

Section 7.8

Improper Integrals

Ex: Evaluate the integral:

$$\int_0^2 \frac{1}{(x-1)^2} dx =$$

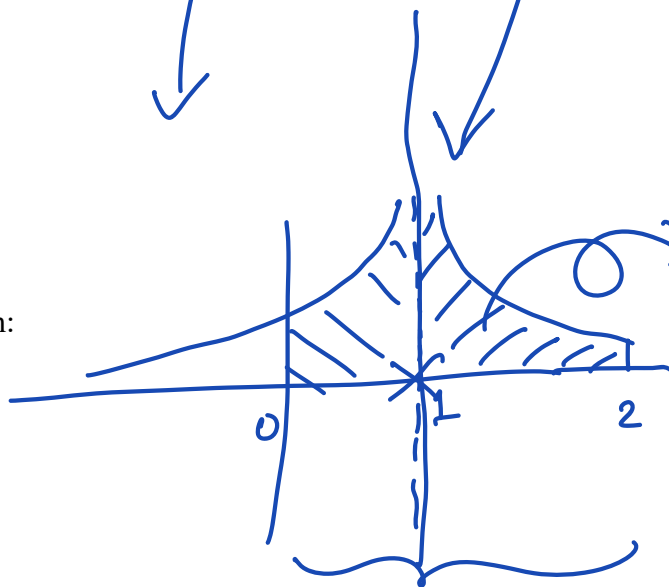
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{let } u = x-1 \\ du = dx \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x=2 \Rightarrow u=1 \\ x=0 \Rightarrow u=-1 \end{array} \right.$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{u^2} du = \int_{-1}^1 u^{-2} du = \frac{u^{-1}}{-1} \Big|_{-1}^1 = - \left[\frac{1}{u} \right]_{-1}^1$$

$$= - \left[1 + 1 \right] = -2$$

$$y = f(x) = \frac{1}{(x-1)^2}$$

Let's check the graph:

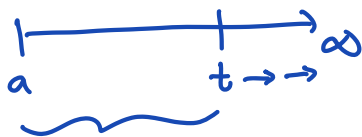


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Type 1: Improper Integrals (Infinite Limits of Integration)

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

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



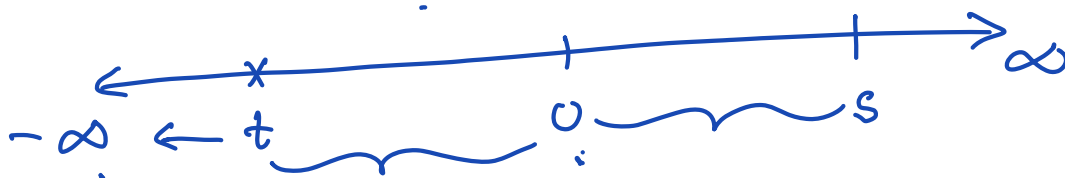
2. If f is continuous on the interval $(-\infty, b]$

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



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

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^0 f(x) dx + \int_0^{\infty} f(x) dx$$



$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \int_t^0 f(x) dx + \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^s f(x) dx$$

Ex: Evaluating the following improper integrals:



a)

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x}{(4x^2+1)^{5/2}} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t \frac{x}{(4x^2+1)^{5/2}} dx$$

$$\begin{cases} \text{let } u = 4x^2+1 \\ du = 8x dx \\ \frac{du}{8} = x dx. \end{cases}$$

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

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int \frac{\frac{du}{8}}{u^{5/2}} = \frac{1}{8} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int u^{-5/2} du.$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u^{-3/2} \cdot \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) = -\frac{1}{12} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (4x^2+1)^{-3/2} \Big|_0^t$$

$$= -\frac{1}{12} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{1}{(4t^2+1)^{3/2}} - 1 \right] = -\frac{1}{12} (-1) = \frac{1}{12} \quad \left\{ \text{convergent} \right\}$$

