

Gamma and Beta Functions - (9)

Gamma Function:

(LUB) The integral $\int_0^{\infty} x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx$ (1) is called the Eulerian integral. The function (1) defined for positive value of n (i.e. $n > 0$) is known as Gamma Function and denoted by $\Gamma(n)$. i.e.

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

Note: $\frac{\Gamma(n)}{z^n} = \int_0^{\infty} y^{n-1} e^{-zy} dy$

$\Rightarrow \Gamma(n) = \int_0^{\infty} z^n y^{n-1} e^{-zy} dy$

Beta Function:

The integral $\int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} dx$ (2) is known as First Eulerian integral. The function (2) is defined for positive value of m and n (i.e. $m > 0, n > 0$) is known as Beta Function and denoted by $\beta(m, n)$.

$$\therefore \beta(m, n) = \int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} dx, \quad m > 0, n > 0$$

Note: $\beta(m, n) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{y^{n-1}}{(1+y)^{m+n}} dy$

Ques ✓
Relation between Gamma and Beta Functions:

Prove that, $\beta(m, n) = \frac{\Gamma(m)\Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(m+n)}$

Soln: We know that

$$\Gamma(n) = \int_0^{\infty} z^n y^{n-1} e^{-zy} dy \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Multiply both sides by $z^{m-1} e^{-z}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(n) z^{m-1} e^{-z} &= \int_0^{\infty} z^n y^{n-1} e^{-zy} \cdot z^{m-1} e^{-z} dy \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} y^{n-1} z^{m+n-1} e^{-z(1+y)} dy \end{aligned}$$

Integrate both sides w.r.t z for $z=0$ to $z=\infty$

$$\Gamma(n) \int_0^{\infty} z^{m-1} e^{-z} dz = \int_0^{\infty} \left[\int_0^{\infty} z^{m+n-1} e^{-z(1+y)} dz \right] y^{n-1} dy$$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma(n) \cdot \Gamma(m) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(m+n)}{(1+y)^{m+n}} y^{n-1} dy$$

[~~$\Gamma(m+n)$~~ by (1)
and defn of Gamma]

$$= \Gamma(m+n) \int_0^{\infty} \frac{y^{n-1}}{(1+y)^{m+n}} dy$$

$$= \Gamma(m+n) \beta(m, n) \quad \left[\beta(m, n) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{y^{n-1}}{(1+y)^{m+n}} dy \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta(m, n) = \frac{\Gamma(m) \cdot \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(m+n)} \quad (\text{Proved})$$

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Properties of Beta and Gamma Functions:

P1: Prove that $\Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n)$ if $n > 0$

Soln: By definition of Gamma Function,

$$\Gamma(n) = \int_0^{\infty} x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx, \text{ if } n > 0 \quad (1)$$

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

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

$$= x^n \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} dx - \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{d}{dx} x^n \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} dx \right) dx$$

$$= \left[-x^n e^{-x} \right]_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} n x^{n-1} (-1) e^{-x} dx$$

$$= 0 + n \int_0^{\infty} x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx$$

$$= n \Gamma(n) \quad [\text{by (1)}]$$

$$\therefore \Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n)$$

Proved

P2: $\Gamma(n+1) = n!$ if $n > 0$

P3: $\Gamma(1) = 1$

P4: $\frac{\Gamma(n)}{z^n} = \int_0^{\infty} y^{n-1} e^{-zy} dy$

P5: $\beta(m, n) = \beta(n, m)$ if $n > 0, m > 0$

P6: $\beta(m, n) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{m-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{n-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx$

Q. Prove that, $\beta(m, n) = 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2m-1} \theta \cos^{2n-1} \theta d\theta$

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Then prove that,

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^p \theta \cos^q \theta d\theta = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{p+1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{q+1}{2}\right)}{2 \Gamma\left(\frac{p+q+2}{2}\right)}$$

Solⁿ: By definition of beta Function,

$$\beta(m, n) = \int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} dx \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

let $x = \sin^2 \theta \Rightarrow dx = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta$

x	0	1
θ	0	$\pi/2$

Then (1) becomes,

$$\beta(m, n) = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2m-2} \theta (1 - \sin^2 \theta)^{n-1} 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$= 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2m-1} \theta \cos^{2n-1} \theta d\theta \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

(Proved)

We know that

$$\beta(m, n) = \frac{\Gamma(m) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(m+n)}$$

Now we put $2m-1=p$ and $2n-1=q$ in (2)

