

CHAPTER C ALCULUS

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1.1 BETA AND GAMMA FUNCTIONS

The definite Integral

$$\int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} dx, \quad \text{for } m > 0, n > 0$$

is called the *Beta function* or *Eulerian Integral* of first kind and denoted by $\beta(m, n)$. Thus,

$$\beta(m, n) = \int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} dx, \quad m > 0, n > 0 \quad [\text{KU 2013}]$$

1.1.1 Properties

(i) Show that Beta function is symmetric or $\beta(m, n) = \beta(n, m)$.

Proof: From (i), we have

$$\beta(m, n) = \int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} dx, \quad m > 0, n > 0$$

Put $x = 1 - y$, we get $dx = -dy$, when $x = 0, y = 1$ and $x = 1, y = 0$

$$\beta(m, n) = - \int_1^0 (1-y)^{m-1} y^{n-1} dy$$

$$= \int_0^1 y^{n-1} (1-y)^{m-1} dy = \beta(n, m)$$

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

(ii) Prove that $\beta(m, n) = \beta(m+1, n) + \beta(m, n+1)$

Proof:

$$\text{R.H.S} = \beta(m+1, n) + \beta(m, n+1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_0^1 x^m (1-x)^{n-1} dx + \int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^n dx \\ &= \int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} dx [x+1-x] \\ &= \int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} dx \\ &= \beta(m, n) = \text{L.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Prove $\beta(m, n) = \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{m-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{n-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx$, where $m, n > 0$

Proof: We have $\int_0^\infty \frac{x^{m-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx$

The integral can be written as $\int_0^\infty \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{m-1} \left(\frac{1}{1+x}\right)^{n-1} \frac{1}{(1+x)^2} dx$

Put $\frac{x}{1+x} = t \Rightarrow x = \frac{t}{1-t}$... (ii)

$$\frac{1(1+x) - x \cdot 1}{(1+x)^2} dx = dt$$

$$\frac{1}{(1+x)^2} dx = dt$$

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

or

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

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{1+x} = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} t = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{1+x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x} + 1} = 1$$

(iii), (iv), (v) and (vi), in (ii), integral (i) changes to

$$\int_0^1 t^{m-1} (1-t)^{n-1} dt = \beta(m, n) \text{ Hence proved.}$$

The integral $\beta(m, n) = \int_0^1 \frac{x^{m-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx$ is also considered as alternate form of beta function.

Similarly, we can prove that

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

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

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

$$(iv) \text{ Prove that } \beta(m, n) = 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2m-1} \theta \cos^{2n-1} \theta d\theta$$

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

$$\text{Substituting } x = \sin^2 \theta \text{ so that } dx = 2\sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$\text{When } x=0, \theta=0 \text{ and } x=1, \theta=\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2(m-1)} \theta \cos^{2(n-1)} \theta \cdot 2\sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta \\ &= 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2m-1} \theta \cos^{2n-1} \theta d\theta \text{ Hence proved.} \end{aligned}$$

$$(v) \text{ If both } m \text{ and } n \text{ are positive integers, then } \beta(m, n) = \frac{(m-1)!(n-1)!}{(m+n-1)!}$$

Proof:

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \beta(m, n) = \int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} dx$$

Integrating by parts, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left[x^{m-1} \frac{(1-x)^n}{-n} \right]_0^1 - \int_0^1 (m-1)x^{m-2} \frac{(1-x)^n}{-n} dx \\ &= 0 + \frac{m-1}{n} \int_0^1 x^{m-2} (1-x)^n dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{m-1}{n} \int_0^1 x^{m-2} (1-x)^2 (1-x) dx \\
 &= \frac{m-1}{n} \int_0^1 \left[x^{m-2} (1-x)^{n-1} - x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} \right] dx \\
 &= \frac{m-1}{n} \int_0^1 x^{m-2} (1-x)^{n-1} dx - \frac{m-1}{n} \int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} dx
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \beta(m, n) = \frac{m-1}{n} \beta(m-1, n) - \frac{m-1}{n} \beta(m, n)$$

$$\text{or } \beta(m, n) + \frac{m-1}{n} \beta(m, n) = \frac{m-1}{n} \beta(m-1, n)$$

$$\text{or } \left(1 + \frac{m-1}{n}\right) \beta(m, n) = \frac{m-1}{n} \beta(m-1, n)$$

$$\text{or } \left(\frac{n+m-1}{n}\right) \beta(m, n) = \frac{m-1}{n} \beta(m-1, n)$$

$$\therefore \beta(m, n) = \frac{(m-1)}{(m+n-1)} \beta(m-1, n) \quad \dots(i)$$

Changing m by $(m-1)$, we get

$$\beta(m-1, n) = \frac{m-2}{m+n-2} \beta(m-2, n)$$

Put in equation (i)

$$\therefore \beta(m, n) = \frac{(m-1)(m-2)}{(m+n-1)(m+n-2)} \beta(m-2, n) \quad \dots(ii)$$

