

Indeterminate Forms and L'Hôpital's Rule (I) (不定型式與羅必達法則 (I))

1. Find the following limits.

(a)
$$\lim_{x \to 3} \frac{x^3 - 27}{x - 3}$$

(b)
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\ln x}{x}$$

(c)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{\sin(5x)}$$

(d)
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{3^x - 1}{2^x - 1}$$

(e)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sqrt{1+x} - 1 - \frac{x}{2}}{x^2}$$

(f)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{x^2 + x}$$

(g)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin(2x)}{\tan x}$$

(h)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{x - \sin x}{1 - \cos x}$$

(i)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin^{-1}(2x)}{x}$$

(j)
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x \cos(4t) dt$$

(k)
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{1}{x^3} \int_0^x \sin(t^2) dt$$

1. (a)
$$\lim_{x\to 3} \frac{x^3 - 27}{x - 3} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x\to 3} \frac{3x^2}{1} = 27$$

(b)
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\ln x}{x} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{1} = 0$$

(c)
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{\sin(5x)} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x\to 0} \frac{3\cos(3x)}{5\cos(5x)} = \frac{3}{5}$$

(d)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{3^x - 1}{2^x - 1} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{3^x \cdot \ln 3}{2^x \cdot \ln 2} = \frac{\ln 3}{\ln 2} = \log_2 3$$

(e)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sqrt{1+x} - 1 - \frac{x}{2}}{x^2} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\frac{1}{2}(1+x)^{-1/2} - \frac{1}{2}}{2x} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{-\frac{1}{4}(1+x)^{-3/2}}{2}$$
$$= -\frac{1}{8}$$

(f)
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{x^2 + x} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x\to 0} \frac{e^x}{2x + 1} = 1$$

(g)
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\sin(2x)}{\tan x} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x\to 0} \frac{2\cos(2x)}{\sec^2 x} = 2$$

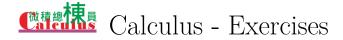
(h)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{x - \sin x}{1 - \cos x} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{\sin x} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = 0$$

(i)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin^{-1}(2x)}{x} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{1-4x^2}}\right)}{1} = 2$$

(j)
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x \cos(4t) dt = \lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\int_0^x \cos(4t) dt}{x} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\cos(4x)}{1} = 1$$

(k)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{1}{x^3} \int_0^x \sin(t^2) dt = \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\int_0^x \sin(t^2) dt}{x^3} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin(x^2)}{3x^2} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{2x \cos(x^2)}{6x}$$

= $\frac{1}{3} \lim_{x \to 0} \cos(x^2) = \frac{1}{3}$



Indeterminate Forms and L'Hôpital's Rule (II) (不定型式與羅必達法則 (II))

1. Find the following limits.

(a)
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} x^2 e^{-x}$$

(b)
$$\lim_{x\to 0^+} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{e^x - 1}\right)$$

(c)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \left(\frac{1}{\sin x} - \frac{1}{x} \right)$$

(d)
$$\lim_{x \to 1} \left(\frac{1}{\ln x} - \frac{1}{x - 1} \right)$$

1. (a)
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} x^2 e^{-x} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x^2}{e^x} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{2x}{e^x} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{2}{e^x} = 0$$

(b)
$$\lim_{x \to 0^+} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{e^x - 1} \right) = \lim_{x \to 0^+} \frac{e^x - 1 - x}{xe^x - x} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to 0^+} \frac{e^x - 1}{e^x + xe^x - 1}$$
$$\stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to 0^+} \frac{e^x}{2e^x + xe^x} = \frac{1}{2}$$

(c)
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \left(\frac{1}{\sin x} - \frac{1}{x} \right) = \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{x - \sin x}{x \sin x} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{\sin x + x \cos x}$$
$$\stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin x}{2 \cos x - x \sin x} = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{(d)} \ \lim_{x \to 1} \left(\frac{1}{\ln x} - \frac{1}{x - 1} \right) = \lim_{x \to 1} \frac{x - 1 - \ln x}{x \ln x - \ln x} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to 1} \frac{1 - \frac{1}{x}}{\ln x + 1 - \frac{1}{x}} \\ = \lim_{x \to 1} \frac{x - 1}{x \ln x + x - 1} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to 1} \frac{1}{\ln x + 2} = \frac{1}{2} \\ \end{array}$$



