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## 3.1.1. Definition

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

- Assume that for each  $t \in [c, d]$  the function f(x, t) is integrable over [a, b].
- The function  $I: [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$  is defined by

$$I(t) = \int_{a}^{b} f(x, t) dx.$$

• I(t) is called an integral depending on the parameter t.

# 3.1.2. Continuity, integrability, differentiability

#### Theorem (Continuity)

If f(x, t) is continuous on  $[a, b] \times [c, d]$ , then I(t) is continuous on [c, d].

Remark: From the above theorem, one can deduce:

If f(x,t) is continuous on  $[a,b] \times D$ , where D is an open interval, then I(t) is continuous on D.

$$\lim_{t \to t_0} \int_a^b f(x, t) dx = \int_a^b \lim_{t \to t_0} f(x, t) dx = \int_a^b f(x, t_0) dx.$$



Integrals Depending on a Parameter

# Sketch of proof

• Let  $t_0 \in [c, d]$  and let  $\epsilon > 0$ .

$$|I(t) - I(t_0)| = |\int_a^b (f(x, t) - f(x, t_0))| dx \le \int_a^b |f(x, t) - f(x, t_0)| dx.$$

- Since f(x, t) is continuous in  $R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$ , it is uniformly continuous in R.
- For  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that:

$$|f(x_1,t)-f(x_2,t_0)|<\frac{\epsilon}{h-a+1}, \quad \forall |x_1-x_2|<\delta, |t-t_0|<\delta.$$

• With  $|t-t_0|<\delta$ ,

$$|I(t)-I(t_0)| \leq \int_a^b |f(x,t)-f(x,t_0)| \leq (b-a)\frac{\epsilon}{b-a+1} < \epsilon.$$

• I is continuous at  $t_0$ .

#### Example (Midterm 20201)

Let 
$$I(y) = \int_{-1}^{1} \sqrt{x^4 + x^2 + y^4} dx$$
. Consider the continuity of  $I(y)$ . Find  $\lim_{y \to 0} I(y)$ .

- The function  $f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^4 + x^2 + y^4}$  is continuous on  $[-1, 1] \times [c, d]$ .
- So I(y) is continuous on [c, d] for all [c, d]. Thus I(y) is continuous in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

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$$\lim_{y \to 0} I(y) = I(0) = \int_{-1}^{1} \sqrt{x^4 + x^2} dx = 2 \int_{0}^{1} \sqrt{x^4 + x^2} dx$$
$$= \int_{0}^{1} \sqrt{1 + x^2} d(1 + x^2) = \frac{2}{3} (1 + x^2)^{3/2} \Big|_{0}^{1} = \frac{2}{3} (2\sqrt{2} - 1).$$

# Integrability

#### **Theorem**

If f(x, t) is continuous in  $[a, b] \times [c, d]$ , then I(t) is integrable on [c, d] and

$$\int_{c}^{d} I(t)dt = \int_{c}^{d} dt \int_{a}^{b} f(x,t)dx = \int_{a}^{b} dx \int_{c}^{d} f(x,t)dt.$$

# Differentiability

#### **Theorem**

If f(x,t) and  $f'_t(x,t)$  are continuous on  $[a,b] \times [c,d]$ , then I(t) is differentiable on [c,d] and

$$I'(t) = \int_a^b f_t'(x, t) dx.$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}I(t) = \int_{a}^{b} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x, t) dx$$

# Sketch of proof

- Let  $J(t) = \int_a^b f_t'(x,t) dx$ . Then J(t) is continuous on [c,d]
- For all  $y \in [c, d]$ , one has

LHS = 
$$\int_{c}^{y} J(t)dt = \int_{c}^{y} \int_{a}^{b} f'_{t}(x, t) dxdt = \int_{a}^{b} \int_{c}^{y} f'_{t}(x, t) dtdx$$
  
=  $\int_{a}^{b} (f(x, t)|_{c}^{y}) dx = \int_{a}^{b} f(x, y) dx - \int_{a}^{b} f(x, c) dx = RHS.$ 

- Take the derivatives of both sides with respect to y.
- The derivative of the left side is J(y).
- The derivative of the right side is I'(y).
- Thus I'(y) = J(y).

