

Section 5.7 Antiderivatives

Definition. Function $F(x)$ is called an **antiderivative** of $f(x)$ on an interval I if

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

for all $x \in I$.

Theorem 1. If F is an antiderivative of f on an interval I , then the most general antiderivative of f on I is

$$F(x) + C$$

where C is a constant.

Table of antidifferentiation formulas

| Function | Antiderivative |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| $af(x)$, a is a constant | $aF(x) + C$ |
| $f(x) + g(x)$ | $F(x) + G(x) + C$ |
| a , a is a constant | $ax + C$ |
| x | $\frac{x^2}{2} + C$ |
| x^n , $n \neq -1$ | $\frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C$ |
| $\frac{1}{x}$ | $\ln x + C$ |
| e^x | $e^x + C$ |
| a^x | $\frac{a^x}{\ln a} + C$ |
| $\sin x$ | $-\cos x + C$ |
| $\cos x$ | $\sin x + C$ |
| $\sec^2 x$ | $\tan x + C$ |
| $\csc^2 x$ | $-\cot x + C$ |
| $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ | $\sin^{-1} x + C$ |
| $\frac{1}{1+x^2}$ | $\tan^{-1} x + C$ |

Example 1. Find the most general antiderivative of the function.

(a.) $f(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 + 17$

(b.) $f(t) = \sin t - \sqrt{t}$

(c.) $f(x) = (1 + x^2)\sqrt[3]{x^2}$

(d.) $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + x + 1}{x}$

(e.) $f(x) = x^e + \frac{5}{1 + x^2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}$

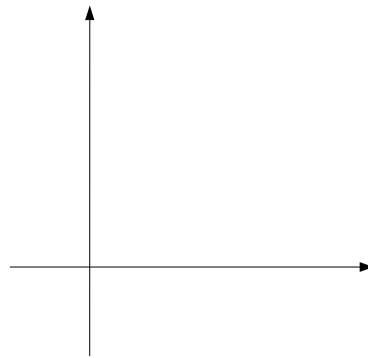
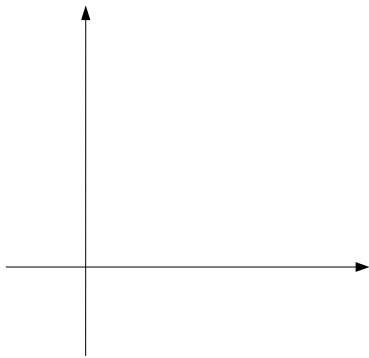
Example 2. Find $f(x)$ if

(a.) $f'(x) = 3\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}, f(1) = 2$

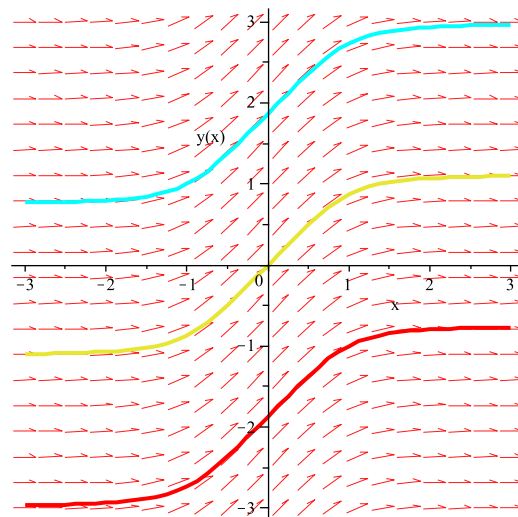
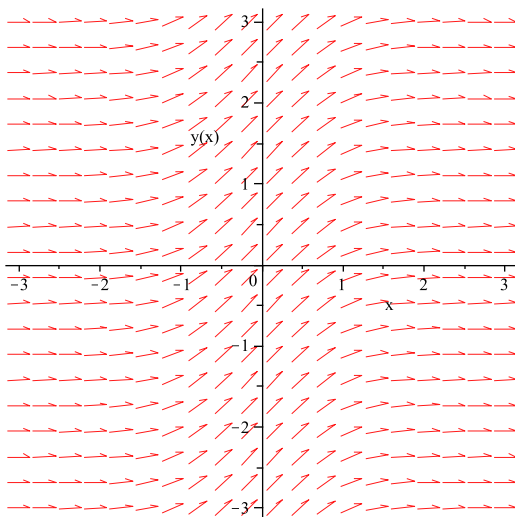
(b.) $f''(x) = x, f(0) = -3, f'(0) = 2$

The geometry of antiderivatives

Example 3. Given the graph of a function $f(x)$. Make a rough sketch of of an antiderivative of F , given that $F(0) = 0$.



Example 4. If $f(x) = 1/(x^4 + 1)$, sketch the graph of those antiderivatives F that satisfy the initial conditions $F(-1) = 1, F(0) = 0, F(1) = -1$.



Rectilinear motion

If the object has a position function $s = s(t)$, then

$v(t) = s'(t)$ (the position function is an antiderivative for the velocity function),

$a(t) = v'(t)$ (the velocity function is an antiderivative to the acceleration function)

Example 5. A particle is moving with the acceleration $a(t) = 3t + 8$, $s(0) = 1$, $v(0) = -2$. Find the position of the particle.

Antiderivatives of vector functions

Definition. A vector function $\vec{R}(t) = \langle X(t), Y(t) \rangle$ is called **an antiderivative** of $\vec{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle$ on an interval I if $\vec{R}'(t) = \vec{r}(t)$ that is, $X'(t) = x(t)$ and $Y'(t) = y(t)$.

Theorem 2. If \vec{R} is an antiderivative of \vec{r} on an interval I , then the most general antiderivative of \vec{r} on I is

$$\vec{R} + \vec{C}$$

where \vec{C} is an arbitrary constant vector.

Example 6. Find the vector-function that describe the position of particle that has an acceleration $\vec{a}(t) = \cos t\vec{i} + e^t\vec{j}$ and $\vec{v}(0) = \vec{i} + \vec{j}$, $\vec{r}(0) = \vec{0}$.