

2011-2012 Spring  
MAT123-[Instructor] Midterm II  
(08/05/2012)  
Time: 15:00 - 16:45  
Duration: 105 minutes

1. Consider the region bounded by the curve  $y = x^2$ , the  $x$ -axis, and the line  $x = 2$ , where  $x \geq 0$ .

(a) Find the volume of the solid generated by revolving the region about the  $x$ -axis by the disk method and sketch the solid.

(b) Find the volume of the solid generated by revolving the region about the  $y$ -axis by the shell method and sketch the solid.

2. Evaluate the following integrals.

(a)  $\int_0^3 |x^2 - 1| dx$     (b)  $\int \frac{1}{x^2 + 2x + 1} dx$     (c)  $\int \frac{1}{x^2 + 2x + 2} dx$

(d)  $\int \frac{1}{x^2 + 3x + 2} dx$     (e)  $\int_{-\pi/6}^0 \sqrt{1 - \cos(6x)} dx$

3. Determine whether the improper integral  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + x^2} dx$  is convergent or divergent. Evaluate if the integral is convergent.

4. Evaluate the following limits. Explain all your work and write clearly.

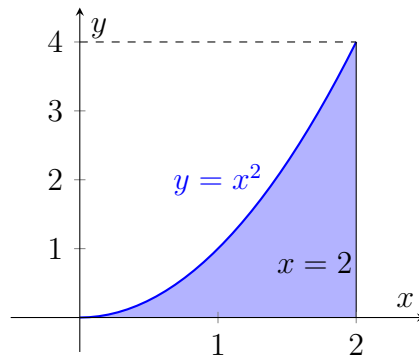
(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3^x - 1}{5^x - 1}$     (b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_0^{x^2} \sin t dt}{x}$

5. Determine whether each sequence converges or diverges. Evaluate the limit of each convergent sequence. Explain all your work and write clearly.

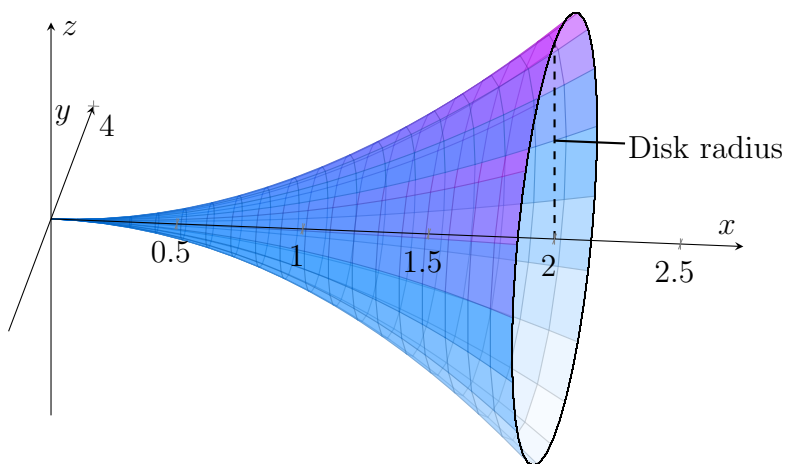
(a)  $a_n = \frac{2n + (-1)^n}{n}$     (b)  $a_n = \arctan\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)$     (c)  $a_n = \frac{n+1}{1 - \sqrt{n}}$

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1.

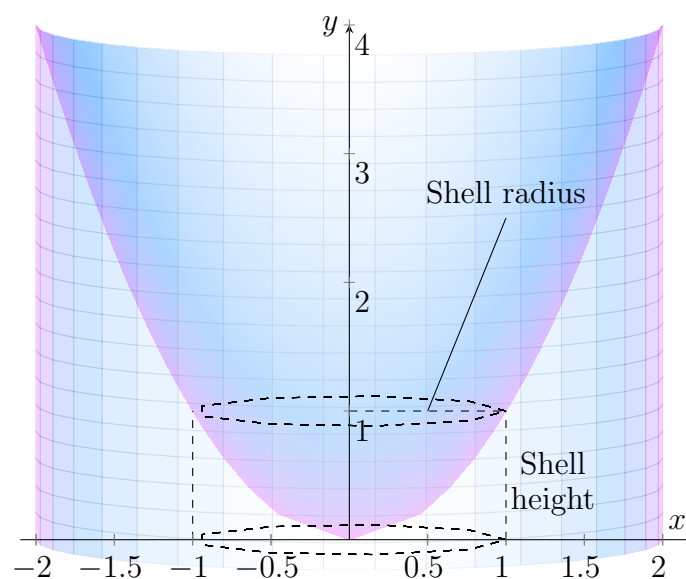


(a)



$$\text{Volume} = \int_{\mathcal{D}} \pi \cdot (r(x))^2 dx = \int_0^2 \pi (x^2)^2 dx = \pi \int_0^2 x^4 dx = \pi \left[ \frac{x^5}{5} \right]_0^2 = \boxed{\frac{32\pi}{5}}$$

(b)



$$\begin{aligned}\text{Volume} &= \int_{\mathcal{D}} 2\pi \cdot r(x) \cdot h(x) dx = 2\pi \int_0^2 x \cdot x^2 dx = 2\pi \int_0^2 x^3 dx \\ &= 2\pi \left[ \frac{x^4}{4} \right]_0^2 = 2\pi \left( \frac{2^4}{4} - 0 \right) = \boxed{8\pi}\end{aligned}$$

2.

