

THE ERROR IS THEN

$$\frac{36}{180} \frac{(1-0)^5}{m^4} = \frac{1}{5m^4}$$

$$\text{So } 5m^4 \geq 10^6 \quad m^4 \geq 2 \cdot 10^5 = 200,000$$

$$m \geq 22.$$

## IMPROPER INTEGRALS

IN PHYSICS AND ENGINEERING WE OFTEN HAVE TO COMPUTE INTEGRALS ON INFINITE DOMAINS, OR LIMITS OF UNBOUNDED FUNCTIONS.

SOME EXAMPLES ARE

$$\int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx \quad \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{x^2} dx \quad \int_0^1 \log(x)$$

UNBOUNDED FUNCTION<sup>0</sup>

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} dx \quad \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx \quad \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx$$

INFINITE DOMAIN

HOW DO WE DEAL WITH THESE?

DIVIDE AND CONQUER PLUS LIMITS, LIMITS

LIMITS.

# IDEA / DEFINITION (INFINITE DOMAIN)

i) IF  $\int_a^R f(x) dx$  EXIST FOR ALL  $R > a$

THEN 
$$\int_a^{\infty} f(x) dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^R f(x) dx$$

(EXISTS IF AND ONLY IF LIMIT EXISTS, AND IS FINITE)

ii) IF  $\int_r^a f(x) dx$  EXISTS FOR ALL  $r < a$

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

(EXISTS IF AND ONLY IF LIMIT EXISTS AND IS FINITE)

iii) IF BOTH  $\int_a^{+\infty} f(x) dx$  AND  $\int_{-\infty}^a f(x) dx$

EXIST (ANY  $a$  CAN BE USED) THEN

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

IF THIS HAPPENS, THE INTEGRAL IS SAID TO BE CONVERGENT, DIVERGENT OTHERWISE.

EXAMPLE :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2+1} dx &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^R \frac{1}{x^2+1} dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \arctan(R) - \arctan(1) \\ &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \arctan(R) - \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^1 \frac{1}{x^2+1} dx &= \lim_{r \rightarrow -\infty} \int_r^1 \frac{1}{x^2+1} dx = \lim_{r \rightarrow -\infty} \left[ \frac{\pi}{4} + \arctan(r) \right] \\ &= \frac{\pi}{4} \quad \text{so} \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2+1} dx = \pi$$

EXAMPLE:  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx \quad p > 0$

$$p > 1) \int \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \frac{x^{1-p}}{1-p} + C \quad \text{so} \quad \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^R \frac{1}{x^p} dx =$$

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R^{1-p}}{1-p} - \frac{1}{1-p} = -\frac{1}{1-p} = \frac{1}{p-1} = \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx$$

$$p < 1) \int \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \frac{x^{1-p}}{1-p} + C \quad \text{so} \quad \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^R \frac{1}{x^p} dx =$$

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R^{1-p}}{1-p} - \frac{1}{1-p} = \infty \quad \text{DIVERGENT}$$

$$p = 1) \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^R \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \log(R) = \infty \quad \text{DIVERG.}$$

EXAMPLE:  $p \geq 1$ ,

$$\int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{x \log(x)^p} dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_2^R \frac{1}{x \log(x)^p} dx$$

$$= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\log 2}^{\log R} \frac{1}{u^p} du = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \begin{cases} \left[ \log|u| \right]_{\log 2}^{\log R} & p=1 \\ \left[ \frac{u^{-p+1}}{-p+1} \right]_{\log 2}^{\log R} & p \neq 1 \end{cases}$$

$u = \log x$

$$= \begin{cases} \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \log(\log R) - \log(\log 2) = +\infty \\ \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-\log 2^{-p+1}}{-p+1} + \frac{\log R^{-p+1}}{-p+1} = \frac{\log 2^{-p+1}}{p-1} \end{cases}$$