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$$\begin{aligned} 5. \int_3^{\infty} \frac{1}{(x-2)^{3/2}} dx &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_3^t (x-2)^{-3/2} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[-2(x-2)^{-1/2} \right]_3^t && [u = x-2, du = dx] \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{-2}{\sqrt{t-2}} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{1}} \right) = 0 + 2 = 2. && \text{Convergent} \end{aligned}$$

$$7. \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{3-4x} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \int_t^0 \frac{1}{3-4x} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \left[-\frac{1}{4} \ln |3-4x| \right]_t^0 = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \left[-\frac{1}{4} \ln 3 + \frac{1}{4} \ln |3-4t| \right] = \infty.$$

Divergent

$$9. \int_2^{\infty} e^{-5p} dp = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_2^t e^{-5p} dp = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[-\frac{1}{5} e^{-5p} \right]_2^t = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(-\frac{1}{5} e^{-5t} + \frac{1}{5} e^{-10} \right) = 0 + \frac{1}{5} e^{-10} = \frac{1}{5} e^{-10}. \quad \text{Convergent}$$

$$11. \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{1+x^3}} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{1+x^3}} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{2}{3} \sqrt{1+x^3} \right]_0^t = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{3} \sqrt{1+t^3} - \frac{2}{3} \right) = \infty. \quad \text{Divergent}$$

$$13. \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x e^{-x^2} dx = \int_{-\infty}^0 x e^{-x^2} dx + \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-x^2} dx.$$
$$\int_{-\infty}^0 x e^{-x^2} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \left[e^{-x^2} \right]_t^0 = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) (1 - e^{-t^2}) = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 = -\frac{1}{2}, \text{ and}$$
$$\int_0^{\infty} x e^{-x^2} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \left[e^{-x^2} \right]_0^t = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) (e^{-t^2} - 1) = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot (-1) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Therefore, $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x e^{-x^2} dx = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 0.$ Convergent

$$15. \int_0^{\infty} \sin^2 \alpha d\alpha = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t \frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos 2\alpha) d\alpha = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{1}{2} (\alpha - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\alpha) \right]_0^t = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{1}{2} (t - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2t) - 0 \right] = \infty.$$

Divergent

$$17. \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2+x} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t \frac{1}{x(x+1)} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x+1} \right) dx \quad [\text{partial fractions}]$$
$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[\ln |x| - \ln |x+1| \right]_1^t = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[\ln \left| \frac{x}{x+1} \right| \right]_1^t = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(\ln \frac{t}{t+1} - \ln \frac{1}{2} \right) = 0 - \ln \frac{1}{2} = \ln 2.$$

Convergent

$$19. \int_{-\infty}^0 z e^{2z} dz = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \int_t^0 z e^{2z} dz = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \left[\frac{1}{2} z e^{2z} - \frac{1}{4} e^{2z} \right]_t^0 \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{integration by parts with} \\ u = z, dv = e^{2z} dz \end{array} \right]$$
$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \left[\left(0 - \frac{1}{4} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{2} t e^{2t} - \frac{1}{4} e^{2t} \right) \right] = -\frac{1}{4} - 0 + 0 \quad [\text{by l'Hospital's Rule}] = -\frac{1}{4}. \quad \text{Convergent}$$

$$21. \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\ln x}{x} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{(\ln x)^2}{2} \right]_1^t \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{by substitution with} \\ u = \ln x, du = dx/x \end{array} \right] = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln t)^2}{2} = \infty. \quad \text{Divergent}$$

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$$23. \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{9+x^6} dx = \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{x^2}{9+x^6} dx + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{9+x^6} dx = 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{9+x^6} dx \quad [\text{since the integrand is even}].$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } \int \frac{x^2 dx}{9+x^6} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} u = x^3 \\ du = 3x^2 dx \end{array} \right] &= \int \frac{\frac{1}{3} du}{9+u^2} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} u = 3v \\ du = 3 dv \end{array} \right] = \int \frac{\frac{1}{3}(3 dv)}{9+9v^2} = \frac{1}{9} \int \frac{dv}{1+v^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{9} \tan^{-1} v + C = \frac{1}{9} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{u}{3} \right) + C = \frac{1}{9} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x^3}{3} \right) + C, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{9+x^6} dx = 2 \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t \frac{x^2}{9+x^6} dx = 2 \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{1}{9} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x^3}{3} \right) \right]_0^t = 2 \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{9} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{t^3}{3} \right) = \frac{2}{9} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{\pi}{9}.$$

