

# Definite Integral

## 1.1 Definition

Let  $w(x)$  be the primitive or anti-derivative of a function  $f(x)$  defined on  $[a, b]$  i.e.,  $\frac{d}{dx}[w(x)] = f(x)$ . Then the definite integral of  $f(x)$  over  $[a, b]$  is denoted by  $\int_a^b f(x)dx$  and is defined as  $[w(b) - w(a)]$  i.e.,  $\int_a^b f(x)dx = w(b) - w(a)$ . This is also called Newton Leibnitz formula.

The numbers  $a$  and  $b$  are called the limits of integration, ' $a$ ' is called the lower limit and ' $b$ ' the upper limit. The interval  $[a, b]$  is called the interval of integration. The interval  $[a, b]$  is also known as range of integration.

### Important Tips

☞ In the above definition it does not matter which anti-derivative is used to evaluate the definite integral, because if  $\int f(x)dx = w(x) + c$ ,

$$\text{then } \int_a^b f(x)dx = [w(x) + c]_a^b = (w(b) + c) - (w(a) + c) = w(b) - w(a).$$

In other words, to evaluate the definite integral there is no need to keep the constant of integration.

☞ Every definite integral has a unique value.

**Example: 1**  $\int_{-1}^3 \left[ \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{x^2+1} + \tan^{-1} \frac{x^2+1}{x} \right] dx =$

- (a)  $f$  (b)  $2f$  (c)  $3f$  (d) None of these

**Solution:** (b)  $I = \int_{-1}^3 \left[ \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{x^2+1} + \cot^{-1} \frac{x}{x^2+1} \right] dx$

$$\Rightarrow I = \int_{-1}^3 \frac{f}{2} dx \Rightarrow I = \frac{f}{2} [x]_{-1}^3 = \frac{f}{2} [3+1] = 2f.$$

**Example: 2**  $\int_0^f \sin^2 x dx$  is equal to

- (a)  $f$  (b)  $f/2$  (c)  $0$  (d) None of these

**Solution:** (b)  $I = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^f 2 \sin^2 x dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^f [1 - \cos 2x] dx$

$$\Rightarrow I = \frac{1}{2} \left[ x - \frac{\sin 2x}{2} \right]_0^f \Rightarrow I = \frac{1}{2} [f] = \frac{f}{2}.$$

## 1.2 Definite Integral as the Limit of a Sum

Let  $f(x)$  be a single valued continuous function defined in the interval  $a \leq x \leq b$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are both finite. Let this interval be divided into  $n$  equal sub-intervals, each of width  $h$  by inserting  $(n - 1)$  points  $a + h, a + 2h, a + 3h, \dots, a + (n - 1)h$  between  $a$  and  $b$ . Then  $nh = b - a$ .

Now, we form the sum  $hf(a) + hf(a + h) + hf(a + 2h) + \dots + hf(a + rh) + \dots + hf[a + (n - 1)h]$

$$= h[f(a) + f(a + h) + f(a + 2h) + \dots + f(a + rh) + \dots + f\{a + (n - 1)h\}] = h \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f(a + rh)$$

where,  $a + nh = b \Rightarrow nh = b - a$

The  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f(a + rh)$ , if it exists is called the **definite integral** of  $f(x)$  with respect to  $x$  between the limits  $a$  and

$b$  and we denote it by the symbol  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ .

$$\text{Thus, } \int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h[f(a) + f(a+h) + f(a+2h) + \dots + f(a+(n-1)h)] \Rightarrow \int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f(a+rh)$$

where,  $nh = b - a$ ,  $a$  and  $b$  being the limits of integration.

The process of evaluating a definite integral by using the above definition is called integration from the first principle or integration as the limit of a sum.

### Important Tips

In finding the above sum, we have taken the left end points of the subintervals. We can take the right end points of the sub-intervals throughout.

$$\text{Then we have, } \int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h[f(a+h) + f(a+2h) + \dots + f(a+nh)], \quad \int_a^b f(x) dx = h \sum_{r=1}^n f(a+rh)$$

where,  $nh = b - a$ .

$$\int_r^s \frac{dx}{\sqrt{(x-r)(s-x)}} \quad (s > r) = f$$

$$\int_r^s \sqrt{(x-r)(s-x)} \, dx = \frac{f}{8} (s-r)^2$$

$$\int_a^b \sqrt{\frac{x-a}{b-x}} \, dx = \frac{f}{2} (b-a)$$

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = \frac{1}{n} \int_{na}^{nb} f(x) \, dx$$

$$\int_{a-c}^{b-c} f(x+c) \, dx = \int_a^b f(x) \, dx \quad \text{or} \quad \int_{a+c}^{b+c} f(x-c) \, dx = \int_a^b f(x) \, dx$$

### Some useful results for evaluation of definite integrals as limit for sums

$$(i) \, 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$(ii) \, 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

$$(iii) \, 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 = \left[ \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right]^2$$

$$(iv) \, a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1} = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}, \quad r \neq 1, \quad r > 1$$

$$(v) \, a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1} = \frac{a(1 - r^n)}{1 - r}, \quad r \neq 1, \quad r < 1$$

$$(vi) \, \sin a + \sin(a+h) + \dots + \sin[a+(n-1)h] = \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} [\sin(a+nh)] = \frac{\sin\left\{a + \left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right)h\right\} \sin\left\{\frac{nh}{2}\right\}}{\sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)}$$

$$(vii) \, \cos a + \cos(a+h) + \cos(a+2h) + \dots + \cos[a+(n-1)h] = \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} [\cos(a+nh)] = \frac{\cos\left\{a + \left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right)h\right\} \sin\left\{\frac{nh}{2}\right\}}{\sin\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)}$$

$$(viii) \, 1 - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} - \frac{1}{6^2} + \dots \infty = \frac{f^2}{12} \quad (ix) \, 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{6^2} + \dots \infty = \frac{f^2}{6}$$

$$(x) 1 + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots \infty = \frac{f^2}{8}$$

$$(xi) \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{6^2} + \dots \infty = \frac{f^2}{24}$$

$$(xii) \cos_{\pi} = \frac{e^{i\pi} + e^{-i\pi}}{2} \text{ and } \sin_{\pi} = \frac{e^{i\pi} - e^{-i\pi}}{2}$$

$$(xiii) \cosh_{\pi} = \frac{e^{\pi} + e^{-\pi}}{2} \text{ and } \sinh_{\pi} = \frac{e^{\pi} - e^{-\pi}}{2}$$

### 1.3 Evaluation of Definite Integral by Substitution

When the variable in a definite integral is changed, the substitutions in terms of new variable should be effected at three places.

(i) In the integrand

(ii) In the differential say,  $dx$

(iii) In the limits

For example, if we put  $w(x) = t$  in the integral  $\int_a^b f\{w(x)\}w'(x)dx$ , then  $\int_a^b f\{w(x)\}w'(x)dx = \int_{w(a)}^{w(b)} f(t)dt$ .

