

1 Theorem

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

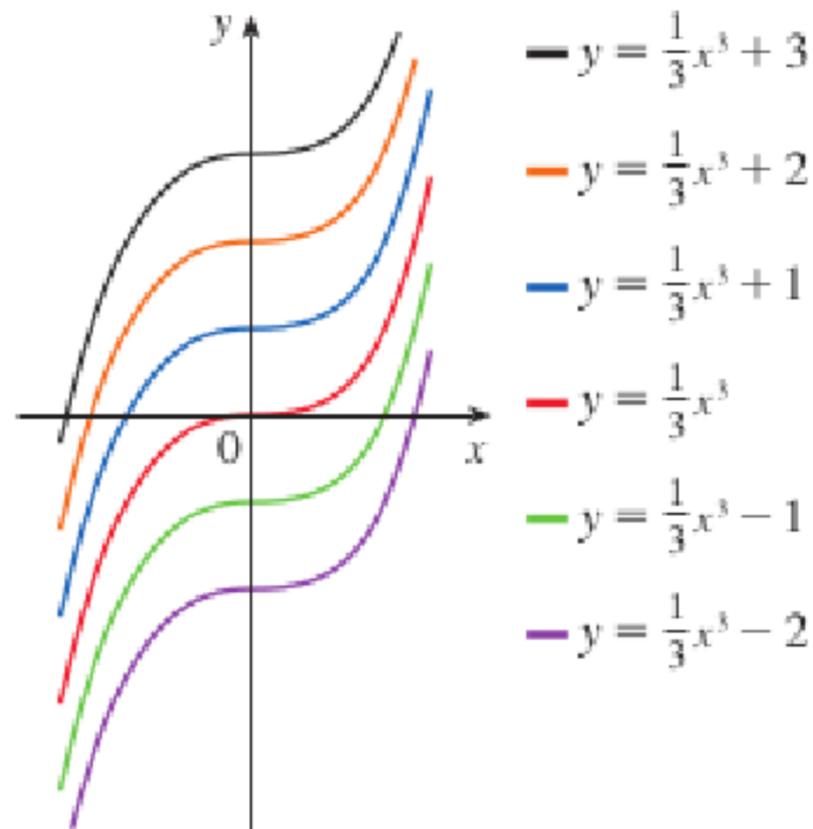
where C is an arbitrary constant.

$$F(x) + C$$

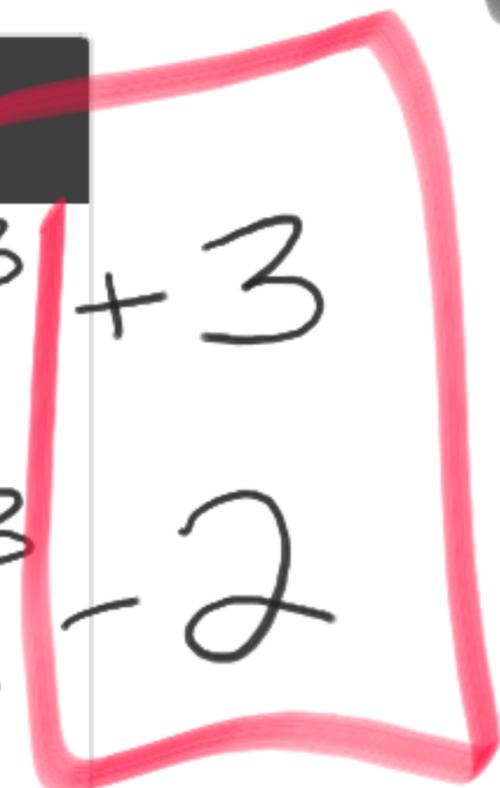
$$y' = x^2$$



Figure 1



$$y = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + 3$$
$$y = \frac{1}{3}x^3 - 2$$



Example 1

Find the most general antiderivative of each of the following functions.

