

Exercise Ch: 2 Solutions

Problem 1: Start with.

$$\frac{\Gamma'(z)}{\Gamma(z)} = -\gamma - \frac{1}{z} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{z+n} - \frac{1}{n} \right), \text{ Prove that } \textcircled{1}$$

$$2 \frac{\Gamma'(2z)}{\Gamma(2z)} - \frac{\Gamma'(z)}{\Gamma(z)} - \frac{\Gamma'(z+1/2)}{\Gamma(z+1/2)} = 2 \log 2. \textcircled{2}$$

Solution: using ① in ② we have.

$$\begin{aligned} & 2 \frac{\Gamma'(2z)}{\Gamma(2z)} - \frac{\Gamma'(z)}{\Gamma(z)} - \frac{\Gamma'(z+1/2)}{\Gamma(z+1/2)} \\ &= -2\gamma - \frac{2}{2z} + \gamma + \frac{1}{z} + \gamma + \frac{1}{z+1/2} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{2}{2z+n} - \frac{2}{n} \right] \\ & \quad + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{z+n} - \frac{1}{n} \right] + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{z+1/2+n} - \frac{1}{n} \right] \\ &= \frac{2}{2z+1} - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{m=1}^{2n} \left(\frac{2}{2z+m} - \frac{2}{m} \right) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{m=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{z+m} - \frac{1}{m} \right) \\ & \quad + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{m=1}^n \left[\frac{2}{2z+2m+1} - \frac{1}{m} \right] \\ &= \frac{2}{2z+1} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{m=1}^{2n} \frac{-2}{2z+m} + 2H_{2n} + \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{2}{2z+2m} - H_n \right) \\ & \quad + \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{2}{2z+2m+1} - H_n \\ &= \frac{2}{2z+1} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{m=1}^{2n} \frac{-2}{2z+m} \right) + (2H_{2n} - 2H_n) \\ & \quad + \left(\frac{2}{2z+2} + \frac{2}{2z+4} + \dots + \frac{2}{2z+2n} \right) + \left(\frac{2}{2z+3} + \frac{2}{2z+5} + \dots + \frac{2}{2z+2n+1} \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{2z+1} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{-2}{2z+m} \right)_{m=1}^{2n} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{m=1}^{2n+1} \frac{2}{2z+m} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (2H_{2n} - 2H_n) \\ &= \frac{2}{2z+1} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{-2}{2z+1} + \frac{-2}{2z+2} + \dots + \frac{-2}{2z+2n} \right] \\ & \quad + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{2}{2z+2} + \frac{2}{2z+3} + \dots + \frac{2}{2z+2n+1} \right] \\ & \quad + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (2H_{2n} - 2H_n) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{2}{2z+1} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-2}{2z+1} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{2z+2n+1} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (2H_{2n} - 2H_n)$$

$$= 0 + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (2H_{2n} - 2H_n)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2 \left[(H_{2n} - \log 2n) - (H_n - \log n) + \log 2n - \log n \right]$$

$$= 2 \left[\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (H_{2n} - \log 2n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (H_n - \log n) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\log 2) \right]$$

$$= 2 [\gamma - \gamma + \log 2] = 2 \log 2$$

Problem (2): Show that

$$\Gamma'(1/2) = -(\gamma + 2 \log 2) \sqrt{\pi}$$

Solution: $\frac{2\Gamma'(2z)}{\Gamma(2z)} - \frac{\Gamma'(z)}{\Gamma(z)} - \frac{\Gamma'(z+1/2)}{\Gamma(z+1/2)} = 2 \log 2$

Now let $z = 1/2$ to get

$$2 \frac{\Gamma'(1)}{\Gamma(1)} - \frac{\Gamma'(1/2)}{\Gamma(1/2)} - \frac{\Gamma'(1)}{\Gamma(1)} = 2 \log 2$$

$$\frac{\Gamma'(1/2)}{\Gamma(1/2)} = \frac{\Gamma'(1)}{\Gamma(1)} - 2 \log 2$$

Since $\Gamma(1) = 1$, $\Gamma'(1) = -\gamma$, $\Gamma(1/2) = \sqrt{\pi}$

hence $\frac{\Gamma'(1/2)}{\sqrt{\pi}} = -\frac{\gamma}{1} - 2 \log 2$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma'(1/2) = -(\gamma + 2 \log 2) \sqrt{\pi}$$

Hence Proved.

