - \beta) (n + \alpha - 2\beta - 2\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 2\beta - 2\gamma) \\ + \frac{B^2C^3}{6\alpha^3} (n - \beta) (n + \alpha - \beta - 3\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - \beta - 3\gamma) \end{array} \right\}$$

$$Cf''' : (n - \gamma) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} + \frac{3B^2C^3}{6\alpha^3} (n - \gamma) (n + \alpha - \beta - 3\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - \beta - 3\gamma) \\ + \frac{B^3C}{6\alpha^3} (n - \gamma) (n + \alpha - 3\beta - \gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 3\beta - \gamma) \\ + \frac{3B^2C^2}{6\alpha^3} (n - \gamma) (n + \alpha - 2\beta - 2\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 2\beta - 2\gamma) \\ + \frac{C^4}{6\alpha^3} (n - \gamma) (n + \alpha - 4\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 4\gamma) \end{array} \right\}$$

His iam terminis collectis valor formulae

$$Bf''' : (n - \beta) + Cf''' : (n - \gamma),$$

constabit sequentibus quinque partibus:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{B^4}{6\alpha^3} (n - \beta) (n + \alpha - 4\beta) \\
 + & \frac{B^3 C}{6\alpha^3} \left(n - \frac{3\beta - \gamma}{4} \right) (n + \alpha - 3\beta - \gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 3\beta - \gamma) \\
 + & \frac{6B^2 C^2}{6\alpha^3} \left(n - \frac{\beta - \gamma}{2} \right) (n + \alpha - 2\beta - 2\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 2\beta - 2\gamma) \\
 + & \frac{4B C^3}{6\alpha^3} \left(n - \frac{\beta - 3\gamma}{4} \right) (n + \alpha - \beta - 3\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - \beta - 3\gamma) \\
 + & \frac{C^4}{6\alpha^3} (n - \gamma) (n + \alpha - 4\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 4\gamma)
 \end{aligned}$$

§. 23. Quoniam igitur functio quaesita $f^{IV} : n$ ex quinque partibus componitur, singulas cum lemmate quarto comparari oportebit, ac pro parte prima erit $k = \frac{B^4}{6\alpha^3}$ et $\lambda = \beta$; pro parte secunda est $k = \frac{4B^3 C}{6\alpha^3}$ et $\lambda = \frac{3\beta + \gamma}{4}$; pro parte tertia $k = \frac{6B^2 C^2}{6\alpha^3}$ et $\lambda = \frac{\beta + \gamma}{2}$; pro parte quarta est $k = \frac{4B C^3}{6\alpha^3}$ et $\lambda = \frac{\beta + 3\gamma}{4}$; denique pro parte quinta erit $k = \frac{C^4}{6\alpha^3}$ et $\lambda = \gamma$; vnde collectis omnibus terminis reperietur

$$f^{IV} : n = \left\{ \begin{aligned}
 & \frac{B^4}{24\alpha^4} n (n + \alpha - 4\beta) (n + 2\alpha - 4\beta) (n + 3\alpha - 4\beta) \\
 + & \frac{4B^3 C}{24\alpha^4} n (n + \alpha - 3\beta - \gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 3\beta - \gamma) (n + 3\alpha - 3\beta - \gamma) \\
 + & \frac{6B^2 C^2}{24\alpha^4} n (n + \alpha - 2\beta - 2\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 2\beta - 2\gamma) (n + 3\alpha - 2\beta - 2\gamma) \\
 + & \frac{4B C^3}{24\alpha^4} n (n + \alpha - \beta - 3\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - \beta - 3\gamma) (n + 3\alpha - \beta - 3\gamma) \\
 + & \frac{C^4}{24\alpha^4} n (n + \alpha - 4\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 4\gamma) (n + 3\alpha - 4\gamma).
 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

§. 24. Superfluum foret hos calculos ulterius proficere; quandoquidem ex allatis iam tuto concludere licet, sequentem functionem $f^V : n$ hunc habituram esse valorem:

$$f' : n = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} + \frac{B^5}{120 a^5} n (n + \alpha - 5\beta) (n + 2\alpha - 5\beta) (n + 3\alpha - 5\beta) (n + 4\alpha - 5\beta) \\ + \frac{5B^4C}{120 a^5} n (n + \alpha - 4\beta - \gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 4\beta - \gamma) (n + 3\alpha - 4\beta - \gamma) \times \\ \quad \times (n + 4\alpha - 4\beta - \gamma) \\ + \frac{10B^3C^2}{120 a^5} n (n + \alpha - 3\beta - 2\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 3\beta - 2\gamma) (n + 3\alpha - 3\beta - 2\gamma) \times \\ \quad \times (n + 4\alpha - 3\beta - 2\gamma) \\ + \frac{10B^2C^3}{120 a^5} n (n + \alpha - 2\beta - 3\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 2\beta - \gamma) (n + 3\alpha - 2\beta - 3\gamma) \times \\ \quad \times (n + 4\alpha - 2\beta - 3\gamma) \\ + \frac{5BC^4}{120 a^5} n (n + \alpha - \beta - 4\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - \beta - 4\gamma) (n + 3\alpha - \beta - 4\gamma) \times \\ \quad \times (n + 4\alpha - \beta - 4\gamma) \\ + \frac{C^5}{120 a^5} n (n + \alpha - 5\beta) (n + 2\alpha - 4\beta) (n + 3\alpha - 5\beta) (n + 4\alpha - 5\beta) \end{array} \right\}$$

