

### PROOF OF FORMULA 3.628

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \sec^{2p} x \sin^{2p-1} x dx = \frac{1}{2\pi p} \Gamma(p+1) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} - p\right)$$

The integral representation

$$B(a, b) = 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2a-1} x \cos^{2b-1} x dx$$

gives the value

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \sec^{2p} x \sin^{2p-1} x dx = \frac{1}{2} B\left(p, \frac{1}{2} - p\right).$$

This reduces to the answer given here, using

$$B(a, b) = \frac{\Gamma(a) \Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(a+b)}.$$