

Defⁿ: The function of m & n ($m, n > 0$) defined by the integral $\int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} dx$ is called Beta function.

It is denoted by $\beta(m, n)$, $\therefore \boxed{\beta(m, n) = \int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} dx}$

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

Properties of Beta function

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

2) The relation betⁿ Beta & Gamma functions.

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\beta(m, n) = \frac{\Gamma(m) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(m+n)}} \quad \checkmark$$

3) Second form of Beta fⁿ

$$\beta(m, n) = 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2m-1} \alpha \cos^{2n-1} \alpha d\alpha$$

Rearranging,

$$\rightarrow \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^p \alpha \cos^q \alpha d\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \beta\left(\frac{p+1}{2}, \frac{q+1}{2}\right)$$

$(2m-1 = p) \hookrightarrow \text{defⁿ of Beta fⁿ}$

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

$\hookrightarrow \text{defⁿ (form) of Beta fⁿ}$

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

Short explanatⁿ:

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

$t = 1-x \quad \therefore dt = -dx$

x	0	1
t	1	0

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

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

$x = \sin^2 \alpha, \quad 1-x = 1 - \sin^2 \alpha = \cos^2 \alpha$

$dx = 2 \sin \alpha \cos \alpha d\alpha$

x	0	1
α	0	$\pi/2$

$$I = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2(m-1)} \alpha \cos^{2(n-1)} \alpha \cdot 2 \sin \alpha \cos \alpha d\alpha$$

$$= 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2m-1} \alpha \cos^{2n-1} \alpha d\alpha$$

$x = \tan^2 \alpha$

x	0	∞
α	0	$\pi/2$

$dx = 2 \tan \alpha \sec^2 \alpha d\alpha$

$$I = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{(\tan^2 \alpha)^m}{(\sec^2 \alpha)^n} \cdot 2 \tan \alpha \sec^2 \alpha d\alpha$$

\downarrow

x	0	∞
α	0	$\pi/2$

$$s) \int_0^1 \frac{x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1}}{(a+bx)^{m+n}} dx \quad \text{put } \frac{x}{a+bx} = \frac{t}{a+b}$$

→ evaluation purpose:

$$s) \frac{\Gamma p \Gamma 1-p}{\sin p\pi} = \frac{\pi}{\sin p\pi}, \quad 0 < p < 1 \quad \checkmark$$

(proof afterwards)

examples: 1) $\Gamma \frac{3}{4} \Gamma \frac{1}{4} = \Gamma \frac{1}{4} \Gamma 1 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{\pi}{\sin(\frac{1}{4})\pi} = \frac{\pi}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} = \boxed{\sqrt{2}\pi}$

2) $\Gamma \frac{1}{3} \Gamma \frac{2}{3} = \Gamma \frac{1}{3} \Gamma 1 - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{\pi}{\sin(\frac{1}{3})\pi} = \frac{\pi}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{3}}$

3) $\Gamma \frac{1}{2} \Gamma 1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\pi}{\sin(\frac{1}{2})\pi} = \frac{\pi}{1} \Rightarrow \Gamma \frac{1}{2} \Gamma \frac{1}{2} = \pi$
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{\Gamma \frac{1}{2} = \sqrt{\pi}}$

7) Duplication formula of Gamma function

$$2^{2m-1} \Gamma m \Gamma m + \frac{1}{2} = \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma 2m$$

examples: 1) $\Gamma \frac{3}{4} \Gamma \frac{5}{4}$, if $m = \frac{3}{4}$, $m + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{4}$
 $2m = \frac{3}{2}$, $2m-1 = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\therefore \Gamma \frac{3}{4} \Gamma \frac{5}{4} = \frac{1}{2^{2m-1}} \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma 2m = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma \frac{3}{2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \Gamma \frac{1}{2} = \boxed{\frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}}}$$

2) $\Gamma \frac{5}{4} \Gamma \frac{7}{4} = \Gamma \frac{5}{4} \Gamma \frac{5}{4} + \frac{1}{2}$, $m = \frac{5}{4}$, $2m = \frac{5}{2}$, $2m-1 = \frac{3}{2}$
 $\Gamma \frac{5}{4} \Gamma \frac{7}{4} = \frac{1}{2^{2m-1}} \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma 2m = \frac{1}{2^{3/2}} \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma \frac{5}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \Gamma \frac{1}{2}$
 $\boxed{\frac{3\pi}{4}}$

$$\sqrt{\frac{5}{4}} \sqrt{\frac{7}{4}} = \frac{1}{2^{2m-1}} \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(m) = \dots$$

$$= \sqrt[2\sqrt{2}]{\frac{3\pi}{8\sqrt{2}}}$$