

4.1: Antiderivatives and Indefinite Integration

Definition: An *antiderivative* of f is a function whose derivative is f .

i.e. A function F is an antiderivative of f if $F'(x) = f(x)$.

Example 1: $x^3 + 5x$ is an antiderivative of $f(x) = 3x^2 + 5$.

What are some more antiderivatives of $f(x) = 3x^2 + 5$?

$$x^3 + 5x + 1$$

$$x^3 + 5x - 1$$

$$x^3 + 5x + \underline{\underline{C}}$$

So we have a whole “family” of antiderivatives of f .

Definition: A function F is called an antiderivative of f on an interval I if $F'(x) = f(x)$ for all x in I .

Theorem: If F is an antiderivative of f on an interval I , then all antiderivatives of f on I will be of the form

$$F(x) + C$$

where C is an arbitrary constant.

Example 2: Find the general form of the antiderivatives of $f(x) = 3x^2 + 5$.

$$F(x) = x^3 + 5x + C$$

Example 3: Find the general form of the antiderivatives of $f(x) = 6x^5 + \cos x$.

$$F(x) = x^6 + \sin x + C$$

Integration:

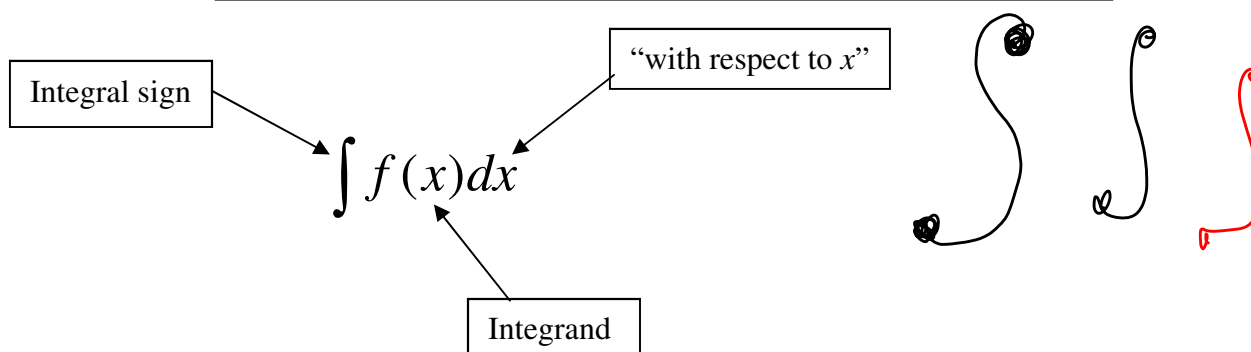
Integration is the process of finding antiderivatives.

$\int f(x)dx$ is called the *indefinite integral* of f .

$\int f(x)dx$ is the family of antiderivatives, or the most general antiderivative of f .

This means: $\int f(x)dx = F(x) + c$, where $F'(x) = f(x)$.

The c is called the *constant of integration*.



Example 4: Find $\int 3x^2 + 5 dx$.

$$x^3 + 5x + C$$

Example 5: Find $\int 6x^5 + \cos x dx$.

$$x^6 + \sin x + C$$

Example 6: Find $\int \sec^2 x dx$.

$$\tan x + C$$

$$\int \sec^2 x dx$$

Rules for Finding Antiderivatives:

Notation in this table: F is an antiderivative of f , G is an antiderivative of g ,

Function	Antiderivative
k	$kx + c$
$kf(x)$	$kF(x)$
$f(x) + g(x)$	$F(x) + G(x)$
x^n for $n \neq -1$	$\frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}$
$\cos x$	$\sin x$
$\sin x$	$-\cos x$
$\sec^2 x$	$\tan x$
$\sec x \tan x$	$\sec x$

add 1 to exp
divide by new

1. $\int k \, dx = kx + c$ (k a constant)

$$\int x^4 \, dx = \frac{x^5}{5} + c$$

2. $\int x^n \, dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + c$ ($n \neq -1$)

3. $\int k f(x) \, dx = k \int f(x) \, dx$ (k a constant)