# Example

**Example 1:** Consider  $I(t) = \int_{0}^{1} (x+t^2)^2 dx$ .

- One has  $I(t) = \frac{1}{3}(x+t^2)^3\Big|_{x=0}^{x=1} = \frac{(1+t^2)^3 t^6}{3} = \frac{1}{3} + t^2 + t^4$ .
- Hence  $I'(t) = 2t + 4t^3$ .
- On the other hand,

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (x+t^2)^2 dx = \int_0^1 2(x+t^2)(2t) dx = 2t \int_0^1 (x+t^2)^2 dx = 2t((1+t^2)^2 - t^4) = 2t(1+t^2).$$

• Hence  $\frac{d}{dt} \int_{0}^{1} (x+t^2)^2 dx = \int_{0}^{1} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (x+t^2)^2 dx$ .

#### Example 2:

$$\int_0^1 x^t dx = \frac{1}{t+1}, \quad (t \ge 1) \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \int_0^1 x^t dx = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (x^t) dx \Rightarrow \int_0^1 x^t \ln x dx = -\frac{1}{(t+1)^2}.$$

# "Fun" example: Feynman's trick

#### Putnam 2005 A6, Serret's integral

Evaluate 
$$\int_{0}^{1} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{1+x^2} dx.$$

• Let 
$$I(t) = \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+tx)}{1+x^2} dx$$
. Then  $I(0) = 0$ .

• 
$$I = I(1) = \int_0^1 I'(t) dt = \frac{\pi}{4} \int_0^1 \frac{t}{1+t^2} dt + \frac{\ln 2}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{1+t^2} dt - \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+t)}{1+t^2} dt = \frac{\pi \ln 2}{4} + \frac{\ln 2\pi}{4} - I.$$

• Hence, 
$$2I = \frac{\pi \ln 2}{4}$$
 and  $I = \frac{\pi \ln 2}{8}$ .

#### Example (Midterm 20162)

Let 
$$f(y) = \int_0^{\pi/2} \ln(y^2 \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x) dx$$
. Find  $f'(1)$ .

- The function  $F(x,y) = \ln(y^2 \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x)$  and its partial derivative  $F_y'(x,y) = \frac{2y \sin^2 x}{y^2 \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x}$  are continuous in  $[0, \pi/2] \times [1/2, 2]$ .
- So f(y) is differentiable in [1/2, 2] and

$$f'(y) = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{2y \sin^2 x}{y^2 \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x} dx.$$

• 
$$f'(1) = \int_{0}^{\pi/2} \frac{2\sin^2 x}{\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x} dx = \int_{0}^{\pi/2} (1 - \cos(2x)) dx = \pi/2.$$

## Some exercises

- (Midterm 20152) Find  $\lim_{y\to 0} \int_{-1}^{1} \frac{x^{2015}\cos(xy)}{1+x^2+2y^2} dx$ .
- (Midterm 20182) Find  $\lim_{x\to 0} \int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/3} \frac{1}{x^4 + \sin^2 y} dy$ .
- (Midterm 20212) Let  $I(y) = \int_{0}^{1} \sqrt{x^3y + x^2 + x^4} dx$ . Consider the continuity of I(y) and find  $\lim_{y \to 0} I(y)$ .
- (Midterm20222) Let  $I(y) = \int\limits_0^{\pi/2} \ln(1-y\cos^2x) dx$ . Show that I(y) is differentiable with  $y \le 1$ . Find I'(-1).
- (Midterm20222) Let  $I(y) = \int_0^1 \ln(x^2 + y^2) dx$ , where y > 0. Show that I(y) is monotone on  $(0, +\infty)$  and find I(y).
- (Midterm 20193) Find  $\lim_{y\to 0} \int_0^1 (x+3y) \sqrt{x^2+y^3+1} dx$ .

