

**PROOF OF FORMULA 3.471.16**

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^{n-1/2} e^{-px-q/x} dx = (-1)^n \sqrt{\pi} \frac{\partial^n}{\partial p^n} \left[ p^{-1/2} e^{-2\sqrt{pq}} \right]$$

Define

$$I_n(p) := \int_0^{\infty} x^{n-1/2} e^{-px-q/x} dx.$$

Formula 3.471.15 gives the value of  $I_0(p)$  and the relation

$$\frac{\partial I_n(p)}{\partial p} = -I_{n+1}(p)$$

gives the result for  $n > 0$ .