

SOLUTIONS TO FINAL EXAM

1. [10 Marks] Evaluate each of the following limits.

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{2}{\ln x}\right)^{\ln x}$

Solution Let $u = \ln x$. As x approaches ∞ , u also approaches ∞ . Therefore

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{2}{\ln x}\right)^{\ln x} = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{2}{u}\right)^u = e^2.$$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x - x \cos x}{x - \arctan x}$

Solution Substitute the Taylor series at $x = 0$ for $\sin x$, $\cos x$ and $\arctan x$. Then divide the numerator and denominator of the resulting fraction by x^3 .

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x - x \cos x}{x - \arctan x} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} - x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!}}{x - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1}} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(x - \frac{x^3}{6} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}\right) - \left(x - \frac{x^3}{2} + x \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!}\right)}{x - \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{2n+1}\right)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{x^3}{3} + x^5 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n-4}}{(2n+1)!} - x^5 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n-4}}{(2n)!}}{\frac{x^3}{3} - x^5 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n-4}}{2n+1}} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{3} + x^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n-4}}{(2n+1)!} - x^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n-4}}{(2n)!}}{\frac{1}{3} - x^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n-4}}{2n+1}} = \frac{1/3}{1/3} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

2. [25 Marks] Evaluate each of the following integrals.

(a) $\int \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x} dx$

Solution

$$\int \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x} dx = \int \frac{D(1 + e^x)}{1 + e^x} dx = \ln(1 + e^x) + C$$

(b) $\int \frac{2x + 3}{(x^2 + 2x + 5)^2} dx$

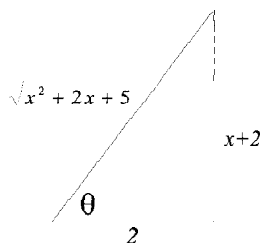
Solution Note $x^2 + 2x + 5 = (x + 1)^2 + 2^2$. Hence make the trigonometric substitution $x + 1 = 2 \tan \theta$. Then $x = 2 \tan \theta - 1$, $dx = 2 \sec^2 \theta d\theta$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{2x + 3}{(x^2 + 2x + 5)^2} dx &= \int \frac{2(2 \tan \theta - 1) + 3}{(4 \tan^2 \theta + 4)^2} 2 \sec^2 \theta d\theta = \int \frac{4 \tan \theta + 1}{(4 \sec^2 \theta)^2} 2 \sec^2 \theta d\theta \\ &= \int \frac{4 \tan \theta + 1}{8 \sec^2 \theta} d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\tan \theta \cos^2 \theta}{\sec^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta} d\theta + \frac{1}{8} \int \frac{1}{\sec^2 \theta} d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int \sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta + \frac{1}{8} \int \cos^2 \theta d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta d\theta + \frac{1}{8} \int \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos 2\theta) d\theta \\ &= -\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{2} \cos 2\theta + \frac{1}{16} \left(\theta + \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta\right) + C \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= -\frac{1}{8}(2\cos^2\theta - 1) + \frac{1}{16}(\theta + \sin\theta\cos\theta) + C \\
&= -\frac{1}{4}\cos^2\theta + \frac{1}{16}\theta + \frac{1}{16}\sin\theta\cos\theta + C
\end{aligned}$$

Since $\tan\theta = \frac{x+1}{2}$, it follows that $\theta = \arctan\frac{x+1}{2}$. From the triangle below, $\sin\theta = \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x^2+2x+5}}$ and $\cos\theta = \frac{2}{\sqrt{x^2+2x+5}}$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
\int \frac{2x+3}{(x^2+2x+5)^2} dx &= -\frac{1}{4}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{x^2+2x+5}}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{16}\arctan\frac{x+1}{2} + \frac{1}{16}\left(\frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x^2+2x+5}}\right)\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{x^2+2x+5}}\right) + C \\
&= \frac{x-7}{8(x^2+2x+5)} + \frac{1}{16}\arctan\frac{x+1}{2} + C
\end{aligned}$$



(c) $\int 2^x \sin x \, dx$

Solution Use integration by parts twice.

