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Prove that:

$$I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log \sqrt{1 + \sin(x) + \cos(x)} \, dx = G - \frac{\pi}{8} \log(2)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log \sqrt{1 + \sin(x) + \cos(x)} \, dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log \sqrt{\sin^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + \cos^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + 2 \sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + \cos^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - \sin^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)} \, dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log \sqrt{\left(\sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + \cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right)^2 + \cos^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - \sin^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)} \, dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log \sqrt{2\left(\sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + \cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) \cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)} \, dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log \sqrt{2\sqrt{2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{x}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)} \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log \left(2\sqrt{2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{x}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log(2\sqrt{2}) \, dx + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log\left(\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{x}{2}\right)\right) \, dx + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log\left(\cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) \, dx \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{3\pi}{4} \log(2) + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log\left(\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{x}{2}\right)\right) \, dx + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log\left(\cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) \, dx \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{3\pi}{4} \log(2) + 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \log\left(\cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) \, dx \right\} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{3\pi}{4} \log(2) + 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \log(\cos(x)) \, dx \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{3\pi}{4} \log(2) + 4 \left\{ \frac{1}{2} G - \frac{\pi}{4} \log(2) \right\} \right\} = G - \frac{\pi}{8} \log(2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Note: } \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \log(\cos(x)) \, dx = \frac{1}{2} G - \frac{\pi}{4} \log(2)$$