

## PRACTICE PROBLEMS ON GAMMA FUNCTION

- Given  $\overline{1 \cdot 8} = 0.9314$ , find the value of  $\overline{-2 \cdot 2}$ .
- Compute  $\overline{-2 \cdot 5}$ .
- Prove that  $\overline{n + \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n-1)}{2^n} \sqrt{\pi}$ . Hence or otherwise prove that  $\overline{n + \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{(2n)! \sqrt{\pi}}{n! 4^n}$ .
- If  $I_n = \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \overline{n+1}}{\overline{\frac{n}{2}+1}}$ , show that  $I_{n+2} = \frac{n+1}{n+2} I_n$  and hence, find  $I_5$ .

Evaluate the following integrals (5 to 11)

- $\int_0^\infty e^{-h^2 x^2} dx$
- $\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2/4} dx$
- $\int_0^\infty e^{-x^5} dx$
- $\int_0^\infty \sqrt{x} e^{-x^2} dx$
- $\int_0^\infty (2x^2 + 4) e^{-2x^2} dx$
- $\int_0^\infty x^{1/4} e^{-\sqrt{x}} dx$
- $\int_0^\infty x^n e^{-\sqrt{ax}} dx$
- Prove that  $\int_0^\infty x^2 e^{-x^4} dx \cdot \int_0^\infty e^{-x^4} dx = \frac{\pi}{8\sqrt{2}}$
- Prove that  $\int_0^\infty x e^{-x^4} dx \cdot \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-x^2}}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{8} \overline{\frac{1}{4}}$
- Prove that  $\int_0^\infty x e^{-x^8} dx \cdot \int_0^\infty x^2 e^{-x^8} dx = \frac{1}{64} \overline{\frac{1}{4}} \overline{\frac{3}{8}}$
- Prove that  $\int_0^\infty x e^{-x^8} dx \cdot \int_0^\infty x^2 e^{-x^4} dx = \frac{\pi}{16\sqrt{2}}$
- Prove that  $\int_0^\infty \sqrt{y} \cdot e^{-y^2} dy \cdot \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-y^2}}{\sqrt{y}} dy = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}}$
- Prove that  $\int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-x^3}}{\sqrt{x}} dx \cdot \int_0^\infty y^4 e^{-y^6} dy = \frac{\pi}{9}$

Evaluate the following integrals (18 to 29)

- $\int_0^1 x^m \cdot \left(\log \frac{1}{x}\right)^n dx$
- $\int_0^1 (x \log x)^3 dx$
- $\int_0^1 x^3 \left(\log \frac{1}{x}\right)^4 dx$
- $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x \log(1/x)}}$
- $\int_0^1 \sqrt{x \log(1/x)} \cdot dx$
- $\int_0^1 \sqrt{\log(1/x)} \cdot dx$
- $\int_0^1 (\log x)^5 dx$
- $\int_0^\infty \frac{x^7}{7x} \cdot dx$
- $\int_0^\infty 7^{-4} x^2 dx$
- $\int_0^\infty 3^{-4} x^2 dx$
- Show that (i)  $\int_0^\infty x^{m-1} \cos ax dx = \frac{\overline{m}}{a^m} \cos\left(\frac{m\pi}{2}\right)$ . (ii)  $\int_0^\infty x^{m-1} \sin ax dx = \frac{\overline{m}}{a^m} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{2}\right)$ .
- Show that  $\int_0^\infty e^{-ax} x^{n-1} dx = \frac{\overline{n}}{a^n}$  where  $a, n$  are positive. Deduce that  
 (i)  $\int_0^\infty e^{-ax} x^{n-1} \cos bx dx = \frac{\overline{n}}{r^n} \cdot \cos n\theta$  (ii)  $\int_0^\infty e^{-ax} x^{n-1} \sin bx dx = \frac{\overline{n}}{r^n} \cdot \sin n\theta$   
 Where  $r^2 = a^2 + b^2, \theta = \tan^{-1}(b/a)$
- Prove that (i)  $\int_0^\infty \cos(ax^{1/n}) dx = \frac{\overline{n+1}}{a^n} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right)$  (ii)  $\int_0^\infty \sin(ax^{1/n}) dx = \frac{\overline{n+1}}{a^n} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right)$
- Prove that (i)  $\int_0^\infty x e^{-ax} \cos bx dx = \frac{a^2 - b^2}{(a^2 + b^2)^2}$  (ii)  $\int_0^\infty x e^{-ax} \sin bx dx = \frac{2ab}{(a^2 + b^2)^2}$

## ANSWERS

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| 1. -2.21                                  | 2. $-\frac{8}{15}\sqrt{\pi}$            | 4. $\frac{8}{15}$                  | 5. $\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2h}$  | 6. $\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{\pi}$ |
| 7. $\frac{1}{5} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{5}}$ | 8. $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}}$      | 9. $\frac{9\sqrt{\pi}}{4\sqrt{2}}$ | 10. $\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{\pi}$ | 11. $\frac{2\sqrt{2n+2}}{a^{n+1}}$   |
| 18. $\frac{\sqrt{n+1}}{(m+1)^{n+1}}$      | 19. $-\frac{3}{128}$                    | 20. $\frac{3}{128}$                | 21. $\sqrt{2\pi}$           | 22. $\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{3\sqrt{3/2}}$ |
| 23. $\sqrt{\pi}$                          | 24. $\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}$     | 25. $\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$         | 26. -120                    | 27. $\frac{7!}{(\log 7)^8}$          |
| 28. $\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4\sqrt{\log 7}}$   | 29. $\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4\sqrt{\log 3}}$ |                                    |                             |                                      |