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

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

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t \frac{x^2}{\sqrt[3]{7x^3+1}} dx$$

$$\begin{cases} \text{let } u = \sqrt[3]{7x^3+1} \\ u^3 = 7x^3+1 \\ 3u^2 du = 21x^2 dx \\ \frac{1}{7} u^2 du = x^2 dx. \end{cases}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int \frac{\frac{1}{7} u^2 du}{u} = \frac{1}{7} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int u du.$$

$$= \frac{1}{7} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} u^2 = \frac{1}{14} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (7t^3+1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{14} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[\left(\sqrt[3]{7t^3+1} \right)^2 - 4 \right] = \infty \quad \left\{ \text{divergent} \right\}$$

$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x}{x^4+9} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \int_t^0 \frac{x}{x^4+9} dx + \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^s \frac{x}{x^4+9} dx$

Let $u = x^2$
 $du = 2x dx$
 $\frac{du}{2} = x dx$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \int \frac{\frac{du}{2}}{u^2+9} + \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \int \frac{\frac{du}{2}}{u^2+9} du$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \int \frac{du}{u^2+9} + \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \int \frac{du}{u^2+9} \right]$$

d) $\int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{x}{e^{1-3x^2}} dx = \frac{1}{2} \left[\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{u}{3}\right) \right) + \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{3} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{u}{3}\right) \right]$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left[\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x^2}{3}\right) + \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x^2}{3}\right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left[\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \left[0 - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{t^2}{3}\right) \right] + \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \left[\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{s^2}{3}\right) - 0 \right] \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left[-\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2} \right] = 0 \quad \left\{ \text{Convergent} \right\}$$

P-Test Theorem:

For what values of p is the integral $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx$ convergent? $\leftarrow$ finite #.

$$\begin{cases} \int \frac{1}{x^1} dx = \ln|x| + C \\ \int \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \int x^{-p} dx = \frac{x^{-p+1}}{-p+1} + C \end{cases}$$

Proof:

$$\text{If } p=1 \Rightarrow \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^1} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \ln|x| \Big|_1^t \\ = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (\ln|t| - \underbrace{\ln|1|}_0) = \ln|\infty| = \infty$$

$p=1 \Rightarrow \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx$ is divergent

$$\text{If } p \neq 1 \Rightarrow \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t x^{-p} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left. \frac{x^{-p+1}}{-p+1} \right|_1^t \\ = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{t^{-p+1} - 1^{-p+1}}{-p+1} \right) = \frac{1}{1-p} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (t^{1-p} - 1)$$

$\Rightarrow$ for convergence $\Rightarrow 1-p < 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{p > 1}$

P-Test Thm: $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx$ is $\begin{cases} \text{convergent if } p > 1 \\ \text{divergent if } p \leq 1 \end{cases}$

Ex: Test for convergence / divergence:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^5}}{x^3} dx &= \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx \\ &\Rightarrow \int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^{5/2}}{x^3} dx = \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{3-5/2}} dx \\ &= \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{1/2}} dx \rightarrow p = \frac{1}{2} < 1 \end{aligned}$$

By P-Test: $\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$ is divergent.

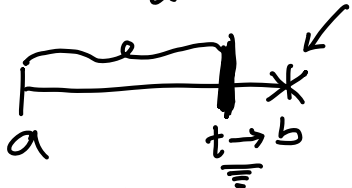
$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } \int_1^{\infty} \frac{x}{\sqrt[3]{x^8}} dx &= \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx \\ &\Rightarrow \int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^{1/3}}{x^{8/3}} dx = \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{8/3-1/3}} dx \\ &= \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{5/3}} dx \rightarrow p = \frac{5}{3} > 1 \end{aligned}$$

By P-Test $\Rightarrow \int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$ is convergent

