

**PROOF OF FORMULA 3.411.11**

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x e^{-3x} dx}{e^{-x} + 1} = \frac{\pi^2}{12} - \frac{3}{4}$$

Expand the denominator of the integrand in a geometric series to obtain

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x e^{-3x} dx}{e^{-x} + 1} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-(k+3)x} dx.$$

The change of variables  $t = (k + 3)x$  gives

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x e^{-3x} dx}{e^{-x} + 1} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(k + 3)^2} \int_0^{\infty} t e^{-t} dt.$$

The integral is  $\Gamma(2) = 1$ , so that

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x e^{-3x} dx}{e^{-x} + 1} = - \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k^2}.$$

Now use

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k^2} = -\frac{\pi^2}{12},$$

to obtain the result.