Brief solutions to selected problems in homework 02

1. Section 8.8: Solutions, common mistakes and corrections:

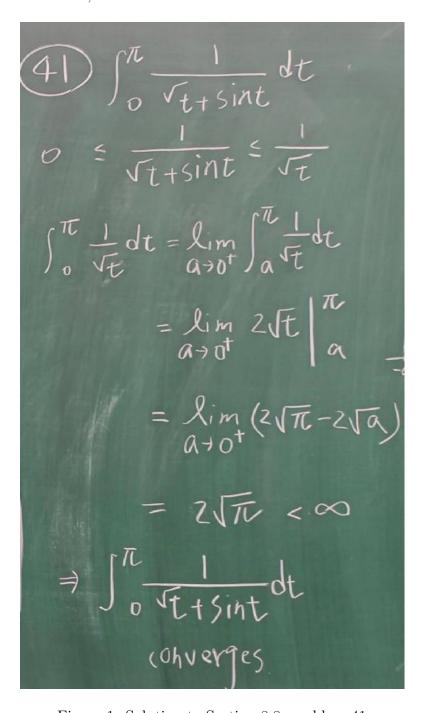


Figure 1: Solution to Section 8.8, problem 41

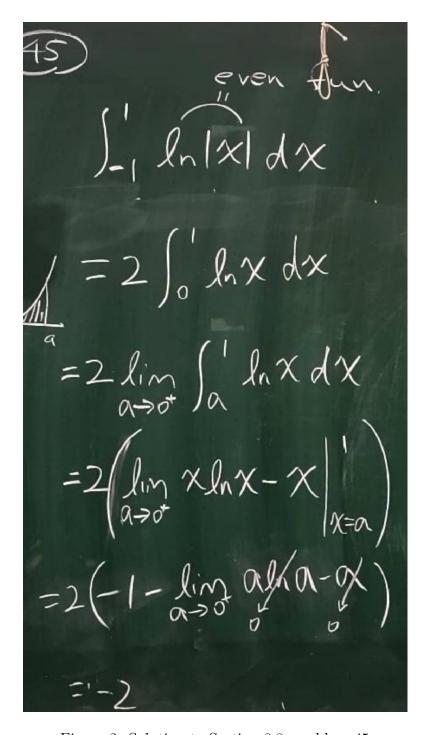


Figure 2: Solution to Section 8.8, problem 45

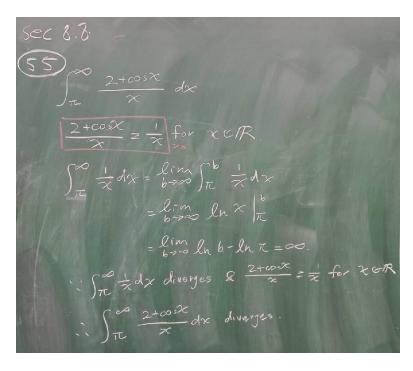


Figure 3: Solution to Section 8.8, problem 55

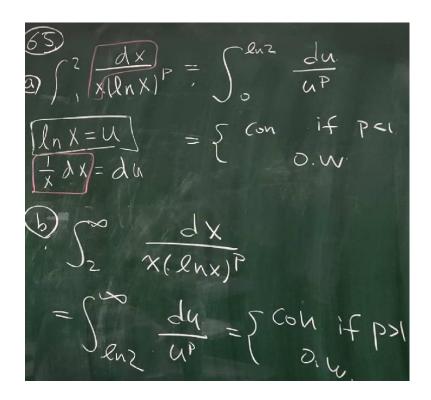


Figure 4: Solution to Section 8.8, problem 65

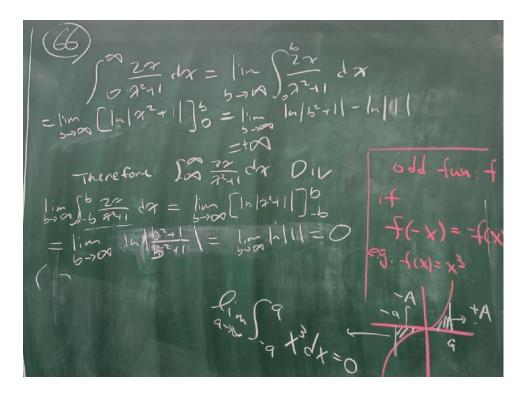


Figure 5: Solution to Section 8.8, problem 66

2. Section 8.8: Homework 02, problem 2:

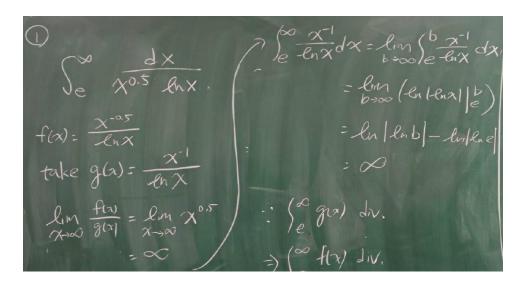


Figure 6: Solution to Section homework 02, problem 2

Remark: An alternative approach: Compare with $\int_{e}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{0.7}} dx$.

3. Section 8.8: Homework 02, problem 3:

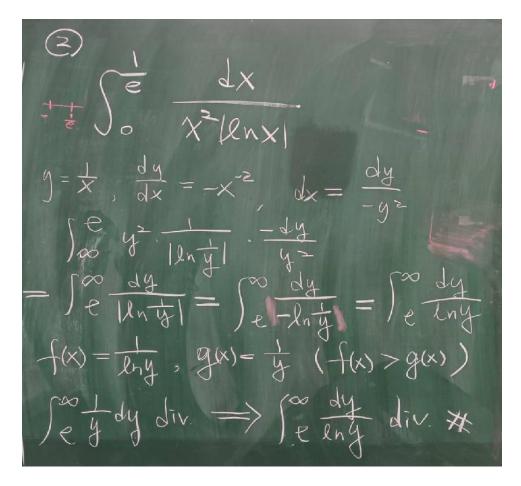


Figure 7: Solution to Section homework 02, problem 3

Remark: An alternative approach: Compare with $\int_0^{\frac{1}{e}} \frac{1}{x^{1.5}} dx$.

- 4. Section 10.1: Solutions, common mistakes and corrections:
 - Section 10.1, problem 46:

Answer:

Since

$$0 \le \frac{\sin^2 n}{2^n} \le \frac{1}{2^n},$$

and

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} 0 = 0 = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{2^n},$$

we conclude from the Sandwich Theorem for sequence that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\sin^2 n}{2^n} = 0.$$

• Section 10.1, problem 59:

Answer:

Since

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} n^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1, \quad \lim_{n \to \infty} \ln n = \infty,$$