Type 2: Discontinuous Integrands

1. If f is continuous on the interval $[a, \textcircled{b})$ and approaches infinity at b .

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{\underline{t \rightarrow b^-}} \int_a^t f(x) dx$$



$$f(b) = \text{undefined}.$$

2. If f is continuous on the interval $(\textcircled{a}, b]$ and approaches infinity at a .

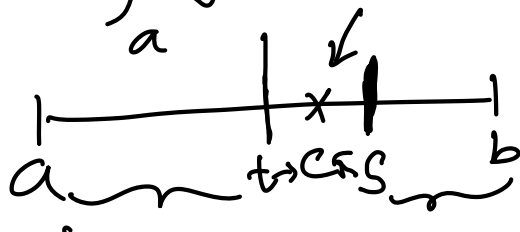
$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow a^+} \int_t^b f(x) dx$$



$$f(a) = \text{undefined}$$

3. If f is continuous on the interval $[a, b]$, except for some $\underline{c}$ in $(\underline{a}, \underline{b})$.

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow c^-} \int_a^t f(x) dx + \lim_{s \rightarrow c^+} \int_s^b f(x) dx$$



$$\underline{f(c) = \text{undefined}}$$



Evaluate the following improper integrals

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

$$\begin{cases} u = \sqrt[3]{x^3-8} \\ u^3 = x^3-8 \\ 3u^2 du = 3x^2 dx \\ u^2 du = x^2 dx \end{cases}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \int \frac{u^2 du}{u} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{u^2}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \left(\sqrt[3]{x^3-8} \right) \Big|_0^t = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \left(\left(\sqrt[3]{t^3-8} \right)^2 - 4 \right)$$

$$= \boxed{-2} \Rightarrow \text{"Convergent"}$$

b) $\int_{2/3}^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{3x-2}} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \frac{2}{3}^+} \int_t^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{3x-2}} dx$

$$\begin{cases} \text{Let } u = \sqrt[3]{3x-2} \\ u^3 = 3x-2 \\ 3u^2 du = 3dx \\ u^2 du = dx \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} \leftarrow t$$

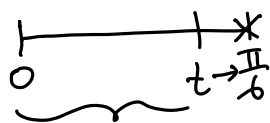
$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \frac{2}{3}^+} \int \frac{1}{u^2} \cdot u^2 du = \lim_{t \rightarrow \frac{2}{3}^+} \int u^{-2} du$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \frac{2}{3}^+} \frac{u^{-1}}{-1} = - \lim_{t \rightarrow \frac{2}{3}^+} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{3x-2}} \Big|_t^1$$

$$= - \lim_{t \rightarrow \frac{2}{3}^+} \left[1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{3t-2}} \right] = \infty \text{ "Divergent"}$$

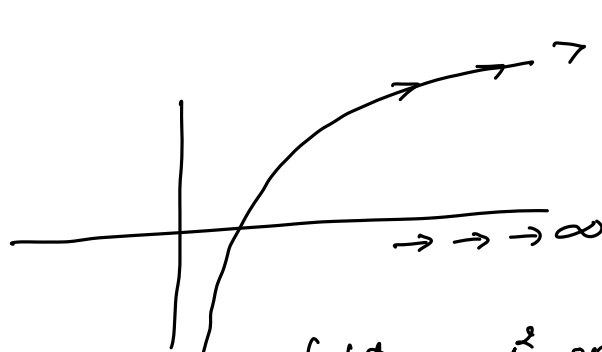
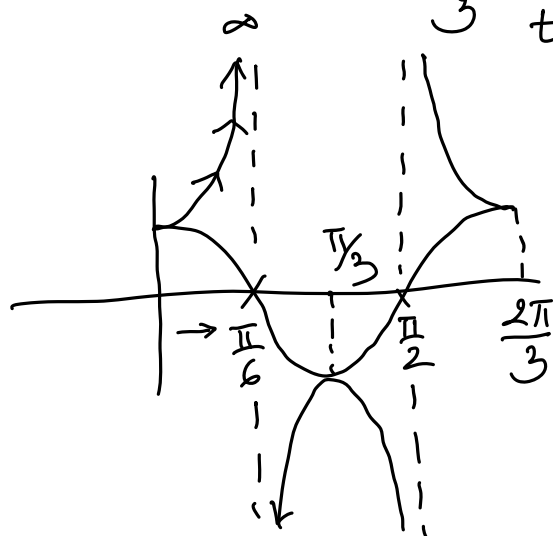
$$\int \tan(x) dx = \frac{1}{3} \ln |\sec(x)| + C$$