$$\begin{aligned}
\int 2^x \sin x \, dx &= \int 2^x D(-\cos x) \, dx = 2^x(-\cos x) - \int D(2^x)(-\cos x) \, dx \\
&= -2^x \cos x + \ln 2 \int 2^x \cos x \, dx = -2^x \cos x + \ln 2 \int 2^x D(\sin x) \, dx \\
&= -2^x \cos x + (\ln 2)2^x \sin x - \ln 2 \int D(2^x) \sin x \, dx \\
&= -2^x \cos x + (\ln 2)2^x \sin x - (\ln 2)^2 \int 2^x \sin x \, dx \\
[1 + (\ln 2)^2] \int 2^x \sin x \, dx &= -2^x \cos x + (\ln 2)2^x \sin x + C \\
\int 2^x \sin x \, dx &= -\frac{1}{1 + (\ln 2)^2} 2^x \cos x + \frac{\ln 2}{1 + (\ln 2)^2} 2^x \sin x + C
\end{aligned}$$

(d) $\int \sec^6 x \, dx$

Solution Since the exponent of $\sec x$ is even, let $u = \tan x$ with $du = \sec^2 x \, dx$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\int \sec^6 x \, dx &= \int (\sec^2 x)^2 \sec^2 x \, dx = \int (1 + \tan^2 x)^2 \sec^2 x \, dx = \int (1 + u^2)^2 \, du \\
&= \int 1 + 2u^2 + u^4 \, du = u + \frac{2}{3}u^3 + \frac{1}{5}u^5 + C \\
&= \tan x + \frac{2}{3}\tan^3 x + \frac{1}{5}\tan^5 x + C
\end{aligned}$$

(e) $\int \frac{7x^3 + 6x^2 + x - 2}{(x+1)^2(x^2+1)} \, dx$

Solution We write the integrand as:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{7x^3 + 6x^2 + x - 2}{(x+1)^2(x^2+1)} &= \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{(x+1)^2} + \frac{Cx+D}{x^2+1} \\ &= \frac{A(x+1)(x^2+1) + B(x^2+1) + (Cx+D)(x+1)^2}{(x+1)^2(x^2+1)}\end{aligned}$$

Multiply this equation by $(x+1)^2(x^2+1)$:

$$7x^3 + 6x^2 + x - 2 = A(x+1)(x^2+1) + B(x^2+1) + (Cx+D)(x+1)^2$$

Let $x = -1$: $-7 + 6 - 1 - 2 = B(2)$, so $-4 = 2B$ and $B = -2$.

Substitute this value of B into the previous equation.

$$\begin{aligned}7x^3 + 6x^2 + x - 2 &= A(x+1)(x^2+1) - 2(x^2+1) + (Cx+D)(x+1)^2 \\ 7x^3 + 6x^2 + x - 2 + 2(x^2+1) &= A(x+1)(x^2+1) + (Cx+D)(x+1)^2 \\ 7x^3 + 8x^2 + x &= A(x+1)(x^2+1) + (Cx+D)(x+1)^2 \\ (x+1)(7x^2+x) &= (x+1)[A(x^2+1) + (Cx+D)(x+1)] \\ 7x^2+x &= A(x^2+1) + (Cx+D)(x+1)\end{aligned}$$

Let $x = -1$: $7 - 1 = A(2)$, so $6 = 2A$ and $A = 3$.

Substitute this value of A into the previous equation.

$$\begin{aligned}7x^2+x &= 3(x^2+1) + (Cx+D)(x+1) \\ 7x^2+x-3(x^2+1) &= (Cx+D)(x+1) \\ 4x^2+x-3 &= (Cx+D)(x+1) \\ (x+1)(4x-3) &= (Cx+D)(x+1) \\ 4x-3 &= Cx+D\end{aligned}$$