#### Important Tips

$$\int_0^f \frac{dx}{1 + \sin x} = 2$$

$$\int_0^{f/2} \log(\tan x)dx = 0$$

$$\int_0^a \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} = \frac{f}{2}$$

$$\int_0^{f/2} \frac{dx}{\sin x + \cos x} = \sqrt{2} \log(\sqrt{2} + 1)$$

$$\int_0^a \frac{dx}{1 + e^{f(x)}} = \frac{a}{2}, \text{ where } f(a-x) = -f(x)$$

$$\int_0^a \frac{dx}{x^2 + a^2} = \frac{f}{2a}$$

$$\int_0^a \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} dx = \frac{fa^2}{4}$$

**Example: 3** If  $h(a) = h(b)$ , then  $\int_a^b [f(g[h(x)])]^{-1} f'(g[h(x)]) g'[h(x)] h'(x) dx$  is equal to

(a) 0

(b)  $f(a) - f(b)$

(c)  $f[g(a)] - f[g(b)]$

(d) None of these

**Solution:** (a) Put  $f(g[h(x)]) = t \Rightarrow f'(g[h(x)]) g'[h(x)] h'(x) dx = dt$

$$\therefore \int_{f(g[h(a)])}^{f(g[h(b)])} t^{-1} dt = [\log(t)]_{f(g[h(a)])}^{f(g[h(b)])} = 0 \quad [\because h(a) = h(b)]$$

**Example: 4** The value of the integral  $\int_{e^{-1}}^{e^2} \left| \frac{\log_e x}{x} \right| dx$  is

**Solution:** (b) Put  $\log_e x = t \Rightarrow e^t = x$

$$\therefore dx = e^t dt$$

and limits are adjusted as  $-1$  to  $2$

$$\therefore I = \int_{-1}^2 \left| \frac{t}{e^t} \right| e^t dt = \int_{-1}^2 |t| dt \Rightarrow I = \int_{-1}^0 -t dt + \int_0^2 t dt \Rightarrow I = \left[ -\frac{t^2}{2} \right]_{-1}^0 + \left[ \frac{t^2}{2} \right]_0^2 \Rightarrow I = 5/2$$

**Example: 5**  $\int_0^{f/2} \frac{dx}{1 + \sin x}$  equals

(a) 0

(b) 1

(c)  $-1$

(d) 2

**Solution:** (b)  $I = \int_0^{f/2} \frac{dx}{\sin^2 x/2 + \cos^2 x/2 + 2 \sin x/2 \cos x/2}$

$$I = \int_0^{f/2} \frac{dx}{(\sin x/2 + \cos x/2)^2} = \int_0^{f/2} \frac{\sec^2 x/2}{(1 + \tan x/2)^2} dx$$

$$\text{Put } (1 + \tan x/2) = t \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \sec^2 x/2 dx = dt$$

$$\therefore I = 2 \int_1^2 \frac{dt}{t^2} = -2 \left[ \frac{1}{t} \right]_1^2 = -2 \left[ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{1} \right] = 1$$

## 1.4 Properties of Definite Integral

(1)  $\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_a^b f(t)dt$  i.e., The value of a definite integral remains unchanged if its variable is replaced by any other symbol.

**Example: 6**  $\int_3^6 \frac{1}{x+1} dx$  is equal to

- (a)  $[\log(x+1)]_3^6$  (b)  $[\log(t+1)]_3^6$  (c) Both (a) and (b) (d) None of these

**Solution: (c)**  $I = \int_3^6 \frac{1}{x+1} dx = [\log(x+1)]_3^6$ ,  $I = \int_3^6 \frac{1}{t+1} dt = [\log(t+1)]_3^6$

(2)  $\int_a^b f(x)dx = -\int_b^a f(x)dx$  i.e., by the interchange in the limits of definite integral, the sign of the integral is changed.

**Example: 7** Suppose  $f$  is such that  $f(-x) = -f(x)$  for every real  $x$  and  $\int_0^1 f(x)dx = 5$ , then  $\int_{-1}^0 f(t)dt =$

**Solution: (d)** Given,  $\int_0^1 f(x)dx = 5$

Put  $x = -t \Rightarrow dx = -dt$

$$\therefore I = -\int_0^{-1} f(-t)dt = -\int_{-1}^0 f(t)dt \Rightarrow I = -5$$

(3)  $\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_a^c f(x)dx + \int_c^b f(x)dx$ , (where  $a < c < b$ )

or  $\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_a^{c_1} f(x)dx + \int_{c_1}^{c_2} f(x)dx + \dots + \int_{c_n}^b f(x)dx$ ; (where  $a < c_1 < c_2 < \dots < c_n < b$ )

Generally this property is used when the integrand has two or more rules in the integration interval.

### Important Tips

$$\int_a^b (|x-a| + |x-b|) dx = (b-a)^2$$

**Note:** ☐ Property (3) is useful when  $f(x)$  is not continuous in  $[a, b]$  because we can break up the integral into several integrals at the points of discontinuity so that the function is continuous in the sub-intervals.

☐ The expression for  $f(x)$  changes at the end points of each of the sub-interval. You might at times be puzzled about the end points as limits of integration. You may not be sure for  $x = 0$  as the limit of the first integral or the next one. In fact, it is immaterial, as the area of the line is always zero. Therefore, even if you write  $\int_{-1}^0 (1-2x)dx$ , whereas 0 is not included in its domain it is deemed to be understood that you are approaching  $x = 0$  from the left in the first integral and from right in the second integral. Similarly for  $x = 1$ .

**Example: 8**  $\int_{-2}^2 |1-x^2| dx$  is equal to

- (a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 6 (d) 8

**Solution: (b)**  $I = \int_{-2}^2 |1-x^2| dx = \int_{-2}^{-1} |1-x^2| dx + \int_{-1}^1 |1-x^2| dx + \int_1^2 |1-x^2| dx$



$$\Rightarrow I = -\int_{-2}^{-1} (1-x^2)dx + \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2)dx - \int_1^2 (1-x^2)dx \Rightarrow I = \frac{4}{3} + \frac{4}{3} - \frac{4}{3} = 4.$$

**Example: 9**  $\int_0^{1.5} [x^2]dx$ , where  $[.]$  denotes the greatest integer function, equals

[DCE 2000, 2001; IIT 1988; AMU 1998]

- (a)  $2 + \sqrt{2}$  (b)  $2 - \sqrt{2}$  (c)  $1 + \sqrt{2}$  (d)  $\sqrt{2} - 1$

**Solution:** (b)  $I = \int_0^{1.5} [x^2]dx = \int_0^1 [x^2]dx + \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} [x^2]dx + \int_{\sqrt{2}}^{1.5} [x^2]dx \Rightarrow I = 0 + \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} 1dx + \int_{\sqrt{2}}^{1.5} 2dx = \sqrt{2} - 1 + 3 - 2\sqrt{2} \Rightarrow I = 2 - \sqrt{2}$

**Example: 10** If  $f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{\cos x} \cdot \sin x, & |x| \leq 2 \\ 2, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ , then  $\int_{-2}^3 f(x)dx =$

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3

**Solution:** (c)  $|x| \leq 2 \Rightarrow -2 \leq x \leq 2$  and  $f(x) = e^{\cos x} \sin x$  is an odd function.

$$\therefore I = \int_{-2}^3 f(x)dx = \int_{-2}^2 f(x)dx + \int_2^3 f(x)dx \Rightarrow I = 0 + \int_2^3 2dx = [2x]_2^3 = 2 \quad [\because \int_{-a}^a f(x)dx = 0 \text{ if } f(x) \text{ is odd and in } (2, 3) f(x) \text{ is } 2]$$

(4)  $\int_0^a f(x)dx = \int_0^a f(a-x)dx$  : This property can be used only when lower limit is zero. It is generally used for those complicated integrals whose denominators are unchanged when  $x$  is replaced by  $(a-x)$ .

