

# Beta Distribution

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## 1 What is Beta Distribution

The *beta function* (also known as *Euler's integral of the first kind*) is important in calculus and analysis due to its close connection to the gamma function, which is itself a generalization of the factorial function. Many complex integrals can be reduced to expressions involving the beta function.

### 1.1 Definition

The *beta function*, denoted by  $B(x, y)$ , is defined as

$$B(x, y) = \int_0^1 t^{x-1} (1-t)^{y-1} dt$$

this is also the Euler's integral of the first kind.

### 1.2 Features

**Symmetry** Symmetry of the Beta Function

$$B(x, y) = B(y, x)$$

**Gamma Function** We have

$$B(x, y) = \frac{\Gamma(x)\Gamma(y)}{\Gamma(x+y)}$$

thus for positive integrals  $x$  and  $y$ , we can define the *Beta function* as

$$B(x, y) = \frac{(x-1)!(y-1)!}{(x+y-1)!}$$

*Proof.* proof. □

**Theorem 1.1.** *theorem.*

**Lemma 1.1.** *lemma.*