

4D-2 Show that the average value of $1/x$ over the interval $[a, 2a]$ is of the form C/a , where C is a constant independent of a . (Assume $a > 0$.)

$$\text{Average} = \frac{\int_a^{2a} \frac{1}{x}}{2a - a}$$

$$= \frac{\ln x \Big|_a^{2a}}{a}$$

$$= \frac{1}{a} (\ln 2a - \ln a)$$

$$= \frac{\ln 2}{a}$$

$$\ln 2a - \ln a$$

$$= \ln 2 + \ln a - \ln a$$

$$= \ln 2$$

4D-3 A point is moving along the x -axis, with distance function given by $x = s(t)$. Show that over a time interval $[a, b]$, the average value of its velocity $v(t)$ is the same as its average velocity over this interval.

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$$\text{Average velocity } v(t) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b v(t) dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} x = s(t) &\Rightarrow \text{Average velocity over } [a, b] \\ &= \frac{s(b) - s(a)}{b - a} \end{aligned}$$

With the First Fundamental Theorem of Calculus,

$$F(b) - F(a) = \int_a^b v(t) dt \text{ for some antiderivative } F.$$

$$\text{Since } \frac{d}{dt} s(t) = v(t), \text{ then } s(b) - s(a) = \int_a^b v(t) dt.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \text{Average velocity } v(t) &= \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b v(t) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{b-a} (s(b) - s(a)) \\ &= \frac{s(b) - s(a)}{b - a} \end{aligned}$$

\therefore The average value of $v(t)$ over $[a, b]$ is the average velocity over the same interval.

4D-5 If the average value of $f(t)$ between 0 and x is given by the function $g(x)$, express $f(x)$ in terms of $g(x)$.

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$$\text{Average} = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow g(x) = \frac{1}{x-0} \int_0^x f(t) dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x f(t) dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^x f(t) dt = x \cdot g(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow f(x) &= 1 \cdot g(x) + x \cdot g'(x) \\ &= g(x) + x \cdot g'(x) \end{aligned}$$