Following integrals can be obtained with the help of above property.

(i)  $\int_0^{f/2} \frac{\sin^n x}{\sin^n x + \cos^n x} dx = \int_0^{f/2} \frac{\cos^n x}{\cos^n x + \sin^n x} dx = \frac{f}{4}$

(ii)  $\int_0^{f/2} \frac{\tan^n x}{1 + \tan^n x} dx = \int_0^{f/2} \frac{\cot^n x}{1 + \cot^n x} dx = \frac{f}{4}$

(iii)  $\int_0^{f/2} \frac{1}{1 + \tan^n x} dx = \int_0^{f/2} \frac{1}{1 + \cot^n x} dx = \frac{f}{4}$

(iv)  $\int_0^{f/2} \frac{\sec^n x}{\sec^n x + \csc^n x} dx = \int_0^{f/2} \frac{\csc^n x}{\csc^n x + \sec^n x} dx = \frac{f}{4}$

(v)  $\int_0^{f/2} f(\sin 2x) \sin x dx = \int_0^{f/2} f(\sin 2x) \cos x dx$

(vi)  $\int_0^{f/2} f(\sin x) dx = \int_0^{f/2} f(\cos x) dx$

(vii)  $\int_0^{f/2} f(\tan x) dx = \int_0^{f/2} f(\cot x) dx$

(viii)  $\int_0^1 f(\log x) dx = \int_0^1 f[\log(1-x)] dx$

(ix)  $\int_0^{f/2} \log \tan x dx = \int_0^{f/2} \log \cot x dx$

(x)  $\int_0^{f/4} \log(1 + \tan x) dx = \frac{f}{8} \log 2$

(xi)  $\int_0^{f/2} \log \sin x dx = \int_0^{f/2} \log \cos x dx = \frac{-f}{2} \log 2 = \frac{f}{2} \log \frac{1}{2}$

(xii)  $\int_0^{f/2} \frac{a \sin x + b \cos x}{\sin x + \cos x} dx = \int_0^{f/2} \frac{a \sec x + b \csc x}{\sec x + \csc x} dx = \int_0^{f/2} \frac{a \tan x + b \cot x}{\tan x + \cot x} dx = \frac{f}{4} (a+b)$

**Example: 11**  $\int_0^f e^{\sin^2 x} \cos^3 x dx =$

OR

For any integer  $n$ ,  $\int_0^f e^{\sin^2 x} \cos^3 (2n+1)x dx =$

- (a) -1 (b) 0 (c) 1 (d) None of these

**Solution:** (b) Let,  $f_1(x) = \cos^3 x = -f(f-x)$

and  $f_2(x) = \cos^3 (2n+1)x = -f(f-x)$

$$\therefore I = 0.$$

**Example: 12**  $\int_0^{2a} \frac{f(x)}{f(x) + f(2a-x)} dx$  is equal to

- (a)  $a$  (b)  $a/2$  (c)  $2a$  (d)  $0$

**Solution:** (a)  $I = \int_0^{2a} \frac{f(x)}{f(x) + f(2a-x)} dx = \int_0^{2a} \frac{f(2a-x)}{f(2a-x) + f(x)} dx$   
 $2I = \int_0^{2a} \frac{f(x) + f(2a-x)}{f(x) + f(2a-x)} dx = \int_0^{2a} dx = [x]_0^{2a} = 2a$   
 $\therefore I = a$ .

**Example: 13**  $\int_0^{f/2} \frac{\sqrt{\tan x}}{1 + \sqrt{\tan x}} dx = \int_0^{f/2} \frac{\sqrt{\sin x}}{\sqrt{\sin x} + \sqrt{\cos x}} dx$  is equal to

- (a)  $\pi/4$  (b)  $\infty$  (c)  $-1$  (d)  $1$

**Solution:** (a) We know,  $\int_0^{f/2} \frac{\tan^n x dx}{1 + \tan^n x} = \frac{f}{4}$  for any value of  $n$   
 $\therefore I = f/4$ .

$$(5) \int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = \int_0^a f(x) + f(-x) dx.$$

In special case :  $\int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = \begin{cases} 2 \int_0^a f(x) dx, & \text{if } f(x) \text{ is even function or } f(-x) = f(x) \\ 0, & \text{if } f(x) \text{ is odd function or } f(-x) = -f(x) \end{cases}$

This property is generally used when integrand is either even or odd function of  $x$ .

**Example: 14** The integral  $\int_{-1/2}^{1/2} \left( [x] + \ln \left( \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right) \right) dx$  equal to

- (a)  $-\frac{1}{2}$  (b)  $0$  (c)  $1$  (d)  $2 \ln \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)$

**Solution:** (a)  $\log \left( \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right)$  is an odd function of  $x$  as  $f(-x) = -f(x)$

$$I = \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} [x] dx + 0 \Rightarrow I = \int_{-1/2}^0 [x] dx + \int_0^{1/2} [x] dx \Rightarrow I = \int_{-1/2}^0 -1 dx + 0 \Rightarrow -[x]_{-1/2}^0 = \frac{-1}{2}.$$

**Example: 15** The value of the integral  $\int_{-1}^1 \log [x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}] dx$  is

**Solution:** (a)  $f(x) = \log [x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}]$  is a odd function i.e.  $f(-x) = -f(x) \Rightarrow f(x) + f(-x) = 0 \Rightarrow I = 0$ .

**Example: 16** The value of  $\int_{-f}^f (1-x^2) \sin x \cos^2 x dx$  is

- (a)  $0$  (b)  $1$  (c)  $2$  (d)  $3$

**Solution:** (a) Let,  $f_1(x) = (1-x^2)$ ,  $f_2(x) = \sin x$  and  $f_3(x) = \cos^2 x$

Now,  $f_1(x) = f_1(-x)$ ,  $f_2(x) = -f_2(-x)$  and  $f_3(x) = f_3(-x)$

$$\therefore I = \int_{-f}^f f(x) dx = \int_{-f}^f [f_1(x) \cdot f_2(x) \cdot f_3(x)] dx = - \int_{-f}^f [f_1(-x) \cdot f_2(-x) \cdot f_3(-x)] dx$$

$$\therefore I = 0$$

$$(6) \int_0^{2a} f(x) dx = \int_0^a f(x) dx + \int_0^a f(2a-x) dx$$

$$\text{In particular, } \int_0^{2a} f(x) dx = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } f(2a-x) = -f(x) \\ 2 \int_0^a f(x) dx, & \text{if } f(2a-x) = f(x) \end{cases}$$

It is generally used to make half the upper limit.

