

IMPROPER INTEGRALS

$$\int_a^{\infty} f(x) dx, \int_a^b f(x) dx, \int_{-\infty}^b f(x) dx$$

$\int_a^b f(x) dx \rightarrow$ BUT $f(x)$ IS NOT DEFINED AT SOME POINT c OF $[a, b]$

1) DEFINING (PRIMARY INFINITY) FORMS

IF $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ EXISTS FOR EVERY $x, +\infty$ THEN:

$$\int_a^{\infty} f(x) dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^t f(x) dx$$

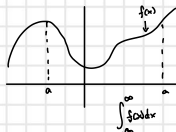
IF $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ FOR EVERY NUMBER $T, +\infty$ THEN

$$\int_{-\infty}^b f(x) dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \int_t^b f(x) dx$$

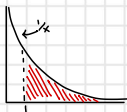
IF LIMIT EXISTS, WE SAY THAT THE INTERVAL CONVERGES. OTHERWISE, THE INTEGRAL DIVERGES OR IS DIVERGENT.

IF BOTH $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ & $\int_b^c f(x) dx$ ARE CONVERGENT, WHERE $a \in \mathbb{R}$ THEN:

$$\int_a^c f(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx + \int_b^c f(x) dx$$



EX: EVALUATE $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} dx \rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t \frac{1}{x} dx \rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \ln|x| \rightarrow \infty$, MEANING THE INTEGRAL IS DIVERGENT.



EX: EVALUATE $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx \rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t \frac{1}{x^2} dx \rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{x} \Big|_1^t \rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(-\frac{1}{t} + 1\right) = 1 \rightarrow$ CONVERGENT

EX: COMPUTE: $\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} dx \rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t e^{-x} dx \rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(-e^{-x} \Big|_0^t\right) \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow$ CONVERGENT

EX: SUPPOSE p IS A REAL NUMBER, FOR WHAT VALUE OF p IS $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx$ CONVERGENT.

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{PROVE } \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^{-p+1}}{-p+1} \Big|_1^t \rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{t^{-p+1}}{-p+1} - \frac{1^{-p+1}}{-p+1} \right) \rightarrow \frac{1}{1-p} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(t^{-p+1} - 1 \right) \\ \rightarrow \text{CONVERGES WHEN } p > 1 \\ \text{DIVERGES WHEN } p < 1 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-p+1} \\ \text{IF } p > 1, \text{ THEN } 0 \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-p+1} = 0 \\ \text{IF } p < 1, \text{ THEN } \infty \end{array} \right.$$

DIRECT COMPARISON THEOREM:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-p} = 0$$

SUPPOSE THAT f & g ARE CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS WITH $f(x) \geq g(x) \geq 0$ FOR ALL $x \geq a$.

1) IF $\int_a^{\infty} g(x) dx$ IS CONVERGENT, THEN $\int_a^{\infty} f(x) dx$ IS CONVERGENT.

2) IF $\int_a^{\infty} f(x) dx$ IS DIVERGENT, THEN $\int_a^{\infty} g(x) dx$ IS DIVERGENT.

EX: DOES THE $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx$ C OR D?

SOLUTION:

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{x^2} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = f(x)$$

BECAUSE $[1, \infty)$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx < \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx < \infty$$

THIS INTEGRAL CONVERGES.