

## 10.2 Improper Integrals: Convergent or divergent

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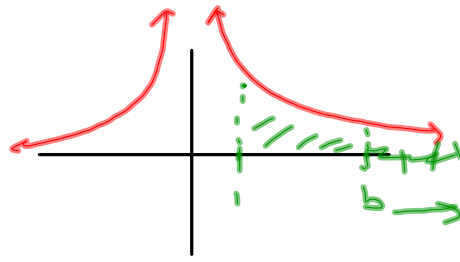
convergent: going to a  
specific #

divergent: going on to  $\infty$

Consider:

$$\int_1^b \frac{1}{x^2} dx$$

$b > 1$



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

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

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left( -\frac{1}{\infty} + 1 \right)$$

$$= 1$$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx = 1$$

↓  
convergent

## \* Definitions

if  $f$  is continuous on

$$[a, \infty), \quad \int_a^{\infty} f(x) dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

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\* if  $f$  is continuous on

$(-\infty, b]$  then,

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

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Improper integrals are

Convergent if Limit Exists

divergent if Limit D.N.E.

Is  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} dx$  convergent or divergent?

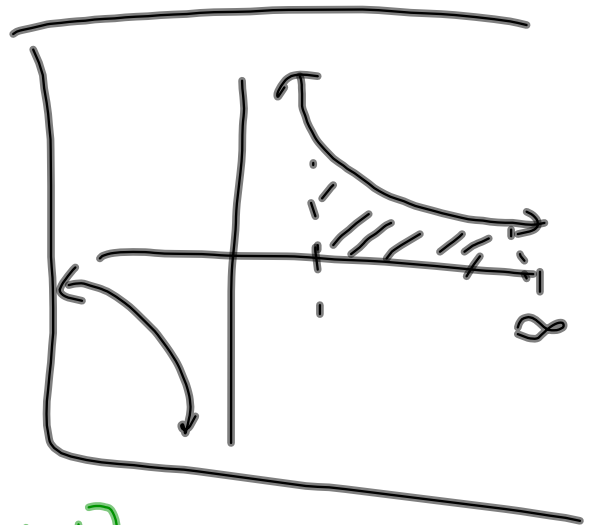
$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b \frac{1}{x} dx$$

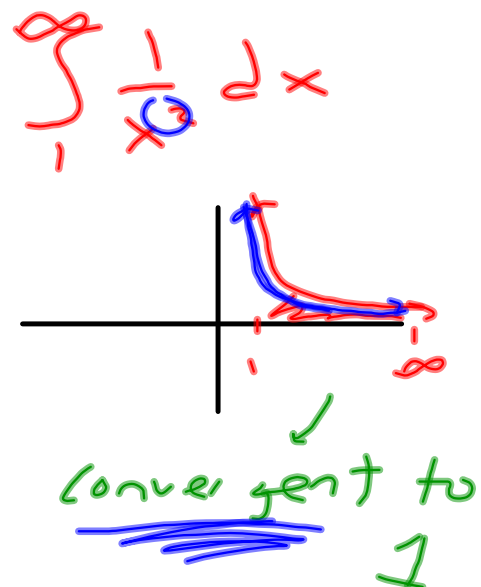
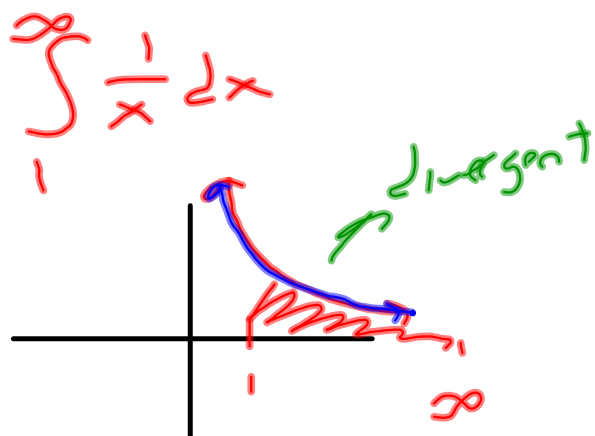
$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} [\ln|x|]_1^b$$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} [\ln|b| - \ln|1|]$$

$$= \ln|\infty| - 0$$

$\rightarrow \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} dx$  is divergent goes on forever





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why does one converge and the other diverge?

## Def

For  $a < b < c$

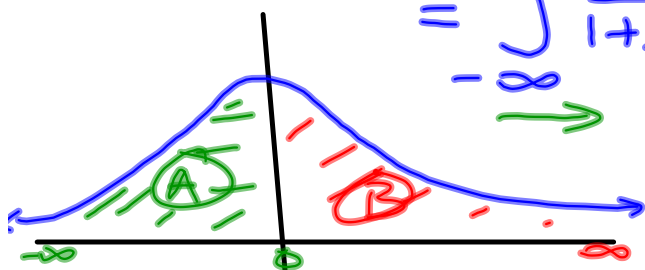
Given  $\int_a^c f(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx + \int_b^c f(x) dx$

$\Rightarrow$  If  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  or/and  $\int_b^c f(x) dx$   
diverge then  $\int_a^c f(x) dx$

Ex:  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx$  : Convergent or divergent

$$= \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx$$

$$= 2 \cdot \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx$$

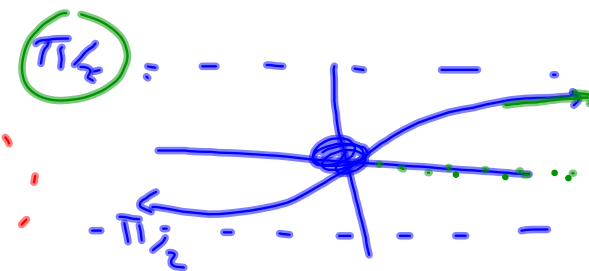


$$= 2 \cdot \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx$$

$$= 2 \cdot \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \text{Arctan}(x) \right]_0^b$$

$$= 2 \cdot \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \text{Arctan}(b) - \text{Arctan}(0) \right]$$

$$= 2 \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} - 0 \right] = \pi$$



$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx \rightarrow \pi$$

Convergent!

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