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Prove that:

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (x \ln(1 + \cos(x)) + x \ln(\sin(x))) dx = \pi G - \frac{7}{8} \zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{4} \ln(2)$$

$G \rightarrow$ Catalan's constant , $\zeta(3) \rightarrow$ Apery's constant

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Solution 1 by Quadri Faruk Temitope-Nigeria

$$I = \underbrace{\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln(1 + \cos(x)) dx}_A + \underbrace{\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln(\sin(x)) dx}_B = A + B$$

$$A = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln(1 + \cos(x)) dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln\left(2 \cos^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln(2) dx + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln\left(\cos^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) dx =$$

$$= \ln(2) \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 \right] + 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln\left(\cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) dx = \frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) + 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \left[-\ln(2) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \cos(nx)}{n} \right] dx =$$

$$\frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) - 2 \ln(2) \frac{x^2}{8} \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} - 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \cos(nx)}{n} \right] dx = \frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) - \frac{\pi^2}{4} \ln(2) -$$

$$2 \Re \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n e^{-inx}}{n} \right] dx = \frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) - \frac{\pi^2}{4} \ln(2) - 2 \Re \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x e^{-inx} dx =$$

$$-\frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) - 2 \Re \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \left[-\frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{e^{-in\pi}}{n^2} + \frac{i\pi n e^{-in\pi}}{2n^2} \right] = -\frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) - 2 \left[-\frac{\pi G}{2} + \frac{21}{32} \zeta(3) \right]$$

$$A = -\frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) + \pi G - \frac{21}{16} \zeta(3)$$

Working on B

$$B = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln(\sin(x)) dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \left[-\ln(2) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(2nx)}{n} \right] dx = -\ln(2) \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x dx -$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \cos(2nx) dx = -\ln(2) \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 \right] - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \Re \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x e^{-2inx} dx = -\frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) -$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \Re \left[\frac{-1 + e^{-i\pi n} + i\pi n e^{-i\pi n}}{4n^2} \right] = -\frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) - \frac{1}{4} \Re \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} -\frac{1}{n^3} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-i\pi n}}{n^3} + i\pi \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-i\pi n}}{n^2} \right] =$$

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$$-\frac{\pi^2}{8}\ln(2) - \frac{1}{4}\Re\left[-\zeta(3) - \frac{3}{4}\zeta(3) - i\pi\frac{\zeta(2)}{2}\right] = -\frac{\pi^2}{8}\ln(2) + \frac{7}{16}\zeta(3)$$

$$B = -\frac{\pi^2}{8}\ln(2) + \frac{7}{16}\zeta(3)$$

$$I = \underbrace{\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln(1 + \cos(x)) dx}_A + \underbrace{\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln(\sin(x)) dx}_B = -\frac{\pi^2}{8}\ln(2) + \pi G - \frac{21}{16}\zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{8}\ln(2) + \frac{7}{16}\zeta(3)$$

$$I = \pi G - \frac{7}{8}\zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{4}\ln(2)$$

Solution 2 by Pratham Prasad-India

$$\psi = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln(1 + \cos x) + x \ln \sin x \, dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln\left(2 \cos^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) dx + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln(\sin x) \, dx$$

$$= 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} u \ln(2 \cos^2(u)) \, du + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln(\sin x) \, dx$$

$$= 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} u \ln(2) \, du + 8 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} u \ln(\cos u) \, du + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln(\sin x) \, dx$$

By expanding and evaluating using Fourier series of the second and third integral

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} u \ln(\cos u) \, du = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} u \left(-\ln(2) + \sum_{K=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1} \cos(2ku)}{k} \right) du =$$

$$= -\frac{\pi^2}{32}\ln(2) + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} u \left(\sum_{K=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1} \cos(2ku)}{k} \right) du$$

$$= -\frac{\pi^2}{32}\ln(2) + \sum_{K=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} (u \cos(2ku)) \, du$$

$$= -\frac{\pi^2}{32}\ln(2) + \sum_{K=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k} \left(\frac{\pi}{8k} \sin\left(\frac{\pi k}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{4k^2} \cos\left(\frac{\pi k}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{4k^2} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{\pi^2}{32}\ln(2) + \frac{\pi}{8} \sum_{K=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k^2} \left(\sin\left(\frac{\pi k}{2}\right) \right) + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{K=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k^3} \left(\cos\left(\frac{\pi k}{2}\right) \right) - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{K=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k^3}$$

$$= -\frac{\pi^2}{32}\ln(2) + \frac{\pi}{8} \sum_{K=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{(2k-1)^2} + \frac{1}{32} \sum_{K=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k^3} - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{K=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k^3}$$

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$$= \frac{1}{128} (16\pi G - 21\zeta(3) - 4\pi^2 \ln(2))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln(\sin x) dx &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \left(-\ln(2) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(2ku)}{k} \right) dx = \\ &= -\frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(2ku)}{k} \right) dx = -\frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x (\cos(2ku)) dx = \\ &= -\frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \left(\frac{(-1)^k}{4k^2} - \frac{1}{4k^2} \right) = \frac{7}{16} \zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) \end{aligned}$$

Putting everything back :

$$\begin{aligned} \psi &= \frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) + 8 \left(\frac{1}{128} (16\pi G - 21\zeta(3) - 4\pi^2 \ln(2)) \right) + \frac{7}{16} \zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) \\ &= \frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) + \pi G - \frac{21}{16} \zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{4} \ln(2) + \frac{7}{16} \zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln(2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\psi = \pi G - \frac{7}{8} \zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{4} \ln(2)$$

Solution 3 by Exodo Halcalias-Angola

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (x \ln(1 + \cos(x)) + x \ln(\sin(x))) dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln \left(\sin(x) + \frac{1}{2} \sin(x) \cos(x) \right) dx = \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \ln \left(4 \sin \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) \cos^3 \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) \right) dx = 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} x \ln(\sin(2x)) dx + 4 \ln(2) \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} x dx + 8 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} x \ln(\cos(x)) dx = \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \left(\ln \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) - \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\cos(2kx)}{k} \right) dx - \frac{\pi^2}{8} \ln \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) + 8 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} x \left(\ln \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) + \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{(-1)^{k-1} \cos(2kx)}{k} \right) dx = \frac{\pi^2}{4} \ln \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) - \\ &- \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{k} \left(\frac{\pi \sin(\pi k)}{4k} + \frac{\cos(\pi k)}{4k^2} - \frac{1}{k^2} \right) + \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k} \left(\frac{\pi}{k} \sin \left(\frac{k\pi}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{2k^2} \cos \left(\frac{k\pi}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2k^2} \right) = \\ &= \frac{\pi^2}{4} \ln \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{(-1)^k}{k^3} + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{k^3} + \pi \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{(2k-1)^2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{(2k)^3} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{k^3} = \\ &= \frac{\pi^2}{4} \ln \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) + \pi \beta(2) - \frac{7}{8} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{k^3} = \pi G - \frac{7}{8} \zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{4} \ln(2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Omega = \pi G - \frac{7}{8} \zeta(3) - \frac{\pi^2}{4} \ln(2)$$