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Find:

$$\Omega = \int_1^{\sqrt{3}} \left(\frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x - \tan^{-1} x} \right)^2 dx$$

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Solution 1 by Yen Tung Chung-Taiwan

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_1^{\sqrt{3}} \left(\frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x - \tan^{-1} x} \right)^2 dx = \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \left(\frac{y}{\tan y - y} \right)^2 \sec^2 y dy = \\
& \text{let } y = \tan^{-1} x \Rightarrow x = \tan y, dx = \sec^2 y dy \\
& = \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{y^2}{(\sin y - y \cos y)^2} dy \\
& = \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{y^2}{(1 + y^2) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+y^2}} \sin y - \frac{y}{\sqrt{1+y^2}} \cos y \right)} dy = \\
& = \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{1 - \frac{1}{1+y^2}}{(\cos(\tan^{-1} y) \sin y - \sin(\tan^{-1} y) \cos y)^2} dy \\
& = \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{1}{\sin^2(y - \tan^{-1} y)} d(y - \tan^{-1} y) = \\
& = \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \csc^2(y - \tan^{-1} y) d(y - \tan^{-1} y) = -\cot(y - \tan^{-1} y) \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \\
& = \frac{1 + \tan y \tan(\tan^{-1} y)}{\tan(\tan^{-1} y) - \tan y} \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} = \frac{1 + y \tan y}{1 - \tan y} \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} = \frac{1 + \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{3}}}{\frac{\pi}{3} - \sqrt{3}} - \frac{1 + \frac{\pi}{4}}{\frac{\pi}{4} - 1} = \\
& = \frac{\pi\sqrt{3} + 3}{\pi - 3\sqrt{3}} + \frac{4 + \pi}{4 - \pi}
\end{aligned}$$

Solution 2 by Pham Duc Nam-Vietnam

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int \frac{\arctan^2(x)}{(x - \arctan^2(x))^2} dx = \int \frac{(\arctan(x) - x)^2 - (x^2 - 2x \arctan(x))}{(\arctan(x) - x)^2} dx \\
& = x - \int \frac{x^2 - 2x \arctan(x)}{(\arctan(x) - x)^2} dx = x - \int \frac{x^2 \left(1 - \frac{2 \arctan(x)}{x} \right) (1 + x^2)}{(1 + x^2)(\arctan(x) - x)^2} dx
\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u = \left(1 - \frac{2 \arctan(x)}{x} \right) (1 + x^2) \\ dv = \frac{x^2}{1 + x^2} \frac{1}{(\arctan(x) - x)^2} dx \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} du = \frac{2(1-x^2)(\arctan(x)-x)}{x^2} \\ v = \frac{1}{\arctan(x)-x} \end{array} \right. \\
 & \Rightarrow \int \frac{\arctan^2(x)}{(x - \arctan^2(x))^2} dx = \\
 & = x - \frac{1}{\arctan(x) - x} \left(1 - \frac{2 \arctan(x)}{x} \right) (1 + x^2) + 2 \int \frac{1 - x^2}{x^2} dx \\
 & = \frac{x \arctan(x) + 1}{\arctan(x) - x} + C \Rightarrow \int_1^{\sqrt{3}} \frac{\arctan^2(x)}{(x - \arctan^2(x))^2} dx = \\
 & = \left. \frac{x \arctan(x) + 1}{\arctan(x) - x} \right|_1^{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{4 + \pi}{4 - \pi} - \frac{\pi\sqrt{3} + 3}{3\sqrt{3} - \pi}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 3 by Ravi Prakash-India

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Put } \tan^{-1} x = \theta, x = \tan \theta \\
 & \Omega = \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \left(\frac{\theta}{\tan \theta - \theta} \right)^2 \sec^2 \theta d\theta = \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{x^2}{(\sin x - x \cos x)^2} dx \\
 & = \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{x \sin x}{(\sin x - x \cos x)^2} \cdot \frac{x}{\sin x} dx \\
 & = \frac{-1}{\sin x - x \cos x} \cdot \frac{x}{\sin x} \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} + \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{1}{\sin x - x \cos x} \frac{(\sin x - x \cos x) dx}{\sin^2 x} \\
 & = \frac{-1}{\sin x - x \cos x} \cdot \frac{x}{\sin x} \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} - \cot x \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \\
 & = \frac{-1}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{\pi}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2}} \cdot \frac{\frac{\pi}{3}}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \cdot \frac{\frac{\pi}{4}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + 1 \\
 & = \frac{2\pi}{4 - \pi} - \frac{4\pi}{9 - \sqrt{3}\pi} + 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\pi + 4}{4 - \pi} - \left[\frac{4\pi\sqrt{3} + 9 - \sqrt{3}\pi}{\sqrt{3}(9 - \sqrt{3}\pi)} \right] \\
 & = \frac{\pi + 4}{4 - \pi} - \frac{9 + 3\sqrt{3}\pi}{3(3\sqrt{3} - \pi)} = \frac{\pi + 4}{4 - \pi} - \frac{3 + \sqrt{3}\pi}{3\sqrt{3} - \pi}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Solution 4 by Hikmat Mammadov-Azerbaijan

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \int_1^{\sqrt{3}} \left(\frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x - \tan^{-1} x} \right)^2 dx \\ &= \int_1^{\sqrt{3}} \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{(x - \tan^{-1}(x))^2} - \frac{2x}{(x - \tan^{-1}(x))} \right) dx\end{aligned}$$

$$= (\sqrt{3} - 1) + \int_1^{\sqrt{3}} \frac{-x^2 + 2x \cdot \tan^{-1}(x)}{(x - \tan^{-1}(x))^2} dx \stackrel{\text{say}}{\rightarrow} S$$

Note: $\frac{1}{(x - \tan^{-1}(x))} = u \rightarrow u' = \frac{-\frac{x^2}{1+x^2}}{(x - \tan^{-1}(x))^2}$

$$\begin{aligned}S &= (\sqrt{3} - 1) + \int_1^{\sqrt{3}} \frac{\frac{x^2}{(1+x^2)} (1+x^2) - (1+x^2) \cdot (-\tan^{-1}(x) + x)}{(x - \tan^{-1}(x))^2} dx \\ &= (\sqrt{3} - 1) + \int_1^{\sqrt{3}} \frac{-(\tan^{-1}(x) - x)' \cdot (1+x^2) + (1+x^2) \cdot (\tan^{-1}(x) - x)}{(x - \tan^{-1}(x))^2} dx \\ &= \sqrt{3} - 1 + \left[\frac{x^2 + 1}{\tan^{-1}(x) - x} \right]_1^{\sqrt{3}} = \sqrt{3} - 1 + \frac{12}{\pi - 3\sqrt{3}} - \frac{8}{\pi - 4} \\ &\Rightarrow \Omega = \sqrt{3} - 1 + \frac{12}{\pi - 3\sqrt{3}} - \frac{8}{\pi - 4}\end{aligned}$$