Chapter 5. Integration

5.4 The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

Theorem 3. The Mean Value Theorem for Definite Integrals.

If f is continuous on [a, b], then at some point c in [a, b],

$$f(c) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) \, dx.$$

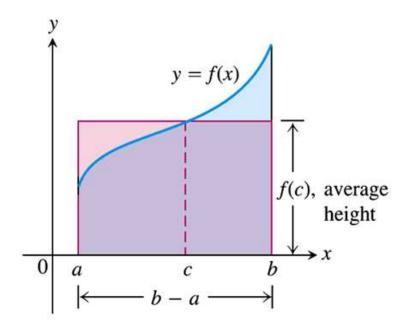


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Proof of Theorem 3. By the Max-Min Inequality from Section 5.3, we have

$$\min f \le \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) \, dx \le \max f.$$

Since f is continuous, f must assume any value between min f and max f, including $\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$ by the Intermediate Value Theorem. Q.E.D.

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

$$\frac{dF}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \left[\int_a^x f(t) \, dt \right] = f(x).$$

Proof. Notice that

$$F(x+h) - F(x) = \int_{a}^{x+h} f(t) dt - \int_{a}^{x} f(t) dt = \int_{x}^{x+h} f(t) dt.$$

So

$$\frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h} = \frac{1}{h} [F(x+h) - F(x)] = \frac{1}{h} \int_{x}^{x+h} f(t) dt.$$

Since f is continuous, Theorem 2 implies that for some $c \in [x, x+h]$ we have

$$f(c) = \frac{1}{h} \int_{x}^{x+h} f(t) dt.$$

Since $c \in [x, x+h]$, then $\lim_{h\to 0} f(c) = f(x)$ (since f is continuous at x). Therefore

$$\frac{dF}{dx} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h}$$
$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{1}{h} \int_{x}^{x+h} f(t) dt$$
$$= \lim_{h \to 0} f(c) = f(x)$$

Q.E.D.

Example. Page 334 numbers 46 and 48.

Theorem 4. The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, Part 2.

If f is continuous at every point of [a, b] and if F is any antiderivative of f on [a, b], then

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = F(b) - F(a).$$

Proof. We know from the first part of the Fundamental Theorem (Theorem 3a) that

$$G(x) = \int_{a}^{x} f(t) dt$$

defines an antiderivative of f. Therefore if F is any antiderivative of f, then F(x) = G(x) + k for some constant k. Therefore

$$F(b) - F(a) = [G(b) + k] - [G(a) + k]$$

$$= G(b) - G(a)$$

$$= \int_a^b f(t) dt - \int_a^a f(t) dt$$

$$= \int_a^b f(t) dt - 0$$

$$= \int_a^b f(t) dt.$$

QED

Examples. Page 333 numbers 14, Page 334 number 64.

Example. Page 355 number 80: Find the linearization of $g(x) = 3 + \int_1^{x^2} \sec(t-1) dt$ at a = -1.

Theorem 5. The Net Change Theorem.

The net change in a function F(x) over an interval $a \leq x \leq b$ is the integral of its rate of change:

$$F(b) - F(a) = \int_a^b F'(x) dx.$$