# The case: the limits of integration depend on a prameter

#### Consider the integral

$$I(t) = \int_{\alpha(t)}^{\beta(t)} f(x, t) dx,$$

#### where

- f(x, t) is defined in  $[a, b] \times [c, d]$ ,
- and  $\alpha(t)$ ,  $\beta(t)$  are defined in [c, d] such that

$$a \le \alpha(t) \le b$$
,  $a \le \beta(t) \le b$ ,  $\forall t \in [c, d]$ .

#### Theorem (Continuity)

If f(x, t) is continuous on  $[a, b] \times [c, d]$ , and  $\alpha(t), \beta(t)$  are continuous on [c, d] and whose values in [a, b], then I(t) is continuous on [c, d].

#### Example (Midterm 20192)

Find the limit  $\lim_{y\to 0} \int_{y}^{\pi/2} \sin(x^2y + 2x + y^2) dx$ .

- The function  $f(x, y) := \sin(x^2y + 2x + y^2)$  is continuous on  $[-1, \pi/2] \times [-1, 1]$ .
- The functions  $\alpha(y) := y$  and  $\beta(y) = \pi/2$  are continuous on [-1,1], and they takes values in  $[-1,\pi/2]$  (for  $y \in [-1,1]$ ). (The integrand and the limits of integration are continuous functions.)
- So  $I(y) = \int_{y}^{\pi/2} \sin(x^2y + 2x + y^2) dx$  is continuous on [-1, 1], hence it is continuous at y = 0.
- Thus  $\lim_{y\to 0} \int_{y}^{\pi/2} \sin(x^2y + 2x + y^2) dx = I(0) = \int_{0}^{\pi/2} \sin(2x) dx = -\frac{\cos(2x)}{2} \Big|_{0}^{\pi/2} = 1.$

# Differentiability

Consider the integral

$$I(t) = \int_{\alpha(t)}^{\beta(t)} f(x, t) dx.$$

#### Theorem (Leibniz's Formula)

Suppose that the following conditions are satisfied.

- f(x, t) and is partial derivative  $f'_t(x, t)$  are continuous on  $[a, b] \times [c, d]$ ,
- $\alpha(t)$  and  $\beta(t)$  are differentiable on [c, d].

Then I(t) is differentiable on [c, d] and

$$I'(t) = \int_{lpha(t)}^{eta(t)} f_t'(x,t) dx + f(eta(t),t) eta'(t) - f(lpha(t),t) lpha'(t).$$

# (Sketch of) Proof

- Consider a function with three variables:  $I(t, u, v) = \int_{u}^{v} f(x, t) dx$ .
- The following properties hold:

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial t}(t, u, v) = \int_{u}^{v} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f(x, t) dx.$$

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial u}(t, u, v) = -f(u, t).$$

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial v}(t, u, v) = f(v, t).$$

By applying the chain rule, we obtain:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\alpha(t)}^{\beta(t)} f(x,t) dx = \frac{d}{dt} I(t,\alpha(t),\beta(t))$$

$$= \frac{\partial I}{\partial t} (t,\alpha(t),\beta(t)) - f(\alpha(t),t)\alpha'(t) + f(\beta(t),t)\beta'(t).$$

#### Example (Midterm 20192)

Let 
$$I(y) = \int_{y}^{1} \sin(x^2 + xy + y^2) dx$$
. Find  $I'(0)$ .

