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Definition

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Then

$$I(y) = \int_a^b f(x, y) dx \quad (1)$$

is a function defined on $[c, d]$ and is called an *integral depending on a parameter* of the function $f(x, y)$.

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Evaluate

$$\text{a) } I(y) = \int_0^1 \arctan \frac{x}{y} dx.$$

$$\text{b) } J(y) = \int_0^1 \ln(x^2 + y^2) dx.$$

Hint:

a) S1. Check the conditions of the Leibniz' Theorem.

$$\text{S2. Calculate } I'(y) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{y^2}{1+y^2}.$$

$$\text{S3. } I(y) = \arctan \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{2} y \ln \frac{y^2}{1+y^2}.$$

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By integrating under the integral sign, compute the integral

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- a) Evaluate $I(y) = \int_0^{+\infty} ye^{-yx} dx$ ($y > 0$).
- b) Prove that $I(y)$ converges to 1 uniformly on $[y_0, +\infty)$ for all $y_0 > 0$.
- c) Explain why $I(y)$ is not uniformly convergent on $(0, +\infty)$.

Sufficient Conditions for Uniform Convergence

Theorem (Weierstrass Criterion)

If

- i) $|f(x, y)| \leq g(x) \forall (x, y) \in [a, +\infty) \times [c, d],$
 - ii) *The improper integral $\int_a^{+\infty} g(x) dx$ is convergent,*
- then $I(y) = \int_a^{+\infty} f(x, y) dx$ is uniformly convergent on $[c, d]$.

Example

Prove that

a) $I(y) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\cos \alpha x}{x^2 + 1}$ is uniformly convergent on \mathbb{R} .

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If

i) $f(x, y)$ and $f'_y(x, y)$ are continuous on $[a, +\infty) \times [c, d]$,

ii) $I(y) = \int_a^{+\infty} f(x, y) dx$ is convergent on $[c, d]$,

iii) $\int_a^{+\infty} f'_y(x, y) dx$ is uniformly convergent on $[c, d]$,

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$$\int_c^d I(y) dy := \int_c^d \left(\int_a^{+\infty} f(x, y) dx \right) dy = \int_a^{+\infty} \left(\int_c^d f(x, y) dy \right) dx.$$

Integration Techniques

Evaluate $I(y) = \int_a^{+\infty} f(x, y) dx$.

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S1. Evaluate $I'(y)$ by differentiating $I'(y) = \int_a^{+\infty} f'_y(x, y) dx$.

S2. Evaluate $I(y)$ by integrating $I(y) = \int I'(y) dy + C$.

S3. Evaluate $I(y_0)$ to find C .

Remark: Remember to check the conditions.

Example

Evaluate $(a, b, \alpha, \beta > 0)$:

a) $\int_0^1 \frac{x^b - x^a}{\ln x} dx$.

b) $\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{e^{-\alpha x} - e^{-\beta x}}{x} dx$.

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

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S1. Express $f(x, y) = \int_c^d F(x, y) dy$.

S2. Change the order of integration:

$$\int_a^{+\infty} f(x, y) dx = \int_a^{+\infty} \left(\int_c^d F(x, y) dy \right) dx = \int_c^d \left(\int_a^{+\infty} F(x, y) dx \right) dy.$$

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d) $\int_0^{+\infty} e^{-ax} \frac{\sin bx - \sin cx}{x} dx.$

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Specially, $B(1, 1) = 1$ therefore $B(m, n) = \frac{(m-1)!(n-1)!}{(m+n-1)!}, \forall m, n \in \mathbb{N}.$

Example

Express $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^m t \cos^n t dt$ as the Beta function.

Hint: Let $\sin t = \sqrt{x}$ to conclude $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^m t \cos^n t dt = \frac{1}{2} B\left(\frac{m+1}{2}, \frac{n+1}{2}\right).$

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Relation between the Gamma and Beta functions

$$B(p, q) = \frac{\Gamma(p) \Gamma(q)}{\Gamma(p+q)}.$$

Example

a) $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^6 x \cos^4 x dx.$

b) $\int_0^a x^{2n} \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} dx \quad (a > 0).$

c) $\int_0^{+\infty} x^{10} e^{-x^2} dx.$

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

e) $\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^3} dx.$

f) $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt[n]{1-x^n}} dx, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}^*.$