

Indefinite Integrals & Net Change Theorem

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Indefinite Integrals

$$\int f(x) dx = F(x) \quad \text{means} \quad F'(x) = f(x)$$

$$\int x^2 dx = \frac{x^3}{3} + C \quad \text{because} \quad \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{x^3}{3} + C \right) = x^2$$

⊗ You should distinguish carefully between definite and indefinite integrals. A definite integral $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ is a *number*, whereas an indefinite integral $\int f(x) dx$ is a *function* (or family of functions). The connection between them is given by Part 2 of the Fundamental Theorem: If f is continuous on $[a, b]$, then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \left[\int f(x) dx \right]_a^b$$

$$\int \sec^2 x dx = \tan x + C \quad \text{because} \quad \frac{d}{dx} (\tan x + C) = \sec^2 x$$

1 Table of Indefinite Integrals

$$\int cf(x) dx = c \int f(x) dx$$

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

$$\int k dx = kx + C$$

$$\int x^n dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C \quad (n \neq -1)$$

$$\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln|x| + C$$

$$\int e^x dx = e^x + C$$

$$\int a^x dx = \frac{a^x}{\ln a} + C$$

$$\int \sin x dx = -\cos x + C$$

$$\int \cos x dx = \sin x + C$$

$$\int \sec^2 x dx = \tan x + C$$

$$\int \csc^2 x dx = -\cot x + C$$

$$\int \sec x \tan x dx = \sec x + C$$

$$\int \csc x \cot x dx = -\csc x + C$$

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

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

$$\int \sinh x dx = \cosh x + C$$

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when you forgot +c



Why "C"?

EXAMPLE 1 Find the general indefinite integral

$$\int (10x^4 - 2 \sec^2 x) dx$$

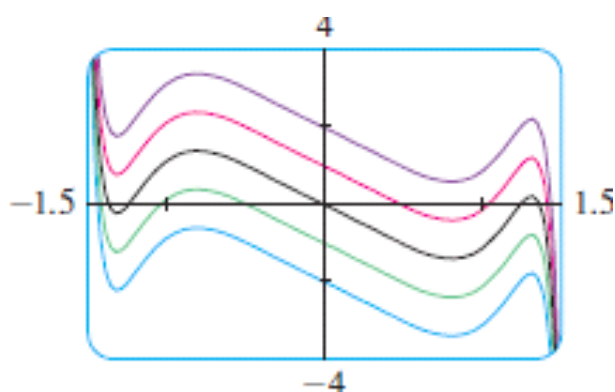


FIGURE 1

The indefinite integral in Example 1 is graphed in Figure 1 for several values of C . Here the value of C is the y -intercept.

V EXAMPLE 2 Evaluate $\int \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} d\theta$.

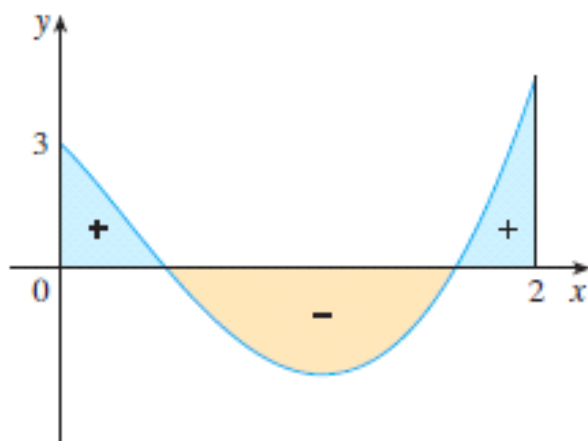
SOLUTION This indefinite integral isn't immediately apparent in Table 1, so we use trigonometric identities to rewrite the function before integrating:

$$\begin{aligned}\int \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} d\theta &= \int \left(\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \right) \left(\frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \right) d\theta \\ &= \int \csc \theta \cot \theta d\theta = -\csc \theta + C\end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 3 Evaluate $\int_0^3 (x^3 - 6x) dx$.

V EXAMPLE 4 Find $\int_0^2 \left(2x^3 - 6x + \frac{3}{x^2 + 1} \right) dx$ and interpret the result in terms of areas.

Figure 2 shows the graph of the integrand in Example 4. We know from Section 5.2 that the value of the integral can be interpreted as a net area: the sum of the areas labeled with a plus sign minus the area labeled with a minus sign.