we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\ln n}{n^{\frac{1}{n}}} = \infty \text{ (diverges)}.$$

- 5. Section 10.2: Solutions, common mistakes and corrections:
 - Section 10.2, problem 43:

Answer:

From the identity

$$a_n = \frac{40n}{(2n-1)^2(2n+1)^2} = 5\left(\frac{1}{(2n-1)^2} - \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2}\right),$$

we have

$$s_k = \sum_{n=1}^k a_n = 5\left(\frac{1}{(2\cdot 1 - 1)^2} - \frac{1}{(2\cdot 2 - 1)^2} + \frac{1}{(2\cdot 2 - 1)^2} - \dots - \frac{1}{(2\cdot k + 1)^2}\right) = 5\left(1 - \frac{1}{(2k+1)^2}\right)$$

Therefore

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \lim_{k \to \infty} s_k = 5.$$

• Section 10.2, problem 61:

Answer:

Since $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n = \infty \neq 0$, we conclude from the *n*-th term test that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ diverges.

• Section 10.2, problem 65:

Answer:

From the identity

$$a_n = \ln\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right) = \ln n - \ln(n+1),$$

we have

$$s_k = \sum_{n=1}^k a_n = \ln 1 - \ln 2 + \ln 2 - \ln 3 + \dots - \ln(k+1).$$

Therefore

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \lim_{k \to \infty} s_k = -\infty \text{ (diverges)}.$$

• Section 10.2, problem 78:

Answer:

The geometric series
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\ln x)^n$$
 converges $\iff |\ln x| < 1 \iff \frac{1}{e} < x < e$.

When
$$\frac{1}{e} < x < e$$
, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\ln x)^n = \frac{1}{1 - \ln x}$.