

Anti-differentiation

Standard notation for anti-differentiation of function $f(x)$ is $\int f(x)dx$. Anti-differentiation is the reverse process of differentiation. Anti-differentiation and differentiation 'undo' each other.

$\frac{d}{dx}(\int f(x)dx) = f(x)$ and $\int\left(\frac{d}{dx}(f(x))\right)dx = f(x) + C$, where C is a constant. The inclusion of C in the second expression is due to the fact that $\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) + C) = \frac{d}{dx}(f(x))$.

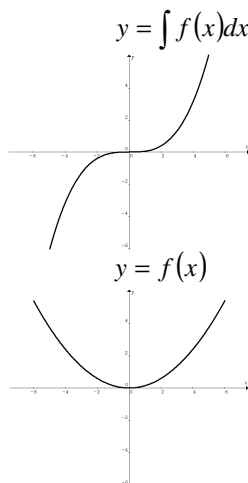
$f(x) + C$	$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x) + C)$
$x^2 - 1000000$	$2x$
x^2	$2x$
$x^2 + 1000000$	$2x$

Relation between graph of anti-derivative function and graph of original function

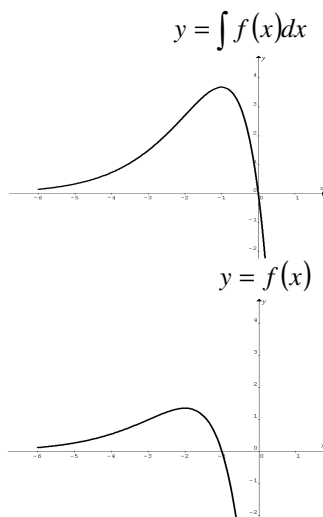
Since $\frac{d}{dx}(\int f(x)dx) = f(x)$, \therefore the gradient of the graph of the anti-derivative function gives the value of the original function. This is the same relationship as the graph of $f(x)$ and the graph of $f'(x)$ discussed previously).

There are infinitely many anti-derivative graphs that correspond to the graph of the original function.

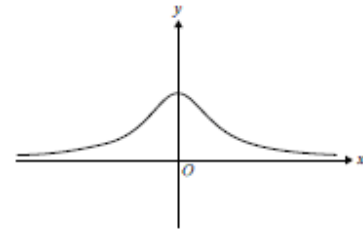
Example 1



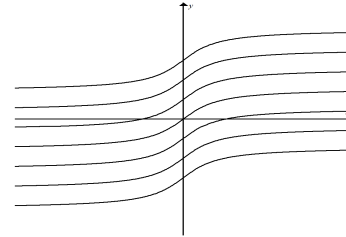
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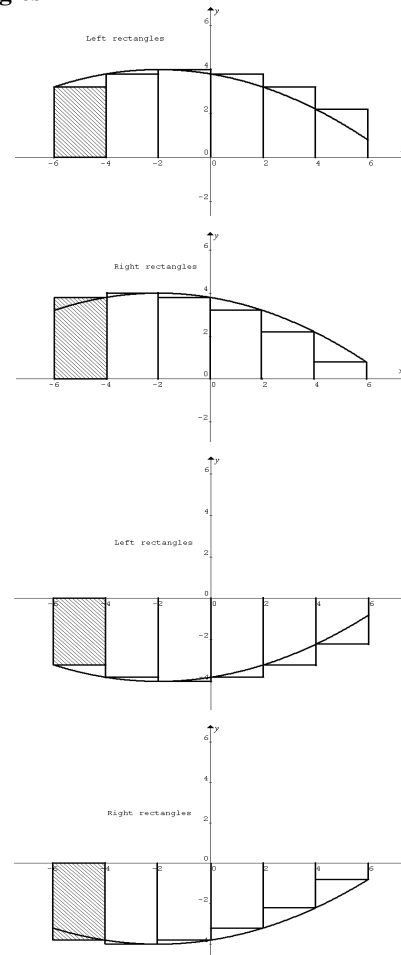
Example 3 The graph of $y = f(x)$ is shown below. Sketch a graph of $y = \int f(x)dx$.



There are infinitely many anti-derivative graphs that correspond to the graph of $y = f(x)$. Take any one of the following graphs.



Approximate area 'under' a curve by left rectangles and right rectangles



Example 4 Estimate the area bounded by the curve $y = -0.05(x+2)^2 + 4$, the x -axis, $x = -6$ and $x = 6$ by left rectangles 2 units wide.

The first left rectangle has $y = f(-6) = 3.2$ as its height, the height of the second left rectangle $f(-4) = 3.8$, the third $f(-2) = 4$, etc.

Area $\approx 3.2 \times 2 + 3.8 \times 2 + 4 \times 2 + 3.8 \times 2 + 3.2 \times 2 + 2.2 \times 2$
 $= (3.2 + 3.8 + 4 + 3.8 + 3.2 + 2.2) \times 2 = 40.4$ square units.

Example 5 Estimate the area bounded by the curve $y = -0.05(x+2)^2 + 4$, the x -axis, $x = -6$ and $x = 6$ by right rectangles 2 units wide.

