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The Gama Function $F(X)$

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* Special Functions *

I) The Gamma Function $\Gamma(x)$:

Only when $x > 0$, we define

$$\Gamma(x) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{x-1} dt \quad ; \quad x > 0$$

If $x \leq 0$, this integration diverges.

Examples:- Evaluate these integrals

1) $\int_0^{\infty} x^{\pi} e^{-x} dx$

2) $\int_0^{\infty} \sqrt[3]{x} e^{-2x} dx$

3) $\int_0^1 \sqrt{-x} \ln x dx$

Solution:- 1) $\int_0^{\infty} x^{\pi} e^{-x} dx = \Gamma(\pi+1)$

2) $\int_0^{\infty} \sqrt[3]{x} e^{-2x} dx$

Let $2x = t \Rightarrow dx = \frac{dt}{2}$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \sqrt[3]{\frac{t}{2}} e^{-t} \cdot \frac{dt}{2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt[3]{2}} \int_0^{\infty} t^{1/3} e^{-t} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt[3]{2}} \cdot \Gamma(4/3)$$

$$3) \int_0^1 \sqrt{-x \ln x} \, dx$$

$$\text{Let } \ln x = -t \Rightarrow x = e^{-t} \Rightarrow dx = -e^{-t} dt$$

$$x: 0 \rightarrow 1 \Rightarrow t: \infty \rightarrow 0$$

$$\int_0^1 \sqrt{e^{-t} \cdot t} \cdot (-e^{-t} dt) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\frac{3}{2}t} t^{\frac{1}{2}} dt$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{3}{2}t = u \Rightarrow dt = \frac{2}{3} du$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-u} \left(\frac{2}{3}u\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \frac{2}{3} du = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-u} \cdot u^{\frac{1}{2}} du$$

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

$$\text{Note: } \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$$

Properties of $\Gamma(x)$:

$$1) \Gamma(1) = 1$$

$$\text{Proof: } \Gamma(1) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} dt = -e^{-t} \Big|_0^{\infty} = 0 + 1 = 1$$

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

$$\text{Proof: } \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{-\frac{1}{2}} dt$$

$$\text{Let } t^{\frac{1}{2}} = u \Rightarrow t = u^2 \Rightarrow dt = 2u du$$

$$\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-u^2} \cdot \frac{1}{u} \cdot 2u du = 2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-u^2} du$$

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

The Recurrence Relation :-

$$\Gamma(x+1) = x \Gamma(x)$$

Proof:- $\Gamma(x+1) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^x dt$

using integration by parts

$$u = t^x$$

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

$$du = x t^{x-1} dt$$

$$v = -e^{-t}$$

$$\Gamma(x+1) = -t^x e^{-t} \Big|_0^{\infty} + x \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{x-1} dt = x \Gamma(x)$$

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Examples:-

$$\begin{aligned} * \Gamma\left(\frac{7}{2}\right) &= \frac{5}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) = \frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{15}{8} \sqrt{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} * \Gamma(6) &= 5 \Gamma(5) = 5 \cdot 4 \cdot \Gamma(4) = 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot \Gamma(3) \\ &= 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \Gamma(1) = 5! \end{aligned}$$

In general, $\Gamma(n+1) = n!$

So, the Gamma Fⁿ. is a generalization for the Factorial

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

$$\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)! = \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)$$

Examples : Evaluate these integrals

1) $\int_0^1 \ln^7 t \, dt$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Let } x = -\ln t \Rightarrow t = e^{-x} \Rightarrow dt = -e^{-x} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_0^1 \ln^7 t \, dt = \int_0^\infty (-x)^7 \cdot (-e^{-x}) dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty x^7 e^{-x} dx = - \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^7 dx = \Gamma(8) = 7! \end{aligned}$$

2) $\int_0^1 \sqrt[3]{x} \ln^5 x \, dx$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Let } -t = \ln x \Rightarrow x = e^{-t} \Rightarrow dx = -e^{-t} dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_0^1 x^{1/3} \ln^5 x \, dx = \int_0^\infty (e^{-t})^{1/3} (-t)^5 (-e^{-t}) dt \\ &= \int_0^\infty e^{-4/3 t} t^5 dt \Rightarrow \text{Let } u = \frac{4}{3} t \Rightarrow t = \frac{3}{4} u \\ &\Rightarrow dt = \frac{3}{4} du \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow I &= \int_0^\infty e^{-u} \left(\frac{3}{4}u\right)^5 \cdot \frac{3}{4} du = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^6 \int_0^\infty e^{-u} u^5 du \\ &= -\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^6 \int_0^\infty e^{-u} u^5 du = -\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^6 \Gamma(6) = -\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^6 \cdot 5! \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\text{Let } 2x^5 = t \Rightarrow x = (t/2)^{1/5} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{1/5} t^{1/5}$$