- The function  $f(x, y) = \sin(x^2 + xy + y^2)$  and is partial derivative  $f'_y$  are continuous. The limits of integrations are continuous functions. (For more a rigorous argument, choose appropriate intervals [a, b] and [c, d] as in the previous example.)
- So I(y) is differentiable and

$$I'(y) = \int_{y}^{1} f'_{y}(x, y) dx - f(y, y)$$
  
= 
$$\int_{y}^{1} (x + 2y) \cos(x^{2} + xy + y^{2}) dx - \sin(3y^{2}).$$

•  $I'(0) = \int_{0}^{1} x \cos(x^2) dx - \sin 0 = \frac{1}{2} \sin 1.$ 

## Some exercises

- (Midterm 20181) Find  $\lim_{y\to 0} \int_{\frac{1}{x}+y^2}^{\sin y} \frac{\arcsin(x+3y)}{\sqrt{1-x^2+3y^2}} dx$ .
- (Midterm 20213) Let  $I(y) = \int_{0}^{y} \arctan \frac{x}{y} dx$ . Find I'(1).
- (Midterm 20212) Let  $I(y) = \int_{2y}^{1} \sin(2x^2 + 4xy + y^2) dx$ . Find I'(0).

## 3.2.1. Definition

• Given a function  $f:[a,+\infty)\times[c,d]\to\mathbb{R}$ , assume that for each  $t\in[c,d]$ , the improper integral

$$I(t) = \int_{a}^{+\infty} f(x, t) dx$$

converges. The integral I(t) is called an improper integral depending on the parameter t.

• We say the improper integral I(t) is uniformly convergent in [c,d] if for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $A \ge a$  such that:

$$b \ge A \Rightarrow \left| I(t) - \int_a^b f(x,t) dx \right| = \left| \int_b^{+\infty} f(x,t) dx \right| < \epsilon, \quad \forall t \in [c,d].$$

**Remark:** (Suppose for each  $t \in [c,d]$ , the function f(x,t) is integrable over [a,b] for every b>a.) The improper integral  $\int_a^{+\infty} f(x,t) dx$  is uniformly convergent in [c,d] if and only if the improper integral  $\int_u^{+\infty} f(x,t) dx$  is uniformly convergent in [c,d] for all u>a.

# 3.2.2. Sufficient Conditions for Uniform Convergence of an Improper Integral Depending on a Parameter

#### The Weierstrass test

- Let f(x,t) be defined in  $R = [a,+\infty) \times [c,d]$  such that for each  $t \in [c,d]$  the function f(x,t) is integrable over [a, b],  $\forall b \geq a$ .
- Assume that exists a function  $\varphi(x)$  defined in  $[a, +\infty)$  such that  $|f(x, t)| \leq \varphi(x)$  for all  $(x, t) \in R$ and  $\int_{0}^{\infty} \varphi(x) dx < +\infty$ .
- Then the integral  $I(t) = \int_{0}^{+\infty} f(x,t) dx$  is uniformly convergent in [c,d].

#### Example

Consider the uniform convergence of  $I(t) = \int_{0}^{+\infty} e^{-x} x^{t} dx$  in [1, a], where a > 1.

- We have  $|e^{-x}x^t| = e^{-x}x^t \le e^{-x}x^a$  for all  $x \ge 1$  and  $t \in [1, a]$ .
- The integral  $\int_{1}^{+\infty} e^{-x} x^a dx$  is convergent.
- By the Weierstrass test, the integral  $\int\limits_{-\infty}^{+\infty}e^{-x}e^{t}dx$  is uniformly convergent in [1,a].

# 3.2.3. Continuity, integrability, differentiability of a parameter-dependent improper integral

#### Theorem (Continuity)

If f is continuous on  $[a, +\infty) \times [c, d]$ , and the improper integral

$$I(t) = \int_{a}^{+\infty} f(x, t) dx$$
 is uniformly convergent on  $[c, d]$ ,

then I(t) is continuous on [c, d].

