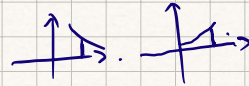
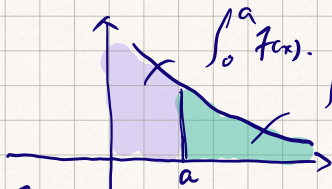


The p integral theorem.



If $a \in (0, +\infty)$, then: 1. $\int_a^\infty \frac{1}{x^p} dx$ converges if $p > 1$

diverges if $p \leq 1$



2. $\int_0^a \frac{1}{x^p} dx$ converges if $p < 1$

diverges if $p \geq 1$.

proof: $\int_a^\infty \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b x^{-p} dx.$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left. \frac{x^{1-p}}{1-p} \right|_{x=a}^b$$

constant.

converges if $p < 1$

$$= \frac{1}{1-p} (b^{1-p} - a^{1-p}).$$

$$b^{1-p} = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if } p < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } p = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } p > 1. \end{cases}$$

if $p < 1$: $= \frac{1}{1-p} (0 - a^{1-p}) = -\frac{a^{1-p}}{1-p} < \infty$ a finite number

if $p = 1$: $= \int_a^\infty \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} [\ln(b) - \ln(a)] = \infty.$

$$\int_0^a \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{1-p} (a^{1-p} - \alpha^{1-p}) \right].$$

$$\alpha^{1-p} = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if } p < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } p = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } p > 1. \end{cases}$$

diverges.

if $p > 1$.

if $p < 1$: $= \int_0^a \frac{1}{x^p} dx$ converges to $\frac{a^{1-p}}{1-p}$

if $p = 1$: $= \int_0^a \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \ln|x| \Big|_\alpha^a = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} (\ln(a) - \ln(\alpha)) = \infty.$

So then, we're interested in the convergence of a given

improper integrals

The comparison Theorem

Suppose that we have $f(x)$, $g(x)$ that are continuous
 $f(x) \leq g(x)$ for any $x \geq a$. Then:

1. if $\int_a^\infty g(x) dx$ converges then so does $\int_a^\infty f(x) dx$.

2. if $\int_a^\infty f(x) dx$ diverges then so does $\int_a^\infty g(x) dx$

e.g. $\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$ is convergent.

let $I = \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$. Then:

$$I = \underbrace{\int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx}_{I_1} + \underbrace{\int_1^\infty e^{-x^2} dx}_{I_2}.$$

$I_1: e^{-x^2}$ is continuous on $[0, 1]$ and this integral is finite.

$I_1 = \int_0^1 e^{-x^2}$ is finite

$I_2: I_2$ is improper integral of type I.

when $x \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 &\geq x \\ e^{x^2} &\geq e^x \\ \frac{1}{e^{x^2}} &\leq \frac{1}{e^x} \end{aligned}$$

e.g. $\int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x+x^2}}$ is convergent or divergent

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x+x^2}} = \underbrace{\int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+x^2}} dx}_{I_1} + \underbrace{\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+x^2}} dx}_{I_2}.$$

$$I_1 < \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \left| \frac{1}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right| \Rightarrow \text{convergent.}$$

$$\int_0^a \frac{1}{x^p} \quad \overbrace{p < 1} \Rightarrow \text{unvergent.}$$

$$I_2 = \int_1^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+x^2}} dx < \int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}} dx \Rightarrow \text{unvergent.}$$