Continuing this way, we get

$$\beta(m, n) = \frac{(m-1)(m-2)\dots1}{(n+m-1)(n+m-2)\dots(n+1)} \beta(1, n) \quad \dots(iii)$$

Now,

$$\beta(l, n) = \int_0^1 x^0 (1-x)^{n-1} dx = \int_0^1 (1-x)^{n-1} dx = \left[\frac{(1-x)^n}{-n} \right]_0^1$$

$$= \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{From (iii), we get } \beta(m, n) &= \frac{(m-1)(m-2)\dots1}{(n+m-1)(n+m-2)\dots(n+1)} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \\
 &= \frac{(m-1)!}{(n+m-1)(n+m-2)\dots(n+1)n}
 \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying and dividing by $(n - 1)!$ we get

$$\begin{aligned}\beta(m, n) &= \frac{(m-1)!(n-1)!}{(n+m-1)(n+m-2)\dots(n+1)n(n-1)!} \\ &= \frac{(m-1)!(n-1)!}{(n+m-1)}\end{aligned}$$

$$\beta(m, n) = \left(\frac{1}{m}\right)^m \cdot \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^n$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta(m, n) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{m}\right)^m = e^{-1}$$

1.2 GAMMA FUNCTION

The Gamma function is defined as

$$\Gamma(n) = \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^{n-1} dx \quad (n > 0)$$

[KU, 2013]

This integral is also known as Euler's integral of the second kind.

In particular,

$$\Gamma(n) = \int_0^\infty e^{-x} dx = \left| -e^{-x} \right|_0^\infty = 1$$

1.2.1 Properties of Gamma Function

(i) $\Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n)$

Since $\Gamma(n+1) = \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^n dx = \int_0^\infty x^n e^{-x} dx$

Integrating by parts, we have

$$\Gamma(n+1) = \left| -x^n e^{-x} \right|_0^\infty + n \int_0^\infty x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx$$

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

$$= n\Gamma(n)$$

[By definition of Gamma function]

$\therefore \Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n)$, is the reduction formula for $\Gamma(n)$.

(ii) $\Gamma(n+1) = n!$

Using $\Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n)$

$$\Gamma(2) = 1 \times \Gamma(1) = 1!$$

$$\Gamma(3) = 2 \cdot \Gamma(2) = 2 \times 1 = 2!$$

$$\Gamma(4) = 3 \cdot \Gamma(3) = 3 \times 2! = 3!$$

$$\Gamma(n+1) = n!, \quad n > 0$$

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

$$\Gamma(n) = \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^{n-1} dx, \quad n > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} dx$$

Put $x = y^2$, so that $dx = 2y dy$, when $x = 0, y = 0$ and $x = \infty, y = \infty$

$$= 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-y^2} dy \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{Also } \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx \quad \dots(2)$$

Multiplying (1) and (2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \left[\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right]^2 &= 4 \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty e^{-(x^2+y^2)} dx dy = 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^\infty e^{-r^2} r dr d\theta \\ &= 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left[-\frac{1}{2}e^{-r^2}\right]_0^\infty d\theta = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} d\theta = \pi \end{aligned}$$

Put $x = r \cos \theta$
 $y = r \sin \theta$
 $[dx dy = r dr d\theta]$
 $\theta \text{ varies from } 0 \text{ to } \pi/2 \text{ and } r \text{ varies from } 0 \text{ to } \infty]$

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

1.3 RELATION BETWEEN BETA AND GAMMA FUNCTIONS

$$\beta(m, n) = \frac{\Gamma(m)\Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(m+n)}$$

(M.D.U. 1999, 2000, 01, 02, 03; K.U. 2009, 2013, 2016, 2017, 2018)

Proof: We know that $\Gamma(m) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{m-1} dt$ [by definition of Gamma function]

Put $t = x^2$ so that $dt = 2x dx$, when $t = 0, x = 0$ and $t = \infty, x = \infty$

$$\Gamma(m) = 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} x^{2m-1} dx \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Similarly } \Gamma(n) = 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-y^2} y^{2n-1} dy \quad \dots(ii)$$

Multiplying (i) and (ii), we get

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma(m)\Gamma(n) = 4 \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} x^{2m-1} dx \cdot \int_0^\infty e^{-y^2} y^{2n-1} dy$$

$$= 4 \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty e^{-(x^2+y^2)} x^{2m-1} y^{2n-1} dx dy$$

Changing to polar coordinates

Put $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$, so that $dx dy = r dr d\theta$. Region of integration is entire first quadrant. In polar co-ordinates r varies from 0 to ∞ and θ varies from 0 to $\frac{\pi}{2}$.