- Example: 17** If  $n$  is any integer, then  $\int_0^f e^{\cos^2 x} \cos^3(2n+1)x \, dx$  is equal to  
 (a)  $x$  (b)  $1$  (c)  $0$  (d) None of these

**Solution:** (c)  $I = \int_0^f e^{\cos^2(f-x)} \cdot \cos^3(2n+1)(f-x) \, dx$   
 $\Rightarrow I = -\int_0^f e^{\cos^2 x} \cdot \cos^3(2n+1)x \, dx \Rightarrow I = -I$   
 $\Rightarrow 2I = 0 \Rightarrow I = 0.$

- Example: 18** If  $I_1 = \int_0^{3f} f(\cos^2 x) \, dx$  and  $I_2 = \int_0^f f(\cos^2 x) \, dx$  then  
 (a)  $I_1 = I_2$  (b)  $I_1 = 2I_2$  (c)  $I_1 = 3I_2$  (d)  $I_1 = 4I_2$

**Solution:** (c)  $f(\cos^2 x) = f(\cos^2(3f-x))$   
 $\therefore I_1 = 3 \int_0^f f(\cos^2 x) \, dx \Rightarrow I_1 = 3I_2$

(7)  $\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = \int_a^b f(a+b-x) \, dx$

**Note:**  $\int_a^b \frac{f(x) \, dx}{f(x) + f(a+b-x)} = \frac{1}{2}(b-a)$

- Example: 19**  $\int_{f/4}^{3f/4} \frac{dx}{1+\cos x}$  is equal to  
 (a)  $2$  (b)  $-2$  (c)  $1/2$  (d)  $-1/2$

**Solution:** (a)  $I = \int_{f/4}^{3f/4} \frac{1}{1-\cos x} \, dx$   
 $\therefore 2I = \int_{f/4}^{3f/4} \frac{2}{1-\cos^2 x} \, dx$   
 $\Rightarrow 2I = 2 \int_{f/4}^{3f/4} \operatorname{cosec}^2 x \, dx \Rightarrow 2I = -2[\cot x]_{f/4}^{3f/4} = 4 \Rightarrow I = 2.$   
 $[\because \cos(\frac{f}{4} + \frac{3f}{4} - x) = -\cos x]$

- Example: 20** The value of  $\int_2^3 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{5-x} + \sqrt{x}} \, dx$  is  
 (a)  $1$  (b)  $0$  (c)  $-1$  (d)  $1/2$

**Solution:** (d)  $I = \int_2^3 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{5-x} + \sqrt{x}} \, dx$   
 Put  $x = 2+3-t \Rightarrow dx = -dt$   
 $\therefore I = \int_3^2 \frac{\sqrt{5-t}}{\sqrt{5-t} + \sqrt{t}} (-dt) = \int_2^3 \frac{\sqrt{5-x}}{\sqrt{5-x} + \sqrt{x}} \, dx$  and  $2I = \int_2^3 \frac{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{5-x}}{\sqrt{5-x} + \sqrt{x}} \, dx = \int_2^3 1 \, dx$   
 $\Rightarrow 2I = [x]_2^3 = 1 \Rightarrow I = 1/2$

- Example: 21** If  $f(a+b-x) = f(x)$  then  $\int_a^b x f(x) \, dx$  is equal to  
 (a)  $\frac{a+b}{2} \int_a^b f(b-x) \, dx$  (b)  $\frac{a+b}{2} \int_a^b f(x) \, dx$  (c)  $\frac{b-a}{2} \int_a^b f(x) \, dx$  (d) None of these

**Solution:** (b)  $I = \int_a^b x f(x) \, dx$  and  $I = \int_a^b (a+b-x) f(a+b-x) \, dx$   
 $\Rightarrow I = \int_a^b (a+b-x) f(x) \, dx \Rightarrow I = \int_a^b (a+b) f(x) \, dx - \int_a^b x f(x) \, dx \Rightarrow 2I = \left[ \int_a^b f(x) \, dx \right] (a+b) \Rightarrow I = \frac{a+b}{2} \int_a^b f(x) \, dx$

$$(8) \quad \int_0^a x f(x) dx = \frac{1}{2} a \int_0^a f(x) dx \text{ if } f(a-x) = f(x)$$

**Example: 22** If  $\int_0^f x f(\sin x) dx = k \int_0^f f(\sin x) dx$ , then the value of  $k$  will be

- (a)  $f$  (b)  $f/2$  (c)  $f/4$  (d) 1

**Solution:** (b) Given,  $\int_0^f x f(\sin x) dx = k \int_0^f f(\sin x) dx$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^f (f-x) f(\sin(f-x)) dx = k \int_0^f f(\sin(f-x)) dx \Rightarrow f \int_0^f f(\sin x) dx - \int_0^f x f(\sin x) dx = k \int_0^f f(\sin x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow f \int_0^f f(\sin x) dx - 2k \int_0^f f(\sin x) dx = 0 \Rightarrow (f-2k) \int_0^f f(\sin x) dx = 0$$

$$\therefore f-2k=0 \Rightarrow k=f/2.$$

$$(9) \quad \text{If } f(x) \text{ is a periodic function with period } T, \text{ then } \int_0^{nT} f(x) dx = n \int_0^T f(x) dx,$$

**Deduction :** If  $f(x)$  is a periodic function with period  $T$  and  $a \in R^+$ , then  $\int_{nT}^{a+nT} f(x) dx = \int_0^a f(x) dx$

(10) (i) If  $f(x)$  is a periodic function with period  $T$ , then

$$\int_a^{a+nT} f(x) dx = n \int_0^T f(x) dx \quad \text{where } n \in I$$

(a) In particular, if  $a = 0$

$$\int_0^{nT} f(x) dx = n \int_0^T f(x) dx, \quad \text{where } n \in I$$

$$(b) \text{ If } n = 1, \int_0^{a+T} f(x) dx = \int_0^T f(x) dx,$$

$$(i) \int_{mT}^{nT} f(x) dx = (n-m) \int_0^T f(x) dx, \quad \text{where } n, m \in I$$

$$(ii) \int_{a+nT}^{b+nT} f(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx, \quad \text{where } n \in I$$

(11) If  $f(x)$  is a periodic function with period  $T$ , then  $\int_a^{a+T} f(x) dx$  is independent of  $a$ .

$$(12) \quad \int_a^b f(x) dx = (b-a) \int_0^1 f((b-a)x+a) dx$$

(13) If  $f(t)$  is an odd function, then  $w(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$  is an even function

(14) If  $f(x)$  is an even function, then  $w(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt$  is an odd function.

