

$$\int_a^b \frac{1}{(b-x)^\alpha} dx \stackrel{C+0}{\iff} \alpha < 1$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^\alpha} dx < +\infty \iff \alpha < 1$$

$$\int_2^3 \frac{1}{(x-2)^\alpha} dx < +\infty \iff \alpha < 1$$

$$\int_1^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^\alpha} dx < +\infty \iff \alpha > 1$$

$$\int_a^{+\infty} \frac{1}{(x-a)^\alpha} dx < +\infty \iff \alpha > 1$$

(Language: "there \exists gen. int")
also "it converges")

$$\int_1^{+\infty} e^{\beta x} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow +\infty} \int_1^b e^{\beta x} dx =$$

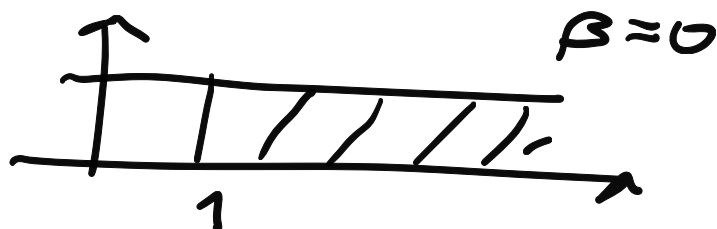
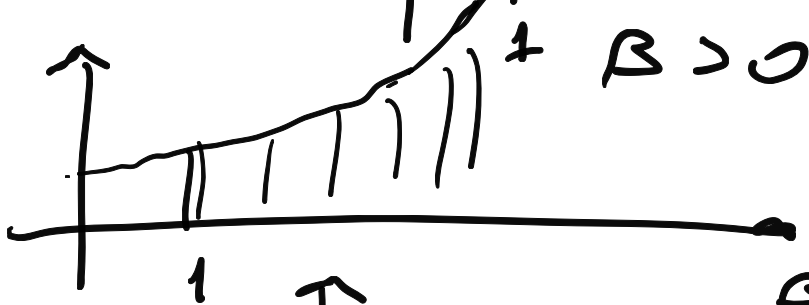
$$\beta \neq 0 \left\{ \begin{aligned} &= \lim_{b \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{e^{\beta x}}{\beta} \Big|_1^b = \lim_{b \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{e^{\beta b}}{\beta} - \frac{e^\beta}{\beta} \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$= \begin{cases} +\infty & \text{if } \beta > 0 \\ -\frac{e^\beta}{\beta} & \text{if } \beta < 0 \end{cases}$$

converges $\iff \beta < 0$

(the case $\beta = 0$)

$$\int_1^{+\infty} 1 dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow +\infty} (b-1) = +\infty$$



$$\int_a^b$$

← gap
intercepts

when one of a, b is
not standard
that is, either a or b is $\pm\infty$
or the function is unbounded
near a or b

Def

$$\int_a^{+\infty} f(x) dx := \int_{\bar{a}}^c f(x) dx + \int_c^{+\infty} f(x) dx \quad (*)$$

if $f \in \mathcal{R}([\bar{a}, b])$ where $\bar{a} > a$ $b < +\infty$

We say that f is int. in the gen. sense if for any $c \in]a, \infty[$
 $\int_a^c f(x) dx$ exists $\int_c^{+\infty} f(x) dx$ exists

and we set $(*)$.

