

Indefinite integral

Recap:

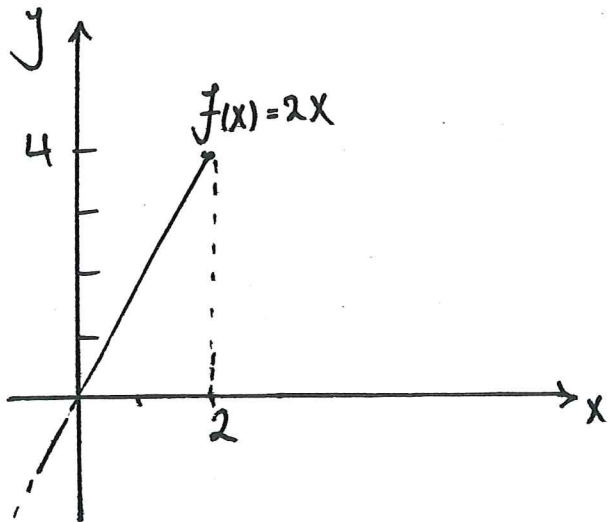
To find $\int_0^2 2x \, dx$, we can:

1) Use the definition (the hard way!):

Choose left/right Riemann sum

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \Delta x$$

2) Find the area under the graph $y = f(x)$:



$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^2 2x \, dx &= \text{Area of triangle} \\ &= \frac{4 \times 2}{2} = 4 \end{aligned}$$

3) Use the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus (FTC):

FTC roughly says, integration and differentiation are opposite each other!

To use FTC:

Find a function, $F(x)$, such that $F'(x) = f(x)$.

We call $F(x)$ an anti-derivative of $f(x)$.

Then FTC says:

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

In our example, $f(x) = 2x$.

Take $F(x) = x^2$, then we see $F'(x) = (x^2)' = 2x = f(x)$

So FTC implies:

$$\int_0^2 2x dx = \int_0^2 (x^2)' dx \stackrel{\text{FTC}}{=} (x^2) \Big|_0^2 = 2^2 - 0^2 = 4$$

But is x^2 the only anti-derivative of $2x$?

How about $x^2 + 8$? Check: $(x^2 + 8)' = (x^2)' + \underbrace{(8)'}_0 = 2x \checkmark$

How about $x^2 + \pi^e$? Check: $(x^2 + \pi^e)' = 2x \checkmark$

The general anti-derivative for $f(x)=2x$ is given by

$$F(x) = x^2 + C \text{ where } C \text{ is some constant}$$

In definite integral \longleftrightarrow The general anti-derivative

In definite integral: $\int 2x \, dx = x^2 + C$ for C some constant

Definite integral: $\int_0^2 2x \, dx = 4$

Another example:

$$\int x^2 \, dx = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + C \text{ where } C \text{ is a constant}$$

Check: $(\frac{1}{3}x^3 + C)' = \frac{1}{3}(3x^2) + 0 = x^2 \checkmark$

Also

$$\int e^x \, dx = e^x + C \text{ for some } C \text{ constant}$$

check: $(e^x + C)' = (e^x)' + (C)' = e^x + 0 = e^x$

Does this constant mess up "using FTC to find definite integrals"?

$$\int_0^2 2x \, dx = \int_0^2 (x^2 + 4)' \, dx$$

Some Constant

$$\text{FTC} \leftarrow = x^2 + 4 \Big|_0^2 = ((2)^2 + 4) - ((0)^2 + 4)$$

$$= 4 + 4 - 0 - 4 = 4 \checkmark$$

No matter C is, the answer is always the same!

So, FTC works for any anti-derivative.

Important remark:

When using FTC to solve definite integrals, you can take any anti-derivative (usually $C=0$)

But be careful, when solving an indefinite integral your answer must have constant C .

General anti-derivatives for some elementary functions:

$$\int x^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1} x^{n+1} + C \quad \text{where } C \text{ is a constant}$$

n ≠ -1, n is a rational number

$$\int e^x dx = e^x + C \quad \text{--- " ---}$$

$$\int \sin x dx = -\cos x + C \quad \text{--- " ---}$$

$$\int \cos x dx = \sin x + C \quad \text{--- " ---}$$

$$\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln |x| + C \quad \text{--- " ---}$$

absolute value as "ln" only takes positive values

Also, as before:

$$\int f(x) + g(x) dx = \int f(x) dx + \int g(x) dx$$

and

$$\int k f(x) dx = k \int f(x) dx \quad \text{where } k \text{ is a constant.}$$

Example 1:

Find the general anti-derivative of

$$f(x) = 9e^x + \frac{5}{\sqrt{x}} - 2\cos x + 5$$

$$\int f(x) dx = \int 9e^x + 5x^{-\frac{1}{2}} - 2\cos x + 5 dx$$

$$= \int 9e^x dx + \int 5x^{-\frac{1}{2}} dx + \int -2\cos x dx + \int 5 dx$$

$$= 9 \int e^x dx + 5 \int x^{-\frac{1}{2}} dx - 2 \int \cos x dx + 5 \int x^0 dx$$

one constant is enough!

$$= 9(e^x + C) + 5 \left(\frac{1}{-\frac{1}{2}+1} x^{-\frac{1}{2}+1} \right)$$

$$- 2(\sin x) + 5 \left(\frac{1}{0+1} x^1 \right)$$

just another constant say D

$$= 9e^x + 9C + 5 \left(2x^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) - 2\sin x + 5x^1$$

$$= 9e^x + 10x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2\sin x + 5x + D$$

where D is a constant.

where C is a Constant

Do not need to put different

Constant for each indefinite

integral, as sum of constants

is just another

constant

Example 2:

Use your answer to example 1 to find

$$\int_0^{\pi} 9e^x + \frac{5}{\sqrt{x}} - 2\cos x + 5 \, dx$$

by FTC $\leftarrow = 9e^x + 10x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2\sin x + 5x + D \Big|_0^{\pi}$

$$= [9e^{\pi} + 10\sqrt{\pi} - 2\sin(\pi) + 5(\pi) + D]$$

$$- [9e^0 + 10\frac{\sqrt{0}}{0} - 2\frac{\sin(0)}{0} + \frac{5(0)}{0} + D]$$

$$= 9e^{\pi} + 10\sqrt{\pi} - 0 + 5\pi + D$$

$$- [9 + 0 - 0 + 0 + D]$$

$$= 9e^{\pi} + 10\sqrt{\pi} + 5\pi - 9$$

Example 3:

$$\text{let } f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sin x + \sqrt{3} \cos x.$$

Find $F(x)$ such that $F'(x) = f(x)$ and $F(0) = 2$.

$$\int f(x) dx = \int \frac{1}{2} \sin x + \sqrt{3} \cos x dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \sin x dx + \sqrt{3} \int \cos x dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (-\cos x + C) + \sqrt{3} (\sin x) \quad C \text{ is a Constant}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \cos x + \sqrt{3} \sin x + P \quad \text{where } P \text{ is a Constant}$$

$$= F(x)$$

$$\star F(0) = 2$$

$$F(0) = -\frac{1}{2} \overset{1}{\cos(0)} + \sqrt{3} \overset{0}{\sin(0)} + P = -\frac{1}{2} + P \stackrel{(\star)}{=} 2$$

$$\Rightarrow P = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$F(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \cos x + \sqrt{3} \sin x + \frac{5}{2}$$