

$$\left[\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right]^2 = \pi$$

$$\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \sqrt{\pi}$$

2. Evaluate the following

$$(i) \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

$$(ii) \frac{\Gamma(8)}{\Gamma(6)}$$

$$(iii) \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{11}{3}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)}$$

$$(i) \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}+1\right)}{\sqrt{\pi}} = \frac{\frac{3}{2}\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{\pi}} = \frac{\frac{3}{2}\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}+1\right)}{\sqrt{\pi}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{\pi}} = \frac{\frac{3}{4} \sqrt{\pi}}{\sqrt{\pi}} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$(ii) \frac{\Gamma(8)}{\Gamma(6)} = \frac{7!}{5!} = \frac{7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5!}{5!} = 42$$

$$(iii) \Gamma\left(\frac{11}{3}\right) = \Gamma\left(\frac{8}{3}+1\right) = \frac{8}{3}\Gamma\left(\frac{8}{3}\right) = \frac{8}{3}\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{3}+1\right)$$

$$= \frac{8 \cdot 5}{3 \cdot 3}\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{3}\right) = \frac{40}{9}\Gamma\left(\frac{2}{3}+1\right)$$

$$= \frac{40}{9} \cdot \frac{2}{3}\Gamma\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = \frac{80}{27}\Gamma\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)$$

$$\therefore \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{11}{3}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)} = \frac{\frac{80}{27}\Gamma\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)} = \frac{80}{27}$$

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3. Evaluate the following

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 \text{(i)} \int_0^{\infty} x^5 e^{-x} dx & \text{(ii)} \int_0^{\infty} x^6 e^{-3x} dx & \text{(iii)} \int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-x^2} dx \\
 \text{(iv)} \int_0^{\infty} x^{\frac{1}{4}} e^{-\sqrt{x}} dx & \text{(v)} \int_0^{\infty} x^{\frac{3}{2}} e^{-4x} dx & \text{(vi)} \int_0^1 (\log x)^6 dx \\
 \text{(vii)} \int_0^1 (x \log x)^3 dx & \text{(viii)} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{\log(1/x)}} dx & \text{(ix)} \int_0^1 \left(\log \frac{1}{x}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} dx \\
 \text{(x)} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x^2}}{\sqrt{x}} dx & &
 \end{array}$$

(i) Let $I = \int_0^{\infty} x^5 e^{-x} dx$ Since $\int_0^{\infty} x^n e^{-x} dx = \Gamma(n+1)$
 $= \Gamma(5+1) = 5!$

(ii) Let $I = \int_0^{\infty} x^6 e^{-3x} dx$
 Put $3x=t \Rightarrow x=t/3 \Rightarrow dx=dt/3$
 If $x=0 \Rightarrow t=0$, if $x=\infty \Rightarrow t=\infty$

$$\therefore I = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{t}{3}\right)^6 e^{-t} \frac{dt}{3} = \frac{1}{3^7} \int_0^{\infty} t^6 e^{-t} dt = \frac{1}{3} \Gamma(6+1) = \frac{6!}{3^7}$$

(iii) Let $I = \int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-x^2} dx$
 Put $x^2=t \Rightarrow x=\sqrt{t} \Rightarrow dx = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}} dt$
 If $x=0 \Rightarrow t=0$, if $x=\infty \Rightarrow t=\infty$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \int_0^{\infty} t e^{-t} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}} dt = \int_0^{\infty} \sqrt{t} e^{-t} \frac{dt}{2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} t^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-t} dt = \frac{1}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}+1\right) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\pi}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$(iv) \text{ Let } I = \int_0^{\infty} x^{\frac{1}{4}} e^{-\sqrt{x}} dx$$

$$\text{Put } \sqrt{x} = t \Rightarrow x = t^2 \Rightarrow dx = 2tdt$$

$$\text{If } x = 0 \Rightarrow t = 0, \text{ if } x = \infty \Rightarrow t = \infty$$

