

EVALUATING DEFINITE INTEGRALS

Objective: Evaluate definite integrals using the evaluation theorem

If f is **continuous** on $[a, b]$, then the definite integral of f from $x = a$ to

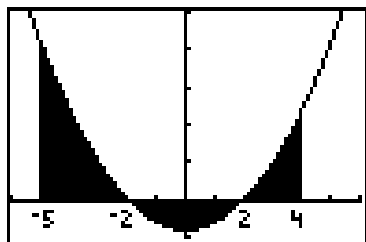
$$x = b \text{ is } \int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \Delta x = F(b) - F(a), \text{ where } F \text{ is **any** antiderivative of } f.$$

Since F can be any antiderivative, we may choose to let $C = 0$! If you choose C to be any nonzero real number, it will just cancel out in the evaluation process.

Evaluation theorem: $\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(b) - F(a)$

Example: Find $\int_{-5}^4 (x^2 - 4) dx$ and interpret the result in terms of areas.

$$\int_{-5}^4 (x^2 - 4) dx = \left[\frac{x^3}{3} - 4x \right]_{-5}^4 = \left[\frac{4^3}{3} - 4(4) \right] - \left[\frac{(-5)^3}{3} - 4(-5) \right] = 27$$



$$1. \int_{-5}^{-2} (x^2 - 4) dx \approx M_6 = 26.9375$$

$$\int_{-5}^{-2} (x^2 - 4) dx = \left[\frac{(-2)^3}{3} - 4(-2) \right] - \left[\frac{(-5)^3}{3} - 4(-5) \right] = 27$$

$$2. \int_{-2}^2 (x^2 - 4) dx \approx M_8 = -10.75$$

$$\int_{-2}^2 (x^2 - 4) dx = \left[\frac{(2)^3}{3} - 4(2) \right] - \left[\frac{(-2)^3}{3} - 4(-2) \right] = -\frac{32}{3}$$

$$3. \int_2^4 (x^2 - 4) dx \approx M_4 = 10.625$$

$$\int_2^4 (x^2 - 4) dx = \left[\frac{(4)^3}{3} - 4(4) \right] - \left[\frac{(2)^3}{3} - 4(2) \right] = \frac{32}{3}$$

$$4. \int_{-5}^4 (x^2 - 4) dx \approx M_{18} = 26.8125$$

$$\int_{-5}^4 (x^2 - 4) dx = 27 - \frac{32}{3} + \frac{32}{3} = 27$$

The definite integral equals the sum of the areas above the x-axis minus the areas below the x-axis

Summary: To find the exact value of $\int_0^4 (x^2 - 4) dx$

Apply equation 3 from Section 5.2 [p. 354], a lengthy tedious process

$$\int_0^4 (x^2 - 4) dx = \frac{16}{3}$$

Use the evaluation theorem from Section 5.3 [p.366]

$$\int_0^4 (x^2 - 4) dx = \left[\frac{x^3}{3} - 4x \right]_0^4 = \left[\frac{(4)^3}{3} - 4(4) \right] - \left[\frac{(0)^3}{3} - 4(0) \right] = \frac{16}{3}$$



Evaluate $\int_1^4 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx$

Evaluate $\int_{\pi}^{2\pi} \cos \theta d\theta$

The **indefinite** integral $\int f(x)dx$ is a **function**.

The **indefinite** integral $\int f(x)dx$ is the set of all **antiderivatives** of the function $F(x)$, where $f'(x) = F(x)$.

Example: $\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln|x| + C$

C is called the **constant of integration**.

C may be any real number, but can only be evaluated if an **initial condition** is given

The **definite** integral $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ is a **number**.

$$\text{Example: } \int_1^e \frac{1}{x} dx = \left[\ln|x| \right]_1^e = \ln(e) - \ln(1) = 1$$

KNOW the table of indefinite integrals on page 369

These formulas are only valid on closed intervals where the function is **continuous**

$$\int f(x) dx = F(x) \Leftrightarrow F'(x) = f(x)$$

Total change theorem

If $y = F(x)$, then $F'(x)$ represents the **rate of change** of $F(x)$ with respect to x , and $F(b) - F(a)$ is the **total change** in y when x changes from a to b

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

The (ever-popular) moving particle problem: A particle moves along a line with velocity of $v(t) = (t^2 - t - 6)$ m/s at time t .