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma(m)\Gamma(n) = 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^\infty e^{-r^2} r^{2(m+n)-1} \cos^{2m-1} \theta \sin^{2n-1} \theta dr d\theta$$

$$= 4 \int_0^\infty e^{-r^2} r^{2(m+n)-1} dr \cdot \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^{2m-1} \theta \sin^{2n-1} \theta d\theta \quad \dots(iii)$$

Now $2 \int_0^\infty e^{-r^2} r^{2(m+n)-1} dr = \Gamma(m+n)$ from (i)

and from $\beta(m, n) = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2m-1} \theta \cos^{2n-1} \theta d\theta$

Result (iii) becomes,

$$\Gamma(m)\Gamma(n) = \Gamma(m+n) \beta(m, n) \Rightarrow \beta(m, n) = \frac{\Gamma(m)\Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(m+n)}$$

1.4 TO EVALUATE

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^p x \cos^q x dx$$

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^p x \cos^q x dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin^{p-1} x \cos^{q-1} x) \sin x \cos x dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin^2 x)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} (\cos^2 x)^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \cdot 2 \sin x \cos x dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin^2 x)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} (1 - \sin^2 x)^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \sin x \cos x dx$$

Put $\sin^2 x = t$ so that $2 \sin x \cos x dx = dt$, when $x = 0, t = 0$ and $x = \frac{\pi}{2}, t = 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 t^{\frac{p-1}{2}} (1-t)^{\frac{q-1}{2}} dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \beta\left(\frac{p+1}{2}, \frac{q+1}{2}\right) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{p+1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{q+1}{2}\right)}{2\Gamma\left(\frac{p+q+2}{2}\right)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1.4.1 Particular Cases

(1) Put $q = 0$ and $p = n$, we have

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^n x dx = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{n+2}{2}\right)} \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$$

(2) Put $p = 0$ and $q = n$, we have

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^n x dx = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{n+2}{2}\right)} \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$$

(3) Put $p = q = 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\left[\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right]^2}{2\Gamma(1)} &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} dx = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \left[\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right]^2 = \pi \\
 \Rightarrow \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) &= \sqrt{\pi}
 \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 1.1. Compute :

(i) $\beta(2.5, 1.5)$ [M.D.U.2001] (ii) $\beta\left(\frac{9}{2}, \frac{7}{2}\right)$

Solution. (i) $\beta(2.5, 1.5) = \beta\left(\frac{5}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right)$

$$= \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{2} + \frac{3}{2}\right)}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 \because \beta(m, n) &= \frac{\Gamma(m) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(m+n)} \\
 \Gamma(n+1) &= n \Gamma(n) \\
 \Gamma(n+1) &= n!
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{3}{8} \left[\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right]^2}{3!} = \frac{\frac{3}{8} [\sqrt{\pi}]^2}{6} = \frac{\pi}{16}$$

$$(ii) \quad \beta\left(\frac{9}{2}, \frac{7}{2}\right) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{9}{2}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{7}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{9}{2} + \frac{7}{2}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{\left[\frac{7}{2} \cdot \frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right] \left[\frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right]}{\Gamma(8)} \\ = \frac{7 \cdot 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 3 \left[\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right]^2}{16 \times 8 \times 7!} = \frac{7 \cdot 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 3 [\sqrt{\pi}]^2}{128 \times 7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = \frac{5\pi}{2048}$$

EXAMPLE 1.2. Show that $\beta(p, q) = \int_0^\infty \frac{y^{q-1}}{(1+y)^{p+q}} dy$

[K.U. 2014, 2017]

$$= \int_0^1 \frac{x^{p-1} + x^{q-1}}{(1+x)^{p+q}} dx$$

[M.D.U. 2012, 2013]

Solution. $\beta(p, q) = \int_0^1 x^{p-1} (1-x)^{q-1} dx$ [By definition of Beta function]

Put $x = \frac{1}{1+y}$ so that $dx = -\frac{1}{(1+y)^2} dy$ when $x = 0, y = \infty$ and $x = 1, y = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(p, q) &= \int_{\infty}^0 \left(\frac{1}{1+y}\right)^{p-1} \left(\frac{y}{1+y}\right)^{q-1} \left(\frac{-1}{(1+y)^2}\right) dy \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{y^{q-1}}{(1+y)^{p+q}} dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{y^{q-1}}{(1+y)^{p+q}} dy + \int_1^{\infty} \frac{y^{q-1}}{(1+y)^{p+q}} dy \end{aligned} \quad(i)$$

