

(6)  $\Gamma\left[\frac{1}{2}\right] = \sqrt{\pi}$

We know that  $\Gamma(n) = 2 \int_0^{\infty} x^{2n-1} e^{-x^2} dx$

Put  $n = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\Gamma\left[\frac{1}{2}\right] = 2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$

$= 2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-y^2} dy$

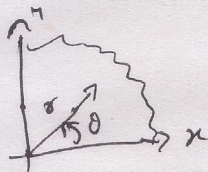
$\therefore \Gamma\left[\frac{1}{2}\right] \Gamma\left[\frac{1}{2}\right] = 2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx \times 2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-y^2} dy$

$\left[\Gamma\left[\frac{1}{2}\right]\right]^2 = 4 \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(x^2+y^2)} dx dy$

We use polar coordinates to evaluate the above integral

i.e.  $x = r \cos \theta$  &  $y = r \sin \theta$ ,  $dx dy = r dr d\theta$

Given  $x: 0 \rightarrow \infty$   $y: 0 \rightarrow \infty$



from fig we have.

$r: 0 \rightarrow \infty$   $\theta: 0 \rightarrow \pi/2$

$\therefore \left[\Gamma\left[\frac{1}{2}\right]\right]^2 = 4 \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-r^2} r dr d\theta$

Put  $r^2 = t$  if  $r = 0$  if  $r = \infty$   
 $2r dr = dt$   $t = 0$   $t = \infty$   
 $r dr = dt/2$

$\left[\Gamma\left[\frac{1}{2}\right]\right]^2 = 4 \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_{t=0}^{\infty} e^{-t} \frac{dt}{2} d\theta$

$= 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \left[ \frac{e^{-t}}{-1} \right]_0^{\infty} d\theta$

$= 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} -[0 - 1] d\theta$

$= 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} d\theta$

$= 2 \theta \Big|_0^{\pi/2}$

$= 2 \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} - 0 \right] \Rightarrow \left[\Gamma\left[\frac{1}{2}\right]\right]^2 = \pi = \left[\Gamma\left[\frac{1}{2}\right]\right] \sqrt{\pi}$