Find the displacement of the particle from $t = 1$ s to $t = 4$ s

Displacement = change in location relative to starting point

$$s(4) - s(1) = \int_1^4 v(t) dt = \int_1^4 (t^2 - t - 6) dt = \left[\frac{t^3}{3} - \frac{t^2}{2} - 6t \right]_1^4 = -\frac{9}{2} = -4.5 \text{ m}$$

This means the particle is now located 4.5 m **left** of its starting point

Find the total distance traveled during this time period

$$\text{Recall that speed} = |v(t)| = |(t - 3)(t + 2)|$$

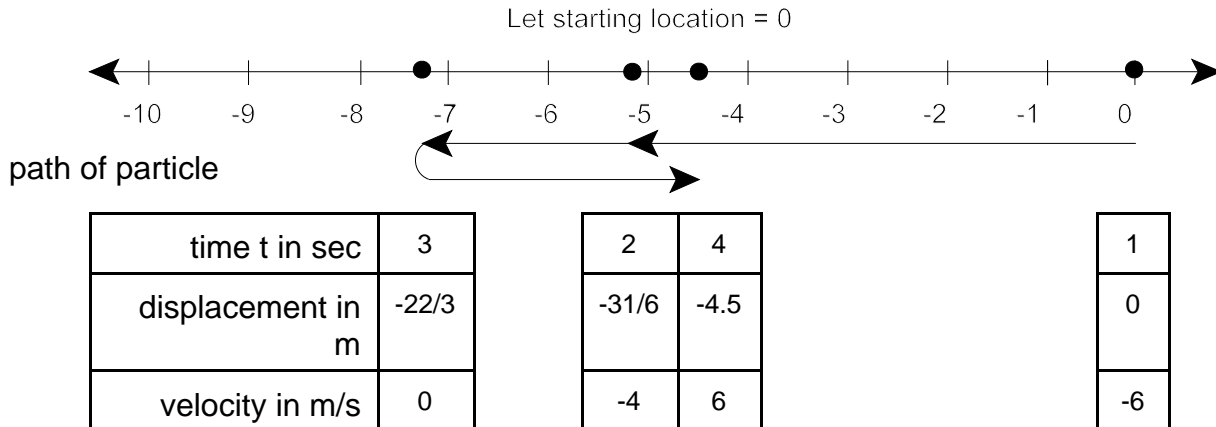
$$v(t) < 0 \text{ on } (1, 3) \text{ and } v(t) > 0 \text{ on } (3, 4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total distance traveled} &= \int_1^4 |v(t)| dt = -\int_1^3 v(t) dt + \int_3^4 v(t) dt \\ &= -\int_1^3 (t^2 - t - 6) dt + \int_3^4 (t^2 - t - 6) dt \end{aligned}$$

$$= - \left[\frac{t^3}{3} - \frac{t^2}{2} - 6t \right]_1^3 + \left[\frac{t^3}{3} - \frac{t^2}{2} - 6t \right]_3^4 = \frac{61}{6} \approx 10.17 \text{ m}$$

Particle has moved a total of about 10.17 m during the period from $t = 1$ s to $t = 4$ s.

Visualization of the motion of the particle



Find and interpret the displacement of the particle from $t = 0$ s to $t = 5$ s.

Find the total distance traveled during the first 5 s.

General motion of an object

If an object moves along a straight line with position function $s(t)$ at time t ,

Then its velocity is $v(t) = s'(t)$ at time t , (speed = $|v(t)|$)

And $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} v(t)dt = s(t_2) - s(t_1)$ is the **total change of position**, or **displacement**, of the particle during the period from time t_1 to time t_2 .

If the velocity function of the object is $v(t)$ at time t ,

Then its **acceleration** (change in velocity) is $a(t) = v'(t)$ at time t ,

And $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} a(t)dt = v(t_2) - v(t_1)$ is the **total change** in velocity from time t_1 to time t_2 .

Some typical applications of the integral to find total change (see p. 371-2)

If $V(t)$ = volume of water in a reservoir at time t ,

Then $V'(t)$ is the **rate** at which water flows into (or out of) the reservoir at time t ,

And $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} V'(t)dt = V(t_2) - V(t_1)$ is the **total change** in the amount of water in the reservoir between time t_1 and time t_2

If $[C](t)$ is the concentration of the product C of a chemical reaction at time t

Then the **rate of reaction** is $\frac{d}{dt}[C]$ at time t ,

And $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \frac{d[C]}{dt} = [C](t_2) - [C](t_1)$ is the **total change** in the concentration of C from time t_1 to time t_2 .

If the mass of a rod measured from the left end to point x is $m(x)$,

Then the **linear density** (change in mass per unit length) is $\rho(x) = m'(x)$ at point x ,

And $\int_a^b \rho(x)dx = m(b) - m(a)$ is the **total mass** of the segment of the rod that lies between $x = a$ and $x = b$.