Now put $y = \frac{1}{z}$ in second integral, so that $dy = -\frac{1}{z^2} dz$, when $y = 1, z = 1$; $y = \infty, z = 0$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{y^{q-1}}{(1+y)^{p+q}} dy = \int_1^0 \frac{\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)^{q-1}}{\left(1+\frac{1}{z}\right)^{p+q}} \left(-\frac{1}{z^2}\right) dz = \int_0^1 \frac{z^{p-1}}{(1+z)^{p+q}} dz$$

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\therefore From (i), we have

$$\beta(p, q) = \int_0^1 \frac{y^{q-1}}{(1+y)^{p+q}} dy + \int_0^1 \frac{z^{p-1}}{(1+z)^{p+q}} dz = \int_0^1 \frac{x^{p-1} + x^{q-1}}{(1+x)^{p+q}} dx$$

EXAMPLE 1.3. Prove that $\beta\left(m, \frac{1}{2}\right) = 2^{2m-1} \beta(m, m)$.

[K.U. 2013]

Solution. We know that

$$\beta(m, n) = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2m-1} \theta \cos^{2n-1} \theta d\theta \quad \dots(1)$$

Putting $n = \frac{1}{2}$, we get

$$\beta\left(m, \frac{1}{2}\right) = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2m-1} \theta \cos^{2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)-1} \theta d\theta = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2m-1} \theta d\theta \quad \dots(2)$$

Now,

$$\beta(m, m) = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2m-1} \theta \cos^{2m-1} \theta d\theta = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin \theta \cos \theta)^{2m-1} d\theta$$

$$= 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(\frac{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{2} \right)^{2m-1} d\theta$$

$$= \frac{2}{2^{2m-1}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2m-1} 2\theta d\theta = \frac{1}{2^{2m-2}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2m-1} 2\theta d\theta$$

Put $2\theta = \alpha$ so that $d\theta = \frac{d\alpha}{2}$, when $\theta = 0$, $\alpha = 0$ and $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$, $\alpha = \pi$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{2m-2}} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{\sin^{2m-1} \alpha}{2} d\alpha = \frac{2}{2^{2m-1}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2m-1} \alpha d\alpha$$

or

$$2^{2m-1} \beta(m, m) = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2m-1} \alpha d\alpha = \beta\left(m, \frac{1}{2}\right) \quad [\because \text{from (2)}]$$

Hence, $\beta\left(m, \frac{1}{2}\right) = 2^{2m-1} \beta(m, m)$

EXAMPLE 1.4. Show that $\Gamma(n) = \int_0^1 \left(\log \frac{1}{y}\right)^{n-1} dy, (n > 0)$. [M.D.U. 2012]

Solution. $\Gamma(n) = \int_0^\infty x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx \quad (n > 0)$ [By definition of Gamma function]

Put $y = e^{-x}$ i.e. $x = \log\left(\frac{1}{y}\right)$ when $x = 0, y = 1$ and $x = \infty, y = 0$

$$\Rightarrow dx = -\frac{1}{y} dy$$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma(n) = \int_1^0 \left(\log \frac{1}{y}\right)^{n-1} y \left(-\frac{1}{y} dy\right) = \int_0^1 \left(\log \frac{1}{y}\right)^{n-1} dy$$

EXAMPLE 1.5. Show that $\Gamma(m) \Gamma\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2^{2m-1}} \Gamma(2m)$. [Duplication Formula]

OR Prove Duplication formula.

Solution. By definition of Beta function, we have

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

Put $x = \sin^2 \theta$, so that $dx = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta$

When $x = 0, \theta = 0$ and when $x = 1, \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$

∴ From (i), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(m, m) &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin^2 \theta)^{m-1} (1-\sin^2 \theta)^{m-1} (2 \sin \theta \cos \theta) d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin \theta)^{2m-2} (\cos \theta)^{2m-2} (2 \sin \theta \cos \theta) d\theta \\ &= 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin \theta)^{2m-1} (\cos \theta)^{2m-1} d\theta \\ &= 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin \theta \cos \theta)^{2m-1} d\theta = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(\frac{\sin 2\theta}{2}\right)^{2m-1} d\theta \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{2}{2^{2m-1}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin 2\theta)^{2m-1} d\theta$$

