

CALCULUS: Graphical, Numerical, Algebraic by Finney, Demana, Waits and Kennedy
8.4 Improper Integrals

What you'll Learn About

- How to integrate functions that approach infinity or functions that approach an asymptote

$$2) \int_1^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^{1/3}} = \int_1^{\infty} x^{-1/3} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b x^{-1/3} dx &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{3}{2} x^{2/3} \right]_1^b \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{3}{2} b^{2/3} - \frac{3}{2} \right] = \infty \end{aligned}$$

$\infty - \frac{3}{2}$

Area
Diverges

$$6) \boxed{\int_1^{\infty} \frac{2dx}{x^3} = 1}$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b 2x^{-3} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[-x^{-2} \right]_1^b = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{-1}{x^2} \right]_1^b$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{-1}{b^2} - (-1) \right] = 1$$

$0 + 1$

Area Converges
to 1

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{1/3}} \quad \text{Diverges}$$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^3} \quad \text{Converges}$$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{1/2}} \quad \text{Diverges} \quad \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} \quad \text{Converges}$$

$$10) \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{dx}{(x-2)^3}$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow -\infty} \int_b^0 (x-2)^{-3} dx$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow -\infty} \left[-\frac{1}{2} (x-2)^{-2} \right]_b^0$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow -\infty} \left[-\frac{1}{2} (-2)^{-2} - \left(-\frac{1}{2} (b-2)^{-2} \right) \right] = \left[-\frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{2(b-2)^2} \right] = -\frac{1}{8}$$

$$2 = A(x-1) + B(x-3)$$

$$x=1 \quad x=3$$

$$2 = -2B \quad 2 = 2A$$

$$B = -1 \quad 1 = A$$

$$14) \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{2dx}{x^2 - 4x + 3} =$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow -\infty} \int_b^0 \frac{1}{(x-3)} + \frac{-1}{(x-1)} dx$$

* Use properties
before you do
limits

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow -\infty} \left[\ln|x-3| - \ln|x-1| \right]_b^0$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow -\infty} \left[\ln \left| \frac{x-3}{x-1} \right| \right]_b^0 = \lim_{b \rightarrow -\infty} \left[\ln 3 - \ln \left| \frac{b-3}{b-1} \right| \right]$$

$$\ln 3 - \ln 1$$

$$\boxed{\ln 3}$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} b^2 e^{-b} = \frac{b^2}{e^b}$$

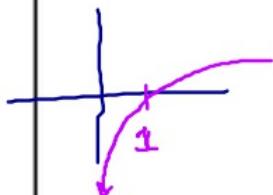
18) $\int_{-\infty}^0 x^2 e^x dx$

x^2	e^x
$2x$	e^x
2	e^x
0	e^x

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow -\infty} \int_b^0 x^2 e^x dx$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow -\infty} \left[x^2 e^x - 2x e^x + 2e^x \right]_b^0$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow -\infty} \left[2 - \left(b^2 e^b - 2b e^b + 2e^b \right) \right] = 2$$



43. Find the area of the region in the first quadrant that lies under the given curve

$$y = \frac{\ln x}{x^2}$$

$$\int_1^\infty \frac{\ln x}{x^2} dx = \int_1^\infty x^{-2} \ln x dx = \int_1^\infty \frac{\ln x}{x^2} dx$$

$\ln x$	x^{-2}
$\frac{1}{x}$	$-x^{-1}$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-\ln b}{b} = \frac{\infty}{\infty}$$

L'Hopital's Rule

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{b} = 0$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[-\frac{1}{x} \ln x - \frac{1}{x} \right]_1^b$$

$$= -\frac{1}{x} \ln x \Big|_1^\infty - \int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{x} \right) dx$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[-\frac{1}{b} \ln b - \frac{1}{b} \right] - \left(0 - 1 \right) = -\frac{1}{b} \ln b \Big|_1^\infty + \int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^2} dx$$

$$0 - 0 + 1 = 1$$