

Integrals: the story so far.

I. Summary.

Given a function $f(x)$, let $F(x)$ be an antiderivative for $f(x)$, meaning

$$F'(x) = f(x).$$

Then:

(A) The definite integral $\int_a^b f(x) dx$, which is the s signed area between $f(x)$ and the interval $[a, b]$ on the x-axis, is given by FTC:

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(x) \Big|_a^b = F(b) - F(a).$$

(B) The indefinite integral $\int f(x) dx$, which is the set of all antiderivatives of $f(x)$, is given by the COOL FACT of last time:

$$\int f(x) dx = F(x) + C$$

where C denotes an arbitrary constant.

II. Short table of indefinite integrals. (Here, a, b , and p are constants.)

(continued)

$f(x)$	$\int f(x) dx$	$f(x)$	$\int f(x) dx$
x^p	$\frac{x^{p+1}}{p+1} + C \quad (p \neq -1)$	e^{ax}	$\frac{e^{ax}}{a} + C \quad (a \neq 0)$
$\frac{1}{x}$	$\ln(x) + C$	b^x	$\frac{b^x}{\ln(b)} + C \quad (b > 0)$
$\sin(ax)$	$-\frac{\cos(ax)}{a} + C \quad (a \neq 0)$	$\frac{1}{1+x^2}$	$\arctan(x) + C$
$\cos(ax)$	$\frac{\sin(ax)}{a} + C \quad (a \neq 0)$		

Note that we can check the above table by differentiation:
e.g.

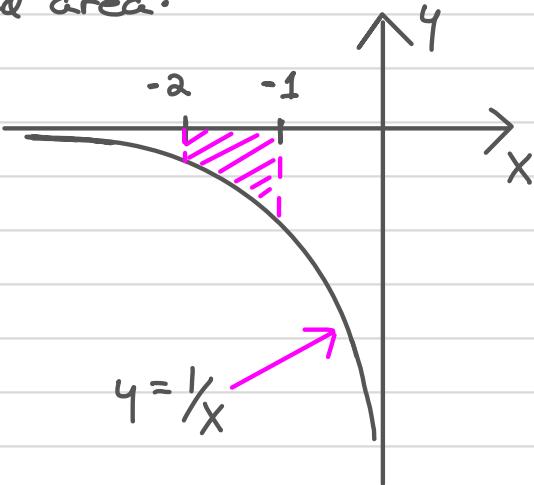
$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{\sin(ax) + C}{a} \right] &= \frac{1}{a} \frac{d}{dx} [\sin(ax)] + \frac{d}{dx} [C] \\ &= \frac{1}{a} \cdot \cos(ax) \cdot a + 0 = \cos(ax). \checkmark\end{aligned}$$

III. Examples: use the above table to find the indicated quantities.

$$(1) \int \left(\frac{3}{x^2} + 3x^2 - 3\sqrt{x} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{x}} \right) dx$$

$$(2) \int_0^{\pi/2} (\cos(2x) - 2\sin(x)) dx$$

(3) The signed area:



(4) The solution to the IVP

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+x^2} + e^{3x}, \quad y(0) = 2.$$

Solutions

$$(1) \int \left(\frac{3}{x^2} + 3x^2 - 3\sqrt{x} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{x}} \right) dx = \int (3x^{-2} + 3x^2 - 3x^{1/2} + 3x^{-1/2}) dx$$

$$= \frac{3x^{-1}}{-1} + \frac{3x^3}{3} - \frac{3x^{3/2}}{3/2} + \frac{3x^{1/2}}{1/2} + C = -3x^{-1} + x^3 - 2x^{3/2} + 6x^{1/2} + C.$$

$$(2) \int_0^{\pi/2} (\cos(2x) - 2\sin(x)) dx = \left(\frac{\sin(2x)}{2} + 2\cos(x) \right) \Big|_0^{\pi/2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\sin(2 \cdot \pi/2)}{2} + 2\cos(\pi/2) \right) - \left(\frac{\sin(2 \cdot 0)}{2} + 2\cos(0) \right)$$

$$= (\frac{0}{2} + 2 \cdot 0) - (\frac{0}{2} + 2) = -2.$$

(3) The signed area is

$$\int_{-2}^{-1} \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln(|x|) \Big|_{-2}^{-1} = \ln(|-1|) - \ln(|-2|)$$

$$= \ln(1) - \ln(2) = 0 - \ln(2) = -\ln(2) \approx -0.6931.$$

Note: without the absolute values, we'd be trying to evaluate things like $\ln(-2)$, which doesn't make sense.

(4) First, to get y from dy/dx , we antidifferentiate:

$$y = \int \left(\frac{1}{1+x^2} + e^{3x} \right) dx = \arctan(x) + \frac{e^{3x}}{3} + C. \quad (*)$$

Next, plug the initial condition into $(*)$, to find C :

$$2 = y(0) = \arctan(0) + \frac{e^{3 \cdot 0}}{3} + C = 0 + \frac{1}{3} + C = \frac{1}{3} + C.$$

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So

$$C = 2 - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{5}{3}.$$

So by (*),

$$y = \arctan(x) + \frac{e^{3x}}{3} + \frac{5}{3}.$$