Put $2\theta = t$ so that $d\theta = \frac{dt}{2}$, When $\theta = 0, t = 0$ and when $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, t = \pi$

$$\therefore \text{From (ii), we have } \beta(m, m) = \frac{2}{2^{2m-1}} \int_0^{\pi} (\sin t)^{2m-1} \cdot \frac{dt}{2}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{\Gamma(m) \Gamma(m)}{\Gamma(2m)} = \frac{1}{2^{2m-1}} \int_0^{\pi} (\sin t)^{2m-1} dt$$

$$= \frac{2}{2^{2m-1}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin t)^{2m-1} dt$$

$$= \frac{2}{2^{2m-1}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin t)^{2m-1} (\cos t)^0 dt$$

$$= \frac{2}{2^{2m-1}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin t)^{2m-1} (\cos t)^{2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)-1} dt = \frac{2}{2^{2m-1}} \beta\left(m, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\therefore \frac{\Gamma(m) \Gamma(m)}{\Gamma(2m)} = \frac{1}{2^{2m-1}} \frac{\Gamma(m) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{2m+1}{2}\right)} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\Gamma(m)}{\Gamma(2m)} = \frac{1}{2^{2m-1}} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

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

EXAMPLE 1.6. Show that :

$$(i) \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{\sin \theta} d\theta \times \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{d\theta}{\sqrt{\sin \theta}} = \pi$$

$$(ii) \int_a^b (x-a)^m (b-x)^n dx = (b-a)^{m+n+1} \beta(m+1, n+1)$$

$$\text{Solution. (i)} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{\sin \theta} d\theta \times \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{d\theta}{\sqrt{\sin \theta}} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin \theta)^{\frac{1}{2}} d\theta \cdot \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin \theta)^{-\frac{1}{2}} d\theta$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin \theta)^{2\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)-1} (\cos \theta)^{2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)-1} d\theta \cdot \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin \theta)^{2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)-1} (\cos \theta)^{2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)-1} d\theta \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \beta\left(\frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \beta\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \\
 &= \left[\frac{1}{2} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2}\right)} \right] \cdot \left[\frac{1}{2} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2}\right)} \right] = \left[\frac{1}{2} \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)} \right] \left[\frac{1}{2} \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)} \right] \\
 &= \left[\frac{1}{2} \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \cancel{\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)}}{\frac{1}{4} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)} \right] \left[\frac{1}{2} \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \cancel{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)} \right] = \pi
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) \int_a^b (x-a)^m (b-x)^n dx$$

Put $(x-a) = y \Rightarrow x = a+y$ so that $dx = dy$ when $x=a$, $y=0$ and $x=b$, $y=b-a$

$$\therefore \int_a^b (x-a)^m (b-x)^n dx = \int_0^{b-a} y^m (b-a-y)^n dy$$

$$\text{Put } y = (b-a) \sin^2 \theta$$

So, that $dy = 2(b-a) \sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta$, when $y=0$, $\theta=0$ and $y=b-a$, $\theta=\frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore \int_a^b (x-a)^m (b-x)^n dx &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (b-a)^m \sin^{2m} \theta (b-a)^n \cos^{2n} \theta 2(b-a) \sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta \\
 &= 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (b-a)^{m+n+1} (\sin \theta)^{2m+1} (\cos \theta)^{2n+1} d\theta \\
 &= 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (b-a)^{m+n+1} (\sin \theta)^{2(m+1)-1} (\cos \theta)^{2(n+1)-1} d\theta = (b-a)^{m+n+1} \beta(m+1, n+1)
 \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 1.7. Express the integral $\int_0^1 x^m (1-x^n)^p dx$ in terms of gamma functions and

evaluate $\int_0^1 x^5 (1-x^3)^{10} dx$.

[K.U. 2005, 2011, 2014]

Solution. $\int_0^1 x^m (1-x^n)^p dx$

Put $x^n = z \Rightarrow x = z^{1/n}$ so that $dx = \frac{1}{n} z^{\frac{1}{n}-1} dz$

When $x=0, z=0$ and $x=1, z=1$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \int_0^1 x^m (1-x^n)^p dx &= \int_0^1 z^{m/n} (1-z)^p \frac{1}{n} z^{\frac{1}{n}-1} dz = \frac{1}{n} \int_0^1 z^{\frac{m}{n} + \frac{1}{n} - 1} (1-z)^p dz \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \beta\left(\frac{m+1}{n}, p+1\right) = \frac{1}{n} \frac{\left(\frac{m+1}{n}\right)!(p+1)!}{\left(\frac{m+1}{n} + p + 1\right)} \end{aligned} \quad \dots(i)$$

Now, find the value of $\int_0^1 x^5 (1-x^3)^{10} dx$ compare with $\int_0^1 x^m (1-x^n)^p dx$, we get $m=5, n=3$

$$p=10$$

Put the value of m, n, p in equation (i), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 x^5 (1-x^3)^{10} dx &= \frac{1}{3} \frac{\left(\frac{5+1}{3}\right)!(10+1)!}{\left(\frac{5+1}{3} + 10 + 1\right)} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{2!11!}{13!} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1 \cdot 10!}{12!} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{10!}{12 \times 11 \times 10!} = \frac{1}{396} \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 1.8. Prove that $\Gamma\left(n+\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \cdot \Gamma(2n+1)}{2^{2n} \Gamma(n+1)}$.

