

Answer 1:

a)

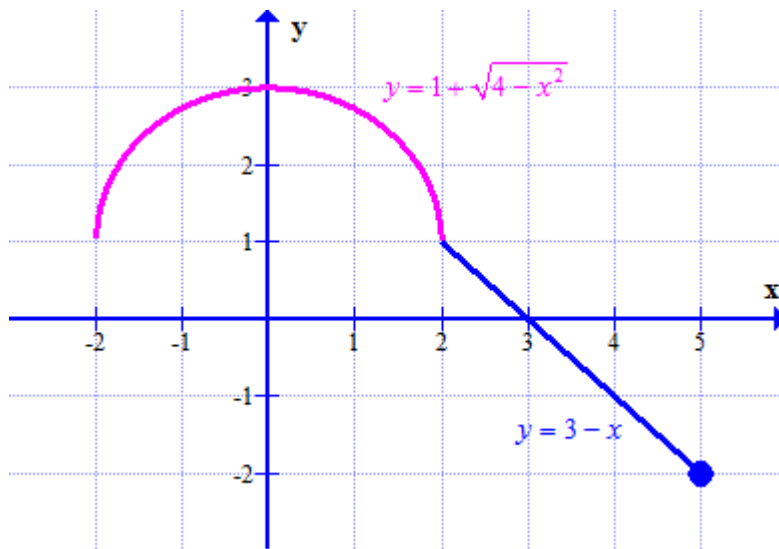
Consider the given function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 + \sqrt{4 - x^2}, & -2 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 3 - x, & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

To sketch the graph $y = 1 + \sqrt{4 - x^2}$ in between $x = -2$ and $x = 2$, first sketch the upper half of semicircle having center at $(0, 0)$ and radius 2, then shift it 1 unit up.

Now the graph of $y = 3 - x$ is a straight line passing through $(2, 1)$ and $(3, 0)$. The graph should be sketched only for x which is larger than 2.

Sketch the graph of $f(x)$ in interval $[-2, 5]$:



Find the definite integral as

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-2}^5 f(x) dx &= \int_{-2}^2 f(x) dx + \int_2^3 f(x) dx + \int_3^5 f(x) dx \\ &= [A_{\text{semicircle}} (r = 2) + A_{\text{rectangle}} (4 \times 1)] + A_{\text{triangle}} (b = 1, h = 1) - A_{\text{triangle}} (b = 2, h = 2) \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{2} \pi \cdot 2^2 + 4 \cdot 1 \right] + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \\ &= 2\pi + 4 + \frac{1}{2} - 2 \\ &= \boxed{2\pi + \frac{5}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

b)

Using Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

$$\begin{aligned} F'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[\int_{-x^2}^x e^{1-t^2} dt \right] \\ &= e^{1-x^2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(x) - e^{1-(-x^2)^2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(-x^2) \\ &= e^{1-x^2} \cdot 1 - e^{1-x^4} \cdot (-2x) \\ &= \boxed{e^{1-x^2} + 2xe^{1-x^4}} \end{aligned}$$

Now find $F'(1)$, replacing x by 1 to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} F'(1) &= e^{1-1^2} + 2 \cdot 1 \cdot e^{1-1^4} \\ &= 1 + 2 \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

Since $F'(1) > 0$, the $F(x)$ is **increasing**

Answer 2:

a)

Consider the given integral

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{\cos^3 x}{\sin^2 x} dx &= \int \frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x} \cdot \cos x dx \\ &= \int \frac{(1 - \sin^2 x)}{\sin^2 x} \cdot \cos x dx \end{aligned}$$

Let $\sin x = u$ then $\cos x dx = du$, hence integral becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{\cos^3 x}{\sin^2 x} dx &= \int \frac{(1 - u^2)}{u^2} du \\ &= \int \left(\frac{1}{u^2} - 1 \right) du \\ &= -\frac{1}{u} - u + C \\ &= \boxed{-\frac{1}{\sin x} - \sin x + C} \quad [u = \sin x] \end{aligned}$$

b)

Consider the given integral

$$\begin{aligned}\int (e^x + \ln x) dx &= \int e^x dx + \int \ln x dx \\ &= e^x + \int \ln x dx\end{aligned}$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned}u &= \ln x & dv &= dx \\ du &= \frac{1}{x} dx & v &= \int dx = x\end{aligned}$$

Hence using integral by parts $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$ formula

$$\begin{aligned}\int (e^x + \ln x) dx &= e^x + \int \ln x dx \\ &= e^x + \left[\ln x \cdot x - \int x \cdot \frac{1}{x} dx \right] \\ &= e^x + x \ln x - \int dx \\ &= \boxed{e^x + x \ln x - x + C}\end{aligned}$$