EXAMPLE 5 Evaluate $\int_1^9 \frac{2t^2 + t^2\sqrt{t} - 1}{t^2} dt$.

$$\int_0^2 (2x - 3)(4x^2 + 1) \, dx$$

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$$\int_1^4 \frac{\sqrt{y} - y}{y^2} \, dy$$

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$$\int_0^1 x(\sqrt[3]{x} + \sqrt[4]{x}) \, dx$$

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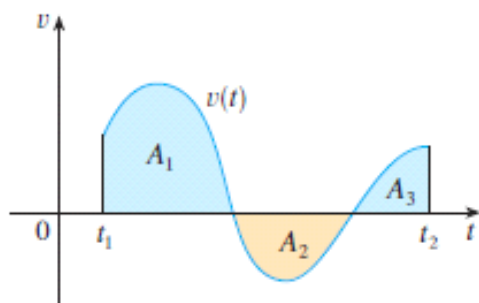
$$\int_0^1 (x^{10} + 10^x) \, dx$$

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Net Change Theorem The integral of a rate of change is the net change:

$$\int_a^b F'(x) \, dx = F(b) - F(a)$$

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} |v(t)| \, dt = \text{total distance traveled}$$



$$\text{displacement} = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} v(t) dt = A_1 - A_2 + A_3$$

$$\text{distance} = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} |v(t)| dt = A_1 + A_2 + A_3$$

- ▮ The acceleration of the object is $a(t) = v'(t)$, so

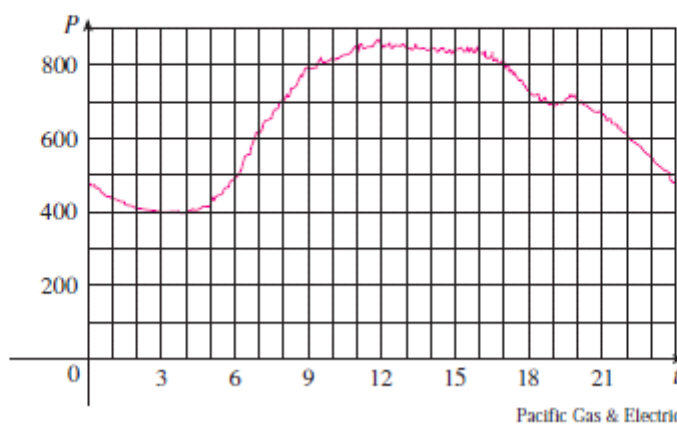
$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} a(t) dt = v(t_2) - v(t_1)$$

is the change in velocity from time t_1 to time t_2 .

V EXAMPLE 6 A particle moves along a line so that its velocity at time t is $v(t) = t^2 - t - 6$ (measured in meters per second).

- Find the displacement of the particle during the time period $1 \leq t \leq 4$.
- Find the distance traveled during this time period.

EXAMPLE 7 Figure 4 shows the power consumption in the city of San Francisco for a day in September (P is measured in megawatts; t is measured in hours starting at midnight). Estimate the energy used on that day.




SOLUTION Power is the rate of change of energy: $P(t) = E'(t)$. So, by the Net Change Theorem,

$$\int_0^{24} P(t) \, dt = \int_0^{24} E'(t) \, dt = E(24) - E(0)$$

is the total amount of energy used on that day. We approximate the value of the integral using the Midpoint Rule with 12 subintervals and $\Delta t = 2$:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{24} P(t) \, dt &\approx [P(1) + P(3) + P(5) + \cdots + P(21) + P(23)] \Delta t \\ &\approx (440 + 400 + 420 + 620 + 790 + 840 + 850 \\ &\quad + 840 + 810 + 690 + 670 + 550)(2) \\ &= 15,840 \end{aligned}$$

The energy used was approximately 15,840 megawatt-hours. 

59–60 The velocity function (in meters per second) is given for a particle moving along a line. Find (a) the displacement and (b) the distance traveled by the particle during the given time interval.

59. $v(t) = 3t - 5, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 3$

61–62 The acceleration function (in m/s^2) and the initial velocity are given for a particle moving along a line. Find (a) the velocity at time t and (b) the distance traveled during the given time interval.

61. $a(t) = t + 4, \quad v(0) = 5, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 10$

63. The linear density of a rod of length 4 m is given by $\rho(x) = 9 + 2\sqrt{x}$ measured in kilograms per meter, where x is measured in meters from one end of the rod. Find the total mass of the rod.

64. Water flows from the bottom of a storage tank at a rate of $r(t) = 200 - 4t$ liters per minute, where $0 \leq t \leq 50$. Find the amount of water that flows from the tank during the first 10 minutes.

A bacteria population is 4000 at time $t = 0$ and its rate of growth is $1000 \cdot 2^t$ bacteria per hour after t hours. What is the population after one hour?

61. Water is pumped into a cylindrical tank, standing vertically, at a decreasing rate given at time t minutes by

$$r(t) = 120 - 6t \text{ ft}^3/\text{min} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 10.$$

The tank has radius 5 ft and is empty when $t = 0$. Find the depth of water in the tank at $t = 4$.