

Show that $\sqrt{3} = 1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{6} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{6} \cdot \frac{5}{9} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{6} \cdot \frac{5}{9} \cdot \frac{7}{12} + \dots$

Explanation

Given, $\sqrt{3}$

$$\sqrt{3} = (3)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \left(1 - \frac{2}{3}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

We know that, if $|x| < 1$ & $n \in \mathbb{Q}$, then

$$(1 - x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!}x^3 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)}{4!}x^4 + \dots,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{2}{3}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} &= 1 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) + \frac{\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}-1\right)}{2!}\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + \frac{\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}-1\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}-2\right)}{3!}\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 \\ &+ \frac{\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}-1\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}-2\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}-3\right)}{4!}\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{3} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{4}{9}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)\left(\frac{8}{27}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)\left(\frac{7}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{24}\right)\left(\frac{16}{81}\right) + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{6} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{6} \cdot \frac{5}{9} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{6} \cdot \frac{5}{9} \cdot \frac{7}{12} + \dots$$