

Midterm Review 1

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Example Functions

When deciding whether a statement is true or trying to find a counterexample, the following functions may come in handy:

1. $1/x, 1/x^2, 1/\sqrt{x}$. Or any $1/x^p$, really, but these three are the simplest.
2. $f(x) = 0$. It's always zero.
3. $f(x) = 1$. It's always one.
4. $f(x) = e^{-x}$. Helpful since $\int_1^\infty x^n e^{-x} dx$ converges for any n .
5. Piecewise functions: If you want a positive function that satisfies $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \infty$ but where $\int_0^\infty f(x) dx$ converges, you could try

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1/\sqrt{x} & x \in [0, 1] \\ 1/x^2 & x \in [1, \infty) \end{cases}$$

For each of the following, assert that is true or find a counterexample. Assume that $f(x), g(x) \geq 0$ in all cases.

1. If $\int_1^\infty xf(x) dx$ converges, then $\int_1^\infty f(x) dx$ converges.
2. If $\int_1^\infty f(x) dx$ converges, then $\int_1^\infty xf(x) dx$ converges.
3. If $\int_0^1 f(x) dx$ diverges, then $\int_0^1 xf(x) dx$ diverges.
4. If $\int_1^\infty f(x) dx$ and $\int_1^\infty g(x) dx$ converge, then $\int_1^\infty f(x) + g(x) dx$ converges.
5. If $\int_1^\infty f(x) dx$ diverges, and $\int_1^\infty g(x) dx$ converges, then $\int_1^\infty f(x)g(x) dx$ diverges.
6. If $\int_0^\infty f(x) dx$ always diverges.
7. If $\int_0^1 xf(x) dx$ diverges, then $\int_0^1 f^2(x) dx$ diverges.
8. At least one of $\int_0^1 f(x) dx$ and $\int_0^1 1/f(x) dx$ will always diverge.
9. At least one of $\int_1^\infty f(x) dx$ and $\int_1^\infty 1/f(x) dx$ will always diverge.
10. For every $f(x)$, there is a $g(x)$ such that $\int_1^\infty f(x) - g(x) dx$ converges.
11. For every $f(x)$, there is a $g(x)$ such that $\int_1^\infty f(x)g(x) dx$ converges.
12. If $\int_0^1 f(x)/\sqrt{x} dx$ diverges, then $f(x)$ is unbounded on $[0, 1]$ (that is, it has a vertical asymptote somewhere).
13. If $\int_0^1 f(x)/x dx$ diverges, then $f(x)$ is unbounded on $[0, 1]$.

Counting the Powers

Decide whether the following integrals converge or diverge:

1. $\int_{10}^{\infty} \frac{x^{1/2}(x+3)^{2/3}}{(x-5)^2} dx$
2. $\int_{10}^{\infty} \frac{(x+3)^4 + \sin(3x) + (x-2)^2}{x^3(x-2)^3} dx$
3. $\int_{10}^{\infty} \frac{(x+\sqrt{x})^5}{(\sqrt{x}+1)^7(x-2)^2} dx$
4. $\int_{10}^{\infty} \frac{x(x+1)(x+2)(x+3)}{(x+1/x + \sin(x))^6 + \sin(\sin(x))} dx$

Counting the Zeros/L'Hospital's Rule

Decide whether the following integrals converge or diverge:

1. $\int_0^4 \frac{1 - \cos(x)}{x^2} dx$
2. $\int_0^4 \frac{\sin(x) \ln(1+x)}{x^{8/3}} dx$
3. $\int_0^4 \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2} dx$
4. $\int_0^4 \frac{\cos(x) + 1}{x - \pi} dx$
5. $\int_0^4 \frac{\cos(x) + 1}{(x - \pi)^2} dx$
6. $\int_0^4 \frac{e^{x^2} - 1}{x^{5/2}} dx$