$$\Rightarrow dx = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{1/5} \cdot \frac{1}{5} t^{-4/5} dt$$

$$I = \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{3/5} t^{3/5} e^{-t} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{1/5} \cdot \frac{1}{5} t^{-4/5} dt$$

$$I = \frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{4/5} \int_0^{\infty} t^{-1/5} e^{-t} dt$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{5}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{4/5} \Gamma\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)$$

$$4) \int_0^{\infty} 3^{-x^2} dx$$

$$\text{Let } 3^{-x^2} = e^{-t} \Rightarrow -x^2 \ln 3 = -t$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{\frac{t}{\ln 3}} \Rightarrow dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\ln 3}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}} dt$$

$$x: 0 \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow t: 0 \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{\ln 3}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\ln 3}} \int_0^{\infty} t^{-1/2} e^{-t} dt$$

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

- We can extend the definition of the gamma fn. to include +ve & -ve values of x by using the recurrence relation. But def. (1) is a def. for $\Gamma(x)$ only for $x > 0$.

- Remark :-

- For $x > 0$ we define $\Gamma(x)$ by

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

or $\Gamma(x) = (x-1) \Gamma(x-1)$

- For $x \leq 0$ we define $\Gamma(x)$ only by the use of the recurrence relation in the form

$$\Gamma(x) = \frac{\Gamma(x+1)}{x} \quad \rightarrow (2)$$

$$4) \Gamma(-n) = \pm \infty \quad ; \text{ for } n \geq 0$$

Proof :-

to get $\Gamma(0)$ we have $\Gamma(0) = \frac{\Gamma(1)}{0} = \pm \infty$
(using (2))

$$\text{So, } \Gamma(-1) \text{ by using (2) also} = \frac{\Gamma(0)}{-1} = \pm \infty$$

$$\Gamma(-2) \quad " \quad " \quad " = \frac{\Gamma(-1)}{-2} = \pm \infty$$

\vdots

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma(\text{nonpositive integer}) = \pm \infty$$

Examples:- Evaluate 1) $\Gamma(-5/2)$

2) $\Gamma(-4.3)$

3) $\mathcal{L}(t^x)$ & hence $\mathcal{L}(1/\sqrt{t})$.

Solution :-

$$\begin{aligned} 1) \Gamma(-5/2) &= \frac{\Gamma(-3/2)}{-5/2} = \frac{\Gamma(-1/2)}{-\frac{5}{2}(-3/2)} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(1/2)}{-\frac{5}{2}(-\frac{3}{2})(-\frac{1}{2})} = -\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{15/8} \\ &= -\frac{8\sqrt{\pi}}{15} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2) \Gamma(-4.3) &= \frac{\Gamma(-3.3)}{-4.3} = \frac{\Gamma(-2.3)}{(-4.3)(-3.3)} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(-1.3)}{(-4.3)(-3.3)(-2.3)} = \frac{\Gamma(-0.3)}{(-4.3)(-3.3)(-2.3)(-1.3)} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(0.7)}{(-4.3)(-3.3)(-2.3)(-1.3)(-0.3)} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(1.7)}{(-4.3)(-3.3)(-2.3)(-1.3)(-0.3)(0.7)} = \frac{0.909}{-8.91} = -0.102 \end{aligned}$$

