

FACT 1:

If $f(x)$ is continuous over $[a, \infty)$ then $\int_a^{\infty} f(x)dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f(x)dx$.

FACT 2:

If $f(x)$ is continuous over $(-\infty, b]$ then $\int_{-\infty}^b f(x)dx = \lim_{a \rightarrow -\infty} \int_a^b f(x)dx$.

FACT 3:

If $f(x)$ is continuous over $(-\infty, \infty)$ then $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)dx = \int_{-\infty}^c f(x)dx + \int_c^{\infty} f(x)dx$,
where c is any real number.

Comments:

An integral converges if its value is a real number. Otherwise it diverges.

The integral in Fact 3 diverges if either integral on the right side diverges.

FACT 4:

Let $f(x)$ be continuous on $[a, b)$ with an asymptote at $x = b$. Then:

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow b^-} \int_a^t f(x)dx.$$

FACT 5:

Let $f(x)$ be continuous on $(a, b]$ with an asymptote at $x = a$. Then:

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow a^+} \int_t^b f(x)dx.$$

FACT 6:

Let $f(x)$ be continuous on $[a, b]$ except at $x = c$ where it has an asymptote.

Then:

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_a^c f(x)dx + \int_c^b f(x)dx.$$

Comment:

The integral in Fact 6 diverges if either integral on the right side diverges.