Answer 3:

Find $F(x)$ as

$$\begin{aligned}F(x) &= \int F'(x) dx \\ &= \int \frac{x^2 + 4}{x^2 - 4} dx \\ &= \int \left(1 + \frac{8}{x^2 - 4} \right) dx \\ &= \int dx + 8 \int \frac{1}{x^2 - 4} dx\end{aligned}$$

Using the formula $\int \frac{1}{x^2 - a^2} dx = \frac{1}{2a} \ln \left| \frac{x-a}{x+a} \right|$, it becomes

$$\begin{aligned}F(x) &= x + 8 \cdot \frac{1}{2 \cdot 2} \ln \left| \frac{x-2}{x+2} \right| + C \\ &= x + 2 \ln \left| \frac{x-2}{x+2} \right| + C\end{aligned}$$

Using the given condition $F(-1) = 0$, find constant C as

$$\begin{aligned}F(-1) &= -1 + 2 \ln \left| \frac{-1-2}{-1+2} \right| + C \\ 0 &= -1 + 2 \ln 3 + C \\ C &= 1 - 2 \ln 3\end{aligned}$$

Using $C = 1 - 2 \ln 3$, the equation $F(x) = x + 2 \ln \left| \frac{x-2}{x+2} \right| + C$ becomes

$$\boxed{F(x) = x + 2 \ln \left| \frac{x-2}{x+2} \right| + 1 - 2 \ln 3}$$

Answer 4:

a)

Consider the given integral

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos x}{4 + \sin^2 x} dx$$

Let $\sin x = u$ then $\cos x dx = du$,

When $x = 0$ then $u = 0$

When $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ then $u = 1$

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos x}{4 + \sin^2 x} dx &= \int_0^1 \frac{du}{4 + u^2} \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{u}{2} \right) \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} (0) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) - 0 \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)}\end{aligned}$$

b)

Consider the given integral

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sec^4 x dx &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sec^2 x \cdot \sec^2 x dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} (1 + \tan^2 x) \cdot \sec^2 x dx \quad [\sec^2 x - \tan^2 x = 1]\end{aligned}$$

Let $\tan x = u$ then $\sec^2 x dx = du$,

When $x = 0$ then $u = 0$

When $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$ then $u = 1$

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sec^4 x dx &= \int_0^1 (1 + u^2) du \\ &= \left[u + \frac{u^3}{3} \right]_0^1 \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{3} - 0 \\ &= \boxed{\frac{4}{3}}\end{aligned}$$

c)

Consider the given integral

$$\int_0^3 x^2 \sqrt{1+x} dx$$

Let $1+x = u \Rightarrow x = u-1$ then $dx = du$,

When $x = 0$ then $u = 1$

When $x = 3$ then $u = 4$

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^3 x^2 \sqrt{1+x} dx &= \int_1^4 (u-1)^2 \sqrt{u} du \\ &= \int_1^4 (u^2 - 2u + 1) u^{\frac{1}{2}} du \\ &= \int_1^4 \left(u^{\frac{5}{2}} - 2u^{\frac{3}{2}} + u^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) du \\ &= \left[\frac{2}{7} u^{\frac{7}{2}} - 2 \cdot \frac{2}{5} u^{\frac{5}{2}} + \frac{2}{3} u^{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_1^4 \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{7} \cdot 128 - \frac{4}{5} \cdot 32 + \frac{2}{3} \cdot 8 \right) - \left(\frac{2}{7} - \frac{4}{5} + \frac{2}{3} \right) \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1696}{105}}\end{aligned}$$

Answer 5:

a)

Consider the given integral

$$\int_e^{\infty} \frac{1}{x \ln^3 x} dx = \int_e^{\infty} \frac{1}{\ln^3 x} \cdot \frac{1}{x} dx$$

Let $\ln x = u$ then $\frac{1}{x} dx = du$,

When $x = e$ then $u = 1$

When $x \rightarrow \infty$ then $u \rightarrow \infty$

$$\begin{aligned}\int_e^{\infty} \frac{1}{x \ln^3 x} dx &= \int_1^{\infty} \frac{du}{u^3} \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t \frac{du}{u^3} \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[-\frac{1}{2u^2} \right]_1^t \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2t^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} - 0 \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}\end{aligned}$$

b)

Consider the given integral

$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{xdx}{x^2-1}$$

This integral is discontinuous at both limits $x = \pm 1$ and hence we will split the integral up at any point of our choice which is convenient to evaluate

