

Indefinite Integrals

Part 1: Overview

Question: The derivative of what function (or functions) is $f'(x) = 3x^2$?

$$x^3 + C$$

The process of finding antiderivatives (as we did above) is called integration.

We would use the following notation to in the integration process:

Example 1: $\int 4x^3 dx = x^4 + C.$

Example 2: $\int 1 dx$, $\int x dx$, $\int x^2 dx$, $\int x^3 dx$, ...

$$\int 1 dx = x + C$$

$$\int x dx = \frac{x^2}{2} + C$$

$$\int x^2 dx = \frac{x^3}{3} + C$$

$$\int x^3 dx = \frac{x^4}{4} + C$$

Formula for antiderivatives: $\int x^n dx$

$$= \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C$$

Part 2: Examples (ad nauseum)

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Example 3: } \int 16x^9 dx &= \frac{16}{10} x^{10} + C \\ &= \frac{8}{5} x^{10} + C\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Example 4: } \int (x^4 - 9x^2 + 3) dx \\ &= x^5 - 3x^3 + 3x + C\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Example 5: } \int (17 + \sqrt[3]{x}) dx &= \int (17 + x^{1/3}) dx \\ &= 17x + \frac{3}{4} x^{4/3} + C\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Example 6: } \int \frac{6dx}{x^3} &= \int 6x^{-3} dx \\ &= \frac{6}{-2} x^{-2} + C \\ &= -\frac{3}{x^2} + C.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Example 7: } \int \left(3x^8 + \frac{4}{x^8} - \frac{5}{\sqrt[5]{x}}\right) dx &= \int 3x^8 + 4x^{-8} - 5x^{-1/5} dx \\ &= \frac{3}{9} x^9 + \frac{4}{-7} x^{-7} - \frac{5}{4/5} x^{4/5} + C \\ &= \frac{1}{3} x^9 - \frac{4}{7} x^{-7} - \frac{25}{4} x^{4/5} + C\end{aligned}$$

Part 2: Applications (time permitting)

Example 8: If the marginal revenue (\$/unit) for a month is given by $\overline{MR} = -0.3x + 450$, what is the total revenue from the production and sale of 50 units?

$$R(x) = \int (-0.3x + 450) dx$$

~~$$= -\frac{0.3x^2}{2} + 450x + C$$~~

$$= -\frac{0.3}{2} x^2 + 450x + C$$

Find C.

Example 9: Suppose a projectile is launched straight up with velocity given by $v(t) = 320 - 32t$ (measured in feet per second). After 10 seconds the projectile is ~~1000~~¹⁸⁰⁰ feet above the launch point. When does the object hit the ground?

position is the antiderivative of velocity
(except possibly differing by a const.).

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad p(t) &= \int v(t) dt \\ &= \int (320 - 32t) dt \\ &= 320t - 16t^2 + C \end{aligned}$$

(2) Find C .

$$p(10) = 1800 = 3200 - 1600 + C$$

$$\Rightarrow C = 200$$

$$(3) \text{ So } p(t) = -16t^2 + 320t + 200$$

using the quadratic formula...

$$t = \underbrace{-0.607}_{\text{unreasonable}} \quad \text{or} \quad t = 20.607$$

(4) The ~~ball~~^{object} hits after 20.607 seconds.