

PROOF OF FORMULA 3.244.4

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2m} - x^{2n}}{1 - x^{2l}} dx = \frac{\pi}{l} \left[\cot \left(\frac{2m+1}{2l} \pi \right) - \cot \left(\frac{2n+1}{2l} \pi \right) \right]$$

Write the integrals as the difference of two principal value integrals

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2m} - x^{2n}}{1 - x^{2l}} dx = 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{2m} dx}{1 - x^{2l}} - 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{2n} dx}{1 - x^{2l}}.$$

The result now follows from entry 3.241.3

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{p-1} dx}{1 - x^q} = \frac{\pi}{q} \cot \left(\frac{\pi p}{q} \right).$$