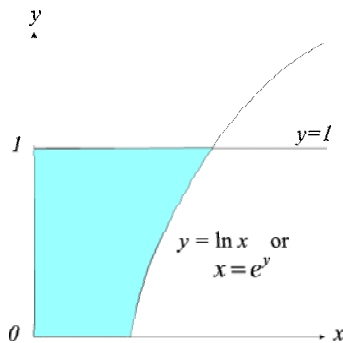
Thus $C = 4$ and $D = -3$. Now

$$\begin{aligned}\int \frac{7x^3 + 6x^2 + x - 2}{(x+1)^2(x^2+1)} dx &= \int \frac{3}{x+1} + \frac{-2}{(x+1)^2} + \frac{4x-3}{x^2+1} dx \\ &= 3 \ln|x+1| + \frac{2}{x+1} + 2 \int \frac{2x}{x^2+1} dx - 3 \int \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx \\ &= 3 \ln|x+1| + \frac{2}{x+1} + 2 \ln(x^2+1) - 3 \arctan x + C\end{aligned}$$

3. [4 Marks] Let R be the region in the first quadrant of the xy -plane bounded by the graph of $y = \ln x$, the line $y = 1$, the x -axis and the y -axis. Let S be the solid obtained by revolving the region R around the y -axis. Find the volume V of S .

Solution Observe that the graph of $y = \ln x$ is also the graph of $x = e^y$. From the sketch of the region R below,

$$\begin{aligned}V &= \int_0^1 \pi (e^y)^2 dy = \pi \int_0^1 e^{2y} dy \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} e^{2y} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{\pi}{2} e^2 - \frac{\pi}{2} e^0 = \frac{\pi}{2} (e^2 - 1)\end{aligned}$$



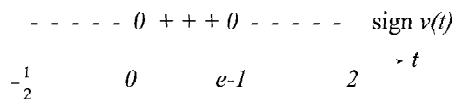
4. [4 Marks] Find the distance D traveled by an object from $t = -\frac{1}{2}$ sec to $t = 2$ sec with velocity

$$v(t) = [e^t - 1] [1 - \ln(1 + t)] \text{ meters/sec.}$$

WRITE YOUR ANSWER AS AN INTEGRAL (OR SUM OF INTEGRALS).
DO NOT INTEGRATE.

Solution Note the increasing function e^t equals one when $t = 0$. Hence $e^t - 1 < 0$ for $t < 0$ and $e^t - 1 > 0$ for $t > 0$.

Also the increasing function $\ln(1 + t)$ equals one when $1 + t = e$, i.e. $t = e - 1$. Hence $1 - \ln(1 + t) > 0$ for $-\frac{1}{2} \leq t < e - 1$ and $1 - \ln(1 + t) < 0$ for $e - 1 < t \leq 2$. The sign of $v(t)$ is given by the following figure.



Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} D &= \int_{1/2}^2 |v(t)| dt = \int_{1/2}^0 -v(t) dt + \int_0^{e-1} v(t) dt + \int_{e-1}^2 -v(t) dt \\ &= \int_{1/2}^0 [e^t - 1] [\ln(1 + t) - 1] dt + \int_0^{e-1} [e^t - 1] [1 - \ln(1 + t)] dt \\ &\quad + \int_{e-1}^2 [e^t - 1] [\ln(1 + t) - 1] dt \text{ meters} \end{aligned}$$

5. [4 Marks] Estimate $\ln 3$ with error less than 0.1
JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWER.

Solution $\ln 3 = \int_1^3 \frac{1}{x} dx$. We approximate this integral by Simpson's Rule using the regular partition P_{2m} of $[1, 3]$ into $2m$ subintervals of length $\Delta x = \frac{2}{2m} = \frac{1}{m}$. The error in this approximation is less than $\frac{(b-a)^5 M}{180m^4}$ where $b = 3$, $a = 1$, $n = 2m$ and M is an upper bound of the absolute value of the fourth derivative of $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ for $x \in [1, 3]$. Now

$$f'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} \quad f^{(2)}(x) = \frac{2}{x^3} \quad f^{(3)}(x) = -\frac{6}{x^4} \quad f^{(4)}(x) = \frac{24}{x^5}$$

Hence $M = 24$. Thus the error in Simpson's Rule using P_{2m} is:

$$\frac{(b-a)^5 M}{180n^4} = \frac{(3-1)^5 24}{180(2^4)m^4} = \frac{2^5(2)}{15(2^4)m^4} = \frac{4}{15m^4}$$

