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Prove the below closed form

$$\Omega = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1 - x^4 y^4)}{xy} dx dy = -\frac{\zeta(3)}{16}$$

where $\zeta(3)$ is the Apéry's constant.

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We know that:

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 f(xy) dx dy = - \int_0^1 \log(x) f(x) dx$$

Then we can write:

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1 - x^4 y^4)}{xy} dx dy = - \int_0^1 \frac{\log(x) \log(1 - x^4)}{x} dx \Bigg]_{x^4 \rightarrow x} = \\ &= -\frac{1}{16} \int_0^1 \frac{\log(x) \log(1 - x)}{x} dx = -\frac{1}{16} \int_0^1 \frac{\log(x)}{x} \left(- \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k} \right) dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{16} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \int_0^1 x^{k-1} \log(x) dx = -\frac{1}{16} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^3} = -\frac{\zeta(3)}{16} \end{aligned}$$