$$\therefore I = \int_0^{\infty} (t^2)^{\frac{1}{4}} e^{-t} 2tdt = 2 \int_0^{\infty} t^{\frac{3}{2}} e^{-t} dt$$

$$= 2 \int_0^{\infty} t^{\frac{3}{2}} e^{-t} dt = 2\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2} + 1\right) \quad [\because \Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n)]$$

$$= 2 \cdot \frac{3}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = 3\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + 1\right) = 3 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{3\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$$

$$(v) \text{ Let } I = \int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-4x} dx$$

$$\text{Put } 4x = t \Rightarrow x = \frac{t}{4} \Rightarrow dx = \frac{dt}{4}$$

$$\text{If } x = 0 \Rightarrow t = 0 \text{ if } x = \infty \Rightarrow t = \infty$$

$$\therefore I = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{t}{4}\right)^2 e^{-t} \frac{dt}{4} = \frac{1}{4^{3/2} \cdot 4} \int_0^{\infty} t^2 e^{-t} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^3 \cdot 4} \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2} + 1\right) = \frac{1}{32} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{3}{64} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + 1\right) = \frac{3}{64} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{3\sqrt{\pi}}{128}$$

$$(vi) \text{ Let } I = \int_0^1 (\log x)^6 dx$$

$$\text{Put } \log x = -t \Rightarrow x = e^{-t} \Rightarrow dx = -e^{-t} dt$$

$$\text{If } x = 0 \Rightarrow t = \infty, \text{ if } x = 1 \Rightarrow t = 0$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \int_{\infty}^0 (-t)^6 [-e^{-t} dt] \\
 &= -\int_{\infty}^0 t^6 e^{-t} dt = \int_0^{\infty} t^6 e^{-t} dt \quad \left[\because \int_a^b f(x) dx = -\int_b^a f(x) dx \right] \\
 &= \Gamma(6+1) = 6! = 720
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(vii) \text{ Let } I = \int_0^1 (x \log x)^3 dx = \int_0^1 x^3 (\log x)^3 dx$$

$$\text{Put } \log x = -t \Rightarrow x = e^{-t} \Rightarrow dx = -e^{-t} dt$$

$$\text{If } x = 0 \Rightarrow t = \infty, \text{ if } x = 1 \Rightarrow t = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore I &= \int_{\infty}^0 (e^{-t})^3 (-t)^3 (-e^{-t} dt) \\
 &= \int_{\infty}^0 e^{-4t} t^3 dt = -\int_0^{\infty} e^{-4t} t^3 dt
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Put } 4t = z \Rightarrow t = \frac{z}{4} \Rightarrow dt = \frac{dz}{4}$$

$$\text{If } t = 0 \Rightarrow z = 0, \text{ if } t = \infty \Rightarrow z = \infty$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= -\int_0^{\infty} e^{-z} \left(\frac{z}{4}\right)^3 \frac{dz}{4} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{4^4} \int_0^{\infty} z^3 e^{-z} dz = -\frac{1}{4^4} \Gamma(3+1) \\
 &= \frac{-3!}{4^4} = \frac{-6}{256} = -\frac{3}{128}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(viii) \text{ Let } I = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{\log(1/x)}} dx$$

$$\text{Put } \log\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = t \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} = e^t \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{e^t} \Rightarrow dx = -e^{-t} dt$$

$$\text{If } x = 0 \Rightarrow t = \infty, \text{ if } x = 1 \Rightarrow t = 0$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\therefore I &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} (-e^{-t}) dt = \int_0^{\infty} t^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-t} dt \\ &= \Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{2} + 1\right) = \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \\ I &= \sqrt{\pi}\end{aligned}$$

(ix) Let $I = \int_0^1 \left(\log \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 dx$