$$c) \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \tan(3x) dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{6}^-} \int_0^t \tan(3x) dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{6}^-} \left(\frac{1}{3} \ln |\sec(3x)| \right) \Big|_0^t$$



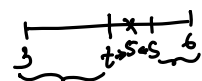
$$= \frac{1}{3} \lim_{t \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{6}^-} \left[\ln |\sec(3t)| - \ln |\sec(0)| \right] = \frac{1}{3} \lim_{t \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{6}^-} \left[\ln |\sec(3t)| - \ln 1 \right]$$

$\ln 1 = 0$
 $= \infty$ "Divergent"



$$d) \int_3^6 \frac{x}{x^2-25} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 5^-} \int_3^t \frac{x}{x^2-25} dx + \lim_{s \rightarrow 5^+} \int_s^6 \frac{x}{x^2-25} dx$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{let } u = x^2 - 25 \\ du = 2x dx \\ \frac{du}{2} = x dx \end{array} \right.$$



$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 5^-} \int \frac{\frac{du}{2}}{u} + \lim_{s \rightarrow 5^+} \int \frac{\frac{du}{2}}{u}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\lim_{t \rightarrow 5^-} \int \frac{1}{u} du + \lim_{s \rightarrow 5^+} \int \frac{1}{u} du \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\lim_{t \rightarrow 5^-} \ln |x^2 - 25| \Big|_3^t + \lim_{s \rightarrow 5^+} \ln |x^2 - 25| \Big|_s^6 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\lim_{t \rightarrow 5^-} \left(\ln |t^2 - 25| - \ln |9 - 25| \right) + \lim_{s \rightarrow 5^+} \left(\ln |6^2 - 25| - \ln |s^2 - 25| \right) \right]$$

$\lim_{t \rightarrow 5^-} \ln |t^2 - 25| \rightarrow -\infty$

$$= \boxed{\text{Divergent}}$$

Comparison test for improper integrals:

Comparison Test Theorem. (CTT).

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

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

$\int(\text{bigger})$ is convergent $\Rightarrow \int(\text{smaller})$ is also convergent

$$\int f(x)dx \geq \int g(x)dx$$

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

$\int(\text{smaller})$ is divergent $\Rightarrow \int(\text{bigger})$ is also divergent

Ex: Test for convergence / divergence:

a) $\int_1^\infty e^{-x} dx$

for $1 \leq x < \infty$.

$$1 \leq x^2 < \infty$$

$$x < x^2$$

$$e^x < e^{x^2}$$

$$-x > -x^2$$

$$\int_1^\infty e^{-x} dx > \int_1^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[-\frac{e^{-x}}{1} \right]_1^t = -\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (e^{-t} - e^{-1}) = \frac{1}{e} \leftarrow \text{Convergent}$$

By C.T.T. $\Rightarrow \int_1^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$ is also convergent

$\frac{a}{b} \leq \frac{A}{B}$

$\frac{5}{2} \leq \frac{50}{2}$

$\frac{5}{7} \rightarrow \frac{1}{12}$

Note:

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For convergence $\Rightarrow$ construct bigger function $\frac{A}{B}$

For divergence $\Rightarrow$ construct smaller function $\frac{a}{b}$

$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{7x^2+5x+2}{4x^7+3x^2+1} dx \leq \int_1^{\infty} \frac{7x^2+5x^2+2x^2}{x^7} dx = \int_1^{\infty} \frac{14x^2}{x^7} dx = 14 \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^5} dx$

