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10. Extensions of the Riemann Integral: Improper integrals (w. a parameter).

Famous model: ideal gas

MAXWELL 1860, BOLTZMANN 1872, 1877

example $\int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-x^2} dx = ?$

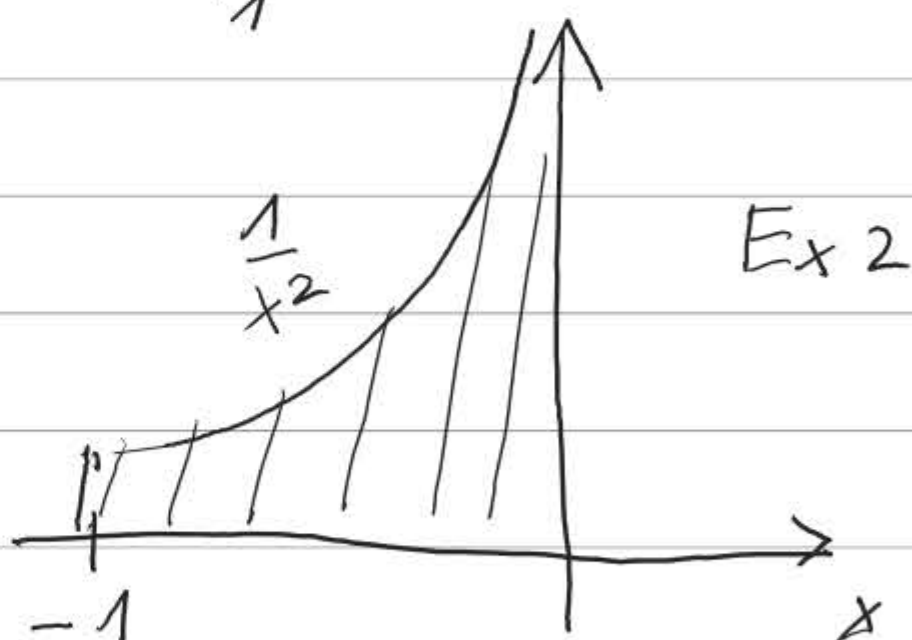
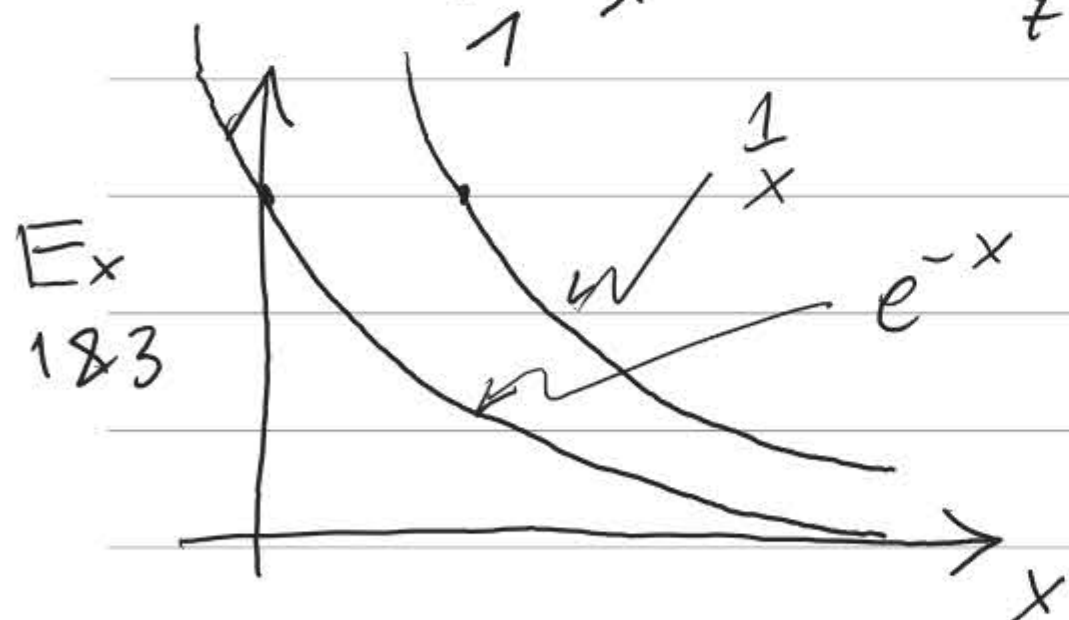
§ 10.1. Improper integrals

"Improper integrals are limits"

Ex. 1. $\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t e^{-x} dx = 1$

Ex. 2. $\int_{-1}^0 \frac{1}{x^2} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^-} \int_{-1}^t \frac{1}{x^2} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^-} \left(-\frac{1}{x} \right) \Big|_{-1}^t = \infty$

Ex. 3. $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \ln x \Big|_1^t = \infty$



Def: $f: [a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ($b = \infty$ admitted!)
(locally integrable)

integrable (Riemann) on any $[a, \bar{b}]$, $\bar{b} < b$

we call $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ convergent (CONV)

the improper if $\lim_{t \rightarrow b} \int_a^t f(x) dx \exists < \infty$

otherwise (DIV) $t < b$



Thm 1. (CAUCHY) $f: [a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ locally integrable

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \text{ (CONV)} \Leftrightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0 \exists b_\epsilon < b$$

$$\text{such that } \forall t \in (b_\epsilon, b) \quad \left| \int_{b_\epsilon}^t f(x) dx \right| < \epsilon.$$

Meaning: (CONV) $\Leftrightarrow \int_{b_\epsilon}^t$ can be made arbitr. small.

