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Find:

$$\Omega = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k^2}{(2k+1)^3 \binom{2k}{2k+1}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k^2}{(2k+1)^3 \binom{2k}{2k+1}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{k^2 (k-1)! (k+1)!}{(2k+1)^3 (2k)!} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{k(k+1) k! k!}{(2k+1)^2 (2k+1)!} = \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{k(k+1) \Gamma(k+1) \Gamma(k+1)}{(2k+1)^2 \Gamma(2k+2)} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{k(k+1)}{(2k+1)^2} B(k+1, k+1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{k(k+1)}{(2k+1)^2} = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4(2k+1)^2} \quad \text{and } B(k+1, k+1) = \int_0^1 t^k (1-t)^k dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore, } \Omega &= \int_0^1 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4(2k+1)^2} \right) t^k (1-t)^k dt \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} t^k (1-t)^k dt - \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^k (1-t)^k}{(2k+1)^2} dt \quad \text{Now use, } \frac{1}{(2k+1)^2} \\ &= - \int_0^1 (\ln x) x^{2k} dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \Omega &= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{1-t(1-t)} + \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\ln x) x^{2k} t^k (1-t)^k dx dt \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{\frac{3}{4} + \left(t - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2} + \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{\ln x}{1-x^2 t(1-t)} dt dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{use } \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{\frac{3}{4} + \left(t - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2} = \left[\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2t-1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) \right]_0^1 = \frac{2\pi}{3\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dt}{1-x^2 t(1-t)} = \frac{1}{x^2} \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{\left(t - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{4}\right)} = \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{4}}} \left[\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{t - \frac{1}{2}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{4}}} \right) \right]_0^1$$

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$$= \frac{2}{x^2 \sqrt{\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{4}}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{4}}} \right) = \frac{4}{x\sqrt{4-x^2}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \right) = \frac{4}{x\sqrt{4-x^2}} \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{2} \right)$$

Therefore, $\Omega = \frac{\pi}{6\sqrt{3}} + \int_0^1 \frac{\ln x}{x\sqrt{4-x^2}} \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) dx$ substitute $\theta = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{2} \right)$ or $x = 2\sin\theta$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\pi}{6\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \frac{\theta \ln(2\sin\theta)}{\sin\theta} d\theta = \frac{\pi}{6\sqrt{3}} + \frac{\ln 2}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \frac{\theta}{\sin\theta} d\theta + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \frac{\theta \ln(\sin\theta)}{\sin\theta} d\theta = \\ &= \frac{\pi}{6\sqrt{3}} + \frac{\ln 2}{2} P + \frac{1}{2} C \end{aligned}$$

Now, $P = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \frac{\theta}{\sin\theta} d\theta = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \theta d \left[\ln \left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \right] \stackrel{\text{IBP}}{=} \left[\theta \ln \left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \ln \left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2} \right) d\theta$

$$= \frac{\pi}{6} \ln \left(\tan \frac{\pi}{12} \right) + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \ln \left(\cot \frac{\theta}{2} \right) d\theta$$

$$\tan \left(\frac{\pi}{12} \right) = 2 - \sqrt{3} \quad \text{and} \quad \ln \left(\cot \frac{\theta}{2} \right) = 2 \sum_{n=\text{odd}>0} \frac{\cos(n\theta)}{n}$$

$$P = \frac{\pi}{6} \ln(2 - \sqrt{3}) + 2 \sum_{n=\text{odd}>0} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \frac{\cos(n\theta)}{n} d\theta = \frac{\pi}{6} \ln(2 - \sqrt{3}) + \sum_{n=\text{odd}>0} \frac{2\sin \left(\frac{n\pi}{6} \right)}{n^2}$$

Now, $\sum_{n=\text{odd}>0} \frac{2\sin \left(\frac{n\pi}{6} \right)}{n^2} = \left\{ \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{2}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} - \frac{1}{7^2} - \frac{2}{9^2} - \frac{1}{11^2} + \dots \dots \dots \right\}$

$$= \left\{ \frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} - \frac{1}{7^2} + \frac{1}{9^2} - \frac{1}{11^2} + \dots \dots \dots \right\} + \left\{ \frac{3}{3^2} - \frac{3}{9^2} + \dots \dots \dots \right\} = G + \frac{3}{3^2} G = \frac{4G}{3}$$

Hence, $P = \frac{\pi}{6} \ln(2 - \sqrt{3}) + \frac{4G}{3}$. Therefore, $\Omega = \frac{\pi}{6\sqrt{3}} + \frac{\ln 2}{2} \left\{ \frac{\pi}{6} \ln(2 - \sqrt{3}) + \frac{4G}{3} \right\} + \frac{1}{2} C$

$$\Omega = \frac{\pi}{6\sqrt{3}} + \frac{\pi \ln(2) \ln(2 - \sqrt{3})}{12} + \frac{2G \ln 2}{3} + \frac{1}{2} C$$

here $G = \text{catalan's constant}$

$$C = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \frac{\theta \ln(\sin\theta)}{\sin\theta} d\theta = \text{some numerical constant}$$