

Calculus 1B - Supervised Self Study exercises, week 1

1. Find the most general antiderivative¹ for each of the following functions. Check your answers by differentiation.

1.1 $f_1(x) = 2x^{-3}$

1.2 $f_2(x) = -x^{-3} + x^3 - 1$

1.3 $f_3(x) = \frac{2}{5x}$

1.4 $f_4(x) = 1 + \frac{4}{3x} - \frac{1}{x^2}$

¹See Theorem 8 on p. 280 of Thomas' Calculus for the definition of 'the most general antiderivative'

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2. 2.1 Graph the function $f(x) = x^3$ with $0 \leq x \leq 1$.

2.2 Solve Exercise 6 of Section 5.1 in the book.

2.3 Partition the interval $[0, 1]$ into n subintervals of equal width. Find a formula for the Riemann sum² for f on $[0, 1]$ corresponding to this partition, choosing the points c_k to be the right endpoints of the subintervals.

2.4 Evaluate $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^3}{n^4}$.

(Hint: See p. 309 for the sum of the first n cubes.)

2.5 Evaluate $\int_0^1 x^3 dx$.

²See the definition on p. 312 of Thomas' Calculus

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3. Study Example 2 on page 327 of Thomas' Calculus. Then calculate the following derivatives:

$$3.1 \quad \frac{d}{dx} \int_1^x 3t^2 dt$$

$$3.2 \quad \frac{d}{dx} \int_1^{\sin x} 3t^2 dt$$

$$3.3 \quad \frac{d}{dx} \int_x^1 \frac{1}{t^4 + 1} dt$$

$$3.4 \quad \frac{d}{dx} \int_{\sin x}^1 \frac{1}{t^4 + 1} dt$$

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4. Let f be the function given by $f(x) = 1 + \sqrt{1 - x^2}$.

4.1 Evaluate the integral $\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx$.

(Hint: You don't need to find the antiderivative of $1 + \sqrt{1 - x^2}$ to calculate this integral. Instead, start by graphing the function $f(x) = 1 + \sqrt{1 - x^2}$ and use the definition on p. 319.)

Let g be the function given by $g(x) = -2 + \sqrt{1 - x^2}$.

4.2 Compute the area of the region bounded by the x -axis, the lines $x = -1$ and $x = 1$, and the curve $y = g(x)$.

4.3 Evaluate the integral $\int_{-1}^1 g(x) dx$.