

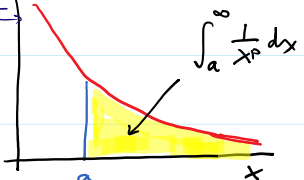
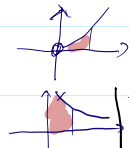
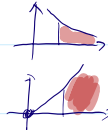
## The p-integrals Theorem

If  $0 < a < \infty$  (it means  $a$  is +ve and finite), then

(i)  $\int_a^\infty \frac{1}{x^p} dx$  收敛 if  $p > 1$  diverges if  $p \leq 1$

(ii)  $\int_0^a \frac{1}{x^p} dx$  收敛 if  $p < 1$  diverges if  $p \geq 1$

e.g.  $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x} dx$   $p=1$



### Proof

$$(i) \int_a^\infty \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b x^{-p} dx$$

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

if  $p > 1$

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

$$= \frac{1}{1-p} (0 - a^{1-p}) = -\frac{a^{1-p}}{1-p} \text{ a finite number}$$

$\therefore \int_a^\infty \frac{1}{x^p} dx$  is convergent if  $p > 1$

and  $\int_a^\infty \frac{1}{x^p} dx$  is divergent if  $p < 1$

If  $p = 1$ , then  $\int_a^\infty \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \int_a^\infty \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \ln|x| \Big|_{x=a}^b$

轻为极限  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{定值} \rightarrow \text{convergence} \\ \text{无穷/摆动} \rightarrow \text{divergence} \end{array} \right.$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} [\ln(b) - \ln(a)] = \infty$$

$\therefore \int_a^\infty \frac{1}{x^p} dx$  is divergent if  $p \leq 1$ . //

(ii)  $\int_0^a \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \int_\alpha^a x^{-p} dx = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \left. \frac{x^{1-p}}{1-p} \right|_{x=\alpha}^a$

is a constant

$$= \frac{1}{1-p} \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} [a^{1-p} - \alpha^{1-p}]$$

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

$\therefore$  If  $p < 1 \Rightarrow \int_0^a \frac{1}{x^p} dx$  converges to  $\frac{a^{1-p}}{1-p}$ . 理解!

$100 = \frac{1}{(\frac{1}{100})} - 1$   
 $\alpha \rightarrow \frac{1}{100} \quad 1-p \rightarrow -1 < 0$

$\therefore$  If  $p < 1 \Rightarrow \int_0^a \frac{1}{x^p} dx$  converges to  $\frac{a^{1-p}}{1-p}$ . ✓

$\rightarrow$  If  $p > 1 \Rightarrow \int_0^a \frac{1}{x^p} dx$  diverges.

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

$\therefore \int_0^a \frac{1}{x^p} dx$  diverges if  $p \geq 1$  /QED/



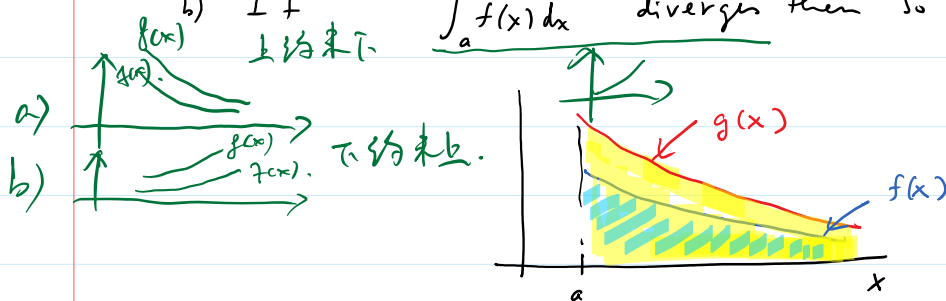
$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$  converges? or diverges?

Sometimes we are only interested in the convergence of a given improper integral.

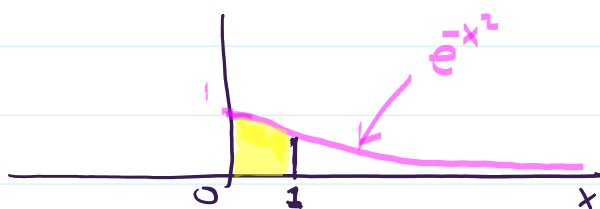
The Comparison Theorem: Suppose that  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are continuous with  $f(x) \leq g(x)$  for any  $x \geq a$ . Then

a) If  $\int_a^{\infty} g(x) dx$  converges then so does  $\int_a^{\infty} f(x) dx$ .

b) If  $\int_a^{\infty} f(x) dx$  diverges then so does  $\int_a^{\infty} g(x) dx$ .



Ex 5: Show that  $\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$  is convergent.



$\int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx$ .  $\forall x \in [0, 1], e^{-x^2} \leq e^{-x}$ .  
 $\int_0^1 e^{-x} dx = -e^{-x} \Big|_{x=0}^1$   
 $= -\frac{1}{e} + 1$ .  
 $\Rightarrow$  finite number.