[K.U. 2006, 2014]

Solution. Since $\beta(m, n) = \frac{\Gamma(m) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(m+n)}$

$$\therefore \beta\left(n+\frac{1}{2}, n+\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\left[\Gamma\left(n+\frac{1}{2}\right)\right]^2}{\Gamma(2n+1)} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Now } \beta\left(n+\frac{1}{2}, n+\frac{1}{2}\right) = \int_0^1 x^{n-\frac{1}{2}} (1-x)^{n-\frac{1}{2}} dx$$

Put $x = \sin^2 \theta$ so that $dx = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta$, when $x=0, \theta=0$ and $x=1, \theta=\frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\beta\left(n+\frac{1}{2}, n+\frac{1}{2}\right) = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2n-1} \theta \cos^{2n-1} \theta \cdot 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2n} \theta \cos^{2n} \theta d\theta = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(\frac{\sin 2\theta}{2} \right)^{2n} d\theta \\
 &= \frac{1}{2^{2n-1}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2n} 2\theta d\theta \quad \left[\text{Put } \phi = 2\theta, \text{ when } \theta = 0, \phi = 0 \text{ and } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \phi = \pi \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2^{2n}} \int_0^{\pi} \sin^{2n} \phi d\phi = \frac{2}{2^{2n}} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2n} \phi d\phi = \frac{2}{2^{2n}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \cdot \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{2n+1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{2n+2}{2}\right)} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2^{2n}} \frac{\Gamma\left(n+\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma(n+1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

∴ From equation (i), we have

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

EXAMPLE 1.9. Prove that $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x^4}} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4} \left[\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \right]$. [K.U. 2008]

Solution. L.H.S. = $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x^4}}$

Put $x^4 = z \Rightarrow x = z^{1/4}$, so that $dx = \frac{1}{4}z^{-3/4}dz$.

When $x = 0$, $z = 0$ and $x = 1$, $z = 1$

$$\therefore \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x^4}} = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{4} \frac{z^{-3/4} dz}{\sqrt{1-z}} = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 z^{-3/4} (1-z)^{-1/2} dz = \frac{1}{4} \beta\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{4} \frac{\left[\frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1}{2} \right] \right]}{\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \right)} \quad \left[\because B(m, n) = \frac{m! n!}{(m+n)!} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{4} \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{\left[\frac{3}{4} \right]} = \text{R.H.S.}
 \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 1.10. Show that $\int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{\cot \theta} d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)$, where γ is a gamma function. [K.U. 2007, 2010]

$$\text{Solution. L.H.S.} = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{\cot \theta} d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{-1/2} \theta \cos^{1/2} \theta d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \beta\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)}{\gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4}\right)} = \frac{1}{2} \gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)$$

EXAMPLE 1.11. Prove that (i) $\beta(m, n) = \beta(m+1, n) + \beta(m, n+1)$ [K.U. 2003, 2006, 2012]

$$(ii) \frac{\beta(m+1, n)}{m} = \frac{\beta(m, n+1)}{n} = \frac{\beta(m, n)}{m+n}$$

$$\text{Solution. (i)} \quad \beta(m+1, n) + \beta(m, n+1) = \int_0^1 x^m (1-x)^{n-1} dx + \int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^n dx$$

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

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

$$(ii) \frac{\beta(m+1, n)}{m} = \frac{\Gamma(m+1) \cdot \Gamma(n)}{m \Gamma(m+1+n)} = \frac{\cancel{\Gamma(m)} \cdot \Gamma(n)}{\cancel{\Gamma(m+1)} \Gamma(m+1+n)}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(m) \cdot n \cdot \Gamma(n)}{n \Gamma(m+1+n)} = \frac{\Gamma(m) \Gamma(n+1)}{n \Gamma(m+1+n)} = \frac{\beta(m, n+1)}{n}$$

$$\text{Also} \quad \frac{\beta(m+1, n)}{m} = \frac{1}{m} \frac{\Gamma(m+1) \Gamma n}{\Gamma(m+1+n)} = \frac{1}{m} \frac{m \Gamma m \Gamma n}{(m+n) \Gamma m + n} = \frac{\Gamma m \Gamma n}{(m+n) \Gamma m + n} = \frac{\beta(m, n)}{m+n}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\beta(m+1, n)}{m} = \frac{\beta(m, n+1)}{n} = \frac{\beta(m, n)}{m+n}$$