Put $\log \frac{1}{x} = t \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} = e^t \Rightarrow x = e^{-t}$

$$dx = -e^{-t} dt$$

If $x = 0 \Rightarrow t = \infty$, $x = 1 \Rightarrow t = 0$

$$\therefore I = \int_0^{\infty} t^3 (-e^{-t}) dt = \int_0^{\infty} t^3 e^{-t} dt$$

$$= \Gamma\left(-\frac{3}{2} + 1\right) = \Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{2} + 1\right)}{-\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

$$[\because \Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n)]$$

$$= -2\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$[\because \Gamma(n) = \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{n}]$$

$$= -2\sqrt{\pi}$$

(x) Let $I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x^2}}{\sqrt{x}} dx$

Put $x^2 = t \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{t} \Rightarrow dx = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}} dt$

If $x = 0 \Rightarrow t = 0$, if $x = \infty \Rightarrow t = \infty$

$$\therefore I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-t}}{\sqrt{t}^{1/2}} \frac{dt}{2\sqrt{t}} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} t^{-1/4} t^{-1/2} dt$$

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$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} t^{-\frac{3}{4}} e^{-t} dt = \frac{1}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{-3}{4} + 1\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$$

4. Prove the following

$$(i) \quad \Gamma(n) = \int_0^1 \left(\log \frac{1}{x}\right)^{n-1} dx \quad (ii) \quad \Gamma(n) = a^n \int_0^{\infty} e^{-ax} x^{n-1} dx$$

$$(iii) \quad \Gamma(n) = 2a^n \int_0^{\infty} t^{2n-1} e^{-at^2} dt \quad (iv) \quad \Gamma(n) = \frac{1}{n} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t^{\frac{1}{n}}} dt$$

$$(v) \quad \frac{1}{n} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^{\frac{1}{n}}} dx \quad (vi) \quad \int_0^{\infty} x^n e^{-ax} dx = \frac{1}{a^{n+1}} \Gamma\left(\frac{n+1}{a}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow (i) \text{ RHS} = \int_0^1 \left(\log \frac{1}{x}\right)^{n-1} dx$$

$$\text{Put } \log\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = t \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} = e^t \Rightarrow x = e^{-t} \Rightarrow dx = -e^{-t} dt$$

$$\text{If } x = 0 \Rightarrow t = \infty, \text{ if } x = 1 \Rightarrow t = 0$$

$$\text{RHS} = \int_0^1 t^{n-1} (-e^{-t} dt) = - \int_{\infty}^0 t^{n-1} e^{-t} dt$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} t^{n-1} e^{-t} dt = \Gamma(n) = \text{LHS}$$

$$\therefore \Gamma(n) = \int_0^1 \left(\log \frac{1}{x}\right)^{n-1} dx$$

$$(ii) \text{ Put } ax = t \Rightarrow a dx = dt \Rightarrow dx = \frac{dt}{a}$$

$$\text{If } x = 0 \Rightarrow t = 0, \text{ if } x = \infty \Rightarrow t = \infty$$

$$\therefore \int_0^{\infty} e^{-ax} x^{n-1} dx = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} \left(\frac{t}{a}\right)^{n-1} \frac{dt}{a}$$

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$$= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} \frac{t^{n-1}}{a^{n-1}} \cdot \frac{dt}{a} = \frac{1}{a^n} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{n-1} dt$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-ax} x^{n-1} dx = \frac{1}{a^n} \Gamma(n)$$

$$\therefore \Gamma(n) = a^n \int_0^{\infty} e^{-ax} x^{n-1} dx$$

(iii) Put $at^2 = x \Rightarrow t^2 = \frac{x}{a}$

$$2at dt = dx \Rightarrow t dt = \frac{dx}{2a}$$

If $t = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$, if $t = \infty \Rightarrow x = \infty$

$$\therefore \int_0^{\infty} t^{2n-1} e^{-at^2} dt = \int_0^{\infty} t^{2n-2} e^{-at^2} t dt$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \left(t^2\right)^{n-1} e^{-at^2} t dt = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^{n-1} e^{-x} \frac{dx}{2a}$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{n-1}}{a^{n-1}} e^{-x} \frac{dx}{2a} = \frac{1}{2a^n} \int_0^{\infty} x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx$$

