

1. (a) State Rolle's Theorem.

Solution:

See either (i) Theorem 1.11 in Professor Shafikov's on-line notes or (ii) page 284 of Stewart. Or if you are in Professor Metzler's class, you can find the theorem in the lecture notes from January 10th.

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- (b) State the Mean Value Theorem.

Solution:

See either (i) Theorem 1.12 in Professor Shafikov's on-line notes or (ii) page 285 of Stewart. Or if you are in Professor Metzler's class, you can find the theorem in the lecture notes from January 11th.

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- (c) Use Rolle's Theorem to prove the Mean Value Theorem.

Solution:

See either (i) the proof of Theorem 1.12 in Professor Shafikov's on-line notes or (ii) page 286 of Stewart. Or if you are in Professor Metzler's class, you can find the proof in the lecture notes from January 12th.

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2. Suppose f is continuous on $[0, 2]$, differentiable on $(0, 2)$ and satisfies $f(0) = 0$, $f(2) = 2$. Prove that there exists a point $x \in (0, 2)$ such that $f'(x) = \frac{1}{f(x)}$.

Hint: Consider the function $g(x) = [f(x)]^2$.

Solution:

As the product of continuous functions, g is itself continuous on $[0, 2]$. Similarly, as the product of differentiable functions, g is itself differentiable on $(0, 2)$. Thus g satisfies the conditions of the Mean Value Theorem, which ensures that a point $x \in (0, 2)$ exists with the property that

$$g'(x) = \frac{g(2) - g(0)}{2 - 0}.$$

Now $g'(x) = 2f(x)f'(x)$, $g(2) = 4$ and $g(0) = 0$, so that the above equality can be re-written as $2f(x)f'(x) = 2$, or $f'(x) = \frac{1}{f(x)}$.

3. (a) Evaluate $\int \ln x \, dx$.

Solution:

This is Example 2 in Section 7.1 of Stewart. Use integration by parts with $u = \ln x$ and $dv = dx$. This leads to $du = \frac{1}{x}dx$ and $v = x$, yielding

$$\int \ln x \, dx = x \ln x - \int x \frac{1}{x} \, dx = x \ln x - \int 1 \, dx = x \ln x - x + C.$$

- (b) Evaluate $\int \frac{8x - 3}{x^2 - x} \, dx$.

Solution:

The denominator factors as $x^2 - x = x(x - 1)$, leading to

$$\frac{8x - 3}{x^2 - x} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x - 1} \implies 8x - 3 = (A + B)x - A.$$

Thus $A = 3$ and $B = 5$, and the integral is

$$\int \frac{8x - 3}{x^2 - x} \, dx = \int \frac{3}{x} \, dx + \int \frac{5}{x - 1} \, dx = 3 \ln |x| + 5 \ln |x - 1| + C.$$

4. Evaluate $\int e^{2x} \cos x \, dx$.

Solution:

This is a minor variation (and in fact easier version) of Problem 17, Section 7.1, which was a suggested exercise. The problem requires integration by parts twice (there are at least two ways to perform the integration). To this end let $I = \int e^{2x} \cos x \, dx$ and use integration by parts with $u = e^{2x}$ and $dv = \cos x \, dx$ (so that $du = 2e^{2x} \, dx$ and $v = \sin x$) to get

$$I = e^{2x} \sin x - 2 \int e^{2x} \sin x \, dx .$$

Now use integration by parts again with $u = e^{2x}$ and $dv = \sin x \, dx$ (so that $du = 2e^{2x} \, dx$ and $v = -\cos x$) to get

$$I = e^{2x} \sin x - 2 \left[-e^{2x} \cos x + 2 \int e^{2x} \cos x \, dx \right] = e^{2x} (\sin x + 2 \cos x) - 4I .$$

Now solve for I (and introduce a constant of integration) to find

$$I = \frac{1}{5} e^{2x} (\sin x + 2 \cos x) + C .$$

5. Find the partial fraction decomposition of $\frac{8x^3 + 19x^2 + 10x + 5}{(x^2 + 2x + 1)(x^2 + 1)}$. Form alone is not sufficient (that is, make sure you determine the numerical values of all coefficients).