1.5 DIRICHLET'S INTEGRAL

$$\text{The triple integral } \iiint_V x^{p-1} \cdot y^{m-1} z^{n-1} dx dy dz = \frac{\Gamma(p) \Gamma(m) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(1+p+m+n)}$$

where V is the region given by $x \geq 0, y \geq 0, z \geq 0, x+y+z \leq 1$ is called Dirichlet's integral.

$$\text{Proof: Here } V = \{(x, y, z) : x \geq 0, y \geq 0, z \geq 0, x+y+z \leq 1\}$$

$$\text{or } V = \{(x, y, z) : 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1-x, 0 \leq z \leq 1-x-y\}$$

$$\text{Let } I = \iiint_V x^{p-1} y^{m-1} z^{n-1} dx dy dz = \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} \int_0^{1-x-y} x^{p-1} y^{m-1} z^{n-1} dz dy dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} x^{p-1} y^{m-1} \left(\frac{z^n}{n}\right)_0^{1-x-y} dy dx = \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} x^{p-1} y^{m-1} \frac{(1-x-y)^n}{n} dy dx \quad \dots(i)$$

Put $y = (1-x)t$, so that $dy = (1-x)dt$
 When $y = 0, t = 0$, when $y = 1-x, t = 1$
 \therefore From equation (i), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 x^{p-1} (1-x)^{m-1} t^{m-1} \frac{[1-x+(1-x)t]^n}{n} (1-x) dt dx \\
 &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 x^{p-1} (1-x)^{m-1} t^{m-1} \frac{[(1-x)(1-t)]^n}{n} (1-x) dt dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 x^{p-1} (1-x)^{m+n} t^{m-1} (1-t)^n dt dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \int_0^1 x^{p-1} (1-x)^{m+n} \beta(m, n+1) dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \beta(m, n+1) \int_0^1 x^{p-1} (1-x)^{m+n} dx = \frac{1}{n} \beta(m, n+1) \beta(p, m+n+1) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \frac{\Gamma(m) \Gamma(n+1)}{\Gamma(m+n+1)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(p) \cdot \Gamma(m+n+1)}{\Gamma(p+m+n+1)} = \frac{1}{n} \frac{\Gamma(m) \Gamma(n+1) \Gamma(p)}{\Gamma(1+p+m+n)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \frac{\Gamma(m) \cdot n \Gamma(n) \cdot \Gamma(p)}{\Gamma(1+p+m+n)} = \frac{\Gamma(p) \Gamma(m) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(1+p+m+n)}
 \end{aligned}$$

1.5.1 Theorem

Prove that $\iint_D x^{m-1} y^{n-1} dx dy = \frac{\Gamma(m) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(1+m+n)} \cdot h^{m+n}$, where D is the region $x \geq 0, y \geq 0$ and $x+y \leq h$.

Proof: Let the transformation be $x = hu, y = hv$ so that $dx = h dy, dy = h dv$ and $dx dy = h^2 dx dv$

Also $x+y \leq h$ becomes $hu+hv \leq h$ i.e. $u+v \leq 1$.

The region D in xy -plane becomes the region D' in uv -plane where

$$D' = \{(u, v) : u \geq 0, v \geq 0 \text{ and } u+v \leq 1\}$$

$$\text{Given integral} = \iint_D x^{m-1} y^{n-1} dx dy = \iint_{D'} (hu)^{m-1} (hv)^{n-1} h^2 du dv$$

$$= h^{m+n} \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-u} u^{m-1} v^{n-1} dv du = h^{m+n} \int_0^1 u^{m-1} \left(\frac{v^n}{n}\right)_0^{1-u} du$$

$$= \frac{h^{m+n}}{n} \int_0^1 u^{m-1} (1-u)^n du = \frac{h^{m+n}}{n} \beta(m, n+1)$$

$$= \frac{h^{m+n}}{n} \frac{\Gamma(m) \Gamma(n+1)}{\Gamma(m+n+1)} = \frac{h^{m+n} \Gamma(m) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(m+n+1)} \quad [\because \Gamma(m+1) = n \Gamma(n)]$$

Thus we have $\iint_{x+y \leq h} x^{m-1} y^{n-1} dx dy = \frac{\Gamma(m) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(m+n+1)} h^{m+n}$

EXAMPLE 1.12. The plane $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 1$ meets the axes in A, B, C. Apply Dirichlet's integral to find volume of the tetrahedron OABC.