$$\int_0^a t^{2n-1} e^{-at^2} dt = \frac{1}{2a^n} \Gamma(n)$$

$$\therefore \Gamma(n) = 2a^n \int_0^{\infty} t^{2n-1} e^{-at^2} dt$$

(iv) Put $t^n = x \Rightarrow t = x^{\frac{1}{n}} \Rightarrow dt = nx^{\frac{1}{n}-1} dx$

If $t = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$, if $t = \infty \Rightarrow x = \infty$

$$\therefore \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t^n} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} nx^{\frac{1}{n}-1} dx$$

$$= n \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} x^{\frac{1}{n}-1} dx$$

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$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-t^n} dt = n\Gamma(n)$$

$$\therefore \Gamma(n) = \frac{1}{n} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t^n} dt$$

$$(v) \text{ Put } x^n = t \Rightarrow x = t^{\frac{1}{n}} \Rightarrow dx = \frac{1}{n} t^{\frac{1}{n}-1} dt$$

$$\text{If } t=0 \Rightarrow x=0, \text{ if } t=\infty \Rightarrow x=\infty$$

$$\therefore \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^n} dx = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} \left[\frac{1}{n} t^{\frac{1}{n}-1} dt \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{\frac{1}{n}-1} dt$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^n} dx = \frac{1}{n} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{n} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^n} dx$$

$$(vi) \text{ Put } a^2 x^2 = t \Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{t}{a^2} \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{a} t^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$dx = \frac{1}{a} \frac{1}{2} t^{-\frac{1}{2}} dt = \frac{1}{2a} t^{-\frac{1}{2}} dt$$

$$\text{If } x=0 \Rightarrow t=0, \text{ if } x=\infty \Rightarrow t=\infty$$

$$\therefore \int_0^{\infty} x^n e^{-a^2 x^2} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{a} t^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^n e^{-t} \frac{1}{2a} t^{-\frac{1}{2}} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2a^{n+1}} \int_0^{\infty} t^{\frac{n-1}{2}} e^{-t} dt = \frac{1}{2a^{n+1}} \int_0^{\infty} t^{\frac{n-1}{2}} e^{-t} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2a^{n+1}} \Gamma\left(\frac{n-1}{2} + 1\right) = \frac{1}{2a^{n+1}} \Gamma\left(\frac{n-1+2}{2}\right)$$

$$\therefore \int_0^{\infty} x^n e^{-a^2 x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2a^{n+1}} \Gamma\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right) \quad \blacksquare$$

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5. Prove that $\int_0^{\infty} a^{-bx^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{b \log a}}$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} a^{-bx^2} dx = \int_0^{\infty} e^{\log a^{-bx^2}} dx = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-bx^2 \log a} dx \quad \because e^{\log x} = x$$

Put $bx^2 \log a = t \Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{t}{b \log a} \Rightarrow x = \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\sqrt{b \log a}}$

$$dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{b \log a}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}} dt = \frac{dt}{2\sqrt{t} \sqrt{b \log a}}$$

If $x = 0 \Rightarrow t = 0$, if $x = \infty \Rightarrow t = \infty$

$$\therefore \int_0^{\infty} a^{-bx^2} dx = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t} \sqrt{b \log a}} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{b \log a}} \int_0^{\infty} t^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-t} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{b \log a}} \Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{2} + 1\right) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{b \log a}} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} a^{-bx^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{b \log a}} \quad \blacksquare$$

6. If n is a positive integer then prove the following.

(i) $\Gamma\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1.3.5 \dots (2n-1)}{2^n} \sqrt{\pi}$

(ii) $\Gamma\left(-n + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{(-1)^n 2^n \sqrt{\pi}}{1.3.5 \dots (2n-1)}$

► We shall prove the results by mathematical induction.

