

PROOF OF FORMULA 4.221.1

$$\int_0^1 \ln x \ln(1-x) dx = 2 - \frac{\pi^2}{6}$$

Integrating the expansion

$$\ln(1-x) = -\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k},$$

gives

$$\int_0^1 \ln x \ln(1-x) dx = -\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \int_0^1 x^k \ln x dx.$$

The change of variables $u = -\ln x$ gives

$$\int_0^1 x^k \ln x dx = -\int_0^{\infty} u e^{-(k+1)u} du$$

and $v = (k+1)u$ gives

$$\int_0^{\infty} u e^{-(k+1)u} du = -\frac{1}{(k+1)^2} \int_0^{\infty} v e^{-v} dv.$$

This last integral is $\Gamma(2) = 1$. Therefore

$$\int_0^1 \ln x \ln(1-x) dx = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k(k+1)^2}.$$

The partial fraction decomposition

$$\frac{1}{k(k+1)^2} = \frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k+1} - \frac{1}{(k+1)^2},$$

gives

$$\int_0^1 \ln x \ln(1-x) dx = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k+1} \right) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k+1)^2}.$$

The value

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k^2} = -\frac{\pi^2}{12},$$

completes the evaluation.