

# ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

**Find:**

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{x} \ln^2(x)}{1+x+x^2} dx$$

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**Lemma:** If

$$I(a) = \int_0^1 \frac{x^a}{1+x+x^2} dx$$

**then:**

$$I''(a) = \frac{1}{27} \left( \psi_2 \left( \frac{a+1}{3} \right) - \psi_2 \left( \frac{a+2}{3} \right) \right)$$

**Proof:**

$$I(a) = \int_0^1 \frac{x^a(1-x)}{1-x^3} dx$$

$$I(a) = \int_0^1 (x^a - x^{a+1}) \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} x^{3r} dx$$

$$I(a) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 (x^{a+3r} - x^{a+1+3r}) dx, \quad I(a) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{3r+a+1} - \frac{1}{3r+a+2} \right)$$

$$I(a) = \frac{1}{3} \left( \psi \left( \frac{a+1}{3} \right) - \psi \left( \frac{a+2}{3} \right) \right), \quad I'(a) = \frac{1}{9} \left( \psi_1 \left( \frac{a+1}{3} \right) - \psi_1 \left( \frac{a+2}{3} \right) \right)$$

$$I''(a) = \frac{1}{27} \left( \psi_2 \left( \frac{a+1}{3} \right) - \psi_2 \left( \frac{a+2}{3} \right) \right), \quad I'' \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{27} \left( \psi_2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) - \psi_2 \left( \frac{5}{6} \right) \right)$$

$$I'' \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) = \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{x} \ln^2(x)}{1+x+x^2} dx$$