

**PROOF OF FORMULA 3.411.7**

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{\nu-1} e^{-\mu x} dx}{1 - e^{-bx}} = \frac{\Gamma(\nu)}{b^{\nu}} \zeta\left(\nu, \frac{\mu}{b}\right)$$

Expand the integrand to obtain

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

The change of variables  $t = (\mu + kb)x$  yields

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{\nu-1} e^{-\mu x} dx}{1 - e^{-bx}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(\mu + kb)^{\nu}} \int_0^{\infty} t^{\nu-1} e^{-t} dt.$$

The integral is  $\Gamma(\nu)$  and the series is written in terms of the Hurwitz zeta function

$$\zeta(s, q) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k + q)^s},$$

as indicated in the formula.