

## PROBLEM 1.

SOEN 6011

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING PROCESSES

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## 1 Introduction

F5:  $\Gamma(x)$  which is named as gamma function, is a commonly used extension of the factorial function to complex numbers

Lets define  $f$  be the Gamma Function from  $A$  to  $B$ , therefore  $A$  is the domain and  $B$  is the co-domain of the Gamma Function.

(A) Domain of function: includes all complex numbers and the positive integer.

(B) Co-domain of function:

When  $a$  in  $A$  is a positive integer, then the gamma function is related to the factorial function  $\Gamma(a) = (a-1)!$

When  $a$  in  $A$  for complex numbers with a positive real part, then the  $\Gamma(a) = \int_0^\infty x^{a-1} e^{-x} dx$ .

## 2 Characteristics

(1) when  $a \rightarrow 0^+$ ,  $\Gamma(a) \rightarrow +\infty$

(2) Extreme property: For any real number  $a$ ,  $a \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\Gamma(n+a)}{\Gamma(n)n^a} = 1$ ,

(3) Assisting computation of probability density function,  $\Gamma\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{(2n)! \sqrt{\pi}}{n! 4^n}$

(4) Satisfies the recursive property:  $\Gamma(a) = (a-1) * \Gamma(a-1)$

## 3 Special Number

$$\Gamma(1) = 0! = 1$$

$$\Gamma(2) = 1! = 1$$

$$\Gamma(3) = 2! = 2$$

$$\Gamma(4) = 3! = 6$$

Results can be worked out by Characteristics(4)—recursive property, use  $\Gamma(5)$  as an example

$$\Gamma(5) = 4 * \Gamma(4) = 4 * 3 * \Gamma(3) = 4 * 3 * 2 * \Gamma(2) = 4 * 3 * 2 * 1 * \Gamma(1) = 4! = 24$$

## 4 References

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