Dominant terms: $\frac{x^2}{x^7} = \frac{1}{x^5} \Rightarrow p=5 > 1$ is convergent

$p=5 > 1$ is convergent by p-Test

$\therefore$ by C.T.T. $\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$ is also convergent.

c) $\int_2^{\infty} \frac{4x^3+3x+2}{\sqrt{x^9}} dx \leq \int_2^{\infty} \frac{4x^3+3x^3+2x^3}{\sqrt{x^9}} dx = \int_2^{\infty} \frac{9x^3}{\sqrt{x^9}} dx = 9 \int_2^{\infty} \frac{x^3}{x^{9/2}} dx$

Dominant terms: $\frac{x^3}{\sqrt{x^9}} = \frac{x^3}{x^{9/2}} = \frac{1}{x^{9/2-3}} = \frac{1}{x^{3/2}} > 1 \rightarrow \text{Convergent}$

$= 9 \int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{3/2}} dx = 9 \int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{3/2}} dx$

$\Rightarrow p = \frac{3}{2} > 1 \Rightarrow \text{Convergent by p-Test}$

By C.T.T. $\Rightarrow \int_2^{\infty} f(x) dx$ is also convergent

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

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{3x^2 + 7x + 4}{5 \sqrt[3]{5x^8 + 7x^5 + 7 \cdot 1}} dx \geq \int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{5 \sqrt[3]{5x^8 + 7x^5 + 7x^8}} dx$$

Dominant terms: $\frac{x^2}{\sqrt[3]{x^8}} = \frac{x^2}{x^{8/3}} = \frac{1}{x^{8/3-2}} = \frac{1}{x^{2/3}} \Rightarrow$ divergence.

$$= \int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{\sqrt[3]{19x^8}} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{19}} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{x^{8/3}} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{19}} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{2/3}} dx$$

$\therefore$ By C.T.T. $\Rightarrow \int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$ is also divergent.

e) $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{\sin(5x-3) + 4 \tan^{-1}(3x)}{x^3 + 3x + 4} dx \leq \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\pi + 7\pi}{x^3} dx = 8\pi \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^3} dx$ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} p=3 > 1 \text{ is} \\ \text{convergent by} \\ \text{P-Test.} \end{array} \right.$

Dominant terms: $\frac{1 + 4 \cdot \frac{\pi}{2}}{x^3 + 1} \Rightarrow$ convergent $\Rightarrow$ Construct a bigger funct.

$\therefore$ by C.T.T. $\Rightarrow \int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$ is also convergent.

ex: $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1+e^{-x}}{x} dx \geq \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} dx$ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} p=1 \leq 1 \Rightarrow \\ \text{divergent by} \\ \text{P-Test} \end{array} \right.$

Dominant terms: $\frac{1}{x} \leftarrow$ divergent

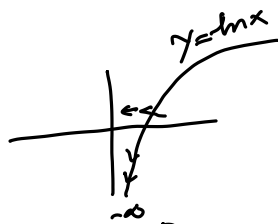
$\therefore$ by C.T.T. $\Rightarrow \int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$ is also divergent.

f) $\int_1^{\infty} e^{\frac{1}{x^2}} dx \geq \int_1^{\infty} \underline{e^{\frac{1}{x}}} dx = e \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} dx = e \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^0} dx \rightarrow p=0 < 1$
 is divergent by p-Test.

$\therefore$ by C.T.T. $\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$ is also divergent



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



We know
multiply
by x

$0 \leq \sin x \leq 1$
 $0 \leq x \sin x \leq x$

$\int_a^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} dx$

$\frac{1}{5} > \frac{1}{12}$

$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{x \sin x} dx \geq \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \ln|x| \Big|_t^{\pi/2} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} [\ln \frac{\pi}{2} - \ln|t|] = \infty$

