

A property of the Gamma function-By **Abdullah Aydemir**, 14.12.2022

For $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$,

$$\Gamma\left(-n + \frac{1}{2}\right) = (-1)^n \frac{2^n}{1.3.5 \dots (2n-1)} \sqrt{\pi}.$$

Proof:

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

$$\Gamma(x) = \frac{\Gamma(x+1)}{x}$$

$$x = -1 + \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{2} + 1\right)}{-\frac{1}{2}} = -2\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -2\sqrt{\pi}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x = -2 + \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow \Gamma\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) &= \frac{\Gamma\left(-\frac{3}{2} + 1\right)}{-\frac{3}{2}} = -\frac{2}{3}\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)(-2\sqrt{\pi}) \\ &= (-1)^2 \frac{2^2}{1.3} \sqrt{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x = -3 + \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{5}{2} \Rightarrow \Gamma\left(-\frac{5}{2}\right) &= \frac{\Gamma\left(-\frac{5}{2} + 1\right)}{-\frac{5}{2}} = -\frac{2}{5}\Gamma\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) = \left(-\frac{2}{5}\right)\left((-1)^2 \frac{2^2}{1.3} \sqrt{\pi}\right) \\ &= (-1)^3 \frac{2^3}{1.3.5} \sqrt{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} x = -n + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{-2n+1}{2} \Rightarrow \Gamma\left(\frac{-2n+1}{2}\right) &= \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{-2n+1}{2} + 1\right)}{\frac{-2n+1}{2}} = \frac{2}{-2n+1} \Gamma\left(\frac{-2n+3}{2}\right) \\ &= \left(-\frac{2}{2n-1}\right) \left((-1)^{n-1} \frac{2^{n-1}}{1.3.5 \dots (2n-3)} \sqrt{\pi}\right) = (-1)^n \frac{2^n}{1.3.5 \dots (2n-1)} \sqrt{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

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