$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{xdx}{x^2-1} = \int_{-1}^0 \frac{xdx}{x^2-1} + \int_0^1 \frac{xdx}{x^2-1}$$

Now we will look at each of these integrals and see if they are convergent,

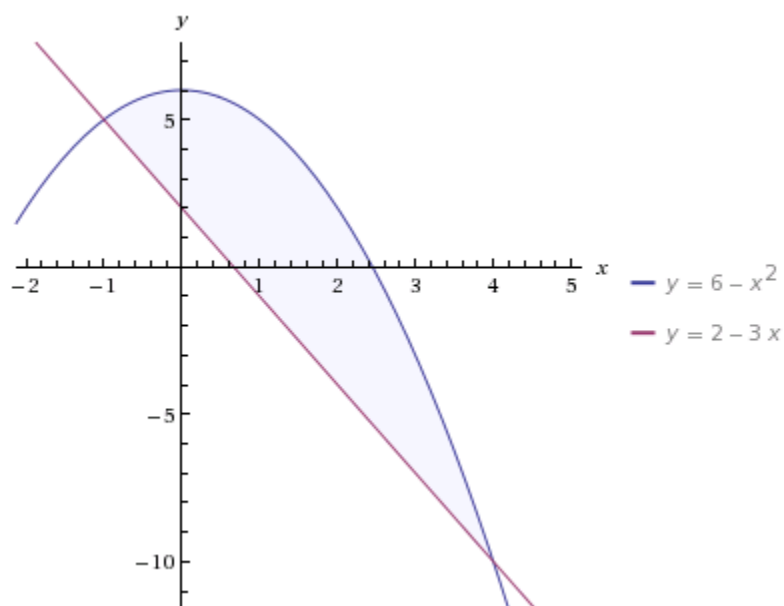
$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \frac{xdx}{x^2-1} &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 1^-} \int_0^t \frac{xdx}{x^2-1} \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 1^-} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln|x^2-1| \right]_0^t \quad \left[x^2-1=u \Rightarrow xdx = \frac{1}{2} du \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{t \rightarrow 1^-} [\ln|t^2-1| - \ln 1] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (-\infty - 0) \\ &= -\infty \end{aligned}$$

Since one of the integral is divergent, we don't need to check other. Hence the given integral is **divergent**.

Answer 6:

a)

The area enclosed by curve $y = 6 - x^2$ and $y = 2 - 3x$ is shown below:



To find the intersection point(s), set one equation equal to other

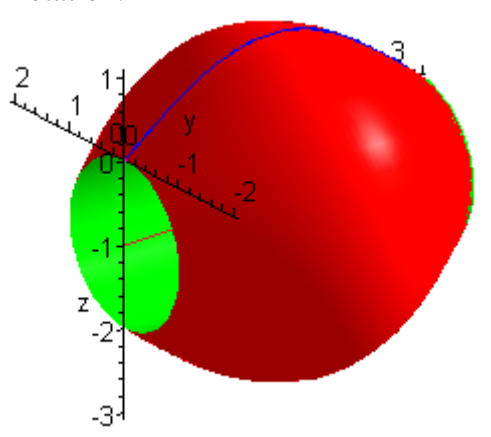
$$\begin{aligned} 2 - 3x &= 6 - x^2 \\ x^2 - 3x - 4 &= 0 \\ (x+1)(x-4) &= 0 \\ x &= -1, 4 \end{aligned}$$

Hence the area is

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \int_a^b [(Upper Curve) - (Lower Curve)] dx \\ &= \int_{-1}^4 [(6 - x^2) - (2 - 3x)] dx \\ &= \int_{-1}^4 (4 + 3x - x^2) dx \\ &= \left[4x + \frac{3}{2}x^2 - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_{-1}^4 \\ &= \left(16 + 24 - \frac{64}{3} \right) - \left(-4 + \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \right) \\ &= \frac{125}{6} \end{aligned}$$

b)

Consider the volume after rotation:



The volume using washer method is

$$\begin{aligned}
V &= \int_0^{\pi} \pi [(\sin x + 1)^2 - 1] dx \\
&= \pi \int_0^{\pi} (\sin^2 x + 2 \sin x) dx \\
&= \pi \int_0^{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x + 2 \sin x \right) dx \\
&= \pi \left[\frac{1}{2} x - \frac{1}{4} \sin 2x - 2 \cos x \right]_0^{\pi} \\
&= \pi \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + 2 + 2 \right) \\
&= \boxed{\frac{\pi^2}{2} + 4\pi}
\end{aligned}$$

c)