Then we have $m = \frac{p+1}{2}$ and $n = \frac{q+1}{2}$. Then (2)

becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \beta\left(\frac{p+1}{2}, \frac{q+1}{2}\right) &= 2 \int_0^{\infty} \sin^p \theta \cos^q \theta d\theta \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{p+1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{q+1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{p+q+2}{2}\right)} &= 2 \int_0^{\infty} \sin^p \theta \cos^q \theta d\theta \\ \Rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} \sin^p \theta \cos^q \theta d\theta &= \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{p+1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{q+1}{2}\right)}{2 \Gamma\left(\frac{p+q+2}{2}\right)} \end{aligned}$$

Proved

P7: $\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \sqrt{\pi}$

P8: $\Gamma(n) \Gamma(1-n) = \frac{\pi}{\sin n\pi}, \quad 0 < n < 1$

$$\int_0^{\pi/6} \cos^6 3x (\sin 6x)^4 dx = ?$$

Soln: $\int_0^{\pi/6} \cos^6 3x (\sin 6x)^4 dx$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/6} \cos^6 3x (2 \sin 3x \cos 3x)^4 dx$$

$$= 2^4 \int_0^{\pi/6} \cos^6 3x \cdot \cos^4 3x \sin^4 3x dx$$

$$= 2^4 \int_0^{\pi/6} \cos^{10} 3x \sin^4 3x dx$$

Let, $3x = z$, $dx = \frac{1}{3} dz$

x	0	$\pi/6$
z	0	$\pi/2$

$$= 2^4 \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos^{10} z \sin^4 z \cdot \frac{1}{3} dz$$

$$= \frac{2^4}{3} \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos^{10} z \sin^4 z dz$$

$$= \frac{16}{3} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{10+1}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{4+1}{2})}{2 \Gamma(\frac{10+4+2}{2})} = \frac{16}{3} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{11}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{5}{2})}{2 \Gamma(8)}$$

$$= \frac{16}{3} \frac{\frac{9}{2} \frac{7}{2} \frac{5}{2} \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2})}{2 (8-1)!}$$

$$\frac{16}{3} = \frac{3\pi}{256} \quad \underline{\underline{\text{Ans.}}}$$

Q. $\int_0^{2\pi} \sin^4 x \cos^6 x dx$

Soln: $\int_0^{2\pi} \sin^4 x \cos^6 x dx$

$$= \int_0^{4\pi/2} \sin^4 x \cos^6 x dx$$

$$= 4 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^4 x \cos^6 x dx$$

$$= 4 \frac{\Gamma(\frac{4+1}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{6+1}{2})}{2 \Gamma(\frac{4+6+2}{2})}$$

$$= 4 \frac{\Gamma(\frac{5}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{7}{2})}{2 \Gamma(5)}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\Gamma(6)} = \frac{2 \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) \cdot \frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2})}{(6-1)!} = \frac{3\pi}{128} \quad \underline{\underline{A.}}$$

[we know that,

$$\int_0^{na} f(x) dx$$

$$= n \int_0^a f(x) dx]$$

$$2. \int_0^{\pi} x \sin^6 x \cos^4 x \, dx.$$

Soln.

$$I = \int_0^{\pi} x \sin^6 x \cos^4 x \, dx \quad \text{--- (I)}$$

[we know that

$$I = \int_0^{\pi} (\pi - x) \sin^6(\pi - x) \cos^4(\pi - x) \, dx$$

$$\int_0^a f(x) \, dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi} (\pi - x) \sin^6 x \cos^4 x \, dx$$

$$= \int_0^a f(a-x) \, dx$$

(I) and (II) adding,

$$2I = \int_0^{\pi} (\pi - x + x) \sin^6 x \cos^4 x \, dx$$

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi} \pi \sin^6 x \cos^4 x \, dx.$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2} \int_0^{2\pi/2} \sin^6 x \cos^4 x \, dx$$

$$= \frac{2\pi}{2} \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^6 x \cos^4 x \, dx$$

$$I = \pi \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^6 u \cos^4 u \, du$$

$$= \pi \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{6+1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{4+1}{2}\right)}{2 \Gamma\left(\frac{6+4+2}{2}\right)}$$

$$= \pi \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{7}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)}{2 \Gamma(6)}$$

$$= \pi \frac{\frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{2 (6-1)!}$$

$$= \frac{\pi \frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\pi} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\pi}}{2 \cdot 5!}$$

$$= \frac{3\pi^2}{512} \cdot 12$$