The linear density of a rod of length 4 m is given by $\rho(x) = 9 + 2\sqrt{x}$ measured in kilograms per meter, where x is measured in meters from the left end of the rod.

Find and interpret $\rho(3)$.

Find the [exact] total mass of the rod.

Find the [exact] mass of the first 3 m of the rod, measured from the left end.

Find the [exact] mass of the rod between 1 m and 2 m, measured from left end.

If $n(t)$ represents a population at time t ,

Then the **rate of growth** (or decay) of the population is $\frac{dn}{dt}$ at time t ,

And $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \frac{dn}{dt} = n(t_2) - n(t_1)$ is the **total change** in the population during the period from time t_1 to time t_2 .

If $C(x)$ is the cost of producing x units of a commodity,

Then the **marginal cost** of producing the $(x+1)^{\text{st}}$ unit is $C'(x)$,

And $\int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{dC}{dx} = C(x_2) - C(x_1)$ is the total increase in cost when production is increased from x_1 units to x_2 units.

Power is the **rate of change** of energy: $P(t) = E'(t)$.

The unit of measurement for $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ is the product of the units for $f(x)$ and the units for x

Example: A particle moves along a line with velocity of $v(t) = (t^2 - t - 6)$ m/s at time t .

$$\text{Displacement} = s(4) - s(1) = \int_1^4 v(t) dt = \int_1^4 (t^2 - t - 6) dt = -4.5 \text{ m,}$$

because $v(t)$ is in m/s and dt is in s, therefore the product is in $\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} (\text{s}) = \text{m}$.



Solutions

$$\int_1^4 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \int_1^4 x^{-1/2} dx = \left[2x^{1/2} \right]_1^4 = 2(\sqrt{4} - \sqrt{1}) = 2$$

$$\int_{\pi}^{2\pi} \cos \theta d\theta = [\sin \theta]_{\pi}^{2\pi} = \sin 2\pi - \sin \pi = 0 - 0 = 0$$

$$\text{Displacement: } s(5) - s(0) = \int_0^5 v(t) dt = \int_0^5 (t^2 - t - 6) dt = \left[\frac{t^3}{3} - \frac{t^2}{2} - 6t \right]_0^5 = -\frac{5}{6} \text{ m}$$

After 5 s the particle is $\frac{5}{6}$ m to the left of its position at $t = 0$ s.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Total distance traveled: } \int_0^5 |v(t)| dt &= -\int_0^3 v(t) dt + \int_3^5 v(t) dt \\
 &= -\int_0^3 (t^2 - t - 6) dt + \int_3^5 (t^2 - t - 6) dt \\
 &= -\left[\frac{t^3}{3} - \frac{t^2}{2} - 6t \right]_0^3 + \left[\frac{t^3}{3} - \frac{t^2}{2} - 6t \right]_3^5 = 13.5 + \frac{38}{3} = \frac{157}{6} \text{ m} \approx 26.17 \text{ m}
 \end{aligned}$$

Particle has moved a total of about 26.17 m during the period from $t = 0$ s to $t = 5$ s.

Linear density at $x = 3$ m = $\rho(3) = 9 + 2\sqrt{3}$ kg/m. The mass of the rod is changing at a rate of $9 + 2\sqrt{3}$ kilograms per meter at the point which is 3 m from the left end of the rod.

$$\text{Total mass} = m(4) - m(0) = \int_0^4 (9 + 2\sqrt{x}) dx = \left[9x + \frac{4}{3}x^{3/2} \right]_0^4 = \frac{140}{3} - 0 = \frac{140}{3} \text{ kg}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Mass of first 3 m from left end} &= m(3) - m(0) = \int_0^3 (9 + 2\sqrt{x}) dx = \left[9x + \frac{4}{3}x^{3/2} \right]_0^3 \\
 &= 27 + \frac{4}{3} \left(3^{3/2} \right) - 0 = 27 + 4\sqrt{3} \text{ kg}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Mass between 1m and 2 m} &= m(2) - m(1) = \int_1^2 (9 + 2\sqrt{x}) dx = \left[9x + \frac{4}{3}x^{3/2} \right]_1^2 \\
 &= 18 + \frac{4}{3} \left(2^{3/2} \right) - \left[9 + \frac{4}{3} \right] = 18 + \frac{8}{3}\sqrt{2} - \frac{31}{3} = \frac{23}{3} + \frac{8}{3}\sqrt{2} \text{ kg}
 \end{aligned}$$