4. $\int [f(x) + g(x)] \, dx = \int f(x) \, dx + \int g(x) \, dx$

5. $\int \cos x \, dx = \sin x + c$

6. $\int \sin x \, dx = -\cos x + c$

7. $\int \sec^2 x \, dx = \tan x + c$

8. $\int \sec x \tan x \, dx = \sec x + c$

Example 7: Find the general antiderivative of $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}$.

$$F(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + c$$

Example 8: Find $\int x^3 dx$.

$$\frac{x^4}{4} + C$$

Example 9: Find $\int 7x^2 dx$.

$$\frac{7x^3}{3} + C$$

$$\int 3x^2 dx$$

$$\frac{3x^3}{3} + C$$

$$x^3 + C$$

Example 10: Find $\int \frac{1}{x^5} dx$.

$$\int x^{-5} dx = \frac{x^{-4}}{-4} + C = -\frac{1}{4x^4} + C$$

Example 11: Find the general antiderivative of $f(x) = \frac{5}{x^2}$.

$$\int 5x^{-2} dx = \frac{5x^{-1}}{-1} + C = -\frac{5}{x} + C$$

Example 12: $\int (6x^2 - 3x + 9) dx$

$$= \frac{6x^3}{3} - \frac{3x^2}{2} + 9x + C = 2x^3 - \frac{3}{2}x^2 + 9x + C$$

Example 13: Find $\int 3\sqrt{x} dx$.

$$\int 3x^{1/2} dx = \frac{2 \cdot 3x^{3/2}}{3/2} + C = 2x^{3/2} + C$$

Example 14: Find $\int (3 \cos x + 5 \sin x) dx$.

$$\frac{1}{3} - 5 = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{15}{3} = -\frac{14}{3} \quad 4.1.5$$

$$3 \sin x - 5 \cos x + C$$

Example 15: Find $\int \frac{x^7 - \sqrt[3]{x} + 3x^2}{x^{5/3}} dx$.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int \frac{x^7}{x^{5/3}} - \frac{x^{1/3}}{x^{5/3}} + \frac{3x^2}{x^{5/3}} dx \\ &= \int x^{2 - 5/3} - x^{-4/3} + 3x^{2 - 5/3} dx \\ &= \int x^{1/3} - x^{-4/3} + 3x^{1/3} dx \\ &= \frac{x^{4/3}}{4/3} - \frac{x^{-1/3}}{-1/3} + \frac{3x^{4/3}}{4/3} + C \\ &= \frac{3}{4} x^{4/3} + 3 x^{2/3} + \frac{9}{4} x^{4/3} + C \\ &= \frac{12}{4} x^{4/3} + 3 x^{2/3} + C \\ &= 3 x^{4/3} + 3 x^{2/3} + C \end{aligned}$$

Example 16: Find the general antiderivative of $f(\theta) = \frac{\sin \theta}{3}$.

$$-\frac{1}{3} \cos \theta + C$$

Example 17: $\int \left(\sqrt[3]{x} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}} \right) dx = \int x^{1/3} + 2x^{-1/2} dx$

$$\frac{3}{4} x^{4/3} + 2 \cdot 2 x^{1/2} + C = \frac{3}{4} x^{4/3} + 4 x^{1/2} + C$$

Example 18: $\int (6y^2 - 2)(8y + 5) dy$

$$\begin{aligned} &\int (48y^3 + 30y^2 - 16y - 10) dy \\ &= \frac{48}{4} y^4 + \frac{30}{3} y^3 - \frac{16}{2} y^2 - 10y + C \\ &= 12y^4 + 10y^3 - 8y^2 - 10y + C \end{aligned}$$

Differential equations:

A *differential equation* is an equation involving the derivative of a function. To solve a differential equation means to find the original function.

An *initial value problem* is a common type of differential equation in which a derivative and an initial condition are given.

