

9. [10 points] Determine whether the following integrals converge or diverge. Justify your answer.

a. [5 points]  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{e^{-x} + 3x^3} dx$

*Solution:*

We know that  $e^{-x} < x^3$  for  $x > 1$ . Therefore

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{e^{-x} + 3x^3} dx > \int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{4x^3} dx$$

We can simplify the integral on the right:

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{4x^3} dx = \frac{1}{4} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} dx$$

We know that the integral  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} dx$  diverges, so this larger integral must also diverge.

b. [5 points]  $\int_0^1 \frac{x \cos(x) - \sin(x)}{x^2} dx$

(*Hint:*  $\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right) = \frac{x \cos(x) - \sin(x)}{x^2}$ .)

*Solution:*

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \frac{x \cos(x) - \sin(x)}{x^2} dx &= \lim_{b \rightarrow 0^+} \int_b^1 \frac{x \cos(x) - \sin(x)}{x^2} dx \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow 0^+} \left. \frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right|_{x=b}^1 \\ &= \frac{\sin(1)}{1} - \lim_{b \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sin(b)}{b} \end{aligned}$$

To evaluate the limit, we need to use L'Hopital's Rule:

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(b)}{b} = \lim_{b \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(b)}{1} = 1.$$

We can now give an exact value for the integral.

$$\int_0^1 \frac{x \cos(x) - \sin(x)}{x^2} dx = \frac{\sin(1)}{1} - 1 < \infty$$

and therefore the integral converges.