The first right rectangle has $y = f(-4) = 3.8$ as its height, the height of the second right rectangle $f(-2) = 4$, the third $f(0) = 3.8$, etc.

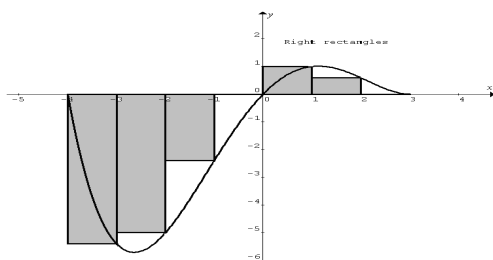
$$\text{Area} \approx 3.8 \times 2 + 4 \times 2 + 3.8 \times 2 + 3.2 \times 2 + 2.2 \times 2 + 0.8 \times 2 = (3.8 + 4 + 3.8 + 3.2 + 2.2 + 0.8) \times 2 = 35.6 \text{ square units.}$$

Note: The average of the above two results give a better estimate of the required area, i.e. $\frac{40.2 + 35.6}{2} = 37.9$ square units.

Using CAS/graphics calculator, $\int f(x)dx = 38.4$ square units.

Example 6 Using right rectangles of unit width, estimate the area bounded by the curve $y = 0.1x(x+4)(x-3)^2$ and the x -axis.

The given function is in factorised form, the linear factors indicate the location of the x -intercepts: $x = -4, 0, 3$. The point at $x = 3$ is a turning point.

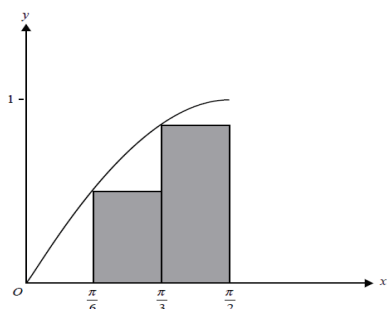


For $-4 \leq x \leq 0$, $f(x) \leq 0$, \therefore the height of a rectangle $= |f(a)|$ for $-4 \leq a \leq 0$.

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
$ f(x) $	5.4	5	2.4	0	1	0.6	0

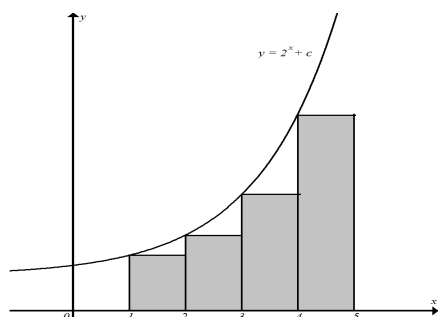
$$\text{Area} \approx (5.4 + 5 + 2.4 + 0 + 1 + 0.6 + 0) \times 1 = 14.4 \text{ square units.}$$

Example 7 The area under the curve $y = \sin(x)$ between $x = 0$ and $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ is approximated by two rectangles as shown. Find this approximation to the area.



$$\text{Area} \approx \left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{(1 + \sqrt{3})\pi}{12}$$

Example 8 (2013 VCAA Exam 2)



Consider the graph of $y = 2^x + c$, where c is a real number. The area of the shaded rectangles is used to find an approximation to the area of the region that is bounded by the graph, the x -axis and the lines $x = 1$ and $x = 5$. Find c if the total area of the shaded rectangles is 44.

$$(2^1 + c) \times 1 + (2^2 + c) \times 1 + (2^3 + c) \times 1 + (2^4 + c) \times 1 = 44$$

$$(2 + c) + (4 + c) + (8 + c) + (16 + c) = 44$$

$$30 + 4c = 44, \therefore 4c = 14, c = \frac{7}{2}$$

The fundamental theorem of calculus

If $F(x)$ is any anti-derivative of $f(x)$ on interval $[a, b]$, i.e.

$$F(x) = \int f(x)dx, \text{ then } \int_a^b f(x)dx = F(b) - F(a).$$

This statement is known as the fundamental theorem of calculus.

$\int_a^b f(x)dx$ is called a **definite integral**, and $\int f(x)dx$, an anti-derivative of $f(x)$ is also called an **indefinite integral**.

Example 9 Given the anti-derivative of $f(x)$ is

$$\sin x + \frac{x^2 + 1}{5}, \text{ evaluate } \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} f(x)dx.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} f(x)dx &= \left(\sin \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi^2 + 4}{20} \right) - \left(\sin(0) + \frac{1}{5} \right) \\ &= 1 + \frac{\pi^2 + 4}{20} - \frac{1}{5} = \frac{\pi^2}{20} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Example 10 Given the anti-derivative of $g(x)$ is $\frac{\log_e(x+1)}{x+1}$,

$$\text{evaluate } \int_0^1 g(x)dx.$$

$$\int_0^1 g(x)dx = \frac{\log_e 2}{2} - \frac{\log_e 1}{1} = \frac{1}{2} \log_e 2 \text{ or } \log_e \sqrt{2}.$$