#### Theorem (Integrability)

If f(x, t) is continuous on  $[a, +\infty) \times [c, d]$  and

$$I(t) = \int_{a}^{+\infty} f(x, t) dx$$
is uniformly convergent on  $[c, d]$ ,

then I(t) is integrable on [c, d] and

$$\int_{c}^{d} I(t)dt = \int_{c}^{d} dt \int_{a}^{+\infty} f(x,t)dx = \int_{a}^{+\infty} dx \int_{c}^{d} f(x,t)dt.$$

#### Theorem (Differentiability)

Let f(x,t) and its partial derivative  $f'_t(x,t)$  be continuous on  $[a,+\infty)\times [c,d]$ . Assume that

$$I(t) = \int_{a}^{+\infty} f(x,t) dx$$
 converges and  $J(t) = \int_{a}^{+\infty} f'_t(x,t) dx$  uniformly converges on  $[c,d]$ .

Then I(t) is differentiable in [c, d] and

$$I'(t) = \int_{2}^{+\infty} f'_t(x, t) dx.$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}I(t) = \int_{a}^{+\infty} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(x, t) dx$$

#### Example (Midterm-20193)

Show that the function 
$$I(y) = \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{\sin(x^6 + 3y + 2)}{1 + x^6 + y^2} dx$$
 is continuous and differentiable in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- We only need to show that I(y) is continuous and differentiable in each closed interval [c, d].
- The function  $f(x,y) = \frac{\sin(x^6 + 3y + 2)}{1 + x^6 + y^2}$  is continuous on  $[0, +\infty) \times [c, d]$ .
- $\left| \frac{\sin(x^6 + 3y + 2)}{1 + x^6 + y^2} \right| \le \frac{1}{1 + x^6}$ , for all  $x \ge 0$ ,  $c \le y \le d$ .
- The integral  $\int_{0}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^6} dx$  converges.
- So I(t) uniformly converges on [c, d].
- And I(t) is continuous on [c, d].

- The function  $f_y'(x,y) = \frac{3\cos(x^6+3y+2)}{1+x^6+v^2} \frac{2y\sin(x^6+3y+2)}{1+x^6+v^2}$  is continuous on  $[0,+\infty)\times[c,d]$
- $\bullet \ \left| f_y'(x,y) \right| \leq \frac{3}{1+x^6} + \frac{M}{1+x^6} := \varphi(x), \ \text{for all} \ x \geq 0, c \leq y \leq d, \ \text{where} \ M = 2 \max\{|c|,|d|\}.$
- The integral  $\int\limits_{0}^{+\infty} \varphi(x)$  converges.
- So  $\int_{0}^{+\infty} f_{y}'(x, y) dx$  uniformly converges.
- Thus I(t) is differentiable.

#### Example (Final-20172)

Evaluate  $\int_{0}^{+\infty} \frac{e^{-ax^2} - e^{-bx^2}}{x} dx$ , where a, b > 0.

- $\bullet \int_{0}^{+\infty} \frac{e^{-ax^2} e^{-bx^2}}{x} dx = \int_{0}^{+\infty} \left( \int_{a}^{b} x e^{-x^2 y} dy \right) dx.$
- The integral  $I(y) = \int_{0}^{+\infty} xe^{-x^2y} dx$  uniformly converges for each y in [a, b]:
- $xe^{-x^2y} \le xe^{-x^2a}$  for all  $x \ge 0$  and  $y \in [a, b]$ , and  $\int_0^{+\infty} xe^{-x^2a} dx$  converges.
- We can change the order of integration:

$$\int_{0}^{+\infty} \left( \int_{a}^{b} x e^{-x^{2}y} dy \right) dx = \int_{a}^{b} \int_{0}^{+\infty} x e^{-x^{2}y} dx dy = \int_{a}^{b} \frac{1}{2y} dy = \frac{1}{2} (\ln b - \ln a).$$

# 3.3.1. The gamma Function

- For each positive integer n,  $n! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot \cdot \cdot n$ .
- Euler showed that  $n! = \int_{0}^{+\infty} x^n e^{-x} dx$  (around 1730).

