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MAT122

Antiderivatives



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Antiderivatives - Intro

If f' is a derivative of f then f is an antiderivative of f'

Likewise, f' is an antiderivative of f''

Notation: or integral $\int f(x)dx$

A function F is called an antiderivative of f on some interval I if $F'(x) = f(x)$ for all x on I .

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

$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot 3x^2$$

$$g'(x) = x^2 \quad \therefore \text{ if } f(x) = x^2$$

$$\text{then } F(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 \quad \text{but ...}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + 1 \quad \textcolor{blue}{F}$$

$$g'(x) = x^2 \quad \textcolor{blue}{f}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + 7 \quad \textcolor{blue}{F}$$

$$g'(x) = x^2 \quad \textcolor{blue}{f}$$

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

$$g'(x) = x^2$$

where C is a constant

Common Antiderivatives

If F is an antiderivative of f on I then the **general antiderivative** of f on I is $F(x) + C$ where C is an arbitrary constant.

To find the general antiderivative of a function, determine what it is the derivative of and add **+ C**.

given $f(x) = e^x$

then $F(x) = e^x + C$

given $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ derivative of $\ln x$

then $F(x) = \ln|x| + C$ domain of $\ln x$ is $(0, \infty)$

$|x|$ restricts domain from $\frac{1}{x}$



Antiderivative of Power Function

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{if } f(x) = x^n \\ &\text{then } F(x) = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{ex. } f(x) = x^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } F(x) &= \frac{x^{2+1}}{2+1} + C \\ &= \boxed{\frac{x^3}{3} + C} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{ex. } f(x) = 8x^9 - 3x^6 + 12x^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } F(x) &= \frac{8x^{10}}{10} - \frac{3x^7}{7} + \frac{12x^4}{4} + C \\ &= \boxed{\frac{4}{5}x^{10} - \frac{3}{7}x^7 + 3x^4 + C} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{ex. } f(x) = \frac{10}{x^9}$$

$$= 10x^{-9}$$

$$F(x) = \frac{10x^{-8}}{-8} + C$$

$$= \boxed{-\frac{5}{4x^8} + C}$$

Antiderivative of Power Function - Do

Do: Find the general antiderivatives of the following:

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{if } f(x) = x^n \\ \text{then } F(x) = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C \end{array}$$

$$f(x) = 4x^3$$

then $F(x) =$

$$f(x) = 5x^9 - 14x^6 + 12x^3$$

then $F(x) =$

$$\text{ex. } f(x) = \frac{6}{x^2}$$

then $F(x) =$