

Intro Video: Section 5.4
Indefinite Integrals and the
Net Change Theorem

Math F251X: Calculus 1

Indefinite integrals

Recall FTC 2: $\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(x) \Big|_a^b = F(b) - F(a)$

where $F(x)$ is any antiderivative of $f(x)$.

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

Notation for a generic antiderivative of a function:

$\int f(x) dx = F(x) \Rightarrow F(x)$ is a generic
antiderivative of $f(x)$

→ $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ is a number
Definite integral

→ $\int f(x) dx$ is a (family of) function(s)
"Indefinite integral"

Example

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \int \sin(x) - x^{2.7} dx$$

$$= -\cos(x) - \frac{x^{2.7+1}}{2.7+1} + C$$

$$= -\cos(x) - \frac{x^{3.7}}{3.7} + C$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \int a + bx^2 dx$$

$$= ax + \frac{bx^3}{3} + C$$

Net Change Theorem

→ What does $\int_a^b F'(t) dt$ mean?

$$\int_a^b F'(t) dt = F(b) - F(a)$$

→ Net change of $F(t)$ on the interval $[a, b]$

Example: If $v(t) = \frac{ds}{dt}$ is the velocity of a particle,

$$\int_0^2 v(t) dt = \text{change in position over the interval } [0, 2].$$

Example: Water flows from a tank at a rate of
 $r(t) = 200 - 4t$
 liters/minute, for $0 \leq t \leq 50$. Find the amount
 of water that flows from the tank over the first 10 minutes.

Let $A(t)$ = amount of water in the
 tank at time t

The amount of water that flowed from the
 tank in the first 10 minutes

$$= \int_0^{10} r(t) dt = \int_0^{10} 200 - 4t dt = \left(200t - \frac{4t^2}{2} \right) \Big|_0^{10}$$

$$= [200(10) - 2(10)^2] - [200(0) - 2(0)^2]$$

$$= 2000 - 2(100) = 800 \text{ liters} \quad \leftarrow \text{but we do } \underline{\text{not}} \text{ know } A(10)$$

