

# Calculus Section 4.1 Antiderivatives and Indefinite Integration

- Write the general solution of a differential equation.
- Use indefinite integral notation for antiderivatives.
- Use basic integration rules to find antiderivatives.

Homework: page 251 #'s 11 - 23, 69, 72, 73, 74

## Antiderivatives

A function  $f(x)$  is an **antiderivative** of  $g(x)$  if  $f'(x) = g(x)$  for all  $x$ .

### Example)

If  $f(x) = 3x^2$ , what is the antiderivative of  $f(x)$ ?

$x^3$  because the derivative of  $x^3$  is  $\frac{d}{dx}[x^3] = 3x^2$

The antiderivative for the function  $f(x)$  is just an antiderivative not the antiderivative. There can be infinitely many antiderivatives for any function  $f(x)$ .

### Example)

What is the antiderivative of  $f(x) = 4x^3$ ?

$x^4 + 3$  or  $x^4 - 5$  or  $x^4 + \pi$  or  $x^4 + e$

$x^4 + C$   
where  $C$  is any constant

\*\*\*\*\*The antiderivative MUST have a  $+C$ , the constant of integration.\*\*\*\*\*

The operation of finding the antiderivative is called **antidifferentiation** or indefinite integration.

Integral symbol      variable of integration

$$\int \underbrace{f'(x)}_{\text{Integrand}} dx = f(x) + C$$

constant of integration

**Basic Integration Rules** (other examples found on p. 246 and inside the front cover of the book)

$$\int 0 dx = 0x + C = C$$

$$\int k dx = kx + C$$

$$\int kf'(x) dx = k \int f(x) dx = k f(x) + C$$

$$\int [f'(x) + g'(x)] dx = f(x) + g(x) + C$$

$$\int x^n dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \leftarrow \text{integration "power rule"}$$

Examples)

Integrate the following functions to find the antiderivative.

1)  $\int 3x dx$

$$\frac{3}{2}x^2 + C$$

2)  $\int \frac{1}{x^2} dx$

$$\int x^{-2} dx$$

$$\frac{x^{-1}}{-1} + C$$

$$-\frac{1}{x} + C$$

3)  $\int \sqrt{t} dt$

$$\int t^{1/2} dt$$

$$\frac{t^{3/2}}{3/2} + C$$

$$\frac{2}{3}t^{3/2} + C$$

4)  $\int (y+2) dy$

$$\frac{1}{2}y^2 + 2y + C$$

5)  $\int (2\theta^2 - 3\theta + 1) d\theta$

$$\frac{2}{3}\theta^3 - \frac{3}{2}\theta^2 + \theta + C$$

6)  $\int \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x}} dx$

$$\int \left( \frac{x}{\sqrt{x}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right) dx$$

$$\int (x^{1/2} + x^{-1/2}) dx$$

$$\frac{2}{3}x^{3/2} + 2x^{1/2} + C$$