Indeterminate Forms and L'Hôpital's Rule (III) (不定型式與羅必達法則 (III))

- 1. Find the following limits.
 - (a) $\lim_{x \to 0^+} x^{\sin x}$
 - (b) $\lim_{x \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x} \right)^{4x}$
 - (c) $\lim_{x \to \infty} (\ln x)^{1/x}$

1. (a) Let $y = x^{\sin x}$. $\Longrightarrow \ln y = \ln x^{\sin x} = \sin x \ln x$

$$\lim_{x \to 0^+} \ln y = \lim_{x \to 0^+} \sin x \ln x = \lim_{x \to 0^+} \frac{\ln x}{\csc x} \stackrel{\underline{L}}{=} \lim_{x \to 0^+} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{-\csc x \cot x}$$
$$= \lim_{x \to 0^+} \left(-\tan x \cdot \frac{\sin x}{x}\right) = -\left(\lim_{x \to 0^+} \tan x\right) \left(\lim_{x \to 0^+} \frac{\sin x}{x}\right)$$
$$= -0 \times 1 = 0$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \to 0^+} x^{\sin x} = \lim_{x \to 0^+} y = \lim_{x \to 0^+} e^{\ln y} = e^{\left(\lim_{x \to 0^+} \ln y\right)} = e^0 = 1$$

(b)
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x} \right)^{4x} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{x} \right)^x \right]^4 = \left[\lim_{x \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x} \right)^x \right]^4 = e^4$$

(c) Let
$$y = (\ln x)^{1/x}$$
. $\Longrightarrow \ln y = \ln(\ln x)^{1/x} = \frac{1}{x} \ln(\ln x)$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \to \infty} \ln y = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\ln(\ln x)}{x} \stackrel{L}{=} \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{\ln x}\right)}{1} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{1}{x \ln x} = 0$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \to \infty} (\ln x)^{1/x} = \lim_{x \to \infty} y = \lim_{x \to \infty} e^{\ln y} = e^{\left(\lim_{x \to \infty} \ln y\right)} = e^0 = 1$$

Calculus - Exercises

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Improper Integrals of Type I (第一類型瑕積分)

1. Determine whether the improper integral is convergent or divergent. Find its value if it is convergent.

(a)
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^3} dx$$

(b)
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \, dx$$

(c)
$$\int_0^\infty \cos x \, dx$$

(d)
$$\int_{-\infty}^{0} x e^x \, dx$$

(e)
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^2} \, dx$$

(f)
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x} \, dx$$

2. Let f be continuous on $[0, \infty)$. The Laplace transform (拉普拉斯變換) of f is the function F defined by

$$F(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-st} f(t) dt.$$

The domain of F is the set of all real numbers s such that the improper integral is convergent. Find the Laplace transform F of the following functions and write down their domains.

(a)
$$f(t) = e^{3t}$$

(b)
$$f(t) = t$$

1. (a)
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{3}} dx = \lim_{t \to \infty} \int_{1}^{t} x^{-3} dx = \lim_{t \to \infty} \left[-\frac{1}{2} x^{-2} \right]_{1}^{t}$$
$$= \lim_{t \to \infty} \left(-\frac{1}{2t^{2}} + \frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{(convergent)}$$

(b)
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \lim_{t \to \infty} \int_{1}^{t} x^{-1/2} dx = \lim_{t \to \infty} \left[2x^{1/2} \right]_{1}^{t}$$
$$= \lim_{t \to \infty} \left(2\sqrt{t} - 2 \right) = \infty \quad \text{(divergent)}$$

(c)
$$\int_0^\infty \cos x \, dx = \lim_{t \to \infty} \int_0^t \cos x \, dx = \lim_{t \to \infty} \left[\sin x \right]_0^t$$
$$= \lim_{t \to \infty} \sin t \quad \text{does NOT exist.} \quad (\text{divergent})$$