The average value of a function $f(x)$ over the interval $[a, b]$ is given by

$$f_{avg} = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{avg} &= \frac{1}{3-0} \int_0^3 \frac{x}{\sqrt{16+x^2}} dx \\
&= \frac{1}{3} \int_0^3 \frac{x}{\sqrt{16+x^2}} dx
\end{aligned}$$

Let $16+x^2 = u$, then $2x dx = du \Rightarrow x dx = \frac{1}{2} du$

At $x=0, u=16$

At $x=3, u=25$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{avg} &= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_{16}^{25} \frac{du}{\sqrt{u}} \\
&= \frac{1}{6} \left[2\sqrt{u} \right]_{16}^{25} \\
&= \frac{1}{3} \left[\sqrt{25} - \sqrt{16} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{3} (5-4) \\
&= \boxed{\frac{1}{3}}
\end{aligned}$$

Answer 7:

a)

Consider the sequence $a_n = \frac{(3^n + 1)^2}{6^n}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(3^n + 1)^2}{6^n} \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^{2n} + 1 + 2 \cdot 3^n}{6^n} \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{3^{2n}}{6^n} + \frac{1}{6^n} + 2 \cdot \frac{3^n}{6^n} \right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^n + \left(\frac{1}{6} \right)^n + 2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^n \right) \\
&= \infty + 0 + 2 \cdot 0 \\
&= \infty
\end{aligned}$$

$$\left[\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = \begin{cases} \infty, a > 1 \\ 0, 0 < a < 1 \end{cases} \right]$$

Hence the value of a_n is not finite, therefore **limit does not exist**.

b)

Consider the sequence:

$$a_n = \ln(1+2n^2) - \ln(30+2n^2) = \ln\left(\frac{1+2n^2}{30+2n^2}\right)$$

Find the limit of sequence as

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln\left(\frac{1+2n^2}{30+2n^2}\right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln\left(\frac{\frac{1}{n^2} + 2}{\frac{30}{n^2} + 2}\right) \\
&= \ln\left(\frac{0+2}{0+2}\right) \\
&= \ln 1 \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the limit of the sequence is **0**.

Answer 8:

a)

Consider the series:

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \sqrt{1+n^3}}{n^2}$$

Here $\frac{\sqrt{1+n^3}}{n^2}$ is positive and monotone decreasing and

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{1+n^3}}{n^2} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n^3} + 1}}{n^{\frac{1}{2}}} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by alternating series test series converges.

Now check absolute convergence $|a_n| = \frac{\sqrt{1+n^3}}{n^2}$. Let $b_n = \frac{1}{n^{\frac{1}{2}}}$

Since $b_n = \frac{1}{n^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ is a divergent series by p-series test and

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{a_n}{b_n} \right) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\sqrt{1+n^3}}{n^2}}{\frac{1}{n^{\frac{1}{2}}}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot n^{\frac{3}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n^3} + 1}}{n^2} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 \sqrt{\frac{1}{n^3} + 1}}{n^2} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n^3} + 1} \\ &= \sqrt{0+1} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

So, by limit comparison test series diverges.

Thus, limit **converges conditionally**.

b)

Consider the series:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^{3n}}{5+e^n} \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (27)^n}{5+e^n} \end{aligned}$$

Check the absolute convergence $|a_n| = \left| \frac{(-1)^n (27)^n}{5+e^n} \right| = \frac{(27)^n}{5+e^n}$, by divergent test as

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{27^n}{5+e^n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{5}{27^n} + \left(\frac{e}{27}\right)^n} \\ &= \infty \\ &\neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by divergent test, series **diverges**.

c)

Consider the series:

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(\ln n)^2}$$

We will use function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^2}$$

This function is clearly positive and if we make x larger the denominator will get larger and larger and hence function is also decreasing.

Therefore all we need to do is determine the convergence of following integral

$$\begin{aligned} \int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^2} dx &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_2^t \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^2} dx \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[-\frac{1}{\ln x} \right]_2^t \quad [u = \ln x] \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{\ln 2} - \frac{1}{\ln t} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\ln 2} - 0 = \frac{1}{\ln 2} \end{aligned}$$

The integral is convergent, so the series must be convergent by the integral test.

The series is always positive, so the series is **absolutely convergent**.

