

→ Methods to solve improper integral :-

$$i) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^0 f(x) dx + \int_0^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

$$= \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow -\infty} \int_{x_1}^0 f(x) dx + \lim_{x_2 \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{x_2} f(x) dx$$

here, instead of zero, you can choose any real number at which function/integrand is continuous.

also, to be this whole integral $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)$

convergent, both half should be convergent individually.

ii) $\int_a^b f(x) dx$, has a point c as discontinuity, $b > c > a$

$$= \lim_{\phi_1 \rightarrow 0} \int_a^{c-\phi_1} f(x) dx + \lim_{\phi_2 \rightarrow 0} \int_{c+\phi_2}^b f(x) dx$$

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iii) $\int_{-\infty}^a f(x) dx$

$$= \lim_{s_1 \rightarrow -\infty} \int_{s_1}^a f(x) dx$$

$$iv) \int_b^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

$$\lim_{x_1 \rightarrow \infty} \int_b^{x_1} f(x) dx$$

$$v) \int_a^b f(x) dx, \text{ if } a \text{ is point of discontinuity}$$

$$\lim_{\phi \rightarrow 0} \int_{a+\phi}^b f(x) dx$$

$$vi) \int_a^b f(x) dx, \text{ if } b \text{ is point of discontinuity}$$

$$\lim_{\phi \rightarrow 0} \int_a^{b-\phi} f(x) dx$$

NOTE:- If a integral $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ is discontinuous at c , such that

$$b > c > a$$

then we can write it

$$\lim_{x_1 \rightarrow 0} \int_a^{c-x_1} f(x) dx + \lim_{x_2 \rightarrow 0} \int_{c+x_2}^b f(x) dx$$

if it diverges or integral is divergent then,

Take $\eta_1 = \eta_2 = \eta$

So that

$$\lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0} \int_a^{0-\eta} f(x) dx + \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0} \int_{0+\eta}^b f(x) dx$$

if its value comes to be finite it will be called Cauchy's principle value and if it also comes to be infinite then value of integral doesn't exist.

Q. Find, whether given integrals are convergent or divergent :-

Q. $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x+1)(x+2)}$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{\eta \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{\eta} \frac{dx}{(x+1)(x+2)} = \lim_{\eta \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \int_0^{\eta} \frac{dx}{x+1} - \int_0^{\eta} \frac{dx}{x+2} \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{\eta \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ [\log(x+1)]_0^{\eta} - [\log(x+2)]_0^{\eta} \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{\eta \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \log \eta + \log 1 - \log \eta - \log 2 \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{\eta \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \log \left(\frac{\eta+1}{\eta+2} \right) + \log 2 \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{\eta \rightarrow \infty} \log \left(\frac{1 + 1/\eta}{1 + 2/\eta} \right) + \log 2$$

$$= \log 1 + \log 2$$

$$= \log 2$$

hence, given integral is convergent and converges to $\log 2$.

Q. $\int_{-1}^0 \frac{1}{x^3} dx$

→ Given integral is improper as '0' is the point of discontinuity, where

$$-1 < 0 < 1$$

now, $\int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{x^3} dx = \int_{-1}^0 \frac{dx}{x^3} + \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^3}$

$$= \lim_{\eta_1 \rightarrow 0} \int_{-1}^{0-\eta_1} \frac{dx}{x^3} + \lim_{\eta_2 \rightarrow 0} \int_{0+\eta_2}^1 \frac{dx}{x^3}$$

$$= \lim_{\eta_1 \rightarrow 0} \left[-\frac{1}{2x^2} \right]_{-1}^{0-\eta_1} + \lim_{\eta_2 \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{2x^2} \right]_{0+\eta_2}^1$$

$$= -\frac{1}{0} + 1 + (-1) + \frac{1}{0}$$

$$= -\infty + \infty$$

$$= \infty$$

Given integral is divergent.

Let's take $\eta_1 = \eta_2 = \eta$ (Cauchy's theorem)

$$= \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0} \left[-\frac{1}{2\eta^2} \right]_{-1}^{0-\eta} + \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0} \left[-\frac{1}{2\eta^2} \right]_{0+\eta}^1$$

$$= -\frac{1}{0} + 1 - 1 + \frac{1}{0}$$

$$= -\infty + \infty$$

$$= \infty$$

So, given integral's value doesn't exist.

Q. $\int_0^\infty x e^{-x^2} dx$

→ Given integral is proper, now, we can define it as,

$$\int_0^\infty x e^{-x^2} dx = \lim_{\eta \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\eta x e^{-x^2} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\eta 2x e^{-x^2} dx$$

Let $x^2 = t \Rightarrow dt = 2x dx$

$$x \rightarrow 0, t \rightarrow 0$$

$$x \rightarrow \infty, t \rightarrow \infty$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{x_1} e^{-t} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow \infty} [-e^{-t}]_0^{x_1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow \infty} (-e^{-x_1} + e^0)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

So, given integral is convergent & converges to $\frac{1}{2}$.

Q. $\int_0^{\pi} \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} dx$

\rightarrow Given integral is improper as $\pi/2$ is a point of discontinuity where

$$0 < \pi/2 < \pi$$

So, we can write given integral as

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} dx + \int_{\pi/2}^{\pi} \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} dx$$

$$= \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow 0} \int_0^{\pi/2 - x_1} \frac{\sin x dx}{\cos^2 x} + \lim_{x_2 \rightarrow 0} \int_{\pi/2 + x_2}^{\pi} \frac{\sin x dx}{\cos^2 x}$$

$$= \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow 0} \int_0^{\pi/2 - x_1} \tan x \cdot \sec x dx + \lim_{x_2 \rightarrow 0} \int_{\pi/2 + x_2}^{\pi} \tan x \cdot \sec x dx$$

~~$$= \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow 0} \int_0^{\pi/2 - x_1}$$~~

$$= \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow 0} [\sec x]_0^{\pi/2 - x_1} + \lim_{x_2 \rightarrow 0} [\sec x]_{\pi/2 + x_2}^{\pi}$$

$$= \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow 0} [\sec(\pi/2 - x_1) - \sec 0] + \lim_{x_2 \rightarrow 0} [\sec \pi - \sec(\pi/2 + x_2)]$$

$$= \infty + \infty$$

$$= \infty$$

Given, integral is divergent.

Let $x_1 = x_2 = x$ (Cauchy's theorem)

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} [\sec(\pi/2 - x) - \sec 0] + \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} [\sec \pi - \sec(\pi/2 + x)]$$

$$= \infty + \infty$$

$$= \infty$$

So, value of given integral doesn't exist.

Q. $\int_0^{\pi} \frac{dx}{1+\cos x}$

→ Given integral is improper as π is the point of discontinuity.

So, given integral can be written as,

$$\lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0} \int_0^{\pi-\eta} \frac{dx}{1+\cos x} = \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0} \int_0^{\pi-\eta} \frac{dx}{1+\cos 2 \cdot x/2}$$

$$= \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0} \int_0^{\pi-\eta} \frac{dx}{2\cos^2 x/2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0} \int_0^{\pi-\eta} \frac{dx}{\cos^2 x/2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0} \int_0^{\pi-\eta} \sec^2 x/2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0} \left[\tan x/2 \right]_0^{\pi-\eta}$$

$$= \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0} \left[\tan\left(\frac{\pi-\eta}{2}\right) - \tan\frac{0}{2} \right]$$

$$= \infty$$

So, it is divergent