(d)
$$\int_{-\infty}^{0} xe^{x} dx = \lim_{t \to -\infty} \int_{t}^{0} xe^{x} dx = \lim_{t \to -\infty} \left(\left[xe^{x} \right]_{t}^{0} - \int_{t}^{0} e^{x} dx \right)$$
(Integration by Parts)
$$= \lim_{t \to -\infty} \left(-te^{t} - 1 + e^{t} \right) = -0 - 1 + 0 = -1 \quad \text{(convergent)}$$

$$\left(\lim_{t \to -\infty} t e^{t} = 0 \text{ by L'Hôpital's Rule} \right)$$

(e)
$$\therefore \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \lim_{t \to \infty} \int_0^t \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \lim_{t \to \infty} \left[\tan^{-1} x \right]_0^t$$

$$= \lim_{t \to \infty} \tan^{-1} t = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \text{and}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \lim_{t \to -\infty} \int_t^0 \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \lim_{t \to -\infty} \left[\tan^{-1} x \right]_t^0$$

$$= \lim_{t \to -\infty} \left(-\tan^{-1} t \right) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx + \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2} = \pi$$
(convergent)

2. (a)
$$: F(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-st} e^{3t} dt = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_0^b e^{(3-s)t} dt = \lim_{b \to \infty} \left[\frac{1}{3-s} e^{(3-s)t} \right]_{t=0}^{t=b}$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \frac{1}{3-s} \left(e^{(3-s)b} - 1 \right) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{s-3} & \text{if } s > 3, \text{ (convergent)} \\ \infty & \text{if } s < 3. \text{ (divergent)} \end{cases}$$

$$: F(s) = \frac{1}{s-3} \text{ on } (3, \infty).$$
(b) $: F(s) = \int_0^\infty t e^{-st} dt = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_0^b t e^{-st} dt$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \left(\left[-\frac{t}{s} e^{-st} \right]_{t=0}^{t=b} + \frac{1}{s} \int_0^b e^{-st} dt \right) \text{ (Integration by Parts)}$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \left(-\frac{b}{s e^{sb}} - \frac{1}{s^2 e^{sb}} + \frac{1}{s^2} \right) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{s^2} & \text{if } s > 0, \text{ (convergent)} \\ \infty & \text{if } s < 0. \text{ (divergent)} \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore F(s) = \frac{1}{s^2} \text{ on } (0, \infty).$$



Tests for Improper Integrals (瑕積分的審斂法)

1. Determine whether the improper integral is convergent or divergent.

(a)
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^6} dx$$

(b)
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x^2}} dx$$

(c)
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx$$

(d)
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{3x^2 + 2}{x^5 + 4x + 1} dx$$

(e)
$$\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$$

1. (a)
$$\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^6} dx$$
 is convergent $(p=6>1)$ and $\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^6} dx = \frac{1}{6-1} = \frac{1}{5}$.

(b)
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x^2}} dx = \int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{2/3}} dx$$
 is divergent $(p = \frac{2}{3} \le 1)$.

(c)
$$\because \frac{1}{x^2} \ge \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} \ge 0$$
 on $[1, \infty)$ and $\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^2} dx$ is convergent. $(p = 2 > 1)$

 $\therefore \int_1^\infty \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx \text{ is convergent by the comparison test.}$

(d)
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{3x^2 + 2}{x^5 + 4x + 1}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{x^3}\right)} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{3x^5 + 2x^3}{x^5 + 4x + 1} = 3 \text{ and}$$

$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^3} dx \text{ is convergent. } (p = 3 > 1)$$

$$\therefore \int_1^\infty \frac{3x^2 + 2}{x^5 + 4x + 1} dx \text{ is convergent by the limit comparison test.}$$

(e) (i)
$$:: e^{-x^2}$$
 is continuous on $[0,1]$. $:: \int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx$ exists.

(ii)
$$\because$$
 For $x \ge 1$, $e^{x^2} \ge e^x \Longrightarrow e^{-x} \ge e^{-x^2} \ge 0$ and
$$\int_1^\infty e^{-x} dx = \lim_{t \to \infty} \int_1^t e^{-x} dx = \lim_{t \to \infty} \left(-\int_{-1}^{-t} e^u du \right)$$

$$(I \text{ of } y = -x \Longrightarrow dy = -dx)$$

$$= \lim_{t \to \infty} \left(-\left[e^u \right]_{-1}^{-t} \right) = \lim_{t \to \infty} \left(-\frac{1}{e^t} + \frac{1}{e} \right) = \frac{1}{e} \text{ is convergent.}$$

$$\therefore \int_{1}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx \text{ is convergent by the comparison test.}$$

From (i) and (ii),
$$\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx + \int_1^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$$
 is convergent.



