

Beta and gamma function

* In this unit, we are coming across two special type of improper integrals

(1) Beta &

(2) Gamma

functions which plays important role to evaluate certain complicated integrals by Handy techniques by expressing in terms of these integrals.

Also used in double integrals, Fourier transforms, Laplace transforms etc.

Gamma Function

Defⁿ :-

The definite improper integral $\int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{n-1} dt$ & denoted by ' Γn ', called as Gamma 'n' or Euler's integral of second kind.

i.e.

$$\Gamma n = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{n-1} dt, n > 0$$

Here, we can see 'n'

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

is

This ^ in integration w.r.t. x but ' Γn ' is Real No.

* Properties of Gamma Function :-

① $\Gamma(1) = 1$ (of step factorial write similar equation proof, it is simple to prove it by integration)

We know

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

then

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

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-t} dt$$

$$[-e^{-t}]_0^\infty$$

$$= [0 - (-1)]$$

$$\Gamma = 1$$

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$$\sqrt{n+1} = n \sqrt{n}$$

Proof :-

$$\text{We know that } \Gamma(n) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{n-1} dt \quad (\because n > 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{n+1} = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{(n+1)-1} dt$$

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

$$\text{integrating by parts } [\int u \cdot v = u(v - \int u' v)]$$

$$= \left[t^n \cdot \frac{e^{-t}}{-1} \right]_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty n t^{n-1} \cdot \frac{e^{-t}}{-1} dt$$

$$\text{But we know that } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^n = 0$$

$$= 0 + n \int_0^\infty t^{n-1} \cdot e^{-t} dt$$

$$\sqrt{n+1} = n \int_0^\infty e^{-t} \cdot t^{n-1} dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\sqrt{n+1} = n \sqrt{n}} \quad \dots \text{by defn. of } \Gamma$$

Remark :-

if n is positive integer

$$\Gamma_{n+1} = n \sqrt{n}$$

$$= n (n-1) \sqrt{n-1} \dots \therefore \sqrt{n} = (n-1) \sqrt{n-1}$$

$$= n (n-1) (n-2) \sqrt{n-2} \dots \therefore \sqrt{n-1} = (n-2) \sqrt{n-2}$$

$$= \dots$$

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$$= n (n-1) (n-2) (n-3) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$$

$$\Gamma_{n+1} = n (n-1) (n-2) (n-3) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \quad \because \Gamma_1 = 1$$

$$\Gamma_{n+1} = n! \quad \text{when } n \text{ is positive integer.}$$

Now,

$$\Gamma_0 = \infty, \quad \Gamma_1 = 1$$

proof :- we know that $\Gamma_{n+1} = n \sqrt{n}$

$$\sqrt{n} = \frac{\Gamma_{n+1}}{n}$$

$$\text{pw } n=0 \Rightarrow \Gamma_0 = \frac{\Gamma_1}{0} = \frac{1}{0} = \infty$$

3] Alternative definition of Gamma function:-

$$\Gamma(n) = 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} x^{2n-1} dx$$

proof :- We know that, $\Gamma(n) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{n-1} dt$, $n > 0$

Now put $t = x^2$

$$\Rightarrow dt = 2x dx$$

\Rightarrow	when $t =$	0	∞
	then $x =$	0	∞

$$\therefore \text{From eqn } ① \quad \Gamma(n) = \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} (x^2)^{n-1} 2x dx$$

$$= 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} x^{2n-2} \cdot x dx$$

$$\boxed{\Gamma(n) = 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} \cdot x^{2n-1} dx}$$

* Remark

NOTE THAT : $\left| \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \right|$

$$4) \Gamma(1/2) = \sqrt{\pi}$$

We know that, (By property 3)

$$\Gamma(n) = 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} \cdot x^{2n-1} dx$$

$$\text{put } n = 1/2$$

$$\Gamma(1/2) = 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} \cdot x^{(1/2)-1} dx$$

$$= 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$$

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

$$\boxed{\Gamma(1/2) = \sqrt{\pi}}$$

$$* \text{Find } \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{2}\right), \quad \text{As we know } \Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n)$$

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

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

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

$$5] \int_0^\infty e^{-kx} \cdot x^{n-1} dx = \frac{1}{k^n}$$

$$\text{Consider L.H.S.} = \int_0^\infty e^{-kx} \cdot x^{n-1} dx \quad (1)$$

$$\text{put } kx = t \Rightarrow x = \frac{t}{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow dx = \frac{dt}{k}$$

when $x=0$	0	∞
then $t=0$	0	∞

i.e. eqⁿ (1) becomes,

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{-t} \cdot \left(\frac{t}{k}\right)^{n-1} \frac{dt}{k}$$

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

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

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

$$\boxed{\text{LHS} = \text{RHS.}}$$

* Remark

Note that :-

$$\sqrt{p} \sqrt{1-p} = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad 0 < p < 1$$

e.g.

$$① \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} \cdot \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{4}}, \quad 0 < \frac{1}{4} < 1$$

