

Solutions to the Practice Problems  
for Midterm 2

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#1 a)  $1 \leq x \leq 5$ , 4 subintervals  $\Rightarrow \Delta x = 1$

$$\int_1^5 \frac{1}{x^2} dx \stackrel{\text{Trapezoid}}{\approx} \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{9} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{25} \right) = \boxed{\frac{3397}{3600}} \quad (\approx 0.94)$$

$$\int_1^5 \frac{1}{x^2} dx \stackrel{\text{Simpson}}{\approx} \frac{1}{3} \left( 1 + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{9} + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{25} \right) = \boxed{\frac{2261}{2700}} \quad (\approx 0.83)$$

b)  $0 \leq x \leq 4$  4 subintervals  $\Rightarrow \Delta x = 1$  [cf.  $\int_1^5 \frac{1}{x^2} dx = \frac{4}{5}$ ]

$$\int_0^4 x^3 dx \approx \frac{1}{2} (1 \cdot 0 + 2 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 8 + 2 \cdot 27 + 1 \cdot 4^3) = \boxed{68}$$

$$\int_0^4 x^3 dx \approx \frac{1}{3} (1 \cdot 0 + 4 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 8 + 4 \cdot 27 + 1 \cdot 4^3) = \boxed{64} \quad \left[ \text{cf. } \int_0^4 x^3 dx = 64 \right]$$

#2 a)  $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^2} = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \int_a^1 \frac{dx}{x^2} = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \left. -\frac{1}{x} \right|_a^1 =$

$$= \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \left( -\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{a} \right) = \boxed{+\infty} \quad (\text{diverges})$$

b)  $\int_1^\infty \frac{dx}{x^2} = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b \frac{dx}{x^2} = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left. -\frac{1}{x} \right|_1^b = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left( -\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{1} \right) = \boxed{1}$

c)  $\int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{x^2} = \underbrace{\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^2}}_{\text{diverges}} + \underbrace{\int_1^\infty \frac{dx}{x^2}}_1 = \boxed{+\infty} \quad (\text{diverges})$

$$d) \int_1^{\infty} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}} = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}} = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} 2\sqrt{x} \Big|_1^b = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} 2\sqrt{b} - 2 = \infty$$

diverges

$$e) \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}} = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \int_a^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}} = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} 2\sqrt{x} \Big|_a^1 = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} 2 - 2\sqrt{a} = \underline{\underline{2}}$$

#3

$$a) \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx \leq \int_1^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2} = 1 \quad (\text{by \#2 (b)})$$

Hence  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx < \infty$  converges

$$b) \int_2^{\infty} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^2-1}} > \int_2^{\infty} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^2}} = \int_2^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x} = +\infty \quad \underline{\text{diverges}}$$

$$c) \int_2^{\infty} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^4-1}} \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^4-1}} \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = \frac{1}{x^2} \quad \text{are both}$$

positive and continuous on  $[2, \infty)$  and satisfy  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = 1$ .

Since  $\int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx < \infty$  converges, so does  $\int_2^{\infty} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^4-1}}$  converge.  
(by the Limit Comp. Test)

$$d) \int_1^{\infty} \frac{e^x}{x} dx \quad \underline{\text{diverges}} \quad \text{because} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{x} = +\infty.$$

$$e) \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1-e^{-x}}{x} dx \quad f(x) = \frac{1-e^{-x}}{x} \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = \frac{1}{x} \quad \text{are both}$$

positive and continuous on  $[1, \infty)$  and satisfy  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = 1$

since  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x}$  diverges, so does  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1-e^{-x}}{x} dx$  diverge.  
(by the Limit Comp Test).

$$\#5 \quad a) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{n^3} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\overset{\rightarrow 0}{\frac{1}{n^2}} + \overset{\rightarrow 0}{\left(\frac{1}{n^3}\right)}}{1} = \boxed{0.}$$

$$b) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^n = \boxed{\infty} \quad (\text{diverges})$$

$$c) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n} = \boxed{0.} \quad (\text{L'Hospital})$$

$$d) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{1/n} = 3^{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1/n} = 3^0 = \boxed{1.}$$

$$e) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{3^n} = \boxed{0.}$$

$$f) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{1/n} = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1/n} = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^0 = \boxed{1.}$$

$$g) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{3n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (3n)^{1/n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\left(3^{\frac{1}{n}}\right)}_{\downarrow 1} \cdot \underbrace{\left(n^{\frac{1}{n}}\right)}_{\downarrow 1} = \boxed{1.}$$

$$h) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[3n]{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\frac{1}{3n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(n^{\frac{1}{n}}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 1^{\frac{1}{3}} = \boxed{1.}$$

$$\#6 \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{a}{n}\right)^{bn} \right] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left[ \left(1 + \frac{a}{n}\right)^{bn} \right] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} bn \ln \left(1 + \frac{a}{n}\right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b \frac{\ln \left(1 + \frac{a}{n}\right)}{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{1 + \frac{a}{n}} \left(-\frac{a}{n^2}\right)}{-\frac{1}{n^2}} = ab.$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{a}{n}\right)^{bn} = e^{ab}}$$

