

PROOF OF FORMULA 3.527.6

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^{\mu-1} \sinh ax}{\cosh^2 ax} dx = \frac{2\Gamma(\mu)}{a^\mu} \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k+1)^{\mu-1}}$$

Let $t = ax$ and write the integral as

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^{\mu-1} \sinh ax}{\cosh^2 ax} dx = \frac{2}{a^\mu} \int_0^\infty t^{\mu-1} (e^t - e^{-t}) e^{-2t} \frac{dt}{(1 + e^{-2t})^2}.$$

Expand the integrand in a power series and separate the terms e^t and e^{-t} to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{\mu-1} \sinh ax}{\cosh^2 ax} dx &= \frac{2}{a^\mu} \sum_{k=0}^\infty (-1)^k (k+1) \int_0^\infty t^{\mu-1} e^{-(2k+1)t} dt \\ &\quad - \frac{2}{a^\mu} \sum_{k=0}^\infty (-1)^k (k+1) \int_0^\infty t^{\mu-1} e^{-(2k+3)t} dt. \end{aligned}$$

Scale the exponents $(2k+1)t$ and $(2k+3)t$ and shift the second sum to produce

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^{\mu-1} \sinh ax}{\cosh^2 ax} dx = \frac{2\Gamma(\mu)}{a^\mu} \left[1 + \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{(-1)^k (k+1)}{(2k+1)^\mu} - \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{(-1)^{k+1} k}{(2k+1)^\mu} \right]$$

This simplifies to give the result.