

MAT137Y Tutorial 19 worksheet

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QUESTION 1

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MAT 137
Tutorial #19– Improper Integrals
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1. Determine whether the following integrals are convergent or divergent directly from the definition of improper integral. If they are convergent, calculate their value.

(a) $\int_0^1 \ln x \, dx$

We first use Integration by Parts to compute $\int \ln x \, dx$, by letting $u = \ln x$ and $dv = dx$ then we have, $du = (1/x)dx, v = x$:

$$\int \ln x \, dx = x \ln x - \int x \cdot \frac{1}{x} \, dx = x \ln x - \int 1 \, dx = x \ln x - x + C$$

Now by definition of improper integrals, we have:

$$\int_0^1 \ln x \, dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow 0^+} \int_R^1 \ln x \, dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow 0^+} (x \ln x - x) \Big|_{x=R}^{x=1} = -1 - \lim_{R \rightarrow 0^+} (R \ln R) + \lim_{R \rightarrow 0^+} R$$

We know $\lim_{R \rightarrow 0^+} R$ thus we now want to compute $\lim_{R \rightarrow 0^+} (R \ln R)$:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (R \ln R) = \lim_{R \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln R}{1/R}$$

Since this is of the indeterminate form ∞/∞ , the numerator, and denominator are differentiable and the limit of the quotient of the derivatives exists, so the preconditions for L'Hôpital's rule are satisfied:

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow 0^+} (R \ln R) = \lim_{R \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln R}{1/R} = \lim_{R \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1/R}{-1/R^2} = \lim_{R \rightarrow 0^+} -\frac{R^2}{R} = \lim_{R \rightarrow 0^+} (-R) = 0$$

The limit exists and is a finite number, thus, the integral is convergent, and $\int_0^1 \ln x \, dx = -1$

(b) $\int_2^\infty \frac{1}{x^2 - 1} \, dx$

First, we will solve the indefinite integral $\int \frac{1}{x^2 - 1}$ using Partial Fractions:

$$\int \frac{1}{x^2 - 1} = \int \frac{1}{(x - 1)(x + 1)} = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{x - 1} - \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{x + 1} = \frac{\ln(|x - 1|)}{2} - \frac{\ln(|x + 1|)}{2}$$

By the definition of the improper integral, we can now write this as :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_2^\infty \frac{1}{x^2 - 1} \, dx &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_2^R \frac{1}{x^2 - 1} \, dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\ln(|x - 1|)}{2} - \frac{\ln(|x + 1|)}{2} \right) \Big|_{x=2}^{x=R} \\ &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left(\frac{|x - 1|}{|x + 1|} \right) = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \ln(1) - \ln \left(\frac{2 - 1}{2 + 1} \right) = \ln(3) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have that $\int_2^\infty \frac{1}{x^2 - 1} \, dx$ is convergent and $\int_2^\infty \frac{1}{x^2 - 1} \, dx = \ln(3)$

Hint: For Question 1b, write $\frac{1}{x^2 - 1} = \frac{A}{x - 1} + \frac{B}{x + 1}$.

2. Using the Basic Comparison Test and/or the Limit Comparison Test, determine which ones of the following improper integrals are convergent or divergent. Do not calculate their value.

(a) $\int_{10}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x-6}}{3x^2+5x+11} dx$

The range of the integral is from 10 to ∞ and both the numerator and denominator are positive so all the terms in this integral are strictly positive.

We know that the $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{x}}{x^2}$ is convergent by the p -series test.

Now we calculate:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x}} \frac{\sqrt{x-6}}{3x^2+5x+11} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x}} \frac{\sqrt{x(1-\frac{6}{x})}}{x^2(3+\frac{5}{x}+\frac{11}{x^2})} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{1-\frac{6}{x}}}{3+\frac{5}{x}+\frac{11}{x^2}} \\ &= \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{1-\frac{6}{x}}}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3+\frac{5}{x}+\frac{11}{x^2}} \quad \text{By Limit laws} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Since $\frac{1}{3} > 0$ and finite then by the limit comparison test and the fact that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{x}}{x^2}$ is convergent, we have that $\int_{10}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x-6}}{3x^2+5x+11} dx$ is convergent.

(b) $\int_2^{\infty} \frac{(\ln x)^{10}}{x^2} dx$ Hint: You may need to use the Big Theorem.

We first calculate:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{(\ln x)^{10}}{x^2}}{\frac{1}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}}} = 0$$

Since we already know that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}}$ converges thus we can say that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln x)^{10}}{x^2}$ also converges.

Thus we have shown that $\int_2^{\infty} \frac{(\ln x)^{10}}{x^2} dx$ is convergent by the limit comparison test, p -test and Big Theorem.

Additional practice:

3. Determine whether the following integrals are convergent or divergent directly from the definition of improper integral. If they are convergent, calculate their value.

(a) $\int_{-1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2 + 1} dx$

(d) $\int_0^{\infty} \cos x dx$

(b) $\int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{x + 2} dx$

(e) $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^2}$

(c) $\int_1^{\infty} \ln x dx$

(f) $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}}$

4. Using the Basic Comparison Test and/or the Limit Comparison Test, determine which ones of the following improper integrals are convergent or divergent. Do not calculate their value.

(a) $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{\sin x + 2 \cos x + 10}{x^2} dx$

(c) $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\arctan x}{x^{1.1}} dx$

(b) $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x - 7}{x^2 + x + 5} dx$

(d) $\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$