(a) $f(x) = \sin x$

$$f'(x) = \sin x$$

$$f(x) = -\cos x + C$$

(b) $f(x) = 1/x$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$f(x) = \ln |x| + C$$

(c) $f(x) = x^n, n \neq -1$

$$f'(x) = nx^{n-1}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x^n}{n} + C$$

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

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

$$x^5$$

$$\textcircled{5} \times \textcircled{4}$$

$$\frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

$$x^n$$

$$x^n (n \neq -1)$$

$$\frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

$$\frac{1}{x}$$

$$\ln |x|$$

$$e^x$$

$$e^x$$

$$b^x$$

$$\frac{b^x}{\ln b}$$

$$\cos x$$

$$\sin x$$

$\sec x \tan x$

$\sec x$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$\sin^{-1} x$

$$\frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

$\tan^{-1} x$

$\cosh x$

$\sinh x$

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$$g'(x) = 4 \sin x + \frac{2x^5 - \sqrt{x}}{x}$$

$$\frac{2x^5}{x} - \frac{x^{1/2}}{x}$$

$$g'(x) = 4 \sin x + 2x^4 - x^{-1/2}$$

$$g(x) = 4(-\cos x) + 2\left(\frac{x^5}{5}\right) - \left(\frac{x^{1/2}}{1/2}\right)$$

$$g(x) = -4\cos x + \frac{2}{5}x^5 - 2\sqrt{x} + C$$

Find f if $f'(x) = e^x + 20(1+x^2)^{-1}$ and $f(0) = -2$

$$f'(x) = e^x + 20(1+x^2)^{-1}$$

$$= e^x + 20\left(\frac{1}{1+x^2}\right)$$

$$f(x) = e^x + 20 \tan^{-1} x + C \quad f(0) = -2$$

$$f(0) = -2 = e^0 + 20 \tan^{-1}(0) + C$$

$$\begin{array}{l} -2 = 1 + C \\ -3 = C \end{array} \quad \left| \quad f(x) = \boxed{e^x + 20 \tan^{-1}(x) - 3} \right.$$

Find f if $f''(x) = 12x^2 + 6x - 4$, $f(0) = 4$, and $f(1) = 1$

$$f''(x) = 12x^2 + 6x - 4 \times 0$$

$$f'(x) = 12\left(\frac{x^3}{3}\right) + 6\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right) - 4x + C$$

$$= 4x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x + C$$

$$f(x) =$$

$$= 4x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x + C$$

$$f(x) = 4\left(\frac{x^4}{4}\right) + 3\left(\frac{x^3}{3}\right) - 4\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right) + Cx + D$$

$$f(0) = 4$$

$$f(x) = x^4 + x^3 - 2x^2 + Cx + D$$

$$f(1) = 1$$

$$f(0) = 4 = D$$

$$f(x) = x^4 + x^3 - 2x^2 + Cx + 4$$

$$1 = C + 4$$

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

$$-3 = C$$

A particle moves in a straight line and has acceleration given by $a(t) = 6t + 4$. Its initial velocity is $v(0) = -6$ cm/s and its initial displacement is $s(0) = 9$ cm. Find its position function $s(t)$.

Position $s(t)$
velocity $v(t) = s'(t)$
acceleration $a(t) = s''(t)$

$$a(t) = 6t + 4 \qquad v(0) = -6 \qquad s(0) = 9 \qquad s(t) =$$

$$a(t) = 6t + 4$$

$$v(0) = -6$$

$$s(0) = 9$$

$$s(t) =$$

$$v(t) = 6\left(\frac{t^2}{2}\right) + 4t + C$$

$$v(t) = 3t^2 + 4t + C$$

$$v(t) = 3t^2 + 4t - 6$$

$$v(0) = -6$$

$$C = -6$$

$$v(t) = 3t^2 + 4t - 6$$

$$s(t) = 3 \left(\frac{t^3}{3} \right) + 4 \left(\frac{t^2}{2} \right) - 6t + C$$

$$s(t) = t^3 + 2t^2 - 6t + C$$

$$s(0) = 9$$

$$C = 9$$

$$s(t) = t^3 + 2t^2 - 6t + 9$$