#4 a)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_0^{+\infty} C x^2 e^{-4x} dx = C \cdot \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b x^2 e^{-4x} dx$

Parts  $\rightarrow$

$$= C \cdot \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left. -\frac{e^{-4x}}{4} x^2 - \frac{e^{-4x}}{8} x - \frac{e^{-4x}}{32} \right|_0^b$$

$$= C \cdot \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\left( -\frac{e^{-4b}}{4} b^2 - \frac{e^{-4b}}{8} b - \frac{e^{-4b}}{32} \right)}_{\rightarrow 0} + \frac{1}{32} = \frac{C}{32}$$

Since need  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$ , it follows that  $\boxed{C = 32}$

b)  $\mu = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx = \int_0^{+\infty} 32 x^3 e^{-4x} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b 32 x^3 e^{-4x} dx$

Parts  $\rightarrow$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{4} e^{-4b} - 3b e^{-4b} - 6b^2 e^{-4b} - 8b^3 e^{-4b} \right) = \boxed{\frac{3}{4}}$$

#7

Note:  $(n!)^2 = n^2 (n-1)^2 (n-2)^2 (n-3)^2 \dots 3^2 \cdot 2^2 \cdot 1^2$

$$= \underbrace{n \cdot 1}_{\geq n} \cdot \underbrace{(n-1) \cdot 2}_{\geq n} \cdot \underbrace{(n-2) \cdot 3}_{\geq n} \dots \underbrace{3 \cdot (n-2)}_{\geq n} \cdot \underbrace{2 \cdot (n-1)}_{\geq n} \cdot \underbrace{1 \cdot n}_{\geq n}$$

$$\geq n^n$$

because  $(n-k) \cdot (k+1) = nk + n - k^2 - k = n + k(n-k-1) \geq n$   
for all  $0 \leq k < n$ .

thus  $n! \geq n^{n/2}$  for all  $n \geq 1$ .

Therefore

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{n!} \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{n^{n/2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n} = +\infty \quad \underline{\text{diverges.}}$$

#8 
$$\frac{n!}{2^n} = \frac{n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdots 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2}$$

(if  $n > 2$ ) 
$$\frac{3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdots 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{3}{2} \right)^{n-2}$$

Thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{2^n} > \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{3}{2} \right)^{n-2} = +\infty \quad \underline{\text{diverges.}}$  (Note:  $\frac{3}{2} > 1$ )

#9 Up to replacing  $a > 0$  by the smallest integer larger than  $a$ , suppose  $a$  is an integer. Just like in #8, provided  $n > a$ , then

$$\frac{n!}{a^n} = \frac{n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdots (a+1) \cdot a \cdots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{a \cdot a \cdot a \cdots a \cdot a \cdots a \cdot a \cdot a}$$

( $n > a$ ) 
$$\frac{(a+1)(a+1)(a+1) \cdots (a+1) a \cdots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{a \cdot a \cdot a \cdots a \cdot a \cdots a \cdot a \cdot a}$$

$$= \left( \frac{a+1}{a} \right)^{n-a} \cdot \frac{a!}{a^a}$$

Thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{a^n} > \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{a+1}{a} \right)^{n-a} \cdot \frac{a!}{a^a} = +\infty \quad \underline{\text{diverges.}}$  (Note:  $\frac{a+1}{a} > 1$ )

#10

a)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4^n} = \frac{1/4}{1-1/4} = \frac{1/4}{3/4} = \boxed{\frac{1}{3}}$

Geometric  
 $a = \frac{1}{4}, r = \frac{1}{4}$

b)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{7}{2^n} = \frac{7/2}{1-1/2} = \frac{7/2}{1/2} = \boxed{7}$

Geometric  
 $a = \frac{7}{2}, r = \frac{1}{2}$

c)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{6^n}{n^2+4} = +\infty$  diverges because  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6^n}{n^2+4} = +\infty (\neq 0)$   
 ("n<sup>th</sup> term test")

d) Telescoping:  $S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \tan k - \tan(k+1)$

$$= (\tan 1 - \tan 2) + (\tan 2 - \tan 3) + \dots + \tan n - \tan(n+1)$$

$$= \tan 1 - \tan(n+1) \leftarrow \text{(this sequence does not converge as } n \rightarrow \infty)$$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tan n - \tan(n+1) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$  does not exist; diverges.

