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$$Gam(\lambda|a, b) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)} b^a \lambda^{a-1} \exp(-b\lambda)$$

$\lambda$  ranges from 0 to  $\infty$ . So we need to prove that

$$\int_0^\infty Gam(\lambda|a, b) d\lambda = \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)} b^a \lambda^{a-1} \exp(-b\lambda) d\lambda = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)} \int_0^\infty b^a \lambda^{a-1} \exp(-b\lambda) d\lambda \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)} \int_0^\infty (b\lambda)^{a-1} \exp(-b\lambda) d(b\lambda) \end{aligned}$$

Let  $u = b\lambda$ . The limits don't change since they are positive and negative infinity and  $b\lambda$  will also range from negative infinity to positive infinity. So we get:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)} \int_0^\infty (u)^{a-1} \exp(-u) d(u) \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)} \Gamma(a) \\ &= 1. \end{aligned}$$