

PROOF OF FORMULA 3.241.5

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^{p-1} dx}{(1+x^q)^2} = \frac{q-p}{q^2} \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi p/q)}$$

Let $t = x^q$ to obtain

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^{p-1} dx}{(1+x^q)^2} = \frac{1}{q} \int_0^\infty \frac{t^{p/q-1} dt}{(1+t)^2}.$$

The integral representation

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

shows that the requested evaluation is

$$\frac{1}{q} B\left(\frac{p}{q}, 2 - \frac{p}{q}\right) = \frac{1}{q} \Gamma(p/q) \Gamma(2 - p/q).$$

The result is simplified using $\Gamma(a+1) = a\Gamma(a)$ and $\Gamma(a)\Gamma(1-a) = \pi/\sin(\pi a)$.