Solution

The denominator is not fully factored, since $x^2 + 2x + 1 = (x + 1)^2$. And

since $x^2 + 1$ is irreducible, the complete factorization of the denominator is $(x^2 + 2x + 1)(x^2 + 1) = (x + 1)^2(x^2 + 1)$. We have one repeated linear factor and one irreducible quadratic, therefore the form of the decomposition is

$$\frac{8x^3 + 19x^2 + 10x + 5}{(x^2 + 2x + 1)(x^2 + 1)} = \frac{A}{x + 1} + \frac{B}{(x + 1)^2} + \frac{Cx + D}{x^2 + 1}.$$

Multiplying through by $(x + 1)^2(x^2 + 1)$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} 8x^3 + 19x^2 + 10x + 5 &= A(x + 1)(x^2 + 1) + B(x^2 + 1) + (Cx + D)(x + 1)^2 \\ &= (A + C)x^3 + (A + B + 2C + D)x^2 \\ &\quad + (A + C + 2D)x + (A + B + D) \end{aligned}$$

This system is easily solved: for example if $A + C = 8$ and $A + C + 2D = 10$, then $D = 1$. And if $A + B + 2C + D = 19$ and $A + B + D = 5$, then $C = 7$. It is now easily found that $A = 1$ and $B = 3$. Therefore

$$\frac{8x^3 + 19x^2 + 10x + 5}{(x^2 + 2x + 1)(x^2 + 1)} = \frac{1}{x + 1} + \frac{3}{(x + 1)^2} + \frac{7x + 1}{x^2 + 1}.$$

6. Assess the convergence of the following integrals. If an integral converges, either evaluate it or provide an upper bound on its value.

(a) $\int_1^{\infty} xe^{-x^2} dx$

Solution:

Substitute $u = x^2$ to obtain

$$\int_1^b xe^{-x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^{b^2} e^{-u} du = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{e} - e^{-b^2} \right].$$

And since $\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} e^{-b^2} = 0$ we get

$$\int_1^{\infty} x e^{-x^2} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b x e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2e}.$$

Therefore the integral converges, and is equal to $\frac{1}{2e}$.

(b) $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} e^{-x^2} dx$

Solution:

If $x \geq 1$, then $\frac{1}{x} \leq 1 \leq x$, from which it follows that

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} e^{-x^2} dx \leq \int_1^{\infty} x e^{-x^2} dx.$$

In (a) we showed that the integral on the right was convergent, therefore the Comparison Theorem ensures that the integral on the left converges as well. And since $\int_1^{\infty} x e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2e}$, it follows that $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} e^{-x^2} dx$ is no larger than $\frac{1}{2e}$.

Other solutions are possible here, for example we could observe that $\frac{1}{x} \leq 1$ for $x \geq 1$, and compare the given integral with $\int_1^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$. We could then note that $e^{-x^2} \leq e^{-x}$ for $x \geq 1$ and compare the latter integral with $\int_1^{\infty} e^{-x} dx$, which is demonstrably convergent and equal to $\frac{1}{e}$ (you would need to show this to get full credit). Thus we would be led to the same conclusion, namely that $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} e^{-x} dx$ converges, but would get an upper bound of $\frac{1}{e}$.

7. Evaluate $\int_0^3 \frac{2x}{x^2-1} dx$.

Solution:

The integrand has a vertical asymptote at $x = 1$, and therefore the integral will converge if and only if each of $\int_0^1 \frac{2x}{x^2-1} dx$ and $\int_1^3 \frac{2x}{x^2-1} dx$

converge. Checking the former first, we find

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^1 \frac{2x}{x^2-1} dx &= \lim_{c \rightarrow 1^-} \int_0^c \frac{2x}{x^2-1} dx \\ &= \lim_{c \rightarrow 1^-} \int_0^{c^2} \frac{1}{u-1} du \\ &= \lim_{c \rightarrow 1^-} [\ln(1-c^2)] \\ &= -\infty.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\int_0^1 \frac{2x}{x^2-1} dx$ diverges, so that $\int_0^3 \frac{2x}{x^2-1} dx$ diverges as well.

We could have just as easily found that

$$\begin{aligned}\int_1^3 \frac{2x}{x^2-1} dx &= \lim_{c \rightarrow 1^+} \int_c^3 \frac{2x}{x^2-1} dx \\ &= \lim_{c \rightarrow 1^+} \int_{c^2}^9 \frac{1}{u-1} du \\ &= \lim_{c \rightarrow 1^+} [\ln(8) - \ln(c^2-1)] \\ &= \infty,\end{aligned}$$

and been led to the same conclusion.

8. Show that $\Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n)$ for any integer $n \geq 1$. Be precise (i.e. carefully justify each step/calculation). You may assume that the integral defining $\Gamma(n)$ is convergent for any integer n .