We want $\frac{4}{15m^4} < 0.1 = \frac{1}{10}$, i.e. $15m^4 > 40$ or $m^4 > \frac{40}{15} = \frac{8}{3}$. Thus take $m = 2$, i.e. $2m = 4$. By Simpson's Rule

$$\ln 3 \approx \frac{\Delta x}{3} [f(1) + 4f(3/2) + 2f(2) + 4f(5/2) + f(3)]$$

$$\begin{aligned}\ln 3 &\approx \frac{1/2}{3} \left[1 + 4\frac{2}{3} + 2\frac{1}{2} + 4\frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{3} \right] \\ \ln 3 &\approx \frac{1}{6} \left[1 + \frac{8}{3} + 1 + \frac{8}{5} + \frac{1}{3} \right] = \frac{1}{6} \left[5 + \frac{8}{5} \right] = \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{33}{5} \\ \ln 3 &\approx \frac{11}{10} = 1.1\end{aligned}$$

6. [10 Marks] Determine whether each improper integral converges or diverges. JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWERS.

(a) $\int_0^1 \ln x \, dx$.

Solution Note that $y = \ln x$ has a vertical asymptote on the left at $x = 0$. By the definition of this improper integral and integration by parts:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^1 \ln x \, dx &= \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \int_a^1 \ln x \, dx = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \int_a^1 D(x) \ln x \, dx \\ &= \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \left(x \ln x \Big|_a^1 - \int_a^1 x D(\ln x) \, dx \right) = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \left(\ln 1 - a \ln a - \int_a^1 x \frac{1}{x} \, dx \right) \\ &= \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \left(-a \ln a - \int_a^1 1 \, dx \right) = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \left(-a \ln a - x \Big|_a^1 \right) \\ &= \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} [-a \ln a - (1 - a)] = -1 - \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln a}{1/a}\end{aligned}$$

The latter fraction when $a = 0^+$ becomes $-\infty$. Hence apply L'Hôpital's Rule:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^1 \ln x \, dx &= -1 - \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{D(\ln a)}{D(1/a)} = -1 - \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1/a}{-1/a^2} \\ &= -1 + \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} a = -1 + 1 = 0\end{aligned}$$

Thus this improper integral converges.

(b) $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos^2 x}{x^2} \, dx$.

Solution Note the integrand has the y -axis as a vertical asymptote. Hence

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos^2 x}{x^2} \, dx = \int_{-\infty}^{-1} \frac{\cos^2 x}{x^2} \, dx + \int_{-1}^0 \frac{\cos^2 x}{x^2} \, dx + \int_0^1 \frac{\cos^2 x}{x^2} \, dx + \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\cos^2 x}{x^2} \, dx$$

For $0 \leq x \leq 1 < \frac{\pi}{3}$, the decreasing function $y = \cos x$ satisfies $\frac{1}{2} = \cos \frac{\pi}{3} \leq \cos x \leq 1$. Hence for $0 \leq x \leq 1$:

$$\frac{\cos^2 x}{x^2} \geq \frac{1/2}{x^2}$$

Since $2 \geq 1$, we know $\int_0^1 \frac{1/2}{x^2} \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^2} \, dx$ diverges. By the Comparison Test, $\int_0^1 \frac{\cos^2 x}{x^2} \, dx$ also diverges. Hence $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos^2 x}{x^2} \, dx$ diverges.

7. [5 Marks] Find the general solution of the differential equation

$$y' = 2xy + 2x + y + 1.$$

Write your answer as y equals a specific function of x . JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWER.

