

## [6.1] Antiderivatives, Rules of Integration

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

[e.g.]  $F(x) = x^3 + 1$  is an antiderivative of  $f(x) = 3x^2$  as  $F'(x) = 3x^2 = f(x)$

However, note that  $F(x) = x^3 + C$  ( $C$  is arbitrary constant)

is also an antiderivative of  $f(x)$ !

Theorem If  $F(x)$  is an anti-derivative of  $f(x)$ , then all anti-derivatives of  $f(x)$  must look like  $G(x) = F(x) + C$  ( $C$  - arbitrary constant),  
~~and~~ no others,

The process of finding all anti-derivatives of a function is called anti-differentiation or "integration" (we will use this terminology)

This, from our discussion, we have.

" $\int f(x) dx = F(x) + C$ " : Read as 'the

indefinite integral of  $f(x)$  is the family of functions  $F(x) + C$ ."

•  $\int$  : integral sign.

•  $\int f(x) dx$   
↳ Integrand: (the thing ~~inside~~ between ' $\int$ ' and ' $dx$ '; it is the function being integrated)

- The end result is called ~~the~~ 'integral of  $f$ '.

Warning: Do not omit ' $dx$ '.  $\int f(x)$  makes no sense!



Note If the function is of 't' instead of 'x'.

i.e.  $f(t)$ , then we write  $\int f(t) dt$

(Actually, t & x inside the integral are just "dummy variables").

e.g.  $\int 1 dx = x + C$ . (Why? because  
if  $F(x) = x + C$ .  
then  $F'(x) = 1$ )

$\int 1 dx$

Integrating again, we get:

$$\int (x + C) dx = \frac{x^2}{2} + Cx + C_1$$

(Check!)

## • Basic Integration Rules.

- $\int k dx = kx + C$  ( $k$  constant)

- $\int x^n dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C$  ( $n$  is any constant except  $n = -1$ )

- $\int x^{-1} dx = \int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln(|x|) + C, (x \neq 0)$

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

- $\int [f(x) \pm g(x)] dx = \int f(x) dx \pm \int g(x) dx.$

- $\int k f(x) dx = k \int f(x) dx$  (where  $k$  is any constant)

- No general rule for  $\int f(x)g(x) dx$ ,  $\int \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} dx$ ,  
 $\int f(g(x)) dx$  ..

① Multis... let's look at a few indefinite integrals.

Example ①  $\int \left( t^{-1/2} - e^t + \frac{1}{t} \right) dt$ .

$$= \int t^{-1/2} dt - \int e^t dt + \int \frac{1}{t} dt$$

$$= \frac{t^{-1/2+1}}{-1/2+1} - e^t + \ln(|t|) + C$$

$$= \frac{t^{1/2}}{1/2} - e^t + \ln(|t|) + C$$

(we can combine all the constants into a single one!)

$$= 2\sqrt{t} - e^t + \ln(|t|) + C.$$

Ans

②  $\int \frac{u-1}{u^2} du$ .

$$= \int \left( \frac{u}{u^2} - \frac{1}{u^2} \right) du.$$

$$= \int \left( \frac{1}{u} - \frac{1}{u^2} \right) du.$$

$$= \int \frac{1}{u} du - \int \frac{1}{u^2} du$$

$$= \ln(|u|) - \frac{u^{-2+1}}{-2+1} + C$$

$$= \ln(|u|) + \frac{1}{u} + C.$$

□



State T/F

$$\int (x^2+1)^2 dx = \frac{1}{3} (x^2+1)^3 + C.$$

Soln: False. Let  $F(x) = \frac{1}{3} (x^2+1)^3 + C.$

$$F'(x) = (x^2+1) 2x \neq (x^2+1)^2.$$

So, don't always rush and integrate. Differentiation is still your friend!

## Initial-Value Problem

You will be given a specific condition for the anti-derivative to satisfy; we have to solve a "differential equation" (an equation involving derivatives) with some (initial) condition satisfied.

[e.g.] Let  $f(x) = 3x^2 - 2x$ . Find the anti-derivative  $F(x)$  which also satisfies  $F(2) = 3$ .

[Soln]  $F(x) = \int f(x) dx = \int (3x^2 - 2x) dx = x^3 - x^2 + C$ .

$$3 = F(2) = 2^3 - 2^2 + C \Rightarrow C = -1.$$

So,  $F(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 1$ .

[e.g.] look at worksheet.