

N-Step Factorial

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1 Proving $g(x)$ is Periodic Over the Reals

(BC) This is a nice start. To make it complete, need to add

1 Where the equation $g(x) = \frac{\text{NSF}(x,1)}{\Gamma(x+1)}$ came from

2 Definitions of $\text{NSF}(x,1)$ and $\Gamma(x+1)$

Let $g(x) = \frac{\text{NSF}(x,1)}{\Gamma(x+1)}$. Prove $g(x) = g(x+1)$.

We know $\text{NSF}(x+1,1) = (x+1)\text{NSF}(x,1)$.

We also know from Gaussian Integrals that $\Gamma(x+2) = (x+1)\Gamma(x+1)$.*

$$\begin{aligned} g(x+1) &= \frac{\text{NSF}(x+1,1)}{\Gamma(x+2)} \\ &= \frac{(x+1)\text{NSF}(x,1)}{(x+1)\Gamma(x+1)^*} \\ &= \frac{\text{NSF}(x,1)}{\Gamma(x+1)} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have shown that $g(x) = g(x+1)$ and $g(x)$ is periodic over the reals.

(BC) I didn't see the $\Gamma(x+1) = x\Gamma(x)$ result in the Gaussian Integrals reference, but I did find it here: <https://www.cantorsparadise.com/the-beautiful-gamma-function-and-the-genius-who-discovered-it-8778437565dc>

Gaussian Integrals