Solution Observe that $2xy + 2x + y + 1 = (2x + 1)(y + 1)$. Hence for $y \neq -1$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= (2x + 1)(y + 1) \\ \frac{1}{y + 1} \frac{dy}{dx} &= 2x + 1 \\ \int \frac{1}{y + 1} \frac{dy}{dx} dx &= \int 2x + 1 dx \\ \int \frac{1}{y + 1} dy &= x^2 + x + C \\ \ln|y + 1| &= x^2 + x + C \\ |y + 1| &= \exp(x^2 + x + C) = e^C \exp(x^2 + x) \\ y + 1 &= \pm e^C \exp(x^2 + x) = A \exp(x^2 + x) \\ y &= A \exp(x^2 + x) - 1 \end{aligned}$$

for all nonzero numbers A . Moreover, $y = -1$ is also a solution. This is the case $A = 0$. Thus the general solution is:

$$y = A \exp(x^2 + x) - 1 \quad \text{for } A \in \mathfrak{R}.$$

8. [8 Marks] Determine whether each sequence is increasing or decreasing; bounded below or bounded above. JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWERS.

(a) $\left\{ \frac{(2n + 1)!}{(n!)^2} \right\}$ for $n \geq 1$.

Solution Consider the $(n + 1)^{\text{st}}$ term a_{n+1} divided by the n^{th} term a_n :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} &= \frac{\frac{[2(n+1)+1]!}{[(n+1)!]^2}}{\frac{(2n+1)!}{(n!)^2}} = \frac{(2n+3)!}{(2n+1)!} \left(\frac{n!}{(n+1)!} \right)^2 = \frac{(2n+3)(2n+2)(2n+1)!}{(2n+1)!} \left(\frac{n!}{(n+1)n!} \right)^2 \\ &= (2n+3)(2n+2) \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \right)^2 = 2(2n+3)(n+1) \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} = \frac{4n+6}{n+1} \\ &= 4 + \frac{2}{n+1} > 4. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the given sequence is increasing. Therefore it is bounded below by its first term $a_1 = \frac{3!}{(1!)^2} = 6$. Since each term is at least four times as large as the preceding one, the limit of this sequence is ∞ . Therefore, this sequence is not bounded above.

(b) $\left\{ \arcsin \frac{1}{n} \right\}$ for $n \geq 1$.

Solution Let $f(x) = \arcsin \frac{1}{x}$ for $x \geq 1$. By the chain rule:

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 1/x^2}} \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 1/x^2}} \left(-\frac{1}{x^2} \right) < 0$$

Hence f is a decreasing function, and the given sequence is decreasing. Therefore it is bounded above by its first term $\arcsin 1 = \frac{\pi}{2}$. Since it is a sequence of positive numbers it is bounded below by 0.

9. [8 Marks] Determine whether each of the following sequences converges or diverges. If it converges, find its limit. JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWERS.

(a) $\left\{ (-1)^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n \right\}$ for $n \geq 1$

Solution Recall $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n = e$. Hence the even terms of the given sequence have limit e while the odd terms have limit $-e$. Therefore, the given sequence diverges.

(b) $\left\{(-1)^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2}\right\}$ for $n \geq 1$

Solution Let $L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2}$. We compute $\ln L$ by applying L'Hôpital's Rule to the indeterminate form $\frac{0}{0}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \ln L &= \ln \left[\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} \right] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left[\left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} \right] \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2 \ln \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)}{1/n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{D[\ln \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)]}{D(1/n^2)} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1/\left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \cdot (-1/n^2)}{-2/n^3} = -\frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{1 - \frac{1}{n}} = -\infty \end{aligned}$$

Thus $L = e^{\ln L} = 0$. Note that

$$\begin{aligned} -\left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} &\leq (-1)^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} \leq \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} -\left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

By the Pinching Theorem, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} = 0$.

10. [12 Marks] Determine whether each series is absolutely convergent, conditionally convergent or divergent. **JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWERS.**

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n n e^{-n^2}$.

Solution We use the Integral Test to check for absolute convergence. Let $f(x) = x e^{-x^2}$ for $x \geq 1$. By the product rule:

$$f'(x) = (1)e^{-x^2} + x e^{-x^2}(-2x) = e^{-x^2}(1 - 2x^2) \leq 0$$

for $x \geq 1$. Thus f is a decreasing function, and $f(x) \geq 0$ for $x \geq 1$. Thus the Integral Test applies to the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n e^{-n^2}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^{\infty} x e^{-x^2} dx &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b x e^{-x^2} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left. -\frac{1}{2} e^{-x^2} \right|_1^b \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{2} e^{-b^2} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-1} = 0 + \frac{1}{2e} = \frac{1}{2e} \end{aligned}$$

Since this improper integral converges, the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n e^{-n^2}$ converges by the Integral Test. Hence the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n n e^{-n^2}$ is absolutely convergent.