An intermediate step is usually added before the substitutions of

$$a \text{ and } b. \int_a^b f(x)dx = [F(x)]_a^b = F(b) - F(a).$$

Example 11 The anti-derivative of $h(x)$ is $\sin^2 x - \frac{1}{\cos^2 x}$, find

an expression for $\int_0^t h(x)dx$ in terms of t , where $0 < t < \frac{\pi}{2}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t h(x)dx &= \left[\sin^2 x - \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} \right]_0^t = \left(\sin^2 t - \frac{1}{\cos^2 t} \right) - \left(0 - \frac{1}{\cos^2 0} \right) \\ &= \sin^2 t - \frac{1}{\cos^2 t} + 1. \end{aligned}$$

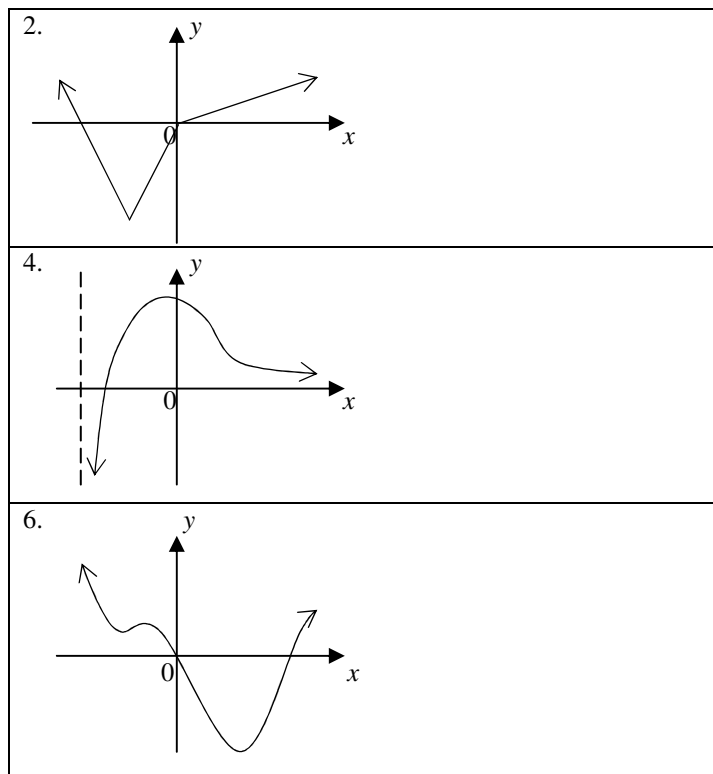
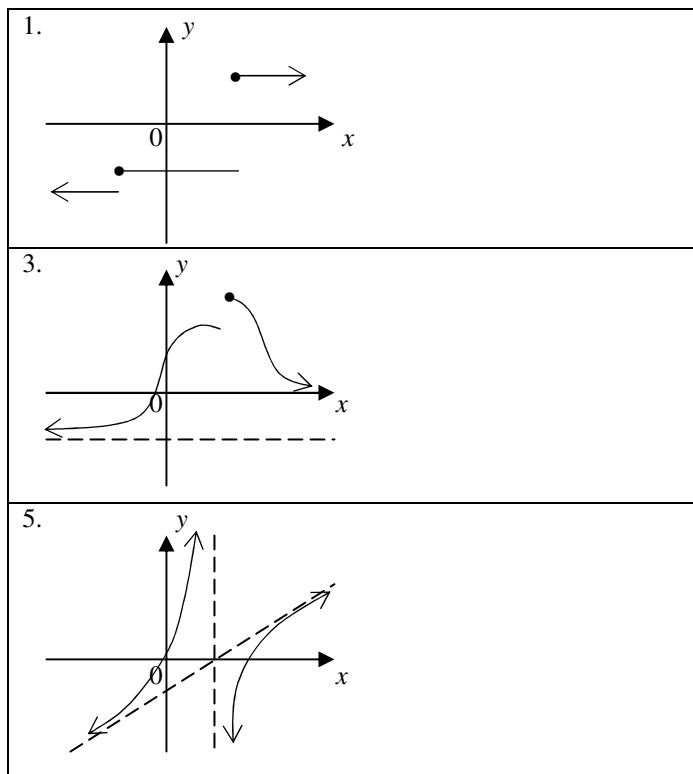
Example 12 Given the derivative of $\sin^{-1}(x^2)$ is $\frac{2x}{\sqrt{1-x^4}}$,

$$\text{evaluate } \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \frac{2x}{\sqrt{1-x^4}} dx.$$

$$\int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \frac{2x}{\sqrt{1-x^4}} dx = \left[\sin^{-1}(x^2) \right]_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \sin^{-1}(0) = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

Exercise: Next page

Q1 to 6. Deduce the graph of gradient function $f'(x)$ from the given graph of function $f(x)$.



Q7 to 12. Deduce the graph of the original function $f(x)$ from the given graph of $f'(x)$ or an anti-derivative function $F(x)$.

