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MA1010: Calculus I : Functions of one variable¹

Problem Sheet VII

1. Justify the following statements:

- (a) If $\int_a^\infty f(x) dx$ exists, then $\int_c^\infty f(x) dx$ exists for any $c > a$.
- (b) If $\int_{-\infty}^b f(x) dx$ exists, then $\int_{-\infty}^c f(x) dx$ exists for any $c < b$.
- (c) If f is defined on $(-\infty, \infty)$ and integrable on every closed and bounded interval, and if $\int_{-\infty}^c f(x) dx$ and $\int_c^\infty f(x) dx$ exist for some $c \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\int_{-\infty}^d f(x) dx$ and $\int_d^\infty f(x) dx$ exist for any $d \in \mathbb{R}$.

2. Suppose $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is an even function, that is, $f(-x) = f(x)$ for every $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Prove that $\int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x) dx$ exists if and only if $\int_0^\infty f(x) dx$ exists, and in that case

$$\int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x) dx = 2 \int_0^\infty f(x) dx.$$

3. Suppose $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is an odd function, that is, $f(-x) = -f(x)$ for every $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Prove that $\int_{-\infty}^0 f(x) dx$ exists if and only if $\int_0^\infty f(x) dx$ exists, and in that case

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

4. Justify the following statements:

- (a) Suppose f is defined on $[a, \infty)$ with values in $[0, \infty)$. Then $\int_a^\infty f(x) dx$ converges if and only if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^n f(x) dx$ exists.
- (b) Suppose f is defined on $(-\infty, b]$ with values in $[0, \infty)$. Then $\int_{-\infty}^b f(x) dx$ converges if and only if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-n}^b f(x) dx$ exists.

5. Justify the following statements:

- (a) Suppose f is defined on $[a, \infty)$. Then $\int_a^\infty f(x) dx$ converges if and only if for any sequence (b_n) in \mathbb{R} , $b_n \rightarrow \infty$ implies $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^{b_n} f(x) dx$ exists.
- (b) Suppose f is defined in $(-\infty, b]$. Then $\int_{-\infty}^b f(x) dx$ converges if and only if for any sequence (a_n) in \mathbb{R} , $a_n \rightarrow -\infty$ implies $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{a_n}^b f(x) dx$ exists.

6. Suppose f is absolutely integrable over $(-\infty, \infty)$. Show that

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

¹Problems are taken from the book *Calculus of One Variable* by M.T. Nair.

7. Suppose $f \geq 0$ on $[a, b)$ and the integral $\int_a^t f(x)dx$ exists for every $t \in [a, b)$. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow b} (b-x)^\alpha f(x)$ converges for some $\alpha < 1$, then show that $\int_a^b f(x)dx$ also converges.
[Hint: Observe that for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $x_0 \in [a, b)$ such that the number $\beta := \lim_{x \rightarrow b} (b-x)^\alpha f(x)$ satisfies $0 \leq f(x) \leq \frac{\beta + \varepsilon}{(b-x)^\alpha}$ for all $x \in [x_0, b)$.]
8. For $a < b$ and $p < 1$, show that the improper integral $\int_a^b \frac{dx}{(x-a)^p}$ converges.
9. Show that the improper integral $\int_1^\infty \frac{\cos x}{x^p} dx$ converges for all $p > 0$.
10. Show that, for $p > 1$, $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^{1/p}} = \frac{p}{p-1}$.
11. Show that, for $p > 1$, $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^{1/p}} - \int_1^\infty \frac{dx}{x^{1/p}} = 1$.
12. Show that $\int_1^\infty \frac{dx}{x^p} \rightarrow 0$ as $p \rightarrow \infty$ and $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^p} \rightarrow 1$ as $p \rightarrow 0$.
13. Show that $\lim_{p \rightarrow 1-} \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^p} = \infty$.
14. Does $\int_1^\infty \sin\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right) dx$ converge? [*Hint: Note that $|\sin\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right)| \leq \frac{1}{x^2}$.]*
15. Does $\int_2^\infty \frac{\cos x}{x(\log x)^2} dx$ converge?
[Hint: Observe $\left| \frac{\cos x}{x(\log x)^2} \right| \leq \frac{1}{x(\log x)^2}$ and use the change of variable $t = \log x$.]
16. Does $\int_0^\infty \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx$ converge?
[Hint: Observe $\frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} \leq \frac{1}{x^2}$ for $x \geq 1$ and $\frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2}$, $0 < x \leq 1$ has a continuous extension on $[0, 1]$.]
17. Does $\int_0^1 \frac{\sin x}{x^2} dx$ converge? [*Hint: Observe $\frac{\sin x}{x^2} = \left(\frac{\sin x}{x}\right) \frac{1}{x} \geq \frac{\sin 1}{1}$.]*
18. Suppose $f \geq 0$ on $[a, b)$ and the integral $\int_a^t f(x)dx$ exists for every $t \in [a, b)$. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow b} (b-x)^\alpha f(x)$ converges for some $\alpha < 1$, then show that $\int_a^b f(x)dx$ also converges.
[Hint: Observe that for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $x_0 \in [a, b)$ such that the number $\beta := \lim_{x \rightarrow b} (b-x)^\alpha f(x)$ satisfies $0 \leq f(x) \leq \frac{\beta + \varepsilon}{(b-x)^\alpha}$ for all $x \in [x_0, b)$.]
19. Does $\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$ converge? [*Hint: $e^{-x^2} \leq \frac{1}{x^2}$ for $1 \leq x \leq \infty$.]*
20. Does $\int_2^\infty \frac{\sin(\log x)}{x} dx$ converge?
[Hint: Change of variable $t = \log x$, and the fact that $\int_{\log 2}^\infty \sin t dt$ diverges.]