

Condition

Consider the following integral:

Function is $1/9x$

Lower limit= 0

Upper limit= 1

Determine whether the improper integral diverges or converges.

Evaluate the integral. (If the integral diverges, enter INFINITY. Round to two decimal places if the integral converges.)

Solution

$$\int_0^1 \frac{1}{9x} dx = \frac{1}{9} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x} dx = \frac{1}{9} \cdot (\log(1) - \log(0)) = \frac{1}{9} \cdot (0 - (-\infty)) = \frac{1}{9} \cdot \infty = \infty$$

At the first step we take out the $\frac{1}{9}$ from the integral sign, because it is a constant. At the second step we take the integral of the function and decompose by the Newton-Leibniz formula, where we get a difference of logarithms. At the third step we do the arithmetic operations ($\log(1) = 0$, $\log(0) = -\infty$). After all the arithmetic operations, we get ∞ and so we can say that the integral diverges.

Answer: the integral diverges.