

**Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee**  
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**Tutorial Sheet-7: Gamma and Beta Functions**

1. Evaluate: (i)  $\Gamma(7)$ , (ii)  $\Gamma(\frac{7}{2})$ .

2. Show that (i)  $\Gamma(\frac{1}{3})\Gamma(\frac{2}{3}) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\pi$ ; (ii)  $\Gamma(m + \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(2m+1)}{2^{2m}\Gamma(m+1)}$ ,

(iii)  $2^{2m-1}\Gamma(m)\Gamma(m + \frac{1}{2}) = \sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(2m)$ ,  $m$  is an integer in both (ii) and (iii).

3. For  $s > 0, p > 0$ , show that (i)  $\int_0^\infty x^{p-1}e^{-sx}dx = \Gamma(p)/s^p$  (ii)  $\int_0^\infty e^{-s^2x^2}dx = \sqrt{\pi}/2s$ .

4. Show That  $\Gamma(p) = \int_0^1 (\log(1/y))^{p-1}dy$ ,  $p > 0$ ; using this evaluate  $\int_0^1 (\log(1/y))^{-1/2}dy$ .

5. Show that for integer  $m > -1, n > 0$ ,

$$\int_0^1 x^m (\log x)^n dx = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{(m+1)^{n+1}}$$

6. Show that for  $c > 1$ ,

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^c}{c^x} dx = \frac{\Gamma(c+1)}{(\log c)^{c+1}}.$$

7. Show that for  $r > -1$ ,

$$\int_0^\infty x^r e^{-s^2x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2s^{r+1}} \Gamma(\frac{r+1}{2}).$$

8. Using reflection property show that

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \tan^n \theta d\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \sec \frac{n\pi}{2}.$$

9. Prove the following:

$$(i) B(x, y) = 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2x-1} \theta \cos^{2y-1} \theta d\theta, \quad (ii) B(x, y) = \int_0^\infty \frac{t^{x-1}}{(1+t)^{x+y}} dt,$$

$$(iii) B(x, y) = B(x+1, y) + B(x, y+1), \quad (iv) \frac{1}{x+y} B(x, y) = \frac{1}{x} B(x+1, y) = \frac{1}{y} B(x, y+1),$$

$$(v) \int_0^1 t^{m-1} (1-t^2)^{n-1} dt = \frac{1}{2} B(\frac{m}{2}, n), \quad (vi) \int_0^1 (1-t^6)^{-1/6} dt = \frac{\pi}{3}.$$

10. Show that, for any positive integer  $m$

$$B(m, m) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(m)}{2^{2m-1}\Gamma(m+1/2)}.$$

11. Evaluate following integrals in terms of Gamma or Beta functions;

$$(i) \int_0^\infty e^{-x^4} dx, \quad (ii) \int_0^\infty x^{-7/4} e^{-\sqrt{x}} dx, \quad (iii) \int_0^1 x^5 (1-x^3)^{10} dx,$$

$$(iv) \int_0^1 \frac{(1-x^4)^{3/4}}{(1+x^4)^2} dx, \quad (v) \int_0^a x^9 \sqrt[3]{(a^6-x^6)} dx, \quad (vi) \int_0^a x^3 (a^5-x^5)^3 dx.$$

**ANSWERS:**

1. (i) 720, (ii)  $\frac{15}{8}\sqrt{\pi}$  4.  $\sqrt{\pi}$

11. (i)  $\Gamma(\frac{5}{4})$ ,

(ii)  $\frac{8}{3}\sqrt{\pi}$ ,

(iii)  $\frac{1}{3} B(2, 11) = \frac{1}{396}$ ,

(iv)  $\frac{1}{4 \cdot 2^{1/4}} B\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{7}{4}\right)$ ,

(v)  $\frac{a^6}{6} B\left(\frac{5}{3}, \frac{4}{3}\right)$

(vi)  $\frac{a^{19}}{65} B\left(\frac{4}{5}, 4\right)$ .