

(4.9) Antiderivatives

Home work 1-47 (odd)

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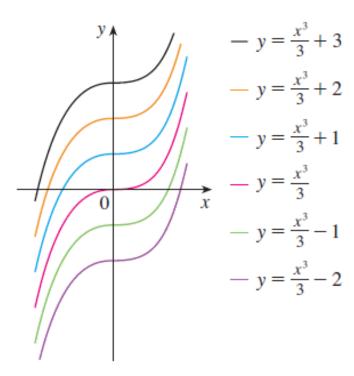
Antidervative

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 the most general antiderivative of f on I is F(x) + C where C is an arbitrary constant.



Members of the family of antiderivatives of $f(x) = x^2$

Table of Antidifferentiation Formulas

Function	Particular antiderivative	Function	Particular antiderivative
cf(x)	cF(x)	sin x	$-\cos x$
f(x) + g(x)	F(x) + G(x)	sec^2x	tan x
$x^n (n \neq -1)$	$\frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}$	sec x tan x	sec x
$\frac{1}{x}$	ln x	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$	$\sin^{-1}x$
e^x	e^x	$\frac{1}{1+x^2}$	tan ⁻¹ x
b^x	$\frac{b^x}{\ln b}$	cosh x	sinh x
cos x	sin x	sinh x	cosh x

To obtain the most general antiderivative from the particular ones in Table 2, we have to add a constant (or constants), as in Example 1.

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Example (1):

Find the most general antiderivative of each of the following functions.

(a)
$$f(x) = \sin x$$

(b)
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

(c)
$$f(x) = x^n, n \neq 1$$

Example (2):

Find all functions g such that

$$g'(x) = 4\sin x + \frac{2x^5 - \sqrt{x}}{x}$$

note

We often use a capital letter F to represent an antiderivative of a function f. If we begin with derivative notation, f', an antiderivative is f.

Find f if

$$f'(x) = e^x + 20(1 + x^2)^{-1}$$
 and $f(0) = -2$

Example (4):

Find f if

$$f''(x) = 12x^2 + 6x - 4$$

$$f(0) = 4$$
 and $f(1) = 1$

Rectilienear Motion

Antidifferentiation is particularly useful in analyzing the motion of an object moving in a straight line.

Recall that if the object has position function s=f(t), then the velocity function is v(t)=s'(t). This means that the position function is an antiderivative of the velocity function.

Likewise, the acceleration function a(t) = v'(t), so the velocity function is an antiderivative of the acceleration.

If the acceleration and the initial values s(0) and v(0) are known, then the position function can be found by antidifferentiating twice.

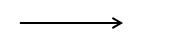


Recall That:

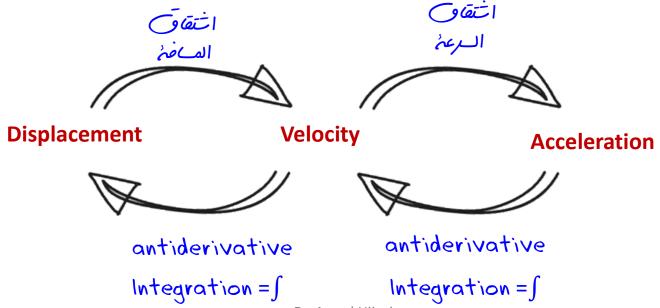
$$s(t)$$
 \xrightarrow{cai} \xrightarrow{cai} \xrightarrow{cai} \xrightarrow{cai} \xrightarrow{cai} \xrightarrow{cai} \xrightarrow{cai} \xrightarrow{cai} \xrightarrow{cai} \xrightarrow{dv} \xrightarrow{dv} \xrightarrow{dt} $= a(t)$

$$a(t) \longrightarrow v(t)$$

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s(t)



Example (6):

A particle moves in a straight line and has acceleration given by a(t) = 6t + 4. Its initial velocity is $v(0) = -6 \ cm/s$ and its initial displacement is $s(0) = 9 \ cm$. Find its position function s(t).

Find the most general antiderivative of the function.

(Check your answer by differentiation.)

Exercise (5):

$$f(x) = x(12x + 8)$$

Exercise (9):

$$f(x) = \sqrt{2}$$

Exercise (15):

$$g(t) = \frac{1 + t + t^2}{\sqrt{t}}$$