

MAC2312: Calculus 2 - Section 3

Quiz 6: 7.8 Improper Integrals

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1. Determine whether $\int_3^{\infty} \frac{1}{(x-2)^{3/2}} dx$ is convergent or divergent.

A. convergent

B. divergent

$$\begin{aligned}\int_3^{\infty} \frac{1}{(x-2)^{3/2}} dx &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_3^t \frac{1}{(x-2)^{3/2}} dx \\&= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[-\frac{2}{\sqrt{x-2}} \right]_{x=3}^t \\&= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} - \left[\frac{2}{\sqrt{t-2}} - 2 \right] \\&= - \left[\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{\sqrt{t-2}} - 2 \right] = 2\end{aligned}$$