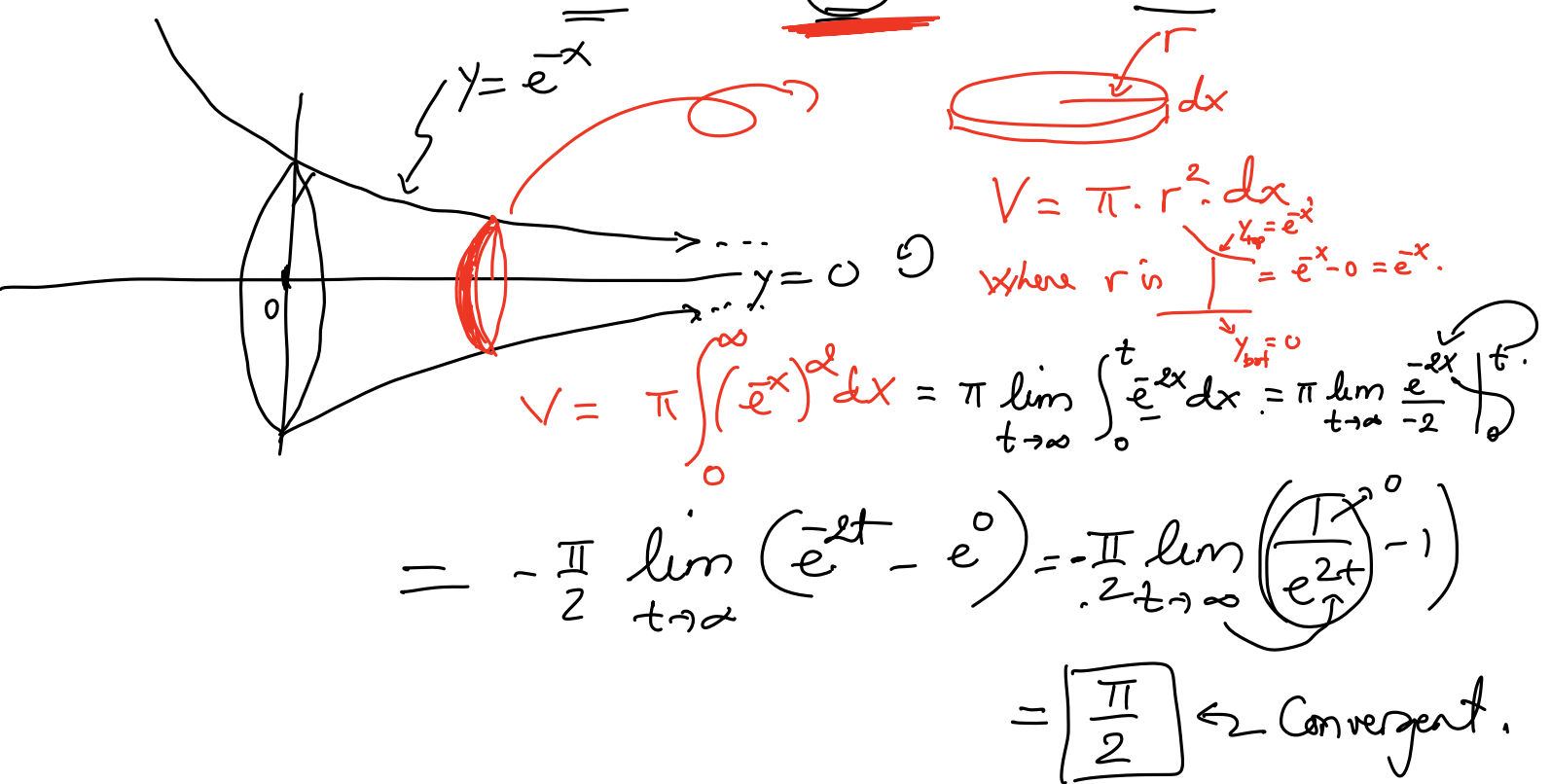
$\therefore$ by C.T.T. $\int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{x \sin x} dx$ is divergent.

$\int_0^{\pi} \frac{1}{x^5 \cos^2 x} dx$

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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.

