

## Homework Exercises #1

1. Determine whether the improper integrals converge or diverge. (You do not have to evaluate the convergent ones.)

$$\begin{array}{llll}
 \text{(a)} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1+e^x} & \text{(b)} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{x^2} & \text{(c)} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}} & \text{(d)} \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \\
 \text{(e)} \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x-x^2}} & \text{(f)} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x+x^4}} & \text{(g)} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^6+1}} & \text{(h)} \int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-x} dx \\
 \text{(i)} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x+1}}{x^2} dx & \text{(j)} \int_{\pi}^{\infty} \frac{2+\cos x}{x} dx & \text{(k)} \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{\sin x}{x}\right)^2 dx
 \end{array}$$

2. Estimate the value of the improper integral  $\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$ . (Hint: Use Simpson's rule with  $n = 6$  for  $\int_0^3 e^{-x^2} dx$  and show that

$$0 < \int_3^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx < \int_3^{\infty} e^{-3x} dx < 10^{-4}.)$$

3. Find the values of  $p$  for which each integral converges:

$$\text{(a)} \int_1^2 \frac{dx}{x(\ln x)^p} \quad \text{(b)} \int_2^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x(\ln x)^p}.$$

4. (*Gabriel's horn*)

Revolve the curve  $y = 1/x$ ,  $1 \leq x < \infty$  about the  $x$ -axis. Show that the resulting solid has finite volume but infinite surface area. ("This is a can that does not hold enough paint to cover its outside surface".)

5. Determine whether the numerical series converge or diverge. Evaluate the convergent ones.

$$\begin{array}{llll}
 \text{(a)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^n & \text{(b)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \cos n\pi & \text{(c)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n n & \text{(d)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n - 1}{3^n} \\
 \text{(e)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^n & \text{(f)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^n, \quad |x| < 1; & \text{(g)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n}, \quad |x| < 1.
 \end{array}$$

6. Use partial fractions to find a formula for the  $n$ th partial sum and use it to find the sum of the series.

$$(a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)} \quad (b) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2n+1}{n^2(n+1)^2}.$$

7. Show that if  $\sum a_n$  converges, and  $a_n \neq 0$  for all  $n$ , then  $\sum(1/a_n)$  diverges.