

3. Integrals

## Topic 3.A: Indefinite Integrals

"Integration = opposite to differentiation"

sometimes called "primitive"

Definition:

Let  $f, F: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  ( $I$  some interval),  $F$  differentiable. Then  $F$  is an antiderivative of  $f$  if  $F' = f$ .

Example:  $f(x) = x^2 \Rightarrow F(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3$  is an antiderivative, because  $F'(x) = x^2$ .

But note:  $G(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + 4$  is also an antiderivative.

We have:

Theorem:

$F$  and  $G$  are antiderivatives of  $f$  if and only if  $G = F + c$  for some  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Proof:

" $\Leftarrow$ " If  $G = F + c$ , then  $G' = (F + c)' = F' + \overset{=0}{c'} = F'$ , i.e.,  $F$  and  $G$  are antiderivatives of the same function.

" $\Rightarrow$ " Assume  $F' = f$  and  $G' = f$ . Define  $H = G - F$ ; then  $H' = G' - F' = f - f = 0$ .

By the mean-value theorem:  $\frac{H(y) - H(x)}{y - x} = \underbrace{H'(z)}_{=0}$  for some  $z \in (x, y)$ .

$\Rightarrow H(y) = H(x)$  for  $x \neq y$ , i.e.,  $H(x) = C$  for some  $C \in \mathbb{R}$ . □

Definition:

We call  $\int f(x) dx = F(x) + C$  the indefinite integral. Here,  $C \in \mathbb{R}$  is called "constant of integration."   
 here,  $F$  is an antiderivative of  $f$

Examples:

•  $\frac{d}{dx} x^{n+1} = (n+1)x^n$  for  $n \in \mathbb{R}, n \neq -1 \Rightarrow \int x^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1} x^{n+1} + C, n \neq -1.$

•  $\frac{d}{dx} \ln x = \frac{1}{x}$  for  $x > 0 \Rightarrow \int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln x + C, x > 0.$

Note: for  $x < 0$  we have  $\frac{d}{dx} \ln(-x) = -\frac{1}{(-x)} = \frac{1}{x}$ , so  $\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln|x| + C$  on any interval not including 0.

•  $\frac{d}{dx} \cos x = -\sin x, \frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x \Rightarrow \int \sin x dx = -\cos x + C$  and  $\int \cos x dx = \sin x + C.$

•  $\frac{d}{dx} e^x = e^x \Rightarrow \int e^x dx = e^x + C.$

•  $\frac{d}{dx} \tan x = \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \frac{(\sin x)' \cos x - \sin x (\cos x)'}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{1}{\cos^2 x}.$

$\Rightarrow \int \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} dx = \tan x + C.$

•  $\frac{d}{dx} \arctan x = \frac{1}{1+x^2} \Rightarrow \int \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \arctan x + C.$

recall derivative of inverse function

Next: rules of integration which follow from key rules of differentiation.

• Product rule:  $\frac{d}{dx} (F(x)g(x)) = F'(x)g(x) + F(x)g'(x)$

$$\Rightarrow F(x)g(x) = \int F'(x)g(x)dx + \int F(x)g'(x)dx$$

This is called "integration by parts":  $\int F'(x)g(x)dx = F(x)g(x) - \int F(x)g'(x)dx.$

Helpful when we know antiderivative of one fact. ( $F'$ ) and when it helps to take the derivative of the other ( $g$ ).

Example:  $\int e^x x dx = e^x x - \int e^x 1 dx = e^x x - e^x + c = e^x(x-1) + c.$

*(Note: In the original image, arrows point from  $e^x$  to  $F'$  and from  $x$  to  $g$  in both terms of the integral.)*

• Chain rule:  $\frac{d}{dx} F(u(x)) = F'(u(x))u'(x) = f(u(x))u'(x)$  ( $F' = f$  here).

This leads to "integration by substitution":  $\int f(u(x))u'(x)dx = F(u(x)) + c.$

Useful for memorization (not rigorous): write  $u'(x) = \frac{du}{dx} \Rightarrow u'(x)dx = du$

$$\Rightarrow \int f(u(x))u'(x)dx = \int f(u)du = F(u(x)) + c.$$

Examples:

•  $\int e^x \cos(e^x) dx = \int \cos(u)du = \sin(u(x)) + c = \sin(e^x) + c.$

*(Note: In the original image, an arrow points from  $e^x$  to  $u'(x)$  and a bracket under  $\cos(e^x)$  is labeled  $f(u(x))$ .)*

$(u(x) = e^x, u'(x) = e^x, f(y) = \cos(y))$

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot \int \underbrace{\sqrt{1+x^3}}_{f(u(x))} \cdot \underbrace{x^2}_{\frac{1}{3}u'(x)} dx &= \int f(u(x)) \frac{1}{3} u'(x) dx = \frac{1}{3} \int f(u) du = \frac{1}{3} \int \sqrt{u} du = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{3} u^{\frac{3}{2}} + C \\ &= \frac{2}{9} (1+x^3)^{\frac{3}{2}} + C. \end{aligned}$$

$$(u(x) = 1+x^3, u'(x) = 3x^2, f(y) = \sqrt{y})$$