Problem (3): Use Euler's Integral form

$$\Gamma(z) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{z-1} dt \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

to show that $\Gamma(z+1) = z \Gamma(z)$

Solution: From (1)

$$\Gamma(z+1) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^z dt.$$

$$= -t^z \cdot e^{-t} \Big|_0^{\infty} + z \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{z-1} dt$$

$$= 0 + z \Gamma(z)$$

$$\Gamma(z+1) = z \Gamma(z)$$

where $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} -e^{-t} t^z$ Converges for $\operatorname{Re}(z) > 0$.

Problem (4): Show that

$$\Gamma(z) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^z} B(z, n)$$

Solution: Since $\Gamma(z) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n-1)! n^z}{(z)_n}$

$$\text{and } B(z, n) = \frac{\Gamma(z) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(z+n)} \quad \text{--- (A)}$$

$$\text{Since } (z)_n = \frac{\Gamma(z+n)}{\Gamma(z)}$$

$$\text{i.e. } (z)_n = \frac{\Gamma(z+n)}{\Gamma(z)} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(n) &= (n-1) \Gamma(n-1) \\ &= (n-1)(n-2) \Gamma(n-2) \\ &= (n-1)(n-2) \dots \Gamma(1) \\ &= (n-1)! \quad \text{--- (2)} \end{aligned}$$

using (1) & (2) in (A), we have.

$$B(z, n) = \frac{(n-1)!}{(z)_n}$$

$$\text{So } \Gamma(z) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^z} B(z, n)$$

Problem (5): Derive the following properties of the Beta function.

$$(a) \quad P B(P, q+1) = q B(P+1, q)$$

Solution: we know that

$$B(P, q) = \frac{\Gamma(P) \Gamma(q)}{\Gamma(P+q)}, \text{ so}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} P B(P, q+1) &= \frac{P \Gamma(P) \Gamma(q+1)}{\Gamma(P+q+1)} = \frac{\Gamma(P+1) q \Gamma(q)}{\Gamma(P+q+1)} \\ &= q B(P+1, q). \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) \quad B(P, q) = B(P+1, q) + B(P, q+1)$$

since

$$B(P, q) = \frac{\Gamma(P) \Gamma(q)}{\Gamma(P+q)}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(P) \Gamma(q)}{\frac{\Gamma(P+q+1)}{P+q}}$$

$$\because \Gamma(z+1) = z \Gamma(z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(P+q+1) \\ = (P+q) \Gamma(P+q) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{(P+q) \Gamma(P) \Gamma(q)}{\Gamma(P+q+1)}$$

$$= \frac{P \Gamma(P) \Gamma(q) + q \Gamma(P) \Gamma(q)}{\Gamma(P+q+1)}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(P+1) \Gamma(q)}{\Gamma(P+1+q)} + \frac{\Gamma(P) \Gamma(q+1)}{\Gamma(P+q+1)}$$

$$= B(P+1, q) + B(P, q+1)$$

$$(c) \quad (P+q) B(P, q+1) = q B(P, q)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (P+q) B(P, q+1) &= (P+q) \frac{\Gamma(P) \Gamma(q+1)}{\Gamma(P+q+1)} \\ &= \Gamma(P) \Gamma(q+1) \cdot \frac{P+q}{\Gamma(P+q+1)} \\ &= \Gamma(P) \Gamma(q+1) \cdot \frac{1}{\Gamma(P+q)} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(P) q \Gamma(q)}{\Gamma(P+q)} \quad \because \Gamma(P+q) = \Gamma(P+q) \\ &= q B(P, q) \end{aligned}$$

$$(d) \quad B(P, q) B(P+q, n) = B(q, n) B(q+n, P)$$

$$\begin{aligned} B(P, q) B(P+q, n) &= \frac{\Gamma(P) \Gamma(q)}{\Gamma(P+q)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(P+q) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(P+q+n)} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(P) \Gamma(q) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(P+q+n)} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(q+n) \Gamma(P) \Gamma(q) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(q+n) \Gamma(P+q+n)} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(q) \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(q+n)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(q+n) \Gamma(P)}{\Gamma(q+n+P)} \\ &= B(q, n) \cdot B(q+n, P) \end{aligned}$$

