

## Section 4.9 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.)  $f(x) = x^e + \frac{5}{1 + x^2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}$

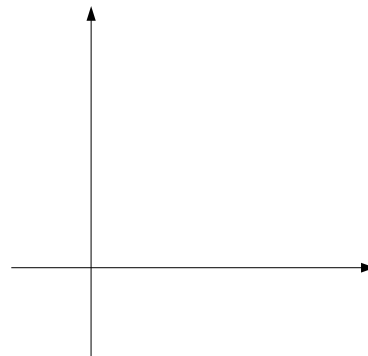
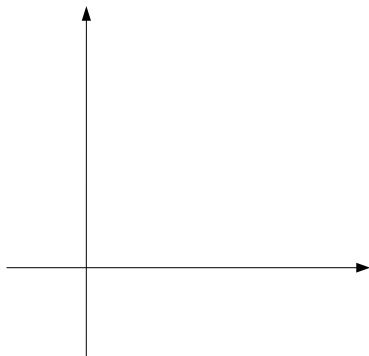
**Example 2.** Find  $f(x)$  if

(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**

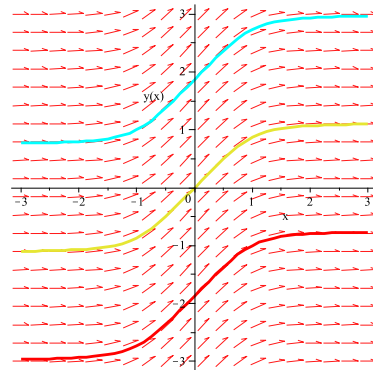
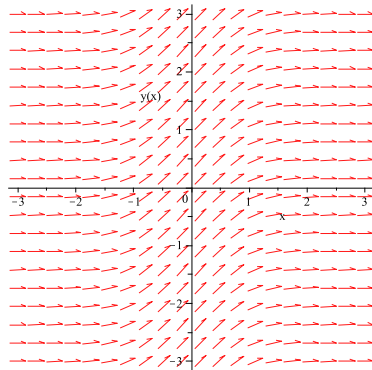
**Example 3.** Given the graph of a function  $f(x)$ . Make a rough sketch of of an antiderivative of  $F$ , given that  $F(0) = 0$ .



**Example 4.** If

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^4 + 1},$$

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

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

$$\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{C}$$

where  $\mathbf{C}$  is an arbitrary constant vector.

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