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

$$\sin\left(\frac{1}{4} \cdot \pi\right)$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/4)} = \frac{\pi}{1/\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} = \pi \cdot \sqrt{2}$$

$$② \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{3}}, \quad 0 < \frac{1}{3} < 1$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/3)} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{3}/2} = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Examples :- Type - 1

① Evaluate $\int_0^\infty e^{-x^4} dx$ ①

put $x^4 = t$

$\Rightarrow dx = t^{1/4} dt$

$$dx = \frac{1}{4} t^{1/4-1} dt$$

$$dx = \frac{1}{4} t^{-3/4} dt$$

When $x = 0$	0	∞
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then $t = 0$	0	∞
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∴ eqn ① becomes,

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-x^4} dx = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} \cdot \frac{1}{4} t^{-3/4} dt$$

We can write $\frac{-3}{4} = \frac{1}{4} - 1 = 1$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^\infty e^{-t} \cdot t^{1/4-1} dt$$

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-x^4} dx = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^\infty e^{-t} \cdot t^{n-1} dt = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^\infty e^{-t} \cdot t^{n-1} dt$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \text{Evaluate } \int_0^\infty 4\sqrt{x} \cdot e^{-\sqrt{x}} dx \quad \text{Ans} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

Soln put $\sqrt{x} = t$

$$\Rightarrow x = t^2$$

$$\Rightarrow dx = 2t dt$$

When $x =$	0	∞	0	Ans
then $t =$	0	∞	0	Ans

∴ eqⁿ ① becomes

$$\int_0^\infty 4\sqrt{x} e^{-\sqrt{x}} dx = \int_0^\infty (t^2)^{1/4} \cdot e^{-t} \cdot 2t dt$$

$$= 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{1/2} \cdot t dt$$

$$= 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{3/2} dt$$

$$= 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{5/2-1} dt$$

$$= 2 \left[\frac{\Gamma(5/2)}{2} \right]$$

$$= 2 \cdot \left[\frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \right] = \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{\pi}$$

$$3] \text{ Evaluate } \int_0^\infty e^{-2x^2} \cdot x^9 dx = ①$$

$$\text{put } 2x^2 = t \Rightarrow x = \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x dx = dt$$

$$\Rightarrow dx = \frac{dt}{4(\sqrt{t/2})} = \frac{dt \cdot \sqrt{2}}{4\sqrt{t}}$$

When $x =$	0	∞
then $t =$	0	∞

\therefore eqn ① becomes,

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-2x^2} \cdot x^9 dx = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} \cdot (\sqrt{\frac{t}{2}})^9 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4\sqrt{t}} dt$$

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{-t} \cdot \frac{(t)^{9/2}}{(2)^{9/2}} \cdot \frac{(2)^{11/2}}{4(t)^{11/2}} dt$$

$$= \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-t}}{4} \frac{(t)^{9/2-11/2}}{(2)^{9/2-11/2}} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2^4} \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^4 dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{64} \cdot \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{5-1} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{64} \cdot (-1) \left(\Gamma(5) \right) = \frac{1}{64} \cdot 4! = \frac{24}{64} = \frac{3}{8}$$

* Home work Examples

Evaluate following

$$\textcircled{1} \int_0^{\infty} x^7 e^{-2x^2} dx \quad \text{Answer} = \frac{3}{16}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \int_0^{\infty} \sqrt{x} \cdot e^{-\sqrt{x}} dx \quad \text{Answer} = \frac{315\sqrt{\pi}}{16}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \int_0^{\infty} \sqrt{y} e^{-y^3} dy \quad \text{Answer} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{3}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \int_0^{\infty} x^{2/3} e^{-\sqrt[3]{x}} dx \quad \text{Answer} = 72$$

Type : 2

Evaluate $\int_0^\infty \frac{x^a}{a^x} dx$, ($a > 0$)

— ①

Soln :- put $a^x = e^t$

$$\Rightarrow x \cdot \log(a) = t$$

$$x = t$$

$$\log a$$

$$dx = \frac{dt}{\log a}, \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \text{when } x = 0 & 0 & \infty \\ \hline \text{then } t = 0 & 0 & \infty \\ \hline \end{array}$$

∴ eqn ① becomes,

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^a}{a^x} dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{x^a}{e^t} \frac{dt}{\log a}$$

$$= \boxed{\int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^a dt}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\log a} \int_0^\infty e^{-t} \left(\frac{t}{\log a} \right)^a dt$$

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

② Evaluate, $\int_0^\infty \frac{x^2}{(3)^{x^2}} dx$

①

Soln : put $(3)^x = e^t$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 \log(3) = t \Rightarrow 2x dx = \frac{dt}{\log 3}$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{\frac{t}{\log 3}}$$

$$2x dx = \frac{dt}{\log 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 dx = \frac{\sqrt{t} dt}{2\sqrt{\log 3} \cdot \log 3}$$

g	when $x = 0$	0	∞
	then $t = 0$	0	∞

put in eqn ① then it becomes.