e) Telescoping:  $S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \arccos\left(\frac{1}{k+1}\right) - \arccos\left(\frac{1}{k+2}\right)$

$$= \left(\arccos \frac{1}{2} - \arccos \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\arccos \frac{1}{3} - \arccos \frac{1}{4}\right) + \dots$$

$$+ \left(\arccos \frac{1}{n+1} - \arccos \frac{1}{n+2}\right)$$

$$= \arccos \frac{1}{2} - \arccos \frac{1}{n+2}$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{3} - \arccos \frac{1}{n+2}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \arccos \frac{1}{n+1} - \arccos \frac{1}{n+2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi}{3} - \arccos \frac{1}{n+2} = \frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{\pi}{2} = \boxed{-\frac{\pi}{6}}$$

#11 a)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{n^4+1} < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{n^4} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} < \infty$  (p-series  $p=2$ )

$\uparrow$   
Direct Comp. Test

Converges.

b)  $a_n = \frac{n^5}{n^6 + 2n^3 + 1}$  let  $b_n = \frac{1}{n}$ . Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 1$ ,

and since  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = +\infty$  (Harmonic Series), also  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = +\infty$   
diverges by the Limit Comp. Test.

c)  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{3^{n+2}}{\ln n} = +\infty$  diverges because  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^{n+2}}{\ln n} = +\infty (\neq 0)$   
("nth term Comp. Test")

d)  $a_n = \left(\frac{4n+1}{2n-5}\right)^n$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4n+1}{2n-5} = 2 > 1$ :  $\sum a_n$  diverges by Root Test.

e)  $a_n = \frac{4^n}{3^n n^n}$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4^{n+1}}{3^{n+1} (n+1)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{3^n \cdot n^n}{4^n}$

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4}{3} \left( \frac{n}{n+1} \right)^n \cdot \frac{1}{n+1} = 0 < 1$

$\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   
 $\frac{1}{e}$   $0$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  Converges

by the Ratio Test.

$$4) \quad a_n = \frac{n+2}{4^n} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+3}{4^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{4^n}{n+2} = \frac{1}{4} < 1$$

So  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges by the Ratio Test.

#12 a) Amount of drug in the body from previous day is 10% of the dosage of 10 mg. The dosage from 2 days prior has decayed by 10% twice, so there is  $100 \cdot (0.1)^2 = 1$  mg left from that dose. Similarly, amount left from the first dose 3 days ago is  $100 \cdot (0.1)^3 = 0.1$  mg. Thus, the total amount is  $10 + 1 + 0.1 = \underline{11.1 \text{ mg}}$ .

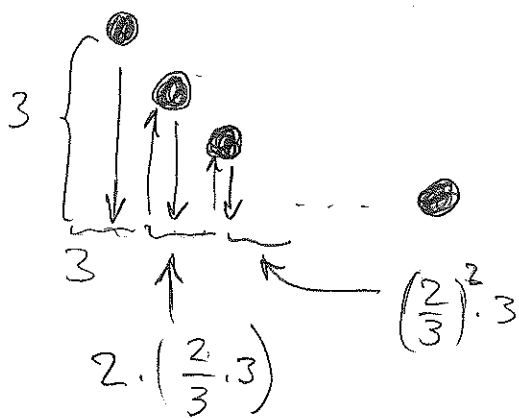
b) Following above pattern, amount  $n$  is:

$$M = \underbrace{100(0.1)}_{\text{yesterday}} + \underbrace{100 \cdot (0.1)^2}_{\text{2 days ago}} + \dots + \underbrace{100 \cdot (0.1)^n}_{n \text{ days ago}} + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 100 \cdot (0.1)^n = \frac{10}{1 - 1/10} = \frac{10}{9/10} = \boxed{\frac{100}{9} \text{ mg}}$$

Geometric  
 $a=10, r=1/10$

#13



Total dist. =  $3 + 2 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot 3 + 2 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 \cdot 3 + \dots$

first drop (only down)      second drop      third drop

$$= 3 + 2 \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n \cdot 3$$

Geometric  $\Rightarrow a=2, r=2/3 \Rightarrow 3 + 2 \cdot \frac{2}{1 - 2/3} = 3 + \frac{4}{1/3} = \boxed{15 \text{ m}}$