§ 10.2. Testing the convergence of improper integrals

Thm 2. (comparison I)

$f, g: [a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ locally integrable

and $0 \leq f(x) \leq g(x) \quad \forall x \in [a, b)$

Then (i) $\int_a^b g \text{ (CONV)} \Rightarrow \int_a^b f \text{ (CONV)}$

(ii) $\int_a^b f \text{ (DIV)} \Rightarrow \int_a^b g \text{ (DIV)}$

Thm 3. (comparison II) $g(x) > 0$ on $[a, b)$

and $\lim_{x \rightarrow b} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = L \in \mathbb{R} (< \infty)$

Then (i) if $L \neq 0$ $\int f$ & $\int g$ are both (DIV) or both (CONV)

(ii) if $L = 0$ $\int g \text{ (CONV)} \Rightarrow \int |f| \text{ (CONV)}$
↑
 absolute (CONV)



Rk. Usually, you compare with x^α

$$\int_1^\infty x^\alpha dx \begin{cases} \rightarrow (\text{CONV}) \text{ for } \alpha < -1 \\ \rightarrow (\text{DIV}) \text{ for } \alpha \geq -1 \end{cases}$$

$$\int_0^1 x^\beta dx \begin{cases} \rightarrow (\text{CONV}) \text{ for } \beta > -1 \\ \rightarrow (\text{DIV}) \text{ for } \beta \leq -1 \end{cases}$$

HW: Prove these

Ex 4. $\int_1^\infty \frac{\sin x}{x^2} dx$ (CONV) because

$$\left| \frac{\sin x}{x^2} \right| \leq x^{-2} \text{ and } \int_1^\infty x^{-2} (\text{CONV}).$$

Ex 5. $\int_0^\infty e^{-x} (\sin x)^3 dx$ (CONV)

because $|e^{-x} (\sin x)^3| \leq e^{-x}$

and $\int_0^\infty e^{-x} dx = 1$ (CONV).

Rk. | should be placed after 'I' (Cauchy)

$$\int_a^b |f(x)| dx (\text{CONV}) \Rightarrow \int_a^b f(x) dx (\text{CONV}).$$

$$[\text{absolute CONV} \Rightarrow \text{CONV}].$$

Rk. $(a, b]$, (a, b) work the same way

HW: $\int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{-|x|} dx$

Rk. Int. by parts & change of var both work if the improper integral is (CONV).

§10.3. Improper integrals with parameter

$$f: [a, b) \times [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$F: [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

improper \rightarrow with parameter

$$F(y) = \int_a^b f(x, y) dx$$

So: "Improper \int with parameter are functions (of y)"

Def The improper integral w. param.

$$\int_a^b f(x, y) dx \text{ converges uniformly to } F \text{ (w.r.t. } y)$$

if $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists b_\varepsilon < b: \forall t \in (b_\varepsilon, b)$
and $\forall y \in [c, d]$ we have

$$\left| \int_{b_\varepsilon}^t f(x, y) dx - F(y) \right| < \varepsilon \text{ and } b_\varepsilon \neq b(y)$$

Notation: (u CONV) indep of y

Ex. 6 (Euler Gamma function) $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\Gamma(a) = \int_0^\infty x^{a-1} e^{-x} dx, \quad \Gamma(n+1) = n!$$

$$\Gamma(1/2) = \sqrt{\pi}$$



□ 4. (Continuity) $f: [a, b] \times [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
If f is not cont (as function of two var)

and if $\int_a^b f(x, y) dx$ (u CONV)

then $F(y) = \int_a^b f(x, y) dx$ cont (in y)

□ 5. (Diff-ability) f cont, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ cont

and $\int_a^b f(x, y) dx$ (u CONV), $\int_a^b \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) dx$ (u CONV)

Then $F(y) = \int_a^b f(x, y) dx$ is diff-able

and $F'(y) = \int_a^b \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) dx$

□ 6. (Integrability)

f cont, $\int_a^b f(x, y) dx$ (u CONV) then

$F(y) = \int_a^b f(x, y) dx$ is y -integrable

and $\int_c^d F(y) dy = \int_c^d \left(\int_a^b f(x, y) dx \right) dy$

$= \int_a^b \left(\int_c^d f(x, y) dy \right) dx$

Ex. 7. $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^x - 1}{x} & x \neq 0 \\ 1 & x = 0 \end{cases}$



f diffable? $f^{(n)}(0) = ?$

trick $f(x) = \int_0^1 e^{xy} dy$

$$f'(x) = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (e^{xy}) dy$$

$$= \int_0^1 y e^{xy} dy = \dots$$

$$f''(x) = \int_0^1 y^2 e^{xy} dy = \dots$$

$$f'(0) = \int_0^1 y e^{0y} dy = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f''(0) = \int_0^1 y^2 e^{0y} dy = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$f^{(n)}(0) = \int_0^1 y^n e^{0y} dy = \frac{1}{n+1}$$