

Final Project due Monday April 18
on Canvas

Antiderivatives

Ex: Let $f(x) = x^2 + 3$.

Find a function whose derivative is $f(x)$.

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

Let's check that $g'(x) = f(x)$.

$$g'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{3}x^3 + 3x \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \cdot 3x^2 + 3 = x^2 + 3 \quad \checkmark$$

Def: An antiderivative of a function $f(x)$ is a function whose derivative is $f(x)$.

Note: A function can have more than 1 antiderivative!

Ex: $f(x) = x^2 + 3$.

$\frac{1}{3}x^3 + 3x$ is an antiderivative of $f(x)$

$\frac{1}{3}x^3 + 3x + 7$ is also an antiderivative of $f(x)$!

$\frac{1}{3}x^3 + 3x + 5$ are also antiderivatives of $f(x)$.

$\frac{1}{3}x^3 + 3x + \pi$

Ex: Find all antiderivatives of the constant function $f(x) = 0$.

Let $g(x)$ be an antiderivative of $f(x) = 0$.

Let's show that $g(x)$ is a constant function.

Choose numbers a and b . We want to show that $g(a) = g(b)$.

By the MVT, there is a number c between a and b such that

$$0 = f(c) = g'(c) = \frac{g(b) - g(a)}{b - a}$$

$$0 = g(b) - g(a)$$

$$g(a) = g(b).$$

We're done!

Every antiderivative of $f(x) = 0$ is a constant function.

Now, let's see that for any function $f(x)$,
any two antiderivatives of $f(x)$ differ by
a constant.

Why? Let $g_1(x), g_2(x)$ be antiderivatives
of $f(x)$.

This means $g_1'(x) = f(x)$ $g_2'(x) = f(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} [g_1(x) - g_2(x)] &= g_1'(x) - g_2'(x) \\ &= f(x) - f(x) = 0\end{aligned}$$

So $g_1(x) - g_2(x)$ is a constant C .

$$g_1(x) - g_2(x) = C$$

$$g_1(x) = g_2(x) + C.$$

Ex: Find ^{all} functions whose derivative is
 $f(x) = x^2 + 3$.

We already found one function whose derivative
is $f(x)$.

Namely, $g(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + 3x$

All antiderivatives of $f(x)$ are of the form:

$$\frac{1}{3}x^3 + 3x + C$$

Table of Antiderivatives:

$f(x)$	All antiderivatives of $f(x)$
0	C
m (constant function)	$mx + C$
x^n ($n \neq -1$)	$\frac{1}{n+1}x^{n+1} + C$
$\frac{1}{x}$	$\ln(x) + C$
e^x	$e^x + C$
$\cos(x)$	$\sin(x) + C$
$\sin(x)$	$-\cos(x) + C$
$\sec^2(x)$	$\tan(x) + C$
$\csc^2(x)$	$-\cot(x) + C$
$\sec(x)\tan(x)$	$\sec(x) + C$
$\csc(x)\cot(x)$	$-\csc(x) + C$

Ex: Let $f(x) = 3e^x + \cos(x) - 7x^5 + 3x$.

Find All antiderivatives of $f(x)$.

$$3e^x + \sin(x) - 7 \cdot \frac{1}{6}x^6 + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{2}x^2 + C$$

$$3e^x + \sin(x) - \frac{7}{6}x^6 + \frac{3}{2}x^2 + C$$

Let's check our answer.

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[3e^x + \sin(x) - \frac{7}{6}x^6 + \frac{3}{2}x^2 + C \right]$$

$$= 3e^x + \cos(x) - \frac{7}{6} \cdot 6x^5 + \frac{3}{2} \cdot 2x$$

$$= 3e^x + \cos(x) - 7x^5 + 3x = f(x) \quad \checkmark$$

Ex: Let $f(x) = 7\sec^2(x) + \frac{13}{x} - x^4$.

Find all antiderivatives of $f(x)$.

$$7 \tan(x) + 13 \cdot \ln(x) - \frac{1}{5}x^5 + C$$

Let's check that our answer is correct

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[7 \tan(x) + 13 \ln(x) - \frac{1}{5}x^5 + C \right]$$

$$= 7 \sec^2(x) + 13 \cdot \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{5} \cdot 5x^4 = f(x) \quad \checkmark$$

If you wanted to find an antiderivative of -

$$x \cdot \sin(x)$$

you need more tools.

or $\ln(x)$

or $\sec(x)$