#### Definition

The gamma function is an improper integral depending on a parameter t:

$$\Gamma(t) = \int_{0}^{+\infty} x^{t-1} e^{-x} dx.$$

Fix t > 0.

$$\int_{a}^{1} e^{-x} x^{t-1} dx < \int_{a}^{1} x^{t-1} dx = \frac{1}{t} - \frac{a^{t}}{t} < \frac{1}{t}.$$

- So there exists  $\int_{0}^{1} e^{-x} x^{t-1} dx = \lim_{a \to 0} \int_{a}^{1} e^{-x} x^{t-1} dx.$
- $e^x > \frac{x^n}{n!}$ , for each n, take n > t + 1.

• 
$$e^{-x}x^{t-1} < \frac{n!}{x^{n+1-t}}$$
.

$$\bullet \int_{1}^{b} e^{-x} x^{t-1} dx < \int_{1}^{b} \frac{n!}{x^{n+1-t}} dx = n! \left( \frac{1}{n-t} - \frac{1}{b^{n-t}} \right) < \frac{n!}{n-t}.$$

So there exists 
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} e^{-x} x^{t-1} dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{1}^{b} e^{-x} x^{t-1} dx$$
.

## **Properties**

- The gamma function is infinitely differentiable
- $\Gamma(1) = 1$ .
- $\Gamma(t+1) = t\Gamma(t)$ , t > 0.

- $\Gamma(n+1) = n!$ .
- $\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) = \sqrt{\pi}$ .
- $\Gamma(n+\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{(2n)!}{n!2^{2n}}\sqrt{\pi} = \left(n-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(n-\frac{3}{2}\right)\cdots\frac{3}{2}\cdot\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\pi}.$
- ullet  $\Gamma(p)\Gamma(1-p)=rac{\pi}{\sin(p\pi)}$ , (0 < p < 1). (Euler's reflection formula.)

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx = \sqrt{\pi}.$$

"A mathematician is one to whom that is as obvious as that twice two makes four is to you. Liouville was a mathematician."

# Bohr-Mollerup Theorem

### Bohr-Mollerup Theorem (1922)

The gamma function  $\Gamma(x)$  is the only function that is defined in  $(0, +\infty)$  and satisfies the following conditions:

- f(1) = 1,
- f(x+1) = xf(x).
- $\log f(x)$  is convex.

## 3.3.2. Beta function

#### Definition

The Beta function is the improper integral depending parameters p, q:

$$B(p,q) = \int_{0}^{1} t^{p-1} (1-t)^{q-1} dt.$$

This is the first form of the Beta function

# **Properties**

- The gamma function B(p,q) is defined and infinitely differentiable for all p>0, q>0.
- B(p, q) = B(q, p).
- $\bullet B(p+1,q) = \frac{p}{p+q}B(p,q).$
- $\bullet \ B(p,q)=\int\limits_0^{+\infty}\frac{t^{p-1}}{(1+t)^{p+q}}dt.$
- $\bullet \ B(p,q) = \frac{\Gamma(p)\Gamma(q)}{\Gamma(p+q)}.$
- $\bullet \ \Gamma(p)\Gamma(1-p) = B(p,1-p) = \int\limits_0^{+\infty} \frac{t^{p-1}}{1+t} dt = \frac{\pi}{\sin(p\pi)}.$

#### Example (Final 20171)

Evaluate 
$$I = \int_{0}^{+\infty} x^4 e^{-x^2} dx$$
.

- Let  $t = x^2$ . Then  $dt = 2xdx \Rightarrow dx = \frac{dt}{2\sqrt{t}}$ .
- $\bullet \ I = \int\limits_0^{+\infty} t^2 e^{-t} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}} dt = \frac{1}{2} \int\limits_0^{+\infty} e^{-t} t^{3/2} dt = \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(5/2) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \Gamma(3/2) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(1/2) = \frac{3\sqrt{\pi}}{8}.$

#### Example (Final 20192)

Evaluate 
$$I = \int_{1}^{+\infty} \frac{(\ln x)^{3/2}}{x^4} dx$$
.

