1 Derivatives

Given an expression $f(x) = x^2 + 5$, the derivative, f'(x), from first principle is given by:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{\delta x \to 0} \frac{f(x + \delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta x \to 0} \frac{(x + \delta x)^2 + 5 - (x^2 + 5)}{\delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta x \to 0} \frac{x^2 + 2x\delta x + \delta x^2 + 5 - (x^2 + 5)}{\delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta x \to 0} \frac{\cancel{\delta x}(2x + \delta x)}{\cancel{\delta x}}$$

$$f'(x) = 2x$$

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2 Integrals

Let $f:[a,b]\to R$ be a function defined in the closed interval [a,b] and with partitions

$$P = \{[x_0, x_1], [x_1, x_2], \dots [x_{n-1}, x_n]\}$$

such that

$$a = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 \dots x_n = b$$

A Riemann sum S is defined as:

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^{n} f(x_i^*) \Delta x_i \tag{3}$$

Now if f is integrable within the interval and Δx_i approaches zero, we have an integral:

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx = \lim_{\Delta x_i \to 0} S = \lim_{\Delta x_i \to 0} \sum_{i=1}^{n} f(x_i^*) \Delta x_i$$

$$\tag{4}$$

And finally, if F(x) is the integral of f(x), then

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = F(x) \Big|_a^b = \Big[F(x) \Big]_a^b$$