Solution. The given equation of the plane is $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 1$

Put $x = au, y = bv, z = cw$ so that

$$dx = a du, dy = b dv, dz = c dw$$

$$\therefore dx dy dz = abc du dv dw$$

The conditions are $u \geq 0, v \geq 0, w \geq 0$ and $u+v+w \leq 1$

∴ Volume of tetrahedron OABC

$$\begin{aligned} &= \iiint_{\substack{x+y+z \leq 1 \\ a+bu+cv+cw \leq 1}} 1 dx dy dz = \iiint_{u+v+w \leq 1} (abc) du dv dw \\ &= abc \iiint_{u+v+w \leq 1} u^{l-1} v^{l-1} w^{l-1} du dv dw \end{aligned}$$

Applying Dirichlet's Integral, we have

$$\text{Volume of tetrahedron} = abc \frac{\Gamma(1) \Gamma(1) \Gamma(1)}{\Gamma(1+1+1+1)} = \frac{abc}{\Gamma(4)} = \frac{abc}{3!} = \frac{abc}{6}$$

EXERCISE 1.1

Show that:

$$1. \int_0^{\infty} e^{-4x} x^{3/2} dx = \frac{3}{128} \sqrt{\pi}$$

$$2. \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-k^2 x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{k}$$

$$3. \int_0^{\infty} e^{-a^2 x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2a}$$

$$4. \int_0^{\infty} \sqrt{x} e^{-x^3} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{3}$$

$$5. \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^c}{e^x} dx = \frac{\Gamma(c+1)}{(\log e)^{c+1}}, c > 1$$

$$6. \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\sqrt{x}}}{x^{7/4}} dx = \frac{8}{3} \sqrt{\pi}$$

$$7. \int_0^{\infty} x^{p-1} e^{-kx} dx = \frac{\Gamma(p)}{k^p}$$

Prove that:

$$8. \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x^3}} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)}{3\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{6}\right)}$$

$$9. \int_0^3 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{3x-x^2}} = \beta\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) = \pi$$

10. $\int_0^1 x^4 \left(\log \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 dx = \frac{6}{625}$ [M.D.U.2004]

11. $\int_0^1 \frac{x dx}{\sqrt{1-x^5}} = \frac{1}{5} \beta\left(\frac{2}{5}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$

12. $\int_0^1 x^2 (1-x)^3 dx = \frac{1}{60}$

13. $\int_0^1 x^4 (1-x)^3 dx = \frac{1}{280}$

14. Prove that $\int_0^1 x^m (\log x)^n dx = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{(m+1)^{n+1}}$, where n is a positive integer and $m > -1$.

15. Show that $\Gamma(n) \Gamma(1-n) = \frac{\pi}{\sin n\pi}$, given $\int_0^\infty \frac{x^{n-1}}{1+x} dx = \frac{\pi}{\sin n\pi}$

16. Prove that $\int_0^1 \frac{x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1}}{(a+bx)^{m+n}} dx = \frac{\beta(m, n)}{a^n (a+b)^m}$ [Hint. Put $\frac{x}{a+bx} = \frac{z}{a+b}$]

17. (a) Show that $\frac{\beta(m+1, n)}{\beta(m, n)} = \frac{m}{m+n}$

(b) $\frac{\beta(p, q+1)}{q} = \frac{\beta(p+1, q)}{p} = \frac{\beta(p, q)}{p+q}$

18. Prove that $\int_0^1 \frac{x^2 dx}{\sqrt{1-x^4}} \times \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1+x^4}} = \frac{\pi}{4\sqrt{2}}$ (M.D.U. 2008)

[Hint : Put $x^2 = \sin \theta$ in 1st integral and $x^2 = \tan \theta$ in 2nd integral.]

19. Evaluate the integral $\iiint x^{l-1} y^{m-1} z^{n-1} dx dy dz$, where x, y, z are always positive but limited by the condition $\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^p + \left(\frac{y}{b}\right)^q + \left(\frac{z}{c}\right)^r \leq 1$

20. Show that $\iint x^{m-1} y^{n-1} dx dy$ over the positive octant of the ellipse

$$\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{b}\right)^2 = 1 \text{ is } \frac{a^m b^n}{2n} \cdot \beta\left(\frac{m}{2}, \frac{n}{2} + 1\right)$$

21. Show that the area in the first quadrant enclosed by the curve $\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^\alpha + \left(\frac{y}{b}\right)^\beta = 1, \alpha > 0, \beta > 0$

given by
$$\frac{ab}{\alpha + \beta} \cdot \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{\beta}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)}$$

Answers

19.
$$\frac{a^l b^m c^n}{pqr} = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{l}{p}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{m}{q}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{r}\right)}{\Gamma\left(1 + \frac{l}{p} + \frac{m}{q} + \frac{n}{r}\right)}$$