

ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

Find a closed form:

$$\int_{e^2}^{e^3} \frac{\ln(x) - 4}{(1 - \ln^2(x))} dx$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \int_{e^2}^{e^3} \frac{\ln(x) - 4}{(1 - \ln^2(x))} dx &\stackrel{x=e^x}{=} \int_2^3 \frac{x - 4}{(1 - x^2)} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_2^3 \frac{x - 4}{x + 1} dx - \frac{1}{2} \int_2^3 \frac{x - 4}{x - 1} dx = \\ \frac{1}{2} \int_2^3 \frac{x + 1 - 5}{x + 1} dx - \frac{1}{2} \int_2^3 \frac{x - 1 - 3}{x - 1} dx &= \frac{1}{2} \int_2^3 dx - \frac{5}{2} \int_2^3 \frac{dx}{x + 1} - \frac{1}{2} \int_2^3 dx + \frac{3}{2} \int_2^3 \frac{1}{x - 1} dx = \\ -\frac{5}{2} \int_2^3 \frac{dx}{x + 1} + \frac{3}{2} \int_2^3 \frac{1}{x - 1} dx &= -\frac{5}{2} (\ln(x + 1)) \Big|_2^3 + \frac{3}{2} (\ln(x - 1)) \Big|_2^3 = \\ -\frac{5}{2} (\ln(4) - \ln(3)) + \frac{3}{2} (\ln(2) - \ln(1)) &= -\frac{5}{2} \ln(4) + \frac{5}{2} \ln(3) + \frac{3}{2} \ln(2) = \\ -5 \ln(2) + \frac{3}{2} \ln(2) + \frac{5}{2} \ln(3) &= \frac{5}{2} \ln(3) - \frac{7}{2} \ln(2) \end{aligned}$$
$$\int_{e^2}^{e^3} \frac{\ln(x) - 4}{(1 - \ln^2(x))} dx = \frac{5}{2} \ln(3) - \frac{7}{2} \ln(2)$$