Example 19: Given $f'(x) = x^2 - 7$, find f . This is an example of a differential equation.

$$\int x^2 - 7 dx = \frac{x^3}{3} - 7x + C$$

Example 20: Suppose that $f'(x) = 3x^2 + 2\cos x$ and $f(0) = 3$. Find $f(x)$.

$$\int (3x^2 + 2\cos x) dx = x^3 + 2\sin x + C$$

$$f(x) = x^3 + 2\sin x + C$$

$$3 = 0^3 + 2\sin(0) + C$$

$$3 = 0 + 0 + C \quad C = 3$$

$$x^3 + 2\sin x + 3$$

Example 21: Suppose that $f''(x) = 2x^3 - 6x^2 + 6x$, $f'(2) = -1$, and $f(-1) = 4$. Find $f(x)$.

$$\int (2x^3 - 6x^2 + 6x) dx$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^4 - 2x^3 + 3x^2 + C$$

$$-1 = \frac{1}{2}(2)^4 - 2(2)^3 + 3(2)^2 + C$$

$$-1 = 8 - 16 + 12 + C$$

$$-1 = 4 + C$$

$$-5 = C$$

$$\int \frac{1}{2}x^4 - 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 5 dx$$

$$\frac{1}{10}x^5 - \frac{1}{2}x^4 + x^3 - 5x + D = f(x)$$

$$4 = -\frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{2} - 1 + 5 + D$$

$$\frac{3}{5} = \frac{40}{10} = -\frac{1}{10} - \frac{5}{10} + \frac{40}{10} + D$$

$$\frac{3}{5} = \frac{34}{10} + D$$

$$D = -\frac{29}{10}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{10}x^5 - \frac{1}{2}x^4 + x^3 - 5x + \frac{3}{5}$$

Example 22: Suppose that $f''(x) = 12x^2 - 18x$, $f(1) = 2$, and $f(-3) = 1$. Find $f(x)$.

$$\int 12x^2 - 18x dx$$

$$4x^3 - 9x^2 + C = f'(x)$$

$$4(1)^3 - 9(1)^2 + C = 2$$

$$4 - 9 + C = 2$$

$$-5 + C = 2$$

$$C = 7$$

$$f'(1) = 2$$

$$\int 4x^3 - 9x^2 + 7 dx$$

$$f(x) = x^4 - 3x^3 + 7x + D$$

$$1 = (-3)^4 - 3(-3)^3 + 7(-3) + D$$

$$1 = 81 + 81 - 21 + D$$

$$1 = 141 + D$$

$$-140 = D$$

$$f(x) = x^4 - 3x^3 + 7x - 140$$

Velocity and acceleration (rectilinear motion):

We already know that if $f(t)$ is the position of an object at time t , then $f'(t)$ is its velocity and $f''(t)$ is its acceleration.

Note: Acceleration due to gravity near the earth's surface is approximately 9.8 m/s^2 or 32 ft/s^2 .

Example 23: Suppose a particle's velocity is given by $v(t) = 2 \sin t + \cos t$ and its initial position is $s(0) = 3$. Find the position function of the particle.

$$\begin{aligned} \int v(t) dt &= s(t) + C \\ \int (2 \sin t + \cos t) dt &= -2 \cos t + \sin t + C \\ 3 &= -2 \cos(0) + \sin(0) + C \\ 3 &= -2(1) + C \\ 5 &= C \\ \boxed{-2 \cos t + \sin t + 5} \end{aligned}$$

Example 24: Suppose a ball is thrown upward from a 30-foot bridge over a river at an initial velocity of 40 feet per second. How high does it go? When does it hit the water?

$$\begin{aligned} a(t) &= -32 \\ \int -32 dt &= v(t) = -32t + C \\ 40 &= -32(0) + C \\ 40 &= C \\ v(t) &= -32t + 40 \\ \int (-32t + 40) dt &= s(t) = -16t^2 + 40t + D \\ 30 &= -16(0)^2 + 40(0) + D \\ 30 &= D \\ s(t) &= -16t^2 + 40t + 30 \\ 0 &= -16t^2 + 40t + 30 \\ 0 &= -8t^2 + 20t + 15 \\ 8t^2 - 20t - 15 &= 0 \\ t &= \frac{40 \pm \sqrt{3200}}{32} \approx 1.25 \\ 32(1.25) &= 40 \\ s(1.25) &= -16(1.25)^2 + 40(1.25) + 30 = 55 \end{aligned}$$

55 feet max

$$8t^2 - 20t - 15 = 0$$

$$x = -(-20) \pm \sqrt{400 - 4(8)(-15)} \quad -20 \pm 29.665$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2181 \\ -20 \pm \sqrt{880} \\ \hline 16 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 16 \\ = 9.665 \\ \hline 16 \\ \approx 0.6 \text{ sec} \end{array}$$