

Improper Integrals

Find the area of the region, if possible, enclosed between $y = \frac{1}{x-2}$ and the x -axis on $1 \leq x \leq 3$.

Comparison Test

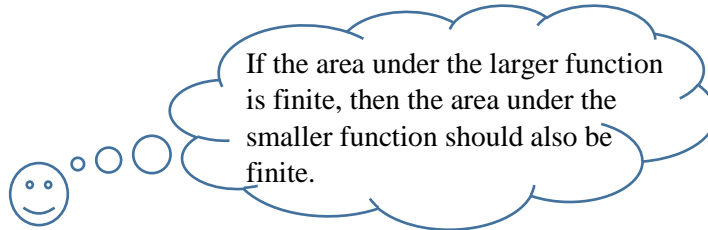
Let $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ be continuous on $[a, \infty)$ and $0 \leq f(x) \leq g(x)$, $\forall x \geq a$,

If $\int_a^\infty g(x) dx$ converges, then $\int_a^\infty f(x) dx$ _____.

If $g(x) \geq f(x)$ and

$\int_a^\infty g(x) dx$ converges,

then $\int_a^\infty f(x) dx$ also converges.

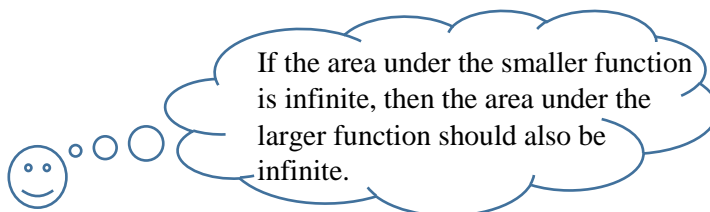


If $\int_a^\infty f(x) dx$ diverges, then $\int_a^\infty g(x) dx$ _____.

If $f(x) \leq g(x)$ and

$\int_a^\infty f(x) dx$ diverges,

then $\int_a^\infty g(x) dx$ also diverges.



Example 1:

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

Example 2:

$$\int_3^{\infty} \frac{2x+1}{(x+1)^2} dx$$

Example 3:

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{x}{x^4+2x^2} dx$$

Example 4:

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