

**Section 7.8**

***Improper Integrals***

**Ex:** Evaluate the integral:  $\int_0^2 \frac{1}{(x-1)^2} dx =$

Let's check the graph:

**Type 1:** Improper Integrals (Infinite Limits of Integration)

1. If  $f$  is continuous on the interval  $[a, \infty]$

2. If  $f$  is continuous on the interval  $(-\infty, b]$

3. If  $f$  is continuous on the interval  $(-\infty, \infty)$

Ex: Evaluating the following improper integrals:

a) 
$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x}{(4x^2 + 1)^{5/2}} dx$$

b) 
$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{\sqrt[3]{7x^3 + 1}} dx$$

c)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x}{x^4 + 9} dx$

d)  $\int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{x}{e^{1-3x^2}} dx$

**P-Test Theorem:** For what values of  $p$  is the integral  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx$  convergent?

Ex: Test for convergence / divergence:

a)  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^5}}{x^3} dx$

b)  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{x}{\sqrt[3]{x^5}} dx$



**Ex:** Evaluate the following improper integrals

a)  $\int_0^2 \frac{x^2}{\sqrt[3]{x^3-8}} dx$

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

c)  $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \tan(3x) dx$

d)  $\int_3^6 \frac{x}{x^2 - 25} dx$



**Comparison test for improper integrals:**

Suppose that  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous functions with  $f(x) \geq g(x) \geq 0$  for  $a \geq 0$

a) If  $\int_a^\infty f(x)dx$  is convergent, then  $\int_a^\infty g(x)dx$  is convergent.

b) If  $\int_a^\infty g(x)dx$  is divergent, then  $\int_a^\infty f(x)dx$  is divergent.

Ex: Test for convergence / divergence:

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

b)  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{7x^2 + 5x + 2}{4x^7 + 3x^2 + 1} dx$

c)  $\int_2^{\infty} \frac{4x^3 + 3x + 2}{\sqrt{7x^9 + x^8 + 3}} dx$

d)  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1+e^{-x}}{x} dx$

e)  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{\sin(5x-3) + 4 \tan^{-1}(3x)}{x^3 + 3x + 4} dx$

f)  $\int_1^{\infty} e^{x^2+x+1} dx$

g)  $\int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{x \sin(x)} dx$

Ex: Find the volume of the following:

a) The region bounded by  $y = e^{-x}$ ;  $y = 0$ ; for  $x \geq 0$  is rotated about the  $x$  – axis.

b) The region bounded by  $y = \tan(x)$ ;  $y = 0$  for  $0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$  is rotated about the  $x$  – axis.