
6.4 Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

What you will learn about . . .

- Fundamental Theorem, Part 1 *
- Graphing the Function $\int_a^x f(t) dt$
- Fundamental Theorem, Part 2
- Area Connection
- Analyzing Antiderivatives Graphically and why . . .

The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus is a triumph of mathematical discovery and the key to solving many problems.

THEOREM 4 The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, Part 1

If f is continuous on $[a, b]$ then the function

$$F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$$

has a derivative at every point x in $[a, b]$, and

$$\frac{dF}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \int_a^x f(t) dt = f(x)$$

*a more indepth proof is on pages 298.

$F(x)$ = original
 $f(t)$ = derivative of $F(x)$

EXAMPLE 1 Applying the Fundamental Theorem

Find

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_{-\pi}^x \cos t dt$$

by using the Fundamental Theorem.

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$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_0^x \frac{1}{1+t^2} dt$$

EXAMPLE 2 The Fundamental Theorem with the Chain Rule

Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ if $y = \int_1^{x^2} \cos t dt$.

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_1^{x^2} \cos t dt = \cos(x^2) \cdot 2x$$
$$2x \cos(x^2)$$

EXAMPLE 3 Variable Lower Limits of Integration

Find dy/dx

(a) $y = \int_x^5 3t \sin t dt$

The handwritten solution shows the integral $\int_x^5 3t \sin t dt$ with a green 'X' mark above it. A blue arrow points from the upper limit '5' to the term $3t \sin t dt$. Another blue arrow points from the lower limit 'x' to the same term. A red 'd' is written above the differential dt , and a red 'dx' is written next to the variable x . Below the integral, a blue box contains the result: $-3x \sin x$.

Find dy/dx : (b) $y = \int_{2x}^{x^2} \frac{1}{2 + e^t} dt$

$$\frac{1}{2+e^{x^2}} \cdot 2x - \frac{1}{2+e^{2x}} \cdot 2$$

$\frac{2x}{2+e^{x^2}} - \frac{2}{2+e^{2x}}$

EXAMPLE 4 Constructing a Function with a Given Derivative and Value

Find a function $y = f(x)$ with derivative

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \tan x$$

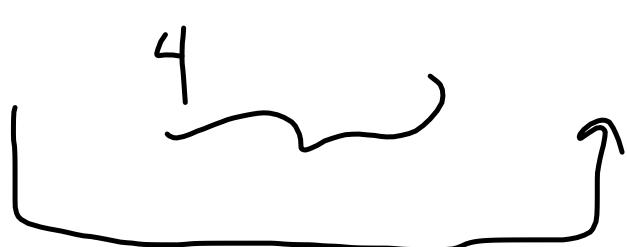
that satisfies the condition $f(3) = 5$.

$$y = \int \tan t dt + C$$

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$$y = 0 + 5$$
$$y = 5$$

Example: Construct a function with $dy/dx = e^x$ satisfying the condition that $f(4) = -7$.

$$y = \int e^t dt - 7$$


A hand-drawn sketch of a wavy curve starting at a vertical line labeled '4'. The curve is drawn with a wavy line, indicating it is a function of x. An arrow points from the right side of the curve towards the right.

Example: #10 Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ if:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \cancel{\frac{d}{dt}} \cot(3t) \cancel{\frac{dt}{dx}}$$
$$\cot(3x^2) \cdot 2x$$
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x \cot(3x^2)$$

Example: #16 Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ if:

$$y = \int_{5x^2}^{25} \frac{t^2 - 2t + 9}{t^3 + 6} dt$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} y \quad \frac{d}{dx} \left(\int_{5x^2}^{25} \frac{t^2 - 2t + 9}{t^3 + 6} dt \right)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = - \frac{(5x^2)^2 - 2(5x^2) + 9}{(5x^2)^3 + 6} \cdot 10x$$

$$- \frac{10x}{1} \cdot \frac{25x^4 - 10x^2 + 9}{125x^6 + 6}$$

$$- 10x \underbrace{(25x^4 - 10x^2 + 9)}_{125x^6 + 6}$$

$$125x^6 + 6$$

$$\boxed{\frac{-250x^5 + 100x^3 - 90x}{125x^6 + 6}}$$

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