- Let  $t = \ln x$ . Then  $x = e^t$  và  $dx = e^t dt$ .
- $I = \int_{0}^{+\infty} t^{3/2} e^{-4t} e^{t} dt = \int_{0}^{+\infty} t^{3/2} e^{-3t} dt$ .
- Let  $u = 3t \Leftrightarrow t = u/3$ .

$$\bullet \ I = \int_{0}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{3^{3/2}} u^{3/2} e^{-u} \frac{1}{3} du = \frac{1}{9\sqrt{3}} \int_{0}^{+\infty} u^{3/2} e^{-u} du = \frac{1}{9\sqrt{3}} \Gamma(5/2) = \frac{1}{9\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(1/2) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{12\sqrt{3}}.$$

# Some past exam problems

- (Final 20161) Evaluate  $\int_{0}^{1} x^{5} (\ln x)^{10} dx$ .
- (Final 20182) Evaluate  $\int_{0}^{+\infty} x^6 3^{-x^2} dx$ .
- (Final 20152) Evaluate  $\int_{0}^{+\infty} x^{25} e^{-x^2} dx$ .
- (Final 20152) Evaluate  $\int_{0}^{+\infty} x^{6} e^{-\sqrt{x}} dx$ .
- (Final 20142) Evaluate  $\int_{0}^{+\infty} x^{9} e^{-x^{4}} dx$ .

#### Example (Final 20152)

Evaluate 
$$\int_{0}^{0} e^{2x} \sqrt[3]{1 - e^{3x}} dx.$$

- Let  $t = e^{3x}$ ,  $t: 0 \to 1$ . Then  $x = \frac{1}{3} \ln t$  and  $dx = \frac{1}{3t} dt$ .
- $I = \int_{0}^{1} t^{2/3} (1-t)^{1/3} \frac{1}{3t} dt = \frac{1}{3} B(2/3, 4/3) = \frac{1}{3} \frac{\Gamma(2/3)\Gamma(4/3)}{\Gamma(2)} = \frac{1}{3} \Gamma(2/3) \frac{1}{3} \Gamma(1/3) = \frac{1}{9} \frac{\Gamma(2/3)\Gamma(1/3)}{\sin(\pi/3)} = \frac{2\pi}{9\sqrt{3}}.$

#### Example (Final 20182)

Evaluate 
$$\int_{0}^{+\infty} \frac{x^2}{(1+x^4)^4} dx.$$

- Let  $t = x^4 \to x = t^{1/4} \to dx = \frac{t^{-3/4}}{4} dt$ .
- $\bullet \int\limits_0^{+\infty} \frac{t^{1/2}}{(1+t)^4} \frac{t^{-3/4}}{4} dt = \frac{1}{4} \int\limits_0^{+\infty} \frac{t^{-1/4}}{(1+t)^4} = \frac{1}{4} B(\frac{3}{4}, \frac{13}{4}) = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\Gamma(3/4)\Gamma(13/4)}{\Gamma(4)} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{3!} \Gamma(3/4) \frac{9}{4} \frac{5}{4} \frac{1}{4} \Gamma(1/4) = \frac{15}{512} \Gamma(1/4)\Gamma(3/4) = \frac{15}{512} \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/4)} = \frac{15\pi}{256\sqrt{2}}.$

# Some past exam problems

- (Final 20152) Evaluate  $\int_{0}^{1} \sqrt[4]{\frac{x^3}{(1-\sqrt{x})^2}} dx$ .
- (Final 20162) Evaluate  $\int_{0}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{(1+x^2)\sqrt[5]{x^4}} dx$ .
- (Final 20171) Evaluate  $\int_{0}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{(1+4x^4)^2} dx$ .
- (Final 20192) Evaluate  $\int\limits_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{e^{x/4}}{(1+e^x)^2} dx.$