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Prove that:

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x \ln(1+x)}{(x^2+1)(x+1)(2x+1)} dx = \frac{1}{480} (144G - 19\pi^2 + 96\ln^2 2 + 36\pi \ln 2)$$

G is the Catalan's constant

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$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x \ln(1+x)}{(x^2+1)(x+1)(2x+1)} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{10} \left(\frac{5}{1+x} - \frac{8}{1+2x} - \frac{x}{1+x^2} + \frac{3}{1+x^2} \right) dx = \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{10} \left(\frac{5}{1+x} - \frac{8}{1+2x} - \frac{x}{1+x^2} \right) dx + \frac{3}{10} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{(x^2+1)} dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{10} \int_0^{\infty} g(x) \ln(1+x) dx + \frac{3}{10} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{(x^2+1)} dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{here, } g(x) = \frac{5}{1+x} - \frac{8}{1+2x} - \frac{x}{1+x^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{(x^2+1)} dx &= \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x)}{(x^2+1)} dx + \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\ln(1+y)}{(y^2+1)} dy \stackrel{y=\frac{1}{x}}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x)}{(x^2+1)} dx + \int_0^1 \frac{\ln\left(1+\frac{1}{x}\right)}{(x^2+1)} dx \\ &= 2 \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x)}{(x^2+1)} dx + \int_0^1 \frac{\ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{(x^2+1)} dx \end{aligned}$$

$$2 \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x)}{(x^2+1)} dx \stackrel{x \rightarrow \frac{1-x}{1+x}}{=} 2 \int_0^1 \frac{\ln\left(\frac{2}{1+x}\right)}{(x^2+1)} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x) + \ln\left(\frac{2}{1+x}\right)}{(x^2+1)} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{\ln 2}{(x^2+1)} dx = \frac{\pi}{4} \ln 2$$

$$\text{And, } \int_0^1 \frac{\ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{(x^2+1)} dx = \int_0^1 \ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) (1 - x^2 + x^4 - \dots) dx = \left(\frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} - \dots \right) = G$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{(x^2+1)} dx = \frac{\pi}{4} \ln 2 + G$$

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$$\Rightarrow I = \frac{1}{10} \int_0^{\infty} g(x) \ln(1+x) dx + \frac{3}{10} \left(\frac{\pi}{4} \ln 2 + G \right) = \frac{1}{10} \int_0^{\infty} g(x) \ln(1+x) dx + \frac{1}{480} (36\pi \ln 2 + 144G)$$

$$\text{Now, } \int_0^{\infty} g(x) \ln(1+x) dx = \int_0^1 g(x) \ln(1+x) dx + \int_1^{\infty} g(y) \ln(1+y) dy$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{y \rightarrow \frac{1}{x}}{=} \int_0^1 g(x) \ln(1+x) dx + \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^2} g\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right) dx \\ & = \underbrace{\int_0^1 \ln(1+x) \left(g(x) + \frac{1}{x^2} g\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \right) dx}_A - \underbrace{\int_0^1 (\ln x) \left(\frac{1}{x^2} g\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \right) dx}_B \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \frac{1}{10} (A - B) + \frac{1}{480} (36\pi \ln 2 + 144G). \text{ Now, } g(x) = \frac{5}{1+x} - \frac{8}{1+2x} - \frac{x}{1+x^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x^2} g\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{5}{x(1+x)} - \frac{8}{x(x+2)} - \frac{1}{x(1+x^2)} = \frac{4}{x+2} - \frac{5}{1+x} + \frac{x}{1+x^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow g(x) + \frac{1}{x^2} g\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{4}{x+2} - \frac{8}{1+2x} = \frac{-12}{(x+2)(1+2x)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow A &= -12 \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x)}{(x+2)(1+2x)} dx \stackrel{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{t}}{=} -12 \int_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\ln t}{(1+t)(2-t)} dt = -4 \int_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\ln t}{(1+t)} dt - 4 \int_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\ln t}{(2-t)} dt \\ & \stackrel{t = \frac{1}{1+x}}{=} 4f(-1) - 4f(2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \frac{2}{5} (f(-1) - f(2)) - \frac{B}{10} + \frac{1}{480} (36\pi \ln 2 + 144G)$$

$$\text{Here i define } f(a) = \int_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\ln t}{a-t} dt = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a^n} \int_1^{\frac{1}{2}} (\ln t) t^{n-1} dt \quad \text{for } |a| \geq 1$$