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^2}{(3)^{x^2}} dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{e^t} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{t}}{2(\log 3)^{3/2}} dt$$

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

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

$$= \frac{1}{2(\log 3)^{3/2}} \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \right) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2(\log 3)^{3/2}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\pi}$$

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

③ Evaluate $\int_0^\infty s^{-4x^2} dx$ (1)

Soln :- put $s^{-4x^2} = e^{-t}$ (2)

$$\Rightarrow -4x^2 \log s = -t$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = t \quad \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{\frac{t}{4 \cdot \log s}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x dx = dt$$

$$\frac{2(\sqrt{t})}{4 \cdot \log s} dt$$

$$\Rightarrow dx = \frac{dt}{4 \sqrt{t} \cdot \log s}$$

$$\Rightarrow dx = \frac{\sqrt{\log s} dt}{4 \sqrt{t} (\log s)} \Rightarrow dx = \frac{dt}{4 \sqrt{t} \cdot \sqrt{\log s}}$$

when $x=0$	0	∞
then $t=0$	0	∞

1. From eqn (1),

$$\int_0^\infty s^{-4x^2} dx = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} \cdot \frac{dt}{4 \sqrt{t} \sqrt{\log s}}$$

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{-t} \frac{t^{-1/2}}{4\sqrt{\log 5}} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\sqrt{\log 5}} \cdot \int_0^\infty e^{-t} \cdot t^{1/2-1} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\sqrt{\log 5}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\int_0^\infty 7^{-4x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4\sqrt{\log 5}} \Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{\pi}$$

* Examples For Home work.

Evaluate Following

$$\textcircled{1} \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{3^{4x^2}} \quad \text{Answer} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4\sqrt{\log 3}}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \int_0^\infty \frac{x^2}{2^x} dx \quad \text{Answer} = \frac{2}{(\log 2)^3}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \int_0^\infty \frac{x^4}{4^x} dx \quad \text{Answer} = \frac{24}{(\log 4)^5}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \int_0^\infty 7^{-4x^2} dx \quad \text{Answer} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4\sqrt{\log 7}}$$

Type-3,

① Evaluate $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x \log(\frac{1}{x})}}$

Solⁿ put $\log\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = t$

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

$$\Rightarrow x = e^{-t} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline \text{When } x = & 0 & 1 & \\ \hline \text{then } t = & \infty & 0 & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

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

so, eqⁿ ① becomes.

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x \cdot \log(1/x)}} = \int_0^\infty \frac{-e^{-t} dt}{\sqrt{e^{-t} \cdot t}}$$

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

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{-t} \cdot e^{t/2} \cdot t^{-1/2} dt$$

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{-t/2} \cdot t^{-1/2} dt$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x \log(1/x)}} = \int_0^\infty e^{-t/2} \cdot t^{-1/2} dt$$

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

As we know that

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-kt} \cdot t^{n-1} dt = \frac{n}{k^n} \quad \text{Here } k = \frac{1}{2}, n = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1/2}{(\frac{1}{2})^{1/2}}$$

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

$$\therefore \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{\pi}$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x \log(1/x)}} = \sqrt{2\pi}$$

2] Evaluate

$$\int_0^1 (x \log x)^4 dx \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Soln : put $\log x = -t$

$$\Rightarrow x = e^{-t} \Rightarrow$$

when $x = 0$	0	1
then $t = \infty$	0	0

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

put in (1) we get

$$\int_0^1 (x \cdot \log x)^4 dx = \int_0^\infty (e^{-t} \cdot (-t))^4 (-e^{-t} dt)$$

$$= - \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-4t} \cdot t^4 \cdot e^{-t} dt$$

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{-5t} t^{5-1} dt$$

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = - \int_b^a f(x) dx$$

We know that

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-kt} \cdot t^{n-1} dt = \frac{\Gamma n}{k^n} \quad ; \text{ Here } k=5, n=5$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma 5}{(5)^5} = \frac{4!}{(5)^5} \dots \quad ; \quad \Gamma n = (n-1)! \quad \text{when } n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

3) Evaluate $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{-\log(x)}}$ (or) $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{\log(\frac{1}{x})}}$ (1)

Solⁿ put

$$\begin{aligned} -\log(x) &= t \\ \Rightarrow \log(x) &= -t \\ \Rightarrow x &= e^{-t} \Rightarrow \text{when } n = 0 \quad 1 \\ \Rightarrow dx &= -e^{-t} dt \quad \text{then } t = \infty \quad 0 \end{aligned}$$

so, eqⁿ ① becomes,

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{-\log x}} = \int_0^\infty \frac{-e^{-t} dt}{\sqrt{t}}$$

$$F.P.I = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} \cdot t^{-1/2} dt$$

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{-t} \cdot t^{1/2-1} dt$$

$$= \Gamma(1/2)$$

$$= \sqrt{\pi}$$

Examples on Home work

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

Evaluate the following

① $\int_0^1 \frac{x dx}{\sqrt{\log\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}}$

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

② $\int_0^1 x^3 \cdot (\log x)^3 dx$

Answer = $-3!$

③ $\int_0^1 x^3 \left(\log\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \right)^4 dx$

Answer = $\frac{3}{128}$

④ $\int_0^1 (\log x)^n dx$

Answer = $(-1)^n \Gamma n$