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Find a closed form:

$$\int_0^1 \frac{(x-1)^2 Li_3(-x)}{x+1} dx, \quad \zeta(3) \rightarrow \text{Apery's constant}$$

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Solution 1 by Pham Duc Nam-Vietnam

$$\int_0^1 \frac{(x-1)^2 Li_3(-x)}{x+1} dx \rightarrow \begin{cases} u = Li_3(-x) \\ dv = \frac{(x-1)^2}{1+x} dx \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} du = \frac{Li_2(-u)}{x} \\ v = \left(\frac{x^2}{2} - 3x + 4 \ln(1+x) \right) \end{cases}$$

$$\Omega = \left(\frac{x^2}{2} - 3x + 4 \ln(1+x) \right) Li_3(-x) \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2(-u)}{x} \left(\frac{x^2}{2} - 3x + 4 \ln(1+x) \right) dx =$$

$$\frac{15}{8} \zeta(3) - 3 \ln(2) \zeta(3) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 x Li_2(-x) dx + 3 \int_0^1 Li_2(-x) dx - 4 \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x) Li_2(-x)}{x} dx$$

$$A = \int_0^1 x Li_2(-x) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} \int_0^1 x^{n+1} dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2(n+2)} = -\frac{\pi^2}{24} + \frac{1}{8}$$

$$B = \int_0^1 Li_2(-x) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} \int_0^1 x^n dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2(n+1)} = -\frac{\pi^2}{12} + 2 \ln(2) - 1$$

$$C = \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x) Li_2(-x)}{x} dx = - \int_0^1 Li_2(-x) d(Li_2(-x)) = -\frac{1}{2} Li_2^2(-x) \Big|_0^1 = -\frac{\pi^4}{288}$$

$$\Omega = \frac{15}{8} \zeta(3) - 3 \ln(2) \zeta(3) - \frac{1}{2} A + 3B - 4C = \frac{15}{8} \zeta(3) - 3 \ln(2) \zeta(3) - \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{\pi^2}{24} + \frac{1}{8} \right) +$$

$$3 \left(-\frac{\pi^2}{12} + 2 \ln(2) - 1 \right) - 4 \left(-\frac{\pi^4}{288} \right)$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{(x-1)^2 Li_3(-x)}{x+1} dx = \frac{15}{8} \zeta(3) - 3 \ln(2) \zeta(3) + \frac{\pi^4}{72} - \frac{11}{48} \pi^2 + 6 \ln(2) - \frac{49}{16}$$

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Solution 2 by Pratham Prasad-India

$$\int_0^1 \frac{(x-1)^2 Li_3(-x)}{x+1} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{(x+1)^2 Li_3(-x)}{x+1} dx - 4 \int_0^1 Li_3(-x) dx + 4 \int_0^1 \frac{Li_3(-x)}{1+x} dx =$$

$$\int_0^1 x Li_3(-x) dx - 3 \int_0^1 Li_3(-x) dx + 4 \int_0^1 \frac{Li_3(-x)}{1+x} dx = I_1 - 3I_2 + 4I_3$$

$$I_1 = \int_0^1 x Li_3(-x) dx = \int_0^1 x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-x)^n}{n^3} dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^3} \int_0^1 x^{n+1} dx =$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left\{ \frac{1}{n^2(n+2)} \right\} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^3} - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} - \frac{1}{8} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n+2} + \frac{1}{8} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} =$$

$$-\frac{3}{8} \zeta(3) + \frac{1}{8} \zeta(2) - \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \ln(2) \right) + \frac{1}{8} (-\ln(2)) = -\frac{3}{8} \zeta(3) + \frac{1}{8} \zeta(2) - \frac{1}{16}$$

$$I_2 = \int_0^1 Li_3(-x) dx = \int_0^1 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-x)^n}{n^3} dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^3} \int_0^1 x^n dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^3(n+1)} =$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^3} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} = -\frac{3}{4} \zeta(3) + \frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) - \ln(2) - \ln(2) + 1 =$$

$$-\frac{3}{4} \zeta(3) + \frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) - 2 \ln(2) + 1$$

$$I_3 = \int_0^1 \frac{Li_3(-x)}{1+x} dx = Li_3(-x) \ln(x+1) \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 \frac{Li_2(-x)}{x} \ln(1+x) dx = Li_3(-1) \ln(2) +$$

$$\frac{(Li_2(-x))^2}{2} \Big|_0^1 = \ln(2) \left(-\frac{3}{4} \zeta(3) \right) + \frac{1}{2} (Li_2(-2))^2 = \ln(2) \left(-\frac{3}{4} \zeta(3) \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) \right)^2 =$$

$$\frac{\pi^4}{288} - \frac{3}{4} \zeta(3) \ln(2)$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{(x-1)^2 Li_3(-x)}{x+1} dx = I_1 - 3I_2 + 4I_3 = -\frac{3}{8} \zeta(3) + \frac{1}{8} \zeta(2) - \frac{1}{16} -$$

$$3 \left(-\frac{3}{4} \zeta(3) + \frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) - 2 \ln(2) + 1 \right) + 4 \left(\frac{\pi^4}{288} - \frac{3}{4} \zeta(3) \ln(2) \right)$$

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