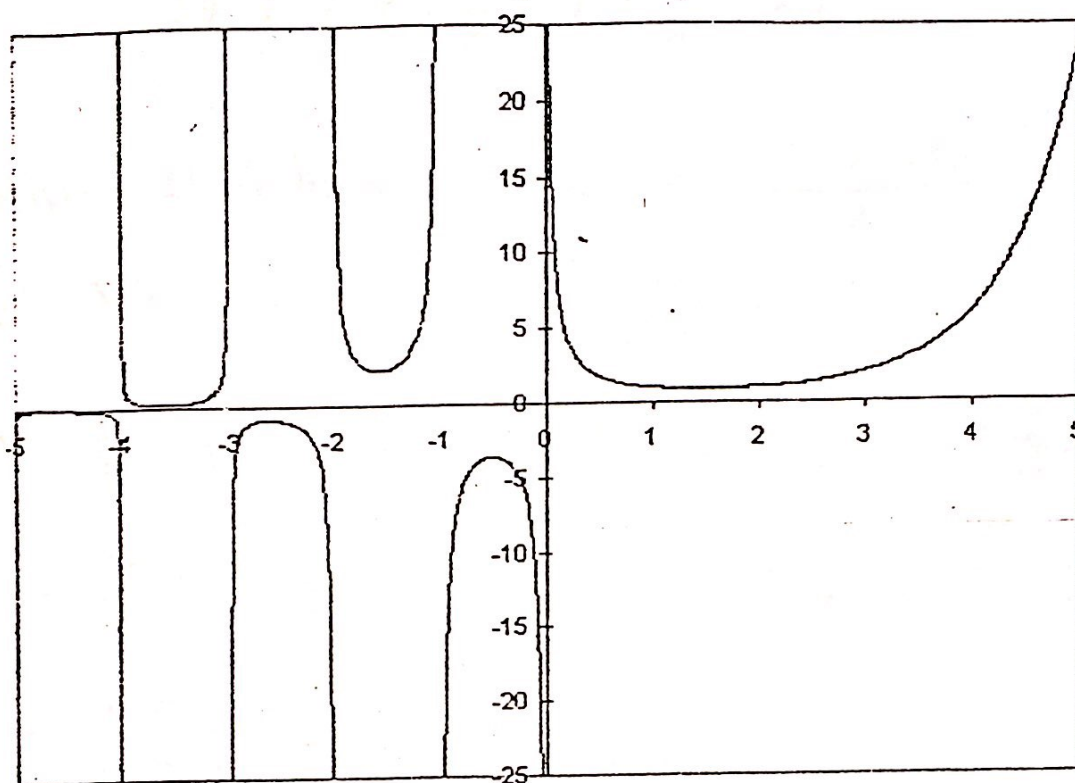
$$3) \mathcal{L}(t^x) = \int_0^{\infty} t^x e^{-st} dt$$

$$\text{Let } st = u \Rightarrow t = \frac{u}{s} \Rightarrow dt = \frac{1}{s} du$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(t^x) &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{u^x}{s^x} e^{-u} \cdot \frac{1}{s} du = \frac{1}{s^{x+1}} \int_0^{\infty} u^x e^{-u} du \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(x+1)}{s^{x+1}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right) = \mathcal{L}(t^{-1/2}), \text{ Put } x = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{\Gamma(1/2)}{\sqrt{s}} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{s}}$$

5) The graph of the Gamma fn. $\Gamma(x)$:-



You can observe that $\Gamma(1) = \Gamma(2) = 1$, $\Gamma(n+1) = n!$
 & $\Gamma(-n) = \Gamma(0) = \pm \infty$.

6) The Multiplication Formula:-

$$\Gamma(x) \Gamma(1-x) = \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi x}$$

Proof:-

The proof is too ridiculous & we will not mention it , it starts by using the Weierstrass formula that yields a functional equation which ends by this required formula.

Example: Evaluate 1) $\Gamma\left(\frac{7}{3}\right) \Gamma\left(-\frac{7}{3}\right)$

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

Solution: 1) We have $\Gamma(x) = \frac{\Gamma(x+1)}{x}$

Then $\Gamma\left(-\frac{7}{3}\right) = \frac{\Gamma\left(-\frac{4}{3}\right)}{-\frac{7}{3}}$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma\left(\frac{7}{3}\right) \Gamma\left(-\frac{7}{3}\right) = -\frac{3}{7} \cdot \Gamma\left(\frac{7}{3}\right) \Gamma\left(-\frac{4}{3}\right)$$

$$= -\frac{3}{7} \cdot \Gamma\left(\frac{7}{3}\right) \Gamma\left(1 - \frac{7}{3}\right) = -\frac{3}{7} \cdot \frac{\pi}{\sin\left(\frac{7\pi}{3}\right)}$$

$$= -\frac{3\pi}{7 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)} = -\frac{6\pi}{7\sqrt{3}}$$

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

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

$$= \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)} = \frac{\pi}{\sin\left(\pi x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{\cos \pi x}$$

Examples

★ Find the Conditions under which the integral $\int_0^{\infty} x^a b^{-x} dx$ Converges & hence evaluate it in terms of $\Gamma(x)$.

