

PROOF OF FORMULA 3.478.2

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^{q-1} [1 - \exp(-\mu x^p)] dx = -\frac{1}{p} \mu^{-q/p} \Gamma\left(\frac{q}{p}\right)$$

The change of variable $t = \mu x^p$ produces

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^{q-1} [1 - \exp(-\mu x^p)] dx = \frac{1}{p\mu^{q/p}} \int_0^{\infty} t^{q/p-1} (1 - e^{-t}) dt.$$

Integrating by parts and checking the vanishing of the boundary terms yields

$$\int_0^{\infty} t^{q/p-1} (1 - e^{-t}) dt = -\frac{p}{q} \int_0^{\infty} t^{q/p} e^{-t} dt.$$

The last integral is recognized as a gamma value. The identity $\Gamma(x+1) = x\Gamma(x)$ is then used to simplify the result.