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

$\int_1^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$ .  $\forall x \in [1, \infty) e^{-x^2} \leq e^{-x}$ .  
 $\int_1^{\infty} e^{-x} dx = -e^{-x} \Big|_{x=1}^{\infty}$   
 $= 0 - (-\frac{1}{e}) = \frac{1}{e}$

$$\int_1^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} (-e^{-x^2} + e^{-1}) = \frac{1}{e}.$$

$\Rightarrow$  finite number.

$\Rightarrow e^{-x^2}$  is convergent.

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

拆分为  $0 \rightarrow 1$ ,  $1 \rightarrow \infty$ .

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

Consider  $I_1$ . Since  $e^{-x^2}$  is continuous on  $[0, 1]$  and this interval is finite,  $I_1 = \int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx$  is finite!

1) continuous  
2) finite interval.

Consider  $I_2$ .  $I_2 = \int_1^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$  is an improper integral of type I.

② when  $x \geq 1 \Rightarrow x^2 > x$

$$\Rightarrow e^{x^2} > e^x$$

$$5 > 3$$

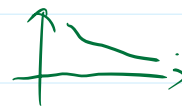
$$\frac{1}{5} < \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{1}{e^{x^2}} \right) < \left( \frac{1}{e^x} \right)$$

$x \geq 1$ :  
a

$$\frac{1}{e^{x^2}} < \frac{1}{e^x}$$

$f(x)$   $g(x)$



找一个熟悉的函数来比较

$$\int_1^{\infty} g(x) dx = \int_1^{\infty} e^{-x} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b e^{-x} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} (-e^{-x}) \Big|_{x=1}^b$$

这是收敛的。

$$= -\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} (e^{-b} - e^{-1}) = \frac{1}{e}$$

③  $\therefore$  By the comparison theorem  $I_2 = \int_1^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$  is convergent.

Since  $I$  is a sum of two finite numbers,  $I$  is also finite,

i.e.,  $I = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$  is convergent. // Ans.

Ex 6: Determine if  $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x+x^3}}$  is convergent or divergent.

Soln We note that the integral is of both type I and II.

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x+x^3}} = \underbrace{\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x+x^3}}}_{I_1} + \underbrace{\int_1^{\infty} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x+x^3}}}_{I_2}$$

Consider  $I_1$ .  $I_1 = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x+x^3}}$  where  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+x^3}}$

convergent  $\Rightarrow p < 1$ .

Consider  $I_1$ .  $I_1 = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x+x^3}}$  where  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+x^3}}$

$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+x^3}} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{x^{1/2}}$

The p-integral test

$\int_0^a \frac{1}{x^p} dx$    
 { converges if  $p < 1$    
 diverges if  $p \geq 1$

$\therefore \int_0^1 f(x) dx = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x+x^3}} \leq \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^{1/2}} dx$    
 converges   
 $p = \frac{1}{2} < 1$

$\therefore$  By the comparison test  $I_1 = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x+x^3}}$  converges.

Consider  $I_2$  where  $I_2 = \int_1^\infty \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x+x^3}}$

$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+x^3}} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^3}} = \frac{1}{x^{3/2}}$

The p-integral test

$\int_a^\infty \frac{dx}{x^p}$    
 { converges if  $p > 1$    
 diverges if  $p \leq 1$

$I_2 = \int_1^\infty \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x+x^3}} \leq \int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^{3/2}} dx$  converges by the p-integral test.   
 $p = \frac{3}{2} > 1$

$\therefore I_2$  is convergent by the Comparison test.

Hence,  $I = I_1 + I_2$  is also finite, i.e.  $I = \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x+x^3}}$  converges.   
 //Ans.

## Sequences and Series (Chapter 11)

A sequence is an ordered list of numbers

$a_1, a_2, a_3, a_n, \dots, a_{100}, \dots$

The number  $a_1$  is called the first term,  $a_2$  is called the 2nd term, and  $a_n$  is called the  $n$ th term of the sequence. If a sequence DOES NOT have the last term that it is called an infinite sequence.

The sequence  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n, \dots$  is denoted as

$\{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots\}$  or  $\{a_n\}$  or  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$

Ex 1: (i)  $\{n\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\}$

(ii)  $\{\sqrt{n}\} = \{1, \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, 2, \sqrt{5}, \sqrt{6}, \dots\}$

$$(ii) \{ \sqrt{n} \} = \{ 1, \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, 2, \sqrt{5}, \sqrt{6}, \dots \}$$

$$(iii) \left\{ \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty} = \left\{ 1, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{4}, \dots \right\}$$

$$\text{in (i) } a_n = n, \quad (ii) \quad a_n = \sqrt{n}, \quad (iii) \quad a_n = \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n}$$

So far a sequence is defined by a single formula as in Ex 1. However, there are some sequences which cannot be defined by a single formula! For example, the Fibonacci sequence which is defined as

$$a_1 = 1, \quad a_2 = 1$$

$$\text{and } a_{n+2} = a_{n+1} + a_n, \quad n \geq 1$$

Then this sequence is

$$\{ 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, \dots \}$$