

5. [11 points] Determine if the following integrals converge or diverge. If an integral diverges, explain why. If it converges, find the value to which it converges. Mathematical precision is important.

a. [4 points]  $\int_{-1}^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2-x}} dx$

*Solution:* The integrand is discontinuous as  $x = 2$ . Thus, substituting  $w = 2 - x$ ,  $dw = -dx$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2-x}} dx &= \lim_{b \rightarrow 2^-} \int_{-1}^b (2-x)^{-1/2} dx \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow 2^-} \int_{w(-1)}^{w(b)} w^{-1/2} \cdot -dw \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow 2^-} -2w^{1/2} \Big|_{w(-1)}^{w(b)} = \lim_{b \rightarrow 2^-} -2\sqrt{2-x} \Big|_{-1}^b \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow 2^-} \left( -2\sqrt{2-b} + 2\sqrt{2-(-1)} \right) = 0 + 2\sqrt{3} \\ &= 2\sqrt{3}, \end{aligned}$$

so the integral converges.

b. [4 points]  $\int_{10}^{\infty} \frac{5 + 2 \sin(4\theta)}{\theta} d\theta$

*Solution:* Since  $-2 \leq 2 \sin(4\theta) \leq 2$ , we know that  $3 \leq 5 + 2 \sin(4\theta) \leq 7$ , and so that in particular

$$\frac{3}{\theta} \leq \frac{5 + 2 \sin(4\theta)}{\theta}$$

over the interval  $[10, \infty)$ . Since  $\int_{10}^{\infty} \frac{3}{\theta} d\theta$  diverges ( $p = 1$ ), we know that  $\int_{10}^{\infty} \frac{5 + 2 \sin(4\theta)}{\theta} d\theta$  diverges by comparison.

c. [3 points]  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{x}{1+x} dx$

*Solution:* Since  $\frac{x}{1+x} \rightarrow 1$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$  (in particular, the integrand does not approach 0), we know that the integral  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{x}{1+x} dx$  must diverge.

OR

$\frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{x}{x+x} \leq \frac{x}{1+x}$  for  $x \geq 1$ . Hence  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} dx \leq \int_1^{\infty} \frac{x}{1+x} dx$ , by the comparison method  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{x}{1+x} dx$  diverges.