Solution:

Recall that $\Gamma(z) = \int_0^\infty x^{z-1} e^{-x} dx$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma(n+1) &= \int_0^\infty x^n e^{-x} dx \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b x^n e^{-x} dx.\end{aligned}$$

Use integration by parts with $u = x^n$ and $dv = e^{-x} dx$ (so that $du = nx^{n-1}dx$ and $v = -e^{-x}$) to find that

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^b x^n e^{-x} dx &= -x^n e^{-x} \Big|_{x=0}^{x=b} + n \int_0^b x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx \\ &= -b^n e^{-b} + n \int_0^b x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx .\end{aligned}$$

Now in order to evaluate the limit as $b \rightarrow \infty$ observe that

- Repeated use (n applications to be precise) of L'Hospital's Rule shows that $\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} b^n e^{-b} = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b^n}{e^b} = 0$.
- By definition of the improper integral, $\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx = \int_0^\infty x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx$.

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma(n+1) &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[-b^n e^{-b} + n \int_0^b x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx \right] \\ &= -\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} b^n e^{-b} + n \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx \\ &= 0 + n \int_0^\infty x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx \\ &= n\Gamma(n) ,\end{aligned}$$

as required.

9. (a) Use the formal definition to prove that the sequence $a_n = 3 + (-1)^n \frac{1}{n+7}$ converges to the limit $L = 3$

Solution:

To begin observe that $|a_n - 3| = \frac{1}{n+7}$, which is decreasing with n . Also note that if $\varepsilon > 0$, then $\frac{1}{n+7} < \varepsilon$ if and only if $n > \frac{1}{\varepsilon} - 7$.

Now let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. No matter how large $\frac{1}{\varepsilon} - 7$ is, there is an integer which exceeds it (for example $1 + \max(\lceil \frac{1}{\varepsilon} - 7 \rceil, 1)$). Let N be such an integer; that is N is such that $N > \frac{1}{\varepsilon} - 7$, or what is equivalent, $|a_N - 3| < \varepsilon$. If $n \geq N$, then

$$|a_n - 3| = \frac{1}{n+7} \leq \frac{1}{N+7} = |a_N - 3| < \varepsilon.$$

Thus for any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists an integer N for which $|a_n - 3|$ whenever $n \geq N$. Therefore a_n converges to 3.

- (b) Begin with the observations that (i) $a_n = \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{n}} = \sqrt{n} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} > \sqrt{n}$ and (ii) for $M > 0$, $\sqrt{n} > M$ if and only if $n > M^2$.

Now let $M > 0$ be given. No matter how large M^2 , there is an integer which exceeds it ($\lceil M^2 \rceil$ for example). Let N be such an integer; that is N is such that $N > M^2$, equivalently $\sqrt{N} > M$. If $n \geq N$, then

$$a_n > \sqrt{n} \geq \sqrt{N} > M.$$

Thus for all $M > 0$ there exists an integer N for which $a_n > M$ whenever $n \geq N$. Therefore $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty$.

10. Determine whether or not the following sequences converge (you do not need to use the formal definition). If a sequence converges, evaluate its limit (state any theorems you use along the way). If a sequence diverges, explain why.

- (a) $a_n = n^{1/n}$.

Solution:

This is of the form ∞^0 , which is indeterminate. So let $b_n = \ln(a_n) = \frac{\ln(n)}{n}$. Using L'Hopital's Rule we get that $b_n \rightarrow 0$, and

since $a_n = e^{bn}$ and $f(x) = e^x$ is continuous at $x = 0$, we get that a_n converges to $e^0 = 1$.

$$(b) \ a_n = \frac{1}{\sin\left(\frac{(-1)^n}{n}\right)}.$$

Solution:

The sequence $\frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ converges to zero, and $\sin x$ is continuous at $x = 0$, therefore $\sin\left(\frac{(-1)^n}{n}\right)$ converges to zero as well. However if n is even, then $\sin\left(\frac{(-1)^n}{n}\right) = \sin\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) > 0$, and if n is odd then $\sin\left(\frac{(-1)^n}{n}\right) = \sin\left(-\frac{1}{n}\right) < 0$. Thus the even terms of our sequence will diverge to ∞ , whereas the odd terms will diverge to $-\infty$. Therefore the sequence is divergent; note in particular that it is *not* true that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty$.

$$(c) \ a_n = \frac{1 + \cos(n)}{\ln(n)}.$$

Solution:

Since $-1 \leq \cos(n) \leq 1$, we have $0 \leq 1 + \cos(n) \leq 2$. Therefore $0 \leq a_n \leq \frac{2}{\ln(n)}$, and since $\frac{2}{\ln(n)}$ converges to zero, so does a_n by the Squeeze Theorem.