

Deductions:

$$(i) \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^m \theta \cos^n \theta d\theta = \frac{1}{2} B\left(\frac{m+1}{2}, \frac{n+1}{2}\right), m > -1, n > -1$$

$$(ii) \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^n \theta d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos^n \theta d\theta = \frac{1}{2} B\left(\frac{n+1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right), n > -1$$

$$(iii) B\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) = 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} d\theta = \pi$$

$$5. B(m, n) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{m-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx, m > 0, n > 0$$

$$\text{Proof: } B(m, n) = \int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} dx, m > 0, n > 0$$

$$\text{Let } x = \frac{t}{1+t}. \text{ Then } dx = \frac{1}{(1+t)^2} dt$$

As  $x \rightarrow 0+$ ,  $t \rightarrow 0+$ ; as  $x \rightarrow 1-$ ,  $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$\text{Therefore } B(m, n) = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{t}{1+t}\right)^{m-1} \left(\frac{1}{1+t}\right)^{n-1} \frac{1}{(1+t)^2} dt$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{t^{m-1}}{(1+t)^{m+n}} dt = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{m-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx$$

$$6. B(m, n) = \int_0^1 \frac{x^{m-1} + x^{n-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx$$

$$\text{Proof: we have } B(m, n) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{m-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 \frac{x^{m-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx + \int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^{n-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx$$

Let  $x = \frac{1}{t}$  in the second integral. Then  $dx = -\frac{1}{t^2} dt$

As  $x \rightarrow 1+$ ,  $t \rightarrow 1-$ ; as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $t \rightarrow 0+$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^{n-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{t^{m-1}} \cdot \frac{t^{m+n}}{(1+t)^{m+n}} \cdot \frac{1}{t^2} dt$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } B(m, n) &= \int_0^1 \frac{x^{m-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx + \int_0^1 \frac{x^{n-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{x^{m-1} + x^{n-1}}{(1+x)^{m+n}} dx \end{aligned}$$

$$7. \Gamma(1) = 1$$

$$\text{Proof: } \Gamma(1) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} dx = \lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^X e^{-x} dx = \lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} [1 - e^{-X}]_0^X = 1$$

$$8. \Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n), \quad n > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof: } \int_{\epsilon}^X x^n e^{-x} dx &= \left[ \frac{x^n e^{-x}}{-1} \right]_{\epsilon}^X + n \int_{\epsilon}^X x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx \\ &= -X^n e^{-X} + \epsilon^n e^{-\epsilon} + n \int_{\epsilon}^X x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx \end{aligned}$$

Proceeding to limit as  $X \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ , we have

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

$$\text{or } \Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n), \quad n > 0$$

Corollary: If  $n$  be a positive integer then  $\Gamma(n+1) = n!$

$$\Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n) = n(n-1)\Gamma(n-1) = \dots = n(n-1)\dots 2 \cdot 1 \Gamma(1) = n!$$

~~Now~~ we assume without proof the result

$$9. B(m, n) = \frac{\Gamma(m)\Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(m+n)}, \quad m > 0, \quad n > 0$$

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

$$B\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma(1)} = \left(\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right)^2$$

$$\text{So, } (\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}))^2 = B(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) = \pi \text{ and this gives } \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) = \sqrt{\pi}$$

$$(ii) \text{ If } m, n \text{ be positive integers, } B(m, n) = \frac{m! n!}{(m+n)!}$$

$$B(m+1, n+1) = \frac{\Gamma(m+1) \Gamma(n+1)}{\Gamma(m+n+2)}, m > -1, n > -1$$

$$\text{If } m, n \text{ are positive integers } \Gamma(m+1) = m!, \Gamma(n+1) = n!$$

$$\text{and } \Gamma(m+n+2) = (m+n+1)!$$

$$\text{So, } B(m+1, n+1) = \frac{m! n!}{(m+n+1)!}$$

10. Legendre's Duplication formula:

$$\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(2n) = 2^{2n-1} \Gamma(n) \Gamma(n+\frac{1}{2}), n > 0$$

$$\text{Proof: } \frac{\Gamma(m) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(m+n)} = B(m, n) = 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2m-1} \theta \cos^{2n-1} \theta d\theta, m > 0, n > 0 \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Taking } m=n, \text{ we have, } & \frac{(\Gamma(n))^2}{\Gamma(2n)} \\ &= 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2n-1} \theta \cos^{2n-1} \theta d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2^{2n-2}} \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2n-1} 2\theta d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2^{2n-1}} \int_0^{\pi} \sin^{2n-1} \phi d\phi \quad (\text{Taking } 2\theta = \phi) \\ &= \frac{1}{2^{2n-1}} \cdot 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2n-1} \phi d\phi \quad \dots (ii) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Taking } m = \frac{1}{2} \text{ in (i), we have } \frac{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(n+\frac{1}{2})} = 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos^{2n-1} \theta d\theta$$

$$= 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2n-1} \theta \, d\theta \dots \text{(iii)}$$

From (ii) & (iii), we have

$$\frac{(\Gamma(n))^2}{\Gamma(2n)} = \frac{1}{2^{2n-1}} \frac{\Gamma(n) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(n+\frac{1}{2})}, \quad n > 0$$

$$\text{or, } \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(2n) = 2^{2n-1} \Gamma(n) \Gamma(n+\frac{1}{2}), \quad \text{since } \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) = \sqrt{\pi}.$$

We assume another result ~~without proof~~ (without proof)

$$11. \quad \Gamma(m) \Gamma(1-m) = \frac{\pi}{\sin m\pi}, \quad 0 < m < 1$$

$$12. \quad (i) \quad \int_0^{\infty} e^{-kt} t^{n-1} dt = \frac{\Gamma(n)}{k^n}, \quad k > 0, n > 0$$

$$(ii) \quad \int_1^{\infty} \frac{(\log y)^{n-1}}{y^{k+1}} dy = \frac{\Gamma(n)}{k^n}, \quad k > 0, n > 0$$

$$\text{Proof: (i) } \int_0^{\infty} e^{-kt} t^{n-1} dt$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-y} \left(\frac{y}{k}\right)^{n-1} \cdot \frac{1}{k} dy \quad \left[ \text{let } y = kt, \text{ As } t \rightarrow \infty, y \rightarrow \infty \right. \\ \left. \text{since } k > 0 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{k^n} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-y} y^{n-1} dy, \quad n > 0$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(n)}{k^n}$$

$$(ii) \quad \int_1^{\infty} \frac{(\log y)^{n-1}}{y^{k+1}} dy$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} t^{n-1} e^{-kt} dt \quad \left[ \text{let } \log y = t, \text{ Then } y = e^t, y=1 \Rightarrow t=0 \right]$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(n)}{k^n}, \quad k > 0, n > 0 \quad \left[ \text{using (i)} \right]$$