Convergent

$$\begin{aligned} 25. \int_e^{\infty} \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^3} dx &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_e^t \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^3} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^{\ln t} u^{-3} du \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} u = \ln x, \\ du = dx/x \end{array} \right] = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[-\frac{1}{2u^2} \right]_1^{\ln t} \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[-\frac{1}{2(\ln t)^2} + \frac{1}{2} \right] = 0 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}. \quad \text{Convergent} \end{aligned}$$

$$31. \int_{-2}^3 \frac{dx}{x^4} = \int_{-2}^0 \frac{dx}{x^4} + \int_0^3 \frac{dx}{x^4}, \text{ but } \int_{-2}^0 \frac{dx}{x^4} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^-} \left[-\frac{x^{-3}}{3} \right]_{-2}^t = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^-} \left[-\frac{1}{3t^3} - \frac{1}{24} \right] = \infty. \quad \text{Divergent}$$

$$35. I = \int_0^3 \frac{dx}{x^2 - 6x + 5} = \int_0^3 \frac{dx}{(x-1)(x-5)} = I_1 + I_2 = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{(x-1)(x-5)} + \int_1^3 \frac{dx}{(x-1)(x-5)}.$$

$$\text{Now } \frac{1}{(x-1)(x-5)} = \frac{A}{x-1} + \frac{B}{x-5} \Rightarrow 1 = A(x-5) + B(x-1).$$

Set $x = 5$ to get $1 = 4B$, so $B = \frac{1}{4}$. Set $x = 1$ to get $1 = -4A$, so $A = -\frac{1}{4}$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 1^-} \int_0^t \left(\frac{-\frac{1}{4}}{x-1} + \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{x-5} \right) dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 1^-} \left[-\frac{1}{4} \ln |x-1| + \frac{1}{4} \ln |x-5| \right]_0^t \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 1^-} \left[\left(-\frac{1}{4} \ln |t-1| + \frac{1}{4} \ln |t-5| \right) - \left(-\frac{1}{4} \ln |-1| + \frac{1}{4} \ln |-5| \right) \right] \\ &= \infty, \quad \text{since } \lim_{t \rightarrow 1^-} \left(-\frac{1}{4} \ln |t-1| \right) = \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Since I_1 is divergent, I is divergent.

49.

For $x > 0$, $\frac{x}{x^3+1} < \frac{x}{x^3} = \frac{1}{x^2}$. $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx$ is convergent by Equation 2 with $p = 2 > 1$, so $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{x}{x^3+1} dx$ is convergent

by the Comparison Theorem. $\int_0^1 \frac{x}{x^3+1} dx$ is a constant, so $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x}{x^3+1} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{x}{x^3+1} dx + \int_1^{\infty} \frac{x}{x^3+1} dx$ is also convergent.

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51.

For $x > 1$, $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x^4-x}} > \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x^4}} > \frac{x}{x^2} = \frac{1}{x}$, so $\int_2^\infty f(x) dx$ diverges by comparison with $\int_2^\infty \frac{1}{x} dx$, which diverges

by Equation 2 with $p = 1 \leq 1$. Thus, $\int_1^\infty f(x) dx = \int_1^2 f(x) dx + \int_2^\infty f(x) dx$ also diverges.

54.

For $0 < x \leq 1$, $\frac{\sin^2 x}{\sqrt{x}} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$. Now

$I = \int_0^\pi \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \int_t^\pi x^{-1/2} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \left[2x^{1/2} \right]_t^\pi = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} (2\pi - 2\sqrt{t}) = 2\pi - 0 = 2\pi$, so I is convergent, and by

comparison, $\int_0^\pi \frac{\sin^2 x}{\sqrt{x}} dx$ is convergent.