

**PROOF OF FORMULA 4.293.6**

$$\int_0^1 x^{n-1/2} \ln(1+x) dx = \frac{2 \ln 2}{2n+1} + \frac{4(-1)^n}{2n+1} \left[ \frac{\pi}{4} - \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{(-1)^j}{2j+1} \right]$$

Entry 4.293.1 states that

$$\int_0^1 x^{\mu-1} \ln(1+x) dx = \frac{1}{\mu} [\ln 2 - \beta(\mu+1)].$$

The case discussed here corresponds to  $\mu = n + \frac{1}{2}$ . Thus

$$\int_0^1 x^{n-1/2} \ln(1+x) dx = \frac{2}{2n+1} [\ln 2 - \beta(n + \frac{3}{2})].$$

To simplify the answer observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(n + \frac{3}{2}) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{n + 3/2 + k} \\ &= 2 \sum_{j=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{j-n-1}}{2j+1} \\ &= 2(-1)^{n+1} \left( \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^j}{2j+1} - \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{(-1)^j}{2j+1} \right). \end{aligned}$$

The result follows from the classical evaluation

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^j}{2j+1} = \frac{\pi}{4}.$$