

Confirming an Integral Converges

Use limit comparison to show that $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(5x+2)^2}$ is finite.

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$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{(5x+2)^2} dx$$

$$= \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{25x^2 + 20x + 4} dx$$

As $x \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{1}{25x^2 + 20x + 4} \approx \frac{1}{25x^2}$.

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^N \frac{1}{25x^2} dx \quad \therefore \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{25x^2} dx = \frac{1}{25}$$

$$= \frac{1}{25} \left[-\frac{1}{x} \right]_1^{\infty}$$

$$= \frac{1}{25} (0 + 1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{25}$$

$\therefore \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{(5x+2)^2} dx$ is also
a finite value.