**Note :**  $\square$  If  $f(t)$  is an even function, then for a non zero ' $a$ ',  $\int_0^x f(t) dt$  is not necessarily an odd function. It will be odd function if  $\int_0^a f(t) dt = 0$

**Example: 23** For  $n > 0$ ,  $\int_0^{2f} \frac{x \sin^{2n} x}{\sin^{2n} x + \cos^{2n} x} dx$  is equal to

- (a)  $f^2$  (b)  $2f^2$  (c)  $3f^2$  (d)  $4f^2$

**Solution:** (a)  $I = \int_0^{2f} \frac{x \sin^{2n} x dx}{\sin^{2n} x + \cos^{2n} x}$  and  $I = \int_0^{2f} \frac{(2f-x) \sin^{2n}(2f-x) dx}{\sin^{2n}(2f-x) + \cos^{2n}(2f-x)}$   $\left[ \because \int_0^a f(x) dx = \int_0^a f(a-x) dx \right]$



$$\therefore 2I = 2f \int_0^{2f} \frac{\sin^{2n} x}{\sin^{2n} x + \cos^{2n} x} dx \Rightarrow I = f \int_0^{2f} \frac{\sin^{2n} x}{\sin^{2n} x + \cos^{2n} x} dx$$

$$\text{using } \int_0^{nT} f(x) = n \int_0^T f(x) dx$$

$$\therefore I = 4f \int_0^{f/2} \frac{\sin^{2n} x}{\sin^{2n} x + \cos^{2n} x} dx \Rightarrow I = 4f (f/4) = f^2.$$

**Example: 24** If  $f(x)$  is a continuous periodic function with period  $T$ , then the integral  $I = \int_a^{a+T} f(x) dx$  is

- (a) Equal to  $2a$  (b) Equal to  $3a$  (c) Independent of  $a$  (d) None of these

**Solution:** (c) Consider the function  $g(a) = \int_a^{a+T} f(x) dx = \int_a^0 f(x) dx + \int_0^T f(x) dx + \int_T^{a+T} f(x) dx$

$$\text{Putting } x - T = y \text{ in last integral, we get } \int_T^{a+T} f(x) dx = \int_0^a f(y+T) dy = \int_0^a f(y) dy$$

$$\Rightarrow g(a) = \int_a^0 f(x) dx + \int_0^T f(x) dx + \int_0^a f(x) dx = \int_0^T f(x) dx$$

Hence  $g(a)$  is independent of  $a$ .

### Important Tips

☞ Every continuous function defined on  $[a, b]$  is integrable over  $[a, b]$ .

☞ Every monotonic function defined on  $[a, b]$  is integrable over  $[a, b]$ .

☞ If  $f(x)$  is a continuous function defined on  $[a, b]$ , then there exists  $c \in (a, b)$  such that  $\int_a^b f(x) dx = f(c) \cdot (b - a)$ .

The number  $f(c) = \frac{1}{(b-a)} \int_a^b f(x) dx$  is called the mean value of the function  $f(x)$  on the interval  $[a, b]$ .

☞ If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then the integral function  $g$  defined by  $g(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$  for  $x \in [a, b]$  is derivable on  $[a, b]$  and  $g'(x) = f(x)$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$ .

☞ If  $m$  and  $M$  are the smallest and greatest values of a function  $f(x)$  on an interval  $[a, b]$ , then  $m(b-a) \leq \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq M(b-a)$

☞ If the function  $\{ \varphi(x) \text{ and } \Xi(x), \text{ are defined on } [a, b] \text{ and differentiable at a point } x \in (a, b) \text{ and } f(t) \text{ is continuous for } \varphi(a) \leq t \leq \Xi(b),$

$$\text{then } \left( \int_{\varphi(x)}^{\Xi(x)} f(t) dt \right) = f(\Xi(x)) \Xi'(x) - f(\varphi(x)) \varphi'(x)$$

$$\left| \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \int_a^b |f(x)| dx$$

☞ If  $f^2(x)$  and  $g^2(x)$  are integrable on  $[a, b]$ , then  $\left| \int_a^b f(x) g(x) dx \right| \leq \left( \int_a^b f^2(x) dx \right)^{1/2} \left( \int_a^b g^2(x) dx \right)^{1/2}$

☞ **Change of variables :** If the function  $f(x)$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and the function  $x = \varphi(t)$  is continuously differentiable on the interval  $[t_1, t_2]$  and  $a = \varphi(t_1), b = \varphi(t_2)$ , then  $\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(\varphi(t)) \varphi'(t) dt$ .

☞ Let a function  $f(x, r)$  be continuous for  $a \leq x \leq b$  and  $c \leq r \leq d$ . Then for any  $r \in [c, d]$ , if  $I(r) = \int_a^b f(x, r) dx$ , then

$$I'(r) = \int_a^b f'(x, r) dx,$$

Where  $I'(r)$  is the derivative of  $I(r)$  w.r.t.  $r$  and  $f'(x, r)$  is the derivative of  $f(x, r)$  w.r.t.  $r$ , keeping  $x$  constant.

☞ For a given function  $f(x)$  continuous on  $[a, b]$  if you are able to find two continuous function  $f_1(x)$  and  $f_2(x)$  on  $[a, b]$  such that

$$f_1(x) \leq f(x) \leq f_2(x) \quad \forall x \in [a, b], \text{ then } \int_a^b f_1(x) dx \leq \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \int_a^b f_2(x) dx$$

## 1.5 Summation of Series by Integration

We know that  $\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h \sum_{r=1}^n f(a + rh)$ , where  $nh = b - a$

Now, put  $a = 0, b = 1, \therefore nh = 1$  or  $h = \frac{1}{n}$ . Hence  $\int_0^1 f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{r=1}^n f\left(\frac{r}{n}\right)$

• Note : ☐ Express the given series in the form  $\sum \frac{1}{n} f\left(\frac{r}{n}\right)$ . Replace  $\frac{r}{n}$  by  $x$ ,  $\frac{1}{n}$  by  $dx$  and the limit of the sum is

$$\int_0^1 f(x) dx.$$

**Example: 25** If  $S_n = \frac{1}{1+\sqrt{n}} + \frac{1}{2+\sqrt{2n}} + \dots + \frac{1}{n+\sqrt{n^2}}$  then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$  is equal to

- (a)  $\log 2$  (b)  $2 \log 2$  (c)  $3 \log 2$  (d)  $4 \log 2$

**Solution:** (b)  $\sum \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{r+\sqrt{rn}} = \sum \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n \left[ \frac{r}{n} + \sqrt{\frac{r}{n}} \right]}$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}(1+\sqrt{x})} dx$$

$$= 2[\log(1+\sqrt{x})]_0^1 = 2 \log 2$$

**Example: 26**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n!)^{1/n}}{n}$  or  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n!}{n^n}\right)^{1/n}$  is equal to

- (a)  $e$  (b)  $e^{-1}$  (c)  $1$  (d) None of these

**Solution:** (b) Let  $A = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n!)^{1/n}}{n}$

$$\Rightarrow \log A = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log \left( \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots n}{n^n} \right)^{1/n} \Rightarrow \log A = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log \left( \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{2}{n} \cdot \frac{3}{n} \dots \frac{n}{n} \right)^{1/n} \Rightarrow \log A = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{r=1}^n \left[ \log \left( \frac{r}{n} \right) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \log A = \int_0^1 \log x dx = [x \log x - x]_0^1 \Rightarrow \log A = -1 \Rightarrow A = e^{-1}$$

## 1.6 Gamma Function

If  $m$  and  $n$  are non-negative integers, then  $\int_0^{f/2} \sin^m x \cos^n x dx = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{m+1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)}{2\Gamma\left(\frac{m+n+2}{2}\right)}$

where  $\Gamma(n)$  is called gamma function which satisfied the following properties

$$\Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n) = n! \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \Gamma(1) = 1 \text{ and } \Gamma(1/2) = \sqrt{f}$$

In place of gamma function, we can also use the following formula :

$$\int_0^{f/2} \sin^m x \cos^n x dx = \frac{(m-1)(m-3) \dots (2 \text{ or } 1)(n-1)(n-3) \dots (2 \text{ or } 1)}{(m+n)(m+n-2) \dots (2 \text{ or } 1)}$$

It is important to note that we multiply by  $(f/2)$ ; when both  $m$  and  $n$  are even.

