

PROOF OF FORMULA 3.551.7

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{e^{-bx}}{x} \cosh ax \, dx = -\frac{1}{2} [\text{Ei}(a-b) + \text{Ei}(-a-b)]$$

The integral is

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{e^{-bx}}{x} \cosh ax \, dx &= \frac{1}{2} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{e^{-(b-a)x}}{x} \, dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{e^{-(b+a)x}}{x} \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{b-a}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-t}}{t} \, dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_{b+a}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-t}}{t} \, dt. \end{aligned}$$

The definition

$$\text{Ei}(-z) := - \int_{-z}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-t}}{t} \, dt$$

gives the result.