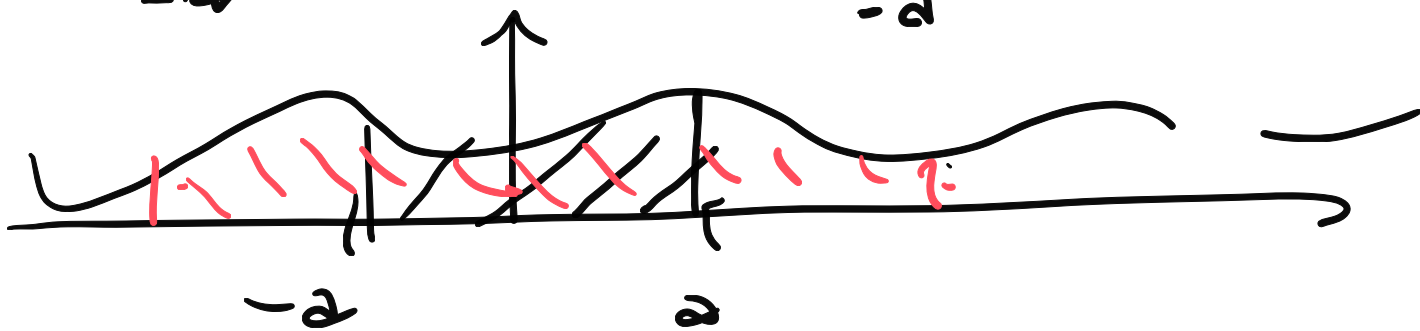
Also

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x) dx := \int_{-\infty}^c f(x) dx + \int_c^{+\infty} f(x) dx$$

Why this strange definition?

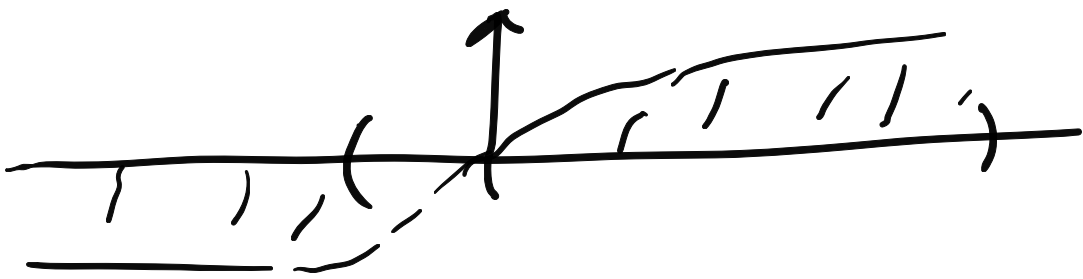
Why not

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



$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \arctan x = \lim_{a \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{-a}^a \arctan x = 0$$

↑
 not the right definition.



Exercise: For which $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

the function $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^\alpha}$ $f:]0, +\infty[$
is intg. in gen. sense?

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^\alpha} dx \stackrel{\text{if it exists}}{=} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^\alpha} dx + \int_1^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^\alpha} dx$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^\alpha} dx \quad \text{it exists} \Leftrightarrow \alpha < 1$$

$$\int_1^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^\alpha} dx \quad \text{" " } \Leftrightarrow \alpha > 1$$

No good α exists!

The defn. of

$$\int_a^{+\infty} f(x) dx = \int_a^c f(x) dx + \int_c^{+\infty} f(x) dx$$

does not depend on c :

Let $\bar{c} \neq c$

$$\int_a^c f(x) dx = \lim_{\bar{a} \rightarrow a^+} \int_{\bar{a}}^c f(x) dx =$$

$$= \lim_{\bar{a} \rightarrow a^+} \left(\int_{\bar{a}}^c f(x) dx + \int_c^{\bar{c}} f(x) dx \right) = (**)$$

$$\int_c^{+\infty} f(x) dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow +\infty} \left(\int_c^b f(x) dx \right) =$$