**Example: 27** The value of  $\int_0^{f/2} \sin^4 x \cos^6 x dx$  =  
(a)  $3f/312$  (b)  $5f/512$  (c)  $3f/512$  (d)  $5f/312$

**Solution:** (c)  $I = \frac{(4-1)(4-3)(6-1)(6-3)(6-5)}{(4+6)(4+6-2)(4+6-4)(4+6-6)(4+6-8)} \cdot \frac{f}{2} = \frac{3 \cdot 1 \cdot 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 1}{10 \cdot 8 \cdot 6 \cdot 4 \cdot 2} \cdot \frac{f}{2} = \frac{3f}{512}$

## 1.7 Reduction formulae Definite Integration

$$(1) \int_0^\infty e^{-ax} \sin bxdx = \frac{b}{a^2 + b^2} \quad (2) \int_0^\infty e^{-ax} \cos bxdx = \frac{a}{a^2 + b^2} \quad (3) \int_0^\infty e^{-ax} x^n dx = \frac{n!}{a^{n+1}}$$

**Example: 28** If  $I_n = \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^{n-1} dx$ , then  $\int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^{n-1} dx$  is equal to

- (a)  $\int I_n$  (b)  $\frac{1}{\int} I_n$  (c)  $\frac{I_n}{\int^n}$  (d)  $\int^n I_n$

**Solution:** (c) Put,  $\int x = t$ ,  $\int dx = dt$ , we get,

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^{n-1} dx = \frac{1}{\int^n} \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{n-1} dt = \frac{1}{\int^n} \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^{n-1} dx = \frac{I_n}{\int^n}$$

## 1.8 Walli's Formula

$$\int_0^{f/2} \sin^n x dx = \int_0^{f/2} \cos^n x dx = \begin{cases} \frac{n-1}{n} \cdot \frac{n-3}{n-2} \cdot \frac{n-5}{n-4} \cdots \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{f}{2}, & \text{when } n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{n-1}{n} \cdot \frac{n-3}{n-2} \cdot \frac{n-5}{n-4} \cdots \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{f}{2}, & \text{when } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$\int_0^{f/2} \sin^m x \cos^n x dx = \frac{(m-1)(m-3)\cdots(n-1)(n-3)\cdots}{(m+n)(m+n-2)} \quad [\text{If } m, n \text{ are both odd +ve integers or one odd +ve integer}]$$

$$= \frac{(m-1)(m-3)\cdots(n-1)(n-3)}{(m+n)(m+n-2)} \cdot \frac{f}{2} \quad [\text{If } m, n \text{ are both +ve integers}]$$

**Example: 29**  $\int_0^{f/2} \sin^7 x dx$  has value

- (a)  $\frac{37}{184}$  (b)  $\frac{17}{45}$  (c)  $\frac{16}{35}$  (d)  $\frac{16}{45}$

**Solution:** (c) Using Walli's formula,  $\Rightarrow I = \frac{7-1}{7} \cdot \frac{7-3}{7-2} \cdot \frac{7-5}{7-4} = \frac{6 \cdot 4 \cdot 2}{7 \cdot 5 \cdot 3} = \frac{16}{35}$

## 1.9 Leibnitz's Rule

(1) If  $f(x)$  is continuous and  $u(x)$ ,  $v(x)$  are differentiable functions in the interval  $[a, b]$ , then,

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_{u(x)}^{v(x)} f(t) dt = f\{v(x)\} \frac{d}{dx} \{v(x)\} - f\{u(x)\} \frac{d}{dx} \{u(x)\}$$

(2) If the function  $w(x)$  and  $\mathbb{E}(x)$  are defined on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable at a point  $x \in (a, b)$ , and  $f(x, t)$  is

continuous, then,  $\frac{d}{dx} \left[ \int_{w(x)}^{\mathbb{E}(x)} f(x, t) dt \right] = \int_{w(x)}^{\mathbb{E}(x)} \frac{d}{dx} f(x, t) dt + \left\{ \frac{d\mathbb{E}(x)}{dx} \right\} f(x, \mathbb{E}(x)) - \left\{ \frac{dw(x)}{dx} \right\} f(x, w(x))$

**Example: 30** Let  $f(x) = \int_1^x \sqrt{2-t^2} dt$ . Then the real roots of the equation  $x^2 - f'(x) = 0$  are

- (a)  $\pm 1$  (b)  $\pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  (c)  $\pm \frac{1}{2}$  (d) 0 and 1

**Solution:** (a)  $f(x) = \int_1^x \sqrt{2-t^2} dt \Rightarrow f'(x) = \sqrt{2-x^2} \cdot 1 - \sqrt{2-1} \cdot 0 = \sqrt{2-x^2}$   
 $\therefore x^2 = f'(x) = \sqrt{2-x^2} \Rightarrow x^4 + x^2 - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow (x^2 + 2)(x^2 - 1) = 0$   
 $\therefore x = \pm 1$  (only real).

**Example: 31** Let  $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow R$  and  $f(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt$ . If  $f(x^2) = x^2(1+x)$ , then  $f(4)$  equals

(a) 5/4

(b) 7

(c) 4

(d) 2

**Solution:** (c) By definition of  $f(x)$  we have  $f(x^2) = \int_0^{x^2} f(t) dt = x^2 + x^3$  (given)

Differentiate both sides,  $f(x^2) \cdot 2x + 0 = 2x + 3x^2$

Put,  $x = 2 \Rightarrow 4f(4) = 16 \Rightarrow f(4) = 4$

## 1.10 Integrals with Infinite Limits (Improper Integral)

A definite integral  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  is called an improper integral, if

The range of integration is finite and the integrand is unbounded and/or the range of integration is infinite and the integrand is bounded.

e.g., The integral  $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^2} dx$  is an improper integral, because the integrand is unbounded on  $[0, 1]$ . Infact,  $\frac{1}{x^2} \rightarrow \infty$  as  $x \rightarrow 0$ . The integral  $\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx$  is an improper integral, because the range of integration is not finite.

