

**PROOF OF FORMULA 3.221.1**

$$\int_a^\infty \frac{(x-a)^{p-1}}{x-b} dx = \frac{\pi(a-b)^{p-1}}{\sin \pi p}$$

Let  $t = (x-a)/(b-a)$  to obtain

$$\int_a^\infty \frac{(x-a)^{p-1}}{x-b} dx = (a-b)^{p-1} \int_0^\infty \frac{t^{p-1} dt}{1+t}.$$

The integral representation

$$B(u, v) = \int_0^\infty \frac{t^{u-1} dt}{(1+t)^{u+v}}$$

shows that the integral is  $B(p, 1-p)$ . The identity  $\Gamma(p)\Gamma(1-p) = \pi/\sin \pi p$  gives the result.