

Antiderivatives

Given a rate of change,

can you construct the original function?

I give you the rate at which water is draining from a tank. Can you reconstruct the amount of water in the tank?

Def: An antiderivative of a function

$f(x)$ is a function $F(x)$

such that $F'(x) = f(x)$.

Find an antiderivative of $f(x) = 0$

$$F'(x) = 0 \quad (\text{everywhere})$$

$f(x)$

$$F(x) = 1 \quad (\text{everywhere})$$

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

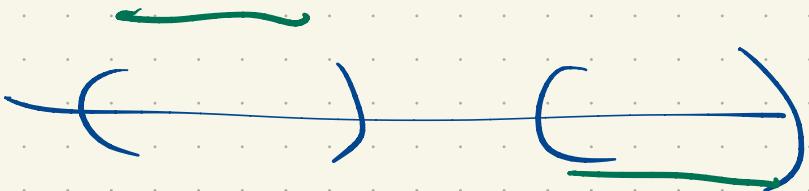
$F(x) = C$ for any constant C .

Are there any others?

If $F(x)$ is defined on an interval

and $F'(x) = 0$ (everywhere) then

$F(x)$ is constant.



Follows from Mean Value Theorem.

e.g. Find an antiderivative of x^3 .

Want $F(x)$ with $F'(x) = x^2$.

$$F(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3$$

$$F'(x) = \frac{1}{3}3x^2 = x^2 \quad \checkmark$$

Or, $F(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + q$.

$$F'(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + 0 = \frac{1}{3}x^3$$

Or, $F(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + C$ for
any constant C .

If $G(x)$ satisfies $G'(x) = x^2$

then $\frac{d}{dx} \left[G(x) - \frac{x^3}{3} \right] = x^2 - x^2 = 0$

$$G(x) - \frac{x^3}{3} = C$$

$$G(x) = \frac{x^3}{3} + C$$

(so long as $G(x)$ is defined on
an interval).

e.g. Find all antiderivatives of $\sin(x)$.

$$F(x) = -\cos(x)$$

$$F'(x) = -\frac{d}{dx} \cos(x) = -(-\sin(x)) = \sin(x)$$

$$F(x) = -\cos(x) + C$$

→ all antiderivatives

e.g.

Find

an

antiderivative of

all

$$\int x^2 + 7 \sin(x) \, dx$$

$$\frac{x^3}{3} + C_1$$

$$-\cos(x) + C_2$$

$$C_1 + 7C_2$$

$$F(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 - 7\cos(x) + C$$

Find an antiderivative of $-50e^{-t}$

$$F(t) = 50e^{-t}$$

Water is draining from a tank at a rate
of $50e^{-t}$ liters per minute. What is
the volume of water in the tank at time t ?

$V(t) \rightarrow$ volume of water in tank
at time t . (liters).

$$V'(t) = -50e^{-t}$$

$V(t)$ is an antiderivative of $-50e^{-t}$

$$V(t) = 50e^{-t} + C$$

$$V'(t) = 50(-1)e^{-t} + 0$$

$$= -50e^{-t}$$

If we know $V(0) = 300$ l

we can reconstruct $V(t)$ for all t .

$$V(t) = 50e^{-t} + C$$

$$V(0) = 300$$

$$\rightarrow V(0) = 50e^0 + C = 50 + C$$

$$50 + C = 300$$

$$C = 250$$

$$V(t) = 50e^{-t} + 250 \quad (l)$$

$$V(0) = 300$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} V(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (50e^{-t} + 250)$$

$$= 50 \cdot 0 + 250$$

$$= 250 \quad (l)$$

Eventually, the tank contains 250 l.