There are following two kinds of improper definite integrals:

(1) **Improper integral of first kind** : A definite integral  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  is called an improper integral of first kind if the range of integration is not finite (i.e., either  $a \rightarrow \infty$  or  $b \rightarrow \infty$  or  $a \rightarrow \infty$  and  $b \rightarrow \infty$ ) and the integrand  $f(x)$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$ .

$$\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^2} dx, \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx, \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx, \int_1^\infty \frac{3x}{(1+2x)^3} dx \text{ are improper integrals of first kind.}$$

### Important Tips

- ☞ In an improper integral of first kind, the interval of integration is one of the following types  $[a, \infty)$ ,  $(-\infty, b]$ ,  $(-\infty, \infty)$ .
- ☞ The improper integral  $\int_a^\infty f(x) dx$  is said to be convergent, if  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^k f(x) dx$  exists finitely and this limit is called the value of the improper integral. If  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^k f(x) dx$  is either  $+\infty$  or  $-\infty$ , then the integral is said to be divergent.
- ☞ The improper integral  $\int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x) dx$  is said to be convergent, if both the limits on the right-hand side exist finitely and are independent of each other. The improper integral  $\int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x) dx$  is said to be divergent if the right hand side is  $+\infty$  or  $-\infty$ .

(2) **Improper integral of second kind** : A definite integral  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  is called an improper integral of second kind if the range of integration  $[a, b]$  is finite and the integrand is unbounded at one or more points of  $[a, b]$ .



If  $\int_a^b f(x)dx$  is an improper integral of second kind, then  $a, b$  are finite real numbers and there exists at least one point  $c \in [a, b]$  such that  $f(x) \rightarrow +\infty$  or  $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow c$  i.e.,  $f(x)$  has at least one point of finite discontinuity in  $[a, b]$ .

For example :

(i) The integral  $\int_1^3 \frac{1}{x-2} dx$ , is an improper integral of second kind, because  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left( \frac{1}{x-2} \right) = \infty$ .

(ii) The integral  $\int_0^1 \log x dx$ ; is an improper integral of second kind, because  $\log x \rightarrow -\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow 0$ .

(iii) The integral  $\int_0^{2f} \frac{1}{1+\cos x} dx$ , is an improper integral of second kind since integrand  $\frac{1}{1+\cos x}$  becomes infinite at  $x = f \in [0, 2f]$ .

(iv)  $\int_0^1 \frac{\sin x}{x} dx$ , is a proper integral since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$ .

### Important Tips

☞ Let  $f(x)$  be bounded function defined on  $(a, b]$  such that  $a$  is the only point of infinite discontinuity of  $f(x)$  i.e.,  $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $x \rightarrow a$ . Then the improper integral of  $f(x)$  on  $(a, b]$  is denoted by  $\int_a^b f(x)dx$  and is defined as  $\int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{v \rightarrow 0} \int_{a+v}^b f(x)dx$ . Provided that the limit on right hand side exists. If  $l$  denotes the limit on right hand side, then the improper integral  $\int_a^b f(x)dx$  is said to converge to  $l$ , when  $l$  is finite. If  $l = +\infty$  or  $l = -\infty$ , then the integral is said to be a divergent integral.

☞ Let  $f(x)$  be bounded function defined on  $[a, b)$  such that  $b$  is the only point of infinite discontinuity of  $f(x)$  i.e.,  $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $x \rightarrow b$ . Then the improper integral of  $f(x)$  on  $[a, b)$  is denoted by  $\int_a^b f(x)dx$  and is defined as  $\int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{v \rightarrow 0} \int_a^{b-v} f(x)dx$

Provided that the limit on right hand side exists finitely. If  $l$  denotes the limit on right hand side, then the improper integral  $\int_a^b f(x)dx$  is said to converge to  $l$ , when  $l$  is finite.

If  $l = +\infty$  or  $l = -\infty$ , then the integral is said to be a divergent integral.

☞ Let  $f(x)$  be a bounded function defined on  $(a, b)$  such that  $a$  and  $b$  are only two points of infinite discontinuity of  $f(x)$  i.e.,  $f(a) \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $f(b) \rightarrow \infty$ .

Then the improper integral of  $f(x)$  on  $(a, b)$  is denoted by  $\int_a^b f(x)dx$  and is defined as

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{v \rightarrow 0} \int_{a+v}^c f(x)dx + \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \int_u^{b-u} f(x)dx, a < c < b$$

Provided that both the limits on right hand side exist.

☞ Let  $f(x)$  be a bounded function defined  $[a, b] - \{c\}$ ,  $c \in [a, b]$  and  $c$  is the only point of infinite discontinuity of  $f(x)$  i.e.,  $f(c) \rightarrow \infty$ . Then the improper integral of  $f(x)$  on  $[a, b] - \{c\}$  is denoted by  $\int_a^b f(x)dx$  and is defined as  $\int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \int_a^{c-x} f(x)dx + \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \int_{c+u}^b f(x)dx$

Provided that both the limits on right hand side exist finitely. The improper integral  $\int_a^b f(x)dx$  is said to be convergent if both the limits on the right hand side exist finitely.

☞ If either of the two or both the limits on RHS are  $\infty$ , then the integral is said to be divergent.

**Example: 32** The improper integral  $\int_0^\infty e^{-x} dx$  is ..... and the value is....

- (a) Convergent, 1                      (b) Divergent, 1                      (c) Convergent, 0                      (d) Divergent, 0

**Solution:** (a)  $I = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} dx = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^k e^{-x} dx \Rightarrow I = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} [-e^{-x}]_0^k = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} [-e^{-k} + e^0] \Rightarrow I = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (1 - e^{-k}) = 1 - 0 = 1$  [ $\because \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} e^{-k} = e^{-\infty} = 0$ ]

Thus,  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^k e^{-x} dx$  exists and is finite. Hence the given integral is convergent.

**Example: 33** The integral  $\int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{a^2 + x^2} dx$ ,  $a \neq 0$  is

- (a) Convergent and equal to  $\frac{f}{a}$  (b) Convergent and equal to  $\frac{f}{2a}$   
(c) Divergent and equal to  $\frac{f}{a}$  (d) Divergent and equal to  $\frac{f}{2a}$

**Solution:** (b)  $I = \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{dx}{a^2 + x^2} = \lim_{k \rightarrow -\infty} \int_k^0 \frac{dx}{a^2 + x^2}$   
 $\Rightarrow I = \lim_{k \rightarrow -\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{a} \right]_k^0 = \lim_{k \rightarrow -\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1} 0 - \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1} \frac{k}{a} \right] \Rightarrow I = 0 - \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1}(-\infty) = -\frac{1}{a} \left( -\frac{\pi}{2} \right) = \frac{\pi}{2a}$

Hence integral is convergent.

**Example: 34** The integral  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{e^{-x} + e^x} dx$  is

- (a) Convergent and equal to  $f/6$  (b) Convergent and equal to  $f/4$   
(c) Convergent and equal to  $f/3$  (d) Convergent and equal to  $f/2$

**Solution:** (d)  $I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{e^{-x} + e^x} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^x}{1 + e^{2x}} dx$

Put  $e^x = t \Rightarrow e^x dx = dt$

$\therefore I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+t^2} dt \Rightarrow I = [\tan^{-1} t]_0^{\infty} = [\tan^{-1} \infty - \tan^{-1} 0] \Rightarrow I = \pi/2$ , which is finite so convergent.