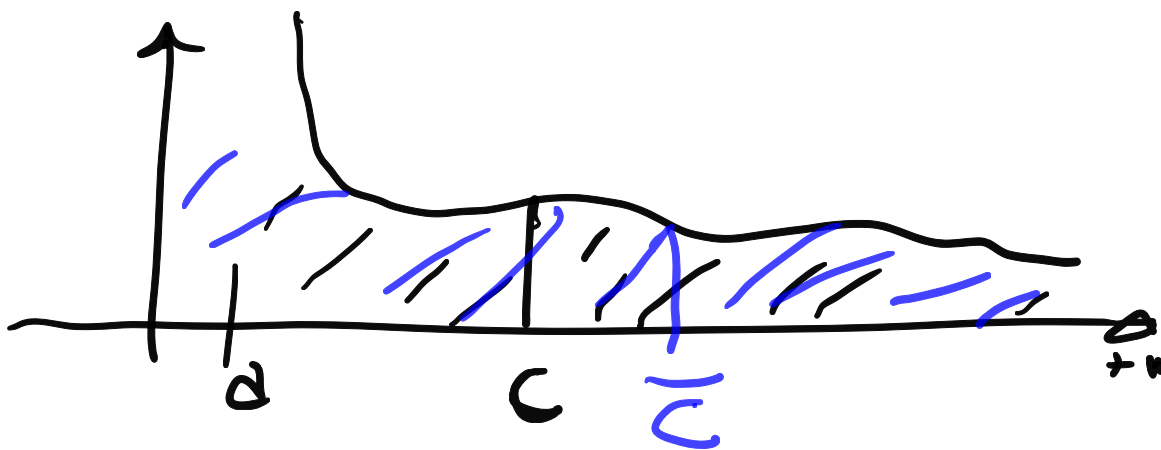
$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow +\infty} \left(\int_c^{\bar{c}} f(x) dx + \int_{\bar{c}}^b f(x) dx \right)$$

(*) *

$$= \int_a^c f(x) dx + \int_c^{\bar{c}} f(x) dx$$

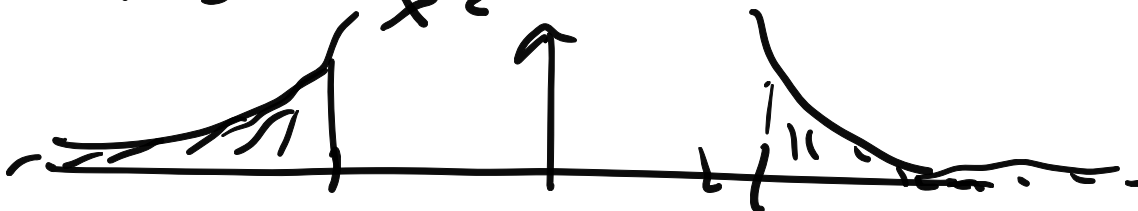
(**)

$$= \int_c^b f(x) dx + \int_c^{\bar{c}} f(x) dx$$



$$f:]-\infty, -1] \cup [1, +\infty[\rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$$



$$\int_{]-\infty, -1] \cup [1, +\infty[} f(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{-1} f(x) dx + \int_1^{+\infty} f(x) dx$$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow -\infty} \int_{-b}^{-1} \frac{1}{x^2} dx + \lim_{d \rightarrow +\infty} \int_1^d \frac{1}{x^2} dx$$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow -\infty} \left. -\frac{1}{x} \right|_{-b}^{-1} + \lim_{d \rightarrow +\infty} \left. -\frac{1}{x} \right|_1^d =$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow -\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{b} \right) + \left(-\frac{1}{d} + 1 \right) = \underline{\underline{2}}$$

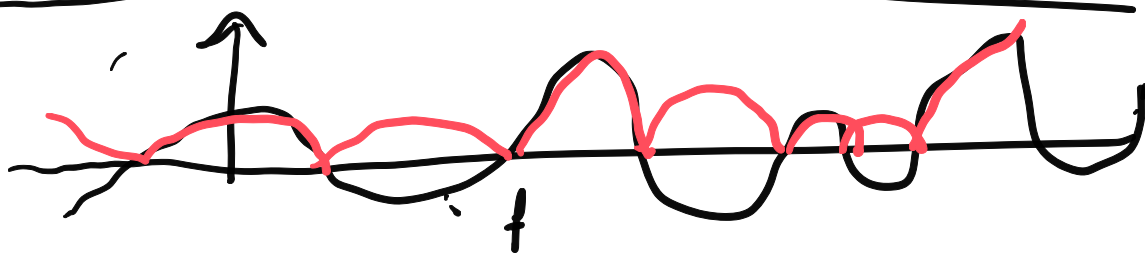
Definition: $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