(i) (1) If $n=1$

$$\text{LHS} = \Gamma\left(1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\pi} = \text{RHS}$$

Therefore, the result is true for $n=1$

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(2) Assume the result is true for $n = m$

$$\Gamma\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1.3.5\dots(2m-1)}{2^m} \sqrt{\pi} \quad \text{---(1)}$$

(3) If $n = m+1$ the given equation becomes,

$$\Gamma\left(m+1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1.3.5\dots(2m-1)(2m+1)}{2^{m+1}} \sqrt{\pi}$$

$$\text{LHS} = \Gamma\left(m+1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \Gamma\left(m + \frac{1}{2} + 1\right)$$

$$= \left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{2m+1}{2}\right) \left[\frac{1.3.5\dots(2m-1)}{2^m} \sqrt{\pi}\right] \quad [\text{from equation (1)}]$$

$$= \frac{1.3.5\dots(2m-1)(2m+1)}{2^{m+1}} \sqrt{\pi}$$

$$= \text{RHS}$$

Therefore, the result is true for $n = m+1$

Hence, the result is true for all the values of n

$$\text{i.e., } \Gamma\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1.3.5\dots(2n-1)}{2^n} \sqrt{\pi}$$

(ii) (1) If $n = 1$

$$\Gamma\left(-1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \Gamma\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{2} + 1\right)}{-\frac{1}{2}} = -2\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$= -2\sqrt{\pi} \quad \left[\because \Gamma(n) = \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{n} \right]$$

Therefore, the result is true for $n = 1$

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(2) Assume the result is true for $n = m$

$$\Gamma\left(-m + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{(-1)^m 2^m \sqrt{\pi}}{1.3.5.....(2m-1)}$$

(3) If $n = m + 1$ the given equation becomes,

$$\Gamma\left(-(m+1) + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{(-1)^{m+1} 2^{m+1} \sqrt{\pi}}{1.3.5.....(2m-1)(2m+1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= \Gamma\left(-\left(m+1\right) + \frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &= \Gamma\left(-m - 1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \Gamma\left(-m - \frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &= \Gamma\left(-\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)\right) \\ &= \frac{\Gamma\left(-\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right) + 1\right)}{-\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)} = \frac{\Gamma\left(-m - \frac{1}{2} + 1\right)}{-\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma\left(-m + \frac{1}{2}\right)}{-\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)} = \frac{-2\Gamma\left(-m + \frac{1}{2}\right)}{2m+1} \\ &= \frac{-2}{2m+1} \left[\frac{(-1)^m 2^m \sqrt{\pi}}{1.3.5.....(2m-1)} \right] \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{m+1} 2^{m+1} \sqrt{\pi}}{1.3.5.....(2m-1)(2m+1)} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the result is true for $n = m + 1$.

Hence, the result is true for all the values of n

$$\text{i.e., } \Gamma\left(-n + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{(-1)^n 2^n \sqrt{\pi}}{1.3.5.....(2n-1)} \quad \blacksquare$$

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Exercises

I. Evaluate the following

$$1) \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) \quad 2) \Gamma(4.5) \quad 3) \Gamma\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right) \quad 4) \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{8}{3}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)}$$

$$5) \frac{\Gamma(7)}{2\Gamma(4)\Gamma(3)} \quad 6) \frac{\Gamma(3)\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{9}{2}\right)} \quad 7) \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{7}{3}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)} \quad 8) \Gamma\left(\frac{-7}{2}\right)$$

$$\text{II. } 1) \int_0^{\infty} \sqrt{x} e^{-x} dx \quad 2) \int_0^{\infty} x^{\frac{3}{2}} e^{-x} dx \quad 3) \int_0^{\infty} x^3 e^{-2x} dx$$