**Example: 35**  $\int_1^2 \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x-1}} dx$  is

- (a) Convergent and equal to  $\frac{14}{3}$  (b) Divergent and equal to  $\frac{3}{14}$   
(c) Convergent and equal to  $\infty$  (d) Divergent and equal to  $\infty$

**Solution:** (a)  $I = \int_1^2 \sqrt{x-1} dx + \int_1^2 \frac{2}{\sqrt{x-1}} dx = \left[ \frac{2}{3} (x-1)^{3/2} \right]_1^2 + [4\sqrt{x-1}]_1^2 = 14/3$  which is finite so convergent.

**Example: 36**  $\int_1^2 \frac{dx}{x^2 - 5x + 4}$  is

- (a) Convergent and equal to  $\frac{1}{3} \log 2$  (b) Convergent and equal to  $3/\log 2$   
(c) Divergent (d) None of these

**Solution:** (c)  $I = \int_1^2 \frac{dx}{(x-1)(x-4)} = \frac{1}{3} \int_1^2 \left( \frac{1}{x-4} - \frac{1}{x-1} \right) dx = \frac{1}{3} [\log 2 - \infty] = -\infty$

So the given integral is not convergent.

### 1.11 Some Important results of Definite Integral

(1) If  $I_n = \int_0^{f/4} \tan^n x dx$  then  $I_n + I_{n-2} = \frac{1}{n-1}$

(2) If  $I_n = \int_0^{f/4} \cot^n x dx$  then  $I_n + I_{n-2} = \frac{1}{1-n}$

(3) If  $I_n = \int_0^{f/4} \sec^n x dx$  then  $I_n = \frac{(\sqrt{2})^{n-2}}{n-1} + \frac{n-2}{n-1} I_{n-2}$

(4) If  $I_n = \int_0^{f/4} \operatorname{cosec}^n x dx$  then  $I_n = \frac{(\sqrt{2})^{n-2}}{n-1} + \frac{n-2}{n-1} I_{n-2}$

(5) If  $I_n = \int_0^{f/2} x^n \sin x dx$  then  $I_n + n(n-1)I_{n-2} = n(f/2)^{n-1}$

(6) If  $I_n = \int_0^{f/2} x^n \cos x dx$  then  $I_n + n(n-1)I_{n-2} = (f/2)^n$

(7) If  $a > b > 0$ , then  $\int_0^{f/2} \frac{dx}{a+b \cos x} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{a^2-b^2}} \tan^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{a+b}{a-b}}$

(8) If  $0 < a < b$  then  $\int_0^{f/2} \frac{dx}{a+b \cos x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{b^2-a^2}} \log \left| \frac{\sqrt{b+a} - \sqrt{b-a}}{\sqrt{b+a} + \sqrt{b-a}} \right|$

(9) If  $a > b > 0$  then  $\int_0^{f/2} \frac{dx}{a+b \sin x} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{a^2-b^2}} \tan^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{a-b}{a+b}}$

(10) If  $0 < a < b$ , then  $\int_0^{f/2} \frac{dx}{a+b \sin x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{b^2-a^2}} \log \left| \frac{\sqrt{b+a} + \sqrt{b-a}}{\sqrt{b+a} - \sqrt{b-a}} \right|$

(11) If  $a > b, a^2 > b^2 + c^2$ , then  $\int_0^{f/2} \frac{dx}{a+b \cos x + c \sin x} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{a^2-b^2-c^2}} \tan^{-1} \frac{a-b+c}{\sqrt{a^2-b^2-c^2}}$

(12) If  $a > b, a^2 < b^2 + c^2$ , then  $\int_0^{f/2} \frac{dx}{a+b \cos x + c \sin x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{b^2+c^2-a^2}} \log \left| \frac{a-b+c-\sqrt{b^2+c^2-a^2}}{a-b+c+\sqrt{b^2+c^2-a^2}} \right|$

(13) If  $a < b, a^2 < b^2 + c^2$  then  $\int_0^{f/2} \frac{dx}{a+b \cos x + c \sin x} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{b^2+c^2-a^2}} \log \left| \frac{b-a-c-\sqrt{b^2+c^2-a^2}}{b-a-c+\sqrt{b^2+c^2-a^2}} \right|$

### Important Tips

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{\int_0^x f(x) dx}{x} \right| = f(0)$$

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = (b-a) \int_0^1 f[(b-a)t + a] dt$$

## 1.12 Integration of Piecewise Continuous Functions

Any function  $f(x)$  which is discontinuous at finite number of points in an interval  $[a, b]$  can be made continuous in sub-intervals by breaking the intervals into these subintervals. If  $f(x)$  is discontinuous at points  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$  in  $(a, b)$ , then we can define subintervals  $(a, x_1), (x_1, x_2), \dots, (x_{n-1}, x_n), (x_n, b)$  such that  $f(x)$  is continuous in each of these subintervals. Such functions are called piecewise continuous functions. For integration of Piecewise continuous function. We integrate  $f(x)$  in these sub-intervals and finally add all the values.

**Example: 37**  $\int_{-10}^{20} [\cot^{-1} x] dx$ , where  $[.]$  denotes greatest integer function

(a)  $30 + \cot 1 + \cot 3$

(c)  $830 + \cot 1 + \cot 2$

(b)  $30 + \cot 1 + \cot 2 + \cot 3$

(d) None of these

**Solution:** (b) Let  $I = \int_{-10}^{20} [\cot^{-1} x] dx$ ,

we know  $\cot^{-1} x \in (0, \pi) \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\text{thus, } [\cot^{-1} x] = \begin{cases} 3, & x \in (-\infty, \cot 3) \\ 2, & x \in (\cot 3, \cot 2) \\ 1, & x \in (\cot 2, \cot 1) \\ 0, & x \in (\cot 1, \infty) \end{cases}$$

Hence,  $I = \int_{-10}^{\cot 3} 3 dx + \int_{\cot 3}^{\cot 2} 2 dx + \int_{\cot 2}^{\cot 1} 1 dx + \int_{\cot 1}^{20} 0 dx = 30 + \cot 1 + \cot 2 + \cot 3$

**Example: 38**  $\int_0^2 [x^2 - x + 1] dx$ , where  $[.]$  denotes greatest integer function

(a)  $\frac{7 - \sqrt{5}}{2}$

(b)  $\frac{7 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$

(c)  $\frac{\sqrt{5} - 3}{2}$

(d) None of these

**Solution:** (a) Let  $I = \int_0^2 [x^2 - x + 1] dx = \int_0^{\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}} [x^2 - x + 1] dx + \int_{\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}}^2 [x^2 - x + 1] dx = \int_0^{\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}} 1 dx + \int_{\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}}^2 2 dx = \frac{7 - \sqrt{5}}{2}$

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