

PROOF OF FORMULA 3.381.3

$$\int_a^\infty x^{\nu-1} e^{-\mu x} dx = \mu^{-\nu} \Gamma(\nu, a\mu)$$

The *incomplete gamma* function is defined in 8.350.2 as

$$\Gamma(\alpha, x) = \int_x^\infty t^{\alpha-1} e^{-t} dt.$$

The change of variables $t = \mu x$ gives

$$\int_a^\infty x^{\nu-1} e^{-\mu x} dx = \mu^{-\nu} \int_{a\mu}^\infty t^{\nu-1} e^{-t} dt.$$

The second integral is given by the incomplete gamma function.