$$4) \int_0^{\infty} x^6 e^{-2x} dx \quad 5) \int_0^{\infty} x^5 e^{-x^2} dx \quad 6) \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^3} dx$$

$$7) \int_0^{\infty} e^{2ax-x^2} dx \quad 8) \int_0^1 \sqrt{\log\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)} dx$$

$$9) \int_0^{\infty} (\log x)^2 dx \quad 10) \int_0^1 (x \log x)^4 dx$$

$$11) \int_0^{\infty} 2^{-3x^2} dx \quad 12) \int_0^1 x^2 \log\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) dx$$

$$13) \int_0^{\infty} x^m e^{-ax^n} dx \quad 14) \int_0^{\infty} x^{-\frac{3}{2}} (1-e^{-x}) dx$$

Answers

$$\text{I. } 1) \frac{3}{4}\sqrt{\pi} \quad 2) \frac{105}{16}\sqrt{\pi} \quad 3) -2\sqrt{\pi}$$

$$4) \frac{10}{9} \quad 5) 30 \quad 6) \frac{16}{105}$$

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- 7) $\frac{4}{3}$ 8) $\frac{16\sqrt{\pi}}{105}$
- II. 1) $\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$ 2) $\frac{3\sqrt{\pi}}{4}$ 3) $\frac{3}{8}$
- 4) $\frac{45}{8}$ 5) $\frac{105\sqrt{\pi}}{8}$ 6) $\frac{1}{3}\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$
- 7) $\frac{\sqrt{\pi} e^{\alpha^2}}{2}$ 8) $\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$ 9) -6
- 10) $\frac{94}{625}$ 11) $\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{3}\log 2}$ 12) $\frac{2}{27}$
- 13) $\frac{1}{na^{\frac{m+1}{n}}}\Gamma\left(\frac{m+1}{n}\right)$ 14) $2\sqrt{\pi}$

The Beta Function

The Beta function is denoted by $\beta(m, n)$ and is defined by

$$\beta(m, n) = \int_0^1 x^{m-1}(1-x)^{n-1} dx, \text{ where } m \text{ and } n \text{ are positive real numbers.}$$

Prove that $\beta(m, n) = \beta(n, m)$

Proof: We have

$$\beta(m, n) = \int_0^1 x^{m-1}(1-x)^{n-1} dx$$

$$\text{We know that } \int_0^a f(x) dx = \int_0^a f(a-x) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore, } \beta(m, n) &= \int_0^1 (1-x)^{m-1}(1-(1-x))^{n-1} dx \\ &= \int_0^1 (1-x)^{m-1}(1-1+x)^{n-1} dx \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \int_0^1 (1-x)^{m-1} x^{n-1} dx$$

$$\therefore \beta(m, n) = \beta(n, m)$$

$$\text{Prove that } \beta(m, n) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{n-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{m-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx$$

Proof We have,

$$\beta(m, n) = \int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} dx$$

$$\text{Put } x = \frac{1}{1+t}$$

$$1-x = 1 - \frac{1}{1+t} = \frac{1+t-1}{1+t} = \frac{t}{1+t}$$

$$\text{and } dx = \frac{-1}{(1+t)^2} dt$$

If $x=0 \Rightarrow t=\infty$, if $x=1 \Rightarrow t=0$

$$\therefore \beta(m, n) = \int_{\infty}^0 \left(\frac{1}{1+t}\right)^{m-1} \left(\frac{t}{1+t}\right)^{n-1} \left(\frac{-1}{(1+t)^2} dt\right)$$

$$= - \int_{\infty}^0 \frac{t^{n-1}}{(1+t)^{m-1+n-1+2}} dt = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{t^{n-1}}{(1+t)^{m+n}} dt$$

$$\beta(m, n) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{t^{n-1}}{(1+t)^{m+n}} dt$$

We know that $\beta(m, n) = \beta(n, m)$

$$\beta(n, m) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{m-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx$$

$$\therefore \beta(m, n) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{n-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{m-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx$$

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