(a) The expression  $|x^2 - 1|$  is the same as  $x^2 - 1$  for  $x > 1$  and  $1 - x^2$  for  $x < 1$ . We can write the equivalent expression below.

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^3 |x^2 - 1| dx &= \int_0^1 (1 - x^2) dx + \int_1^3 (x^2 - 1) dx = \left[ x - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^1 + \left[ \frac{x^3}{3} - x \right]_1^3 \\ &= \left[ \left( 1 - \frac{1^3}{3} \right) - 0 \right] + \left[ \left( \frac{3^3}{3} - 3 \right) - \left( \frac{1^3}{3} - 1 \right) \right] = \boxed{\frac{22}{3}}\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\int \frac{1}{x^2 + 2x + 1} dx = \int \frac{1}{(x+1)^2} dx = \boxed{-\frac{1}{x+1} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}\int \frac{1}{x^2 + 2x + 2} dx &= \int \frac{1}{(x+1)^2 + 1} dx \quad [u = x+1 \implies du = dx] \\ &= \int \frac{1}{u^2 + 1} du = \arctan(u) + c = \boxed{\arctan(x+1) + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}}\end{aligned}$$

(d) We can use the method of partial fraction decomposition.

$$\int \frac{1}{x^2 + 3x + 2} dx = \int \frac{1}{(x+1)(x+2)} dx = \int \left( \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{x+2} \right) dx \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}A(x+2) + B(x+1) &= 1 \\ x(A+B) + 2A + B &= 1 \\ \therefore A + B = 0 \quad [\text{eliminate } x] &\rightarrow 2A + B = 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} A + B &= 0 \\ 2A + B &= 1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad A = 1, \quad B = -1$$

Plug the values of  $A$  and  $B$  into (1).

$$\int \left( \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{x+2} \right) dx = \int \left( \frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{1}{x+2} \right) dx = \boxed{\ln|x+1| - \ln|x+2| + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}}$$

(e) Use the trigonometric identity  $\cos(2x) = 1 - 2\sin^2 x$ .

$$\int_{-\pi/6}^0 \sqrt{1 - \cos(6x)} dx = \int_{-\pi/6}^0 \sqrt{2\sin^2(3x)} dx = \sqrt{2} \int_{-\pi/6}^0 |\sin(3x)| dx$$

$\sin x < 0$  for  $-\pi < x < \pi$ . Therefore, the integral can be rewritten as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{2} \int_{-\pi/6}^0 |\sin(3x)| dx &= \sqrt{2} \int_{-\pi/6}^0 -\sin(3x) dx = \sqrt{2} \left[ \frac{1}{3} \cos(3x) \right]_{-\pi/6}^0 \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \left[ \cos 0 - \cos \left( -\frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right] = \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}} \end{aligned}$$

3. We have an improper integral where the limits are  $\pm\infty$ . Use limits to handle improper integrals accurately.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx &= \lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-A}^A \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \arctan(x) \Big|_{-A}^A \\ &= \lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} (\arctan A - \arctan(-A)) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \left( -\frac{\pi}{2} \right) = \boxed{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

The value of the improper integral is finite. Therefore, this integral is convergent.

4.

(a) The limit is in the indeterminate form  $0/0$ . We can apply L'Hôpital's rule to eliminate the indeterminate form.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3^x - 1}{5^x - 1} \stackrel{\text{L'H.}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3^x \cdot \ln 3}{5^x \cdot \ln 5} = \log_5 3 \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{3}{5} \right)^x = \boxed{\log_5 3}$$

(b) The first method is to evaluate the integral in the limit.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_0^{x^2} \sin t dt}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\cos t \Big|_{t=0}^{t=x^2}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\cos x^2 - (-\cos 0)}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x^2}{x}$$

Multiply by the expression inside the limit  $\frac{x}{x}$ . Notice that we obtain a standard form.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1 - \cos x^2}{x} \cdot \frac{x}{x} \right) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x^2}{x^2} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \quad \left[ \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos u}{u} = 0 \right] \\ &= 1 \cdot 0 = \boxed{0} \end{aligned}$$

The second method is to use L'Hôpital's rule because of the 0/0 form.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_0^{x^2} \sin t \, dt}{x} \stackrel{\text{L'H.}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{d}{dx} \int_0^{x^2} \sin t \, dt}{1}$$

Let  $u = x^2$ , then  $du = 2x \, dx$ . By the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, the limit can be rewritten as follows.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{dx} \int_0^{x^2} \sin t \, dt = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{du} \left( \int_0^u \sin t \, dt \right) \frac{du}{dx} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\sin u \cdot 2x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} [2x \sin(x^2)] = \boxed{0}$$

5.

(a)

$$a_n = \frac{2n + (-1)^n}{n} = 2 + \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$$

The sequence converges to  $\boxed{2}$  because  $\frac{(-1)^n}{n} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

(b) arctan is continuous everywhere. Therefore, we can take the limit inside the expression.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \arctan \left( \frac{n+1}{n} \right) = \arctan \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \arctan 1 = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

The sequence converges to  $\boxed{\frac{\pi}{4}}$ .

(c)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{1-\sqrt{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n} \left( \sqrt{n} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \right)}{\sqrt{n} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} - 1 \right)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} - 1} = -\infty$$

Notice that the denominator approaches  $-1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and the numerator approaches  $\infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . The sequence diverges to  $\boxed{-\infty}$ .