Solution:-

$$I = \int_0^{\infty} x^a b^{-x} dx$$

$$\text{Let } b^{-x} = e^{-t} \Rightarrow x \ln b = t \Rightarrow x = \frac{t}{\ln b}$$

$$\Rightarrow dx = \frac{dt}{\ln b}$$

$$I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{t^a}{(\ln b)^{a+1}} e^{-t} \cdot \frac{dt}{\ln b}; \text{ for } \ln b > 0 \Rightarrow b > 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{(\ln b)^{a+1}} \int_0^{\infty} t^a e^{-t} dt$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(a+1)}{(\ln b)^{a+1}}; \text{ for } a+1 > 0 \Rightarrow a > -1$$

★ Use your result to evaluate i) $\int_0^{\infty} t^{3/2} 5^{-t} dt$
ii) $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\pi^x x \sqrt{x}} dx$

Solution:-

i) We have $a = 3/2$ & $b = 5$

$$\Rightarrow I = \frac{\Gamma(3/2 + 1)}{(\ln 5)^{5/2}} = \frac{3/2 \Gamma(3/2)}{(\ln 5)^{5/2}} = \frac{3/2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2})}{(\ln 5)^{5/2}}$$

$$= \frac{3\sqrt{\pi}}{4 (\ln 5)^{5/2}}$$

ii) we have $I = \int_0^{\infty} \pi^{-x} \cdot x^{-3/2} dx \Rightarrow a = -3/2$ & $b = \pi$

\Rightarrow Since $a = -3/2 < -1 \Rightarrow$ the integration diverges.

Example:- For what values of a does this integral $\int_0^{\sqrt{e}} (\ln x - \frac{1}{2})^a x^2 dx$ has a value.

Solution:- Let $\ln x - \frac{1}{2} = u \Rightarrow \ln x = u + \frac{1}{2}$

$$x = e^{u+1/2} \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{e} \cdot e^u$$

$$\Rightarrow dx = \sqrt{e} \cdot e^u du$$

$$x: 0 \rightarrow \sqrt{e} \Rightarrow u: -\infty \rightarrow 0$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^0 u^a (\sqrt{e} \cdot e^u)^2 \cdot \sqrt{e} \cdot e^u du$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^0 u^a e \sqrt{e} e^{3u} du = e \sqrt{e} \int_{-\infty}^0 u^a e^{3u} du$$

$$\therefore \text{Let } 3u = -t \Rightarrow du = -\frac{dt}{3}$$

$$e \sqrt{e} \int_{\infty}^0 \left(-\frac{t}{3}\right)^a e^{-t} \cdot \frac{-dt}{3} = \frac{(-1)^a e \sqrt{e}}{3^{a+1}} \int_0^{\infty} t^a e^{-t} dt$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^a e \sqrt{e}}{3^{a+1}} \cdot \Gamma(a+1) ; a+1 > 0$$

The integration will converge if $a > -1$.

Example:

Show that $\Gamma(n + \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{(2n)!}{2^{2n} \cdot n!} \sqrt{\pi}$

Solution:-

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma(n + \frac{1}{2}) &= (n - \frac{1}{2}) \Gamma(n - \frac{1}{2}) = (n - \frac{1}{2})(n - \frac{3}{2}) \Gamma(n - \frac{3}{2}) \\ &= (n - \frac{1}{2})(n - \frac{3}{2}) \dots \frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2^n} (2n-1)(2n-3) \dots 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 1 \cdot \sqrt{\pi} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2^n} \cdot \frac{(2n)(2n-1)(2n-2)(2n-3) \dots 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{(2n)(2n-2) \dots 6 \cdot 4 \cdot 2} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2^n} \cdot \frac{(2n)!}{(2n)(2n-2) \dots 6 \cdot 4 \cdot 2} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2^n \cdot 2^n} \cdot \frac{(2n)!}{n(n-1) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2^{2n}} \cdot \frac{(2n)!}{n!}\end{aligned}$$

Example: Show that $\Gamma(v) = \int_0^1 (\ln \frac{1}{x})^{v-1} dx ; v > 0$

Solution:-

Let $\ln \frac{1}{x} = t \Rightarrow x = e^{-t} \Rightarrow dx = -e^{-t} dt$

$$I = \int_0^{\infty} t^{v-1} (-e^{-t} dt)$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} t^{v-1} e^{-t} dt = \Gamma(v), \text{ for } v > 0$$

Homework:

Evaluate 1) $\int_0^{\infty} \sqrt[4]{x} e^{-\sqrt{x}} dx$

2) $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{-\ln x}}$