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \cos^2 \frac{1}{n}$.

Solution Note

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cos^2 \frac{1}{n} = \cos^2 \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \right) = \cos^2 0 = 1.$$

Hence $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n \cos^2 \frac{1}{n}$ does not exist, and the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \cos^2 \frac{1}{n}$ diverges by the n^{th} Term Test.

$$(c) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{\cos \pi n}{1 + \sqrt{n}}.$$

Solution Since $\cos \pi n = (-1)^n$,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{\cos \pi n}{1 + \sqrt{n}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + \sqrt{n}}$$

Apply the Limit Comparison Test to the latter series and the p -series with $p = 1/2$:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{1 + \sqrt{n}}}{\frac{1}{n^{1/2}}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{1 + \sqrt{n}} = 1.$$

Since $1/2 \leq 1$, the p -series with $p = 1/2$ diverges, i.e. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ diverges. By the Limit Comparison Test, the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + \sqrt{n}}$ also diverges.

11. [5 Marks] Find the interval of convergence of the power series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{\ln n}$.

JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWER.

Solution Apply the Ratio Test:

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1} / [\ln(n+1)]}{x^n / (\ln n)} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n}{\ln(n+1)} |x|^{n+1} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n}{\ln(n+1)} |x| \end{aligned}$$

This limit is the indeterminate form $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$, and we evaluate it by L'Hôpital's Rule:

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{D(\ln n)}{D[\ln(n+1)]} |x| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1/n}{1/(n+1)} |x| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{n} |x| = (1)|x| = |x|$$

Thus this power series converges when $L = |x| < 1$ ($-1 < x < 1$) and diverges for $L = |x| > 1$ ($x < -1$ or $x > 1$). When $x = 1$ the power series is:

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\ln n}.$$

This series is greater than the series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \ln n}$ which diverges by the Integral Test. By the Comparison Test the series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\ln n}$ also diverges. When $x = -1$ the power series is:

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{\ln n}.$$

Note that $\left\{ \frac{1}{\ln n} \right\}$ is a decreasing sequence of positive numbers with limit zero. Hence the series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{\ln n}$ converges by the Alternating Series Test.

Thus the interval of convergence of this power series is $[-1, 1)$.

12. [5 Marks] Estimate $\int_0^1 \exp(-x^2) dx$ with error less than 0.01 Write your answer as a fraction. JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWER.

Solution Recall that $e^u = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{u^n}{n!}$ for $u \in \mathfrak{R}$. Substitute $u = -x^2$:

$$\exp(-x^2) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-x^2)^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{n!}$$

for $x \in \mathfrak{R}$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \exp(-x^2) dx &= \int_0^1 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{n!} dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{n!(2n+1)} \Big|_0^1 \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{n!(2n+1)} \end{aligned}$$

This is an alternating series. Therefore, the error in estimating this integral by the sum of the terms $n = 0, \dots, t$ is less than the absolute value of the summand $n = t + 1$, i.e. $\frac{1}{(t+1)!(2t+3)}$. Note

$$\frac{1}{2!(5)} = \frac{1}{10}, \quad \frac{1}{3!(7)} = \frac{1}{42}, \quad \frac{1}{4!(9)} = \frac{1}{216} < \frac{1}{100}.$$

Thus we take $t = 3$ to estimate this integral with error less than .01:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \exp(-x^2) dx &\approx \frac{1}{(0!)(1)} - \frac{1}{(1!)(3)} + \frac{1}{(2!)(5)} - \frac{1}{(3!)(7)} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{42} \\ \int_0^1 \exp(-x^2) dx &\approx \frac{210 - 70 + 21 - 5}{210} = \frac{156}{210} = \frac{26}{35} \end{aligned}$$