$$\text{Now, } \int_1^{\frac{1}{2}} (\ln t) t^{n-1} dt = \left[(\ln t) \frac{t^n}{n} - \frac{t^n}{n^2} \right]_1^{\frac{1}{2}} = -\frac{\ln 2}{n 2^n} - \frac{1}{n^2 2^n} + \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(a) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a^n} \left(-\frac{\ln 2}{n 2^n} - \frac{1}{n^2 2^n} + \frac{1}{n^2} \right) = (\ln 2) \ln \left(1 - \frac{1}{2a} \right) - Li_2 \left(\frac{1}{2a} \right) + Li_2 \left(\frac{1}{a} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(-1) = (\ln 2) \ln \left(\frac{3}{2} \right) - Li_2 \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) + Li_2(-1) = (\ln 2)(\ln 3) - \ln^2 2 - Li_2 \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{\pi^2}{12}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow f(2) &= (\ln 2) \ln \left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - Li_2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + Li_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = (\ln 2)(\ln 3) - 2\ln^2 2 - Li_2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + \frac{\pi^2}{12} - \frac{\ln^2 2}{2} \\ &= (\ln 2)(\ln 3) - Li_2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + \frac{\pi^2}{12} - \frac{5}{2}\ln^2 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } B &= \int_0^1 (\ln x) \left(\frac{1}{x^2} g\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \right) dx = \int_0^1 (\ln x) \left(\frac{4}{x+2} - \frac{5}{1+x} + \frac{x}{1+x^2} \right) dx \\ &= 4 \int_0^1 \frac{\frac{1}{2} \ln x}{1 + \frac{x}{2}} dx + 5 \int_0^1 \frac{\ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{1+x} dx - \int_0^1 \frac{x \ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{1+x^2} dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } Li_2(z) = - \int_0^1 \frac{z \ln x}{1-zx} dx \stackrel{z=-\frac{1}{2}}{\Rightarrow} \int_0^1 \frac{\frac{1}{2} \ln x}{1 + \frac{x}{2}} dx = Li_2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\text{And } \int_0^1 \frac{\ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{1+x} dx = \int_0^1 \ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) (1-x+x^2-\dots) dx = \left(\frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \dots\right) = \eta(2) = \frac{\pi^2}{12}$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{x \ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{1+x^2} dx = \int_0^1 \ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) (x-x^3+x^5-\dots) dx = \left(\frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{6^2} - \dots\right) = \frac{\eta(2)}{4} = \frac{\pi^2}{48}$$

$$\Rightarrow B = 4Li_2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{5\pi^2}{12} - \frac{\pi^2}{48} = 4Li_2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{19\pi^2}{48}$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \frac{2}{5}(f(-1) - f(2)) - \frac{1}{10} \left(4Li_2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{19\pi^2}{48} \right) + \frac{1}{480}(36\pi \ln 2 + 144G)$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \frac{2}{5} \left(f(-1) - f(2) - Li_2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \right) + \frac{1}{480}(36\pi \ln 2 + 144G - 19\pi^2)$$

$$\text{Now, } f(-1) - f(2) - Li_2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$= \left((\ln 2)(\ln 3) - \ln^2 2 - Li_2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \right) - \left((\ln 2)(\ln 3) - Li_2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + \frac{\pi^2}{12} - \frac{5}{2}\ln^2 2 \right) - Li_2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{3}{2}\ln^2 2 - \frac{\pi^2}{6} + 2 \left(\frac{1}{2} Li_2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) - Li_2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \right)$$

$$\text{Now use the identity, } Li_2(z) + Li_2(-z) = \frac{1}{2} Li_2(z^2) \stackrel{z=\frac{1}{2}}{\Rightarrow} Li_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + Li_2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2} Li_2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}Li_2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) - Li_2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = Li_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi^2}{12} - \frac{\ln^2 2}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(-1) - f(2) - Li_2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{3}{2}\ln^2 2 - \frac{\pi^2}{6} + 2\left(\frac{\pi^2}{12} - \frac{\ln^2 2}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}\ln^2 2$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \frac{2}{5}\left(\frac{1}{2}\ln^2 2\right) + \frac{1}{480}(36\pi\ln 2 + 144G - 19\pi^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{5}\ln^2 2 + \frac{1}{480}(36\pi\ln 2 + 144G - 19\pi^2) \Rightarrow I = \frac{1}{480}(144G - 19\pi^2 + 96\ln^2 2 + 36\pi\ln 2)$$