vnde formatio omnium sequentium functionum satis dilucide perspicitur.

§. 25. Quodsi iam omnes isti valores, quos pro functionibus $f' : n$; $f'' : n$; $f''' : n$; etc. elicuimus, in vnam summam colligantur, et ob $f^0 : n = 1$ vnitas praefigatur, obtinebitur series desiderata, quae scilicet valorem potestatis Z^n exprimit, neque ergo opus est omnes istas functiones hic denuo collectas referre.

Corollarium.

Hae ergo series infinitis constant terminis, in quibus omnes possibiles binarum litterarum B et C combinationes occurrunt. Quin etiam pro combinatione quacunque, quae sit $B^b C^c$, in genere terminus eam inuoluens assignari poterit. Primo enim ista forma multiplicetur per numerum omnium combinationum, qui posito breuitatis gratia $b + c = i$, si indicetur littera N, erit vti constat $N = \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot \dots \cdot i}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot \dots \cdot b \cdot 1 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots \cdot c}$, deinde si ponamus $b\beta + c\gamma = \theta$, erit terminus huic formae respondens:

$$NB^\theta$$

$$\frac{N B^b C^c}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots i \alpha^i} n(n + \alpha - \theta) (n + 2\alpha - \theta) \times \\ \times (n + 3\alpha - \theta) \dots [n + (i - 1)\alpha - \theta].$$

Veluti si forma proposita fuerit $B^3 C^2$, erit $i = 5$, hincque $N = \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 1 \cdot 2} = 10$, deinde vero erit $\theta = 3\beta + 2\gamma$, sicque ipse terminus huius formae erit

$$\frac{10 B^3 C^2}{120 \alpha^5} n(n + \alpha - 3\beta - 2\gamma) (n + 2\alpha - 3\beta - 2\gamma) \times \\ \times (n + 3\alpha - 3\beta - 2\gamma) (n + 4\alpha - 3\beta - 2\gamma),$$

prorsus vt supra est exhibitus.

Scholion.

§. 26. Hinc iam abunde patet, si aequatio proposita pluribus adhuc constet terminis, habeatque hanc formam:

$$1 - \frac{1}{Z^\alpha} = \frac{B}{Z^\beta} + \frac{C}{Z^\gamma} + \frac{D}{Z^\delta} + \frac{E}{Z^\epsilon} + \text{etc.}$$

tum ope eiusdem methodi seriem infinitam inuestigari posse, quae valorem potestatis Z^n exprimat; ista enim series incipiens ab unitate infinitos inuoluet terminos ex omnibus plane combinationibus litterarum B, C, D, E, etc. formatos. Si enim in genere proponatur haec combinatio: $B^b \cdot C^c \cdot D^d \cdot E^e$. etc. statuatur primo $b + c + d + e = i$, et quaeratur numerus N, vt fit

$$N = \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \dots i}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots b \cdot 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots c \cdot 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots d \cdot 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots e}$$

fitque breuitatis gratia $1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \dots i = I$, factor prior huius termini erit $\frac{N B^b \cdot C^c \cdot D^d \cdot E^e}{I \cdot \alpha^i}$, praeterea vero adiungendi

sunt factores exponentem n inuoluentes, pro quibus inueniendis statuatur:

$$b\beta + c\gamma + d\delta + e\epsilon = \theta,$$

erunt-

eruntque isti factores numero i isti:

$n(n+\alpha-\theta)(n+2\alpha-\theta)(n+3\alpha-\theta)\dots[n+(i-1)\alpha-\theta]$,
 ita vt totus terminus fit

$$\frac{N \cdot B^b \cdot C^c \cdot D^d \cdot E^e}{1 \cdot \alpha^i} n(n+\alpha-\theta)(n+2\alpha-\theta) \times \\ \times (n+3\alpha-\theta) \dots [n+(i-1)\alpha-\theta].$$

Quamobrem super indole omnium harum serierum maxime memorabilium, quas olim in Tomo XV. Nouorum Commentariorum fusius, sed sufficiente demonstratione descripsi, nihil amplius desiderari posse videtur.