Problem (6): Show that for positive integers n

$$B(P, n+1) = \frac{n!}{(P)_{n+1}}$$

Solution:

$$B(P, n+1) = \frac{\Gamma(P) \Gamma(n+1)}{\Gamma(P+n+1)}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(P) \Gamma(n+1)}{\Gamma(P+n+1)}$$

$$\therefore \Gamma(B+k) = (B)_k \Gamma(B)$$

So

$$\Gamma(P+1+n) = (P+1)_n \Gamma(P+1)$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(P) \Gamma(n+1)}{(P+1)_n \Gamma(P+1)}$$

$$(B)_k = B(B+1)(B+2)\dots + (B+k-1)$$

$$= \frac{(B+k-1)(B+k-2)\dots (B+1)B \cdot \Gamma(B)}{\Gamma(B)}$$

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

$$= \frac{\Gamma(P) n!}{(P+1)_n P \Gamma(P)}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(B+k)}{\Gamma(B)}$$

$$= \frac{n!}{P(P+1)_n}$$

$$\therefore (P+1)_n P$$

$$= \frac{n!}{(P)_{n+1}}$$

$$= (P)_{n+1}$$

Problem(7): Evaluate $\int_{-1}^1 (1+x)^{p-1} (1-x)^{q-1} dx$

Solution: Let $A = \int_{-1}^1 (1+x)^{p-1} (1-x)^{q-1} dx$

now

$$\text{let } y = \frac{1+x}{2} \quad \text{when } x=1$$

$$\Rightarrow y=1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y = 1+x$$

$$x=-1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y-1 = x$$

$$\Rightarrow y=0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2-2y = 1-x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(1-y) = 1-x$$

Hence

$$A = \int_0^1 2^{p-1} y^{p-1} \cdot 2^{q-1} (1-y)^{q-1} 2 dy$$

$$= 2^{p+q-1} \int_0^1 y^{p-1} (1-y)^{q-1} dy$$

$$= 2^{p+q-1} B(p, q)$$

by definition.

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Problem (08): Show that for $0 \leq k \leq n$

$$(\alpha)_{n-k} = \frac{(-1)^k (\alpha)_n}{(1-\alpha-n)_k}$$

Note particularly the special case $\alpha=1$.

Solution: Consider $(\alpha)_{n-k}$ for $0 \leq k \leq n$, then

$$(\alpha)_{n-k} = \alpha \cdot (\alpha+1) \cdot \dots \cdot (\alpha+n-k-1)$$

$$= \frac{\alpha(\alpha+1) \cdot \dots \cdot (\alpha+n-k-1) [(\alpha+n-k)(\alpha+n-k+1) \cdot \dots \cdot (\alpha+n-1)]}{[(\alpha+n-1)(\alpha+n-2) \cdot \dots \cdot (\alpha+n-k)]}$$

$$= \frac{(\alpha)_n}{(\alpha+n-k)_k}$$

$$= \frac{(\alpha)_n}{(-1)^k [(1-\alpha-n)(2-\alpha-n) \cdot \dots \cdot (k-\alpha-n)]}$$

$$= \frac{(\alpha)_n}{(-1)^k (1-\alpha-n)_k}$$

$$= \frac{(\alpha)_n}{(-1)^k (1-\alpha-n)_k} = \frac{(-1)^k (\alpha)_n}{(1-\alpha-n)_k}$$

$$(\alpha)_{n-k} = \frac{(-1)^k (\alpha)_n}{(1-\alpha-n)_k}$$

Corollary
Note for $\alpha=1$, we have

$$(1)_{n-k} = \frac{(-1)^k (1)_n}{(-n)_k}$$

$$\Rightarrow (n-k)! = \frac{(-1)^k n!}{(-n)_k}$$

Problem (9) Show that if α is not an integer

$$\frac{\Gamma(1-\alpha-n)}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} = \frac{(-1)^n}{(\alpha)_n}$$

Solution: Consider an α which is not an integer

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Gamma(1-\alpha-n)}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} &= \frac{\Gamma(1-\alpha-n)}{-\alpha \Gamma(-\alpha)} & \boxed{\frac{\Gamma(z+1)}{\Gamma(z)} = z} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(1-\alpha-n)}{(-\alpha)(-\alpha-1)\Gamma(-\alpha-1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(1-\alpha-n)}{(-\alpha)(-\alpha-1) \cdots (-\alpha-n+1)\Gamma(1-\alpha-n)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(-1)^n \alpha (\alpha+1) \cdots (\alpha+n-1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(-1)^n (\alpha)_n}$$