Answer 9:

Consider the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x+1)^n}{(n+1)2^n}$:

Find the radius of convergence as

$$\begin{aligned} r &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{(n+1)2^n}{(n+2)2^{n+1}}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2(n+2)}{(n+1)} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2\left(1+\frac{2}{n}\right)}{\left(1+\frac{1}{n}\right)} \\ &= \frac{2(1+0)}{(1+0)} \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

Since the center is at $x = -1$, the interval of convergence is

$$-1-2 < x < -1+2$$

$$-3 < x < 1$$

Second method:

By series ratio test

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{(x+1)^{n+1}}{(n+2)2^{n+1}}}{\frac{(x+1)^n}{(n+1)2^n}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(x+1)(n+1)}{2(n+2)} \right| = \frac{1}{2} |x+1| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1+\frac{1}{n}}{1+\frac{2}{n}} \right| = \frac{1}{2} |x+1| \left| \frac{1+0}{1+0} \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} |x+1| \end{aligned}$$

The series converges, when $\frac{1}{2} |x+1| < 1$

$$|x+1| < 1$$

$$|x+1| < 2$$

$$-2 < x+1 < 2$$

$$-3 < x < 1$$

Now check at endpoint $x = -3$:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-3+1)^n}{(n+1)2^n} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^n}{(n+1)2^n} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 2^n}{(n+1)2^n} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(n+1)} \end{aligned}$$

Here $a_n = \frac{1}{n+1}$ is positive and decreasing function and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n+1} = 0$$

By alternating series test, series converges at $x = -3$.

Now check at another endpoint $x = 1$:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1+1)^n}{(n+1)2^n} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{(n+1)2^n} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)} \end{aligned}$$

Let $a_n = \frac{1}{n+1}$ and $b_n = \frac{1}{n}$

Since $b_n = \frac{1}{n}$ diverges and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{n+1}}{\frac{1}{n}} \right) = 1$$

By the limit comparison test series diverges at $x = 1$.

Hence radius of convergence is **$-3 \leq x < 1$**

Answer 10:

a)

We already know the well known power series of $\ln(1+x)$ is

$$\ln(1+x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{x^n}{n}$$

Replace x by $2x$ to obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\ln(1+2x) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{(2x)^n}{n} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{2^n \cdot x^n}{n}\end{aligned}$$

Multiply both sides by x^2 to obtain

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 \ln(1+2x) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{2^n \cdot x^n \cdot x^2}{n} \\ &= \boxed{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{2^n}{n} x^{n+2}}\end{aligned}$$

Find the radius of convergence as

$$\begin{aligned}r &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^n}{2^{n+1}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{2n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(1+0) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\end{aligned}$$

Since the center is at $x = 0$, the interval of convergence is

$$-\frac{1}{2} < x < \frac{1}{2}$$

Now check at endpoint $x = -\frac{1}{2}$:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{2^n}{n} x^{n+2} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{2^n}{n} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+2} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{2^n}{n} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2^n \cdot 2^2}\right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{1}{4n}\end{aligned}$$

Here $a_n = \frac{1}{4n}$ is positive and decreasing function and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{4n} = 0$$

By alternating series test, series converges at $x = -\frac{1}{2}$.

Now check at another endpoint $x = \frac{1}{2}$:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{2^n}{n} x^{n+2} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{2^n}{n} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+2} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{2^n}{n} \cdot (-1)^{n+2} \left(\frac{1}{2^n \cdot 2^2}\right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{2n+1} \frac{1}{4n} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{-1}{4n}\end{aligned}$$

By the harmonic series, diverges at $x = \frac{1}{2}$.

Hence radius of convergence is $\boxed{-\frac{1}{2} < x \leq \frac{1}{2}}$

b)

Consider the given series

$$S(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nx^{2n-1}$$

Integrating both sides,

$$\begin{aligned}
\int S(x) dx &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \int x^{2n-1} \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \left(\frac{x^{2n}}{2n} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x^2)^n \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{x^2}{1-x^2} \quad \left[S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r}, a = x^2, r = x^2 \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
S(x) &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{x^2}{1-x^2} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2x}{(1-x^2)^2} \\
&= \boxed{\frac{x}{(1-x^2)^2}}
\end{aligned}$$

The series converges for $|x^2| < 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{-1 < x < 1}$

Bonus question:

Consider the integral

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} f(\cos x) dx$$

Let $u = \frac{\pi}{2} - x$ then $du = -dx \Rightarrow dx = -du$

When $x = 0$ then $u = \frac{\pi}{2}$

When $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ then $u = 0$

Hence the integral becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} f(\cos x) dx &= -\int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^0 f\left(\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}-u\right)\right) du \\
&= -\int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^0 f(\sin u) du \\
&= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} f(\sin u) du \quad \left[-\int_b^a f(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx \right] \\
&= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} f(\sin x) dx \quad \left[\int_a^b f(t) dt = \int_a^b f(x) dx \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\boxed{\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} f(\cos x) dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} f(\sin x) dx}$