Improper Integrals of Type II (第二類型瑕積分)

1. Determine whether the improper integral is convergent or divergent. Find its value if it is convergent.

(a)
$$\int_{1}^{5} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5-x}} dx$$

(b)
$$\int_{1}^{9} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x-1}} dx$$

(c)
$$\int_0^1 \ln x \, dx$$

(d)
$$\int_{-1}^{1} \frac{1}{x^2} dx$$

2. Find the value of p such that $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^p} dx$ exists. For such p, evaluate $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^p} dx$.

1. (a)
$$\int_{1}^{5} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5-x}} dx = \lim_{t \to 5^{-}} \int_{1}^{t} (5-x)^{-1/2} dx = \lim_{t \to 5^{-}} \left(-\int_{4}^{5-t} u^{-1/2} du \right)$$

$$(\text{Let } u = 5 - x \Longrightarrow du = -dx)$$

$$= \lim_{t \to 5^{-}} \left(-\left[2u^{1/2}\right]_{4}^{5-t} \right) = \lim_{t \to 5^{-}} \left(-2\sqrt{5-t} + 4 \right) = 4 \quad \text{(convergent)}$$

(b)
$$\int_{1}^{9} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x-1}} dx = \lim_{t \to 1^{+}} \int_{t}^{9} (x-1)^{-1/3} dx = \lim_{t \to 1^{+}} \int_{t-1}^{8} u^{-1/3} du$$

$$(\text{Let } u = x - 1 \Longrightarrow du = dx)$$

$$= \lim_{t \to 1^{+}} \left[\frac{3}{2} u^{2/3} \right]_{t-1}^{8} = \lim_{t \to 1^{+}} \left(6 - \frac{3}{2} (t-1)^{2/3} \right) = 6 \quad \text{(convergent)}$$

(c)
$$\int_0^1 \ln x \, dx = \lim_{t \to 0^+} \int_t^1 \ln x \, dx = \lim_{t \to 0^+} \left([x \ln x]_t^1 - \int_t^1 dx \right)$$
 (Integration by Parts)
$$= \lim_{t \to 0^+} \left(-t \ln t - 1 + t \right) = -0 - 1 + 0 = -1 \quad \text{(convergent)}$$

$$\left(\lim_{t \to 0^+} t \ln t = 0 \text{ by L'Hôpital's Rule} \right)$$

(d)
$$\therefore \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^2} dx = \lim_{t \to 0^+} \int_t^1 x^{-2} dx = \lim_{t \to 0^+} \left[-x^{-1} \right]_t^1 = \lim_{t \to 0^+} \left(-1 + \frac{1}{t} \right)$$
$$= \infty \quad \text{(divergent)}$$
$$\therefore \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{x^2} dx \text{ is divergent.}$$

2. (i) If
$$p \le 0$$
, $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \int_0^1 x^{-p} dx = \left[\frac{1}{1-p} x^{1-p} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{1-p}$ (exists)

(ii) If
$$p = 1$$
, $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{t \to 0^+} \int_t^1 \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{t \to 0^+} \left[\ln |x| \right]_t^1 = \lim_{t \to 0^+} (-\ln t)$
= ∞ (divergent)

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{(iii)} \ \ \text{If} \ p > 0 \ \text{with} \ p \neq 1, \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^p} \, dx = \lim_{t \to 0^+} \int_t^1 x^{-p} \, dx = \lim_{t \to 0^+} \left[\frac{1}{1-p} x^{1-p} \right]_t^1 \\ &= \frac{1}{1-p} \lim_{t \to 0^+} \left(1 - t^{1-p} \right) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \infty & \text{if} \ p > 1, \ \ \text{(divergent)} \\ \frac{1}{1-p} & \text{if} \ 0$$

From (i)-(iii),
$$\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^p} dx$$
 exists $\iff p < 1$, and $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \frac{1}{1-p}$ for $p < 1$.

Further Applications (進階的應用) [綜合練習]

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(d)
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \, dx$$

(e)
$$\int_{-\infty}^{0} xe^{x} dx$$

(f)
$$\int_{-1}^{1} \frac{1}{x^2} dx$$

$$(g) \int_1^5 \frac{1}{\sqrt{5-x}} \, dx$$

(h)
$$\int_0^1 \ln x \, dx$$

3. Determine whether the improper integral is convergent or divergent.

(a)
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{3x^2 + 2}{x^5 + 4x + 1} dx$$

(b)
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx$$

(c)
$$\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$$

4. Find the value of p such that $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^p} dx$ exists. For such p, evaluate $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^p} dx$.

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