(with $I =]a, b]$, $I =]b, a]$, $I =]-\infty, a]$, $I = [a, +\infty[$)
 f is absolutely integrable in the generalized

sense if $|f|$ is integrable
 in gen. sense

i.e.

$$\int_I |f(x)| dx < +\infty$$



Theorem 1

f is absolutely integrable
in gen. sense



f is integrable
in gen. sense

Idea of the proof:

$$f^+(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } f(x) > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } f(x) < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$f^-(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } f(x) > 0 \\ -f(x) & \text{if } f(x) < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$|f| = f^+ + f^-$$

$$f = f^+ - f^-$$

$$f(x) = \frac{\sin x}{x}$$

$f:]0, \infty[\rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

is integr. in gen. sense but
not absolutely integrable

The theorem " $\underset{\text{int}}{\text{abs}} \Rightarrow \text{int}$ "

is useful because

we know several things

on generalised int
of positive functions.

Theorem 2. Two functions
 $f, g: [a, b[\rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ($b \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$)
 $0 \leq f(x) \leq g(x) \quad \forall x \in [a, b[$

graph

f is integr. in gen. sense \Leftarrow g is integr. in gen. sense

Example $h(x) = \frac{\sin x}{x^2} \quad h: [1, +\infty[\rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

is h abs. int. ?

$$\int_1^{+\infty} |h(x)| dx = \int_1^{+\infty} \frac{|\sin x|}{x^2} dx$$

$$f(x) = \frac{|\sin x|}{x^2} \leq \frac{1}{x^2} = g(x)$$

$$\int_1^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx < +\infty \quad \text{th. 2} \implies \int \frac{|\sin x|}{|x^2|} dx < +\infty$$

$\xrightarrow{\text{th. 1}}$ $\int \frac{\sin x}{x^2} dx$ is int. in gen. sense.

Proof: we have to prove

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow b.} \int_a^b f(x) dx < +\infty$$

$$\varphi(\bar{b}) = \int_a^{\bar{b}} f(x) dx$$



Since $f(x) \geq 0$

$\varphi(\bar{b})$ is increasing

so the limit of

$\lim_{\substack{\bar{b} \rightarrow b \\ \bar{b} > b}} \varphi(\bar{b})$ exists equal to $\begin{cases} +\infty \\ \text{or} \\ r \geq 0 \end{cases}$

$$\varphi(\bar{b}) = \int_a^{\bar{b}} f(x) dx \leq \int_a^{\bar{b}} g(x) dx$$

by assumption

$$\lim_{\substack{\bar{b} \rightarrow b \\ \bar{b} > b}} \int_a^{\bar{b}} g(x) dx < +\infty$$

$$\int_a^b g(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi(\bar{b}) \leq \int_a^b g(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{\substack{\bar{b} \rightarrow b \\ \bar{b} > b}} \varphi(\bar{b}) \leq \int_a^b g(x) dx$$

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \text{ - exists}$$

Example Study the integrability of

$$\int_1^{+\infty} \frac{\arctan(x)}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}} dx$$

$$f(x) = \frac{\arctan(x)}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}} \leq \frac{\frac{\pi}{2}}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}} = g(x)$$

int. in gen sense because $\frac{3}{2} > 1$

yes, it is integrable.

Theorem $f, g: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $f \geq 0, g \geq 0$

if $f = o(g)$ for $x \rightarrow b$
 and g is integrable in gen. sense
 $\Rightarrow f$ is integrable in gen. sense

Theorem $f, g \geq 0$ - - - - -

f is asymptotic to g for $x \rightarrow b$
 f is integrable in gen. sense $\iff g$ is integrable in gen. sense

Exercise: Study integrability

$$\int_1^{+\infty} \frac{\log x}{x^3} dx$$

Exercise

Study absolute integrability when

the parameter $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\int_1^{+\infty} \left(\alpha \sin \frac{1}{x} - \alpha^2 \arctg \left(\log \left(1 + \frac{1}{x} \right) \right) \right) dx$$

