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Indefinite Integral A **primitive** / **anti-derivative** of a continuous function $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a differentiable function $F : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$F'(x) = f(x) \quad \text{for any } x \in (a, b).$$

Remark: Primitives are not unique: any two primitives of f must differ by a constant. The **indefinite integral** of f is the collection of all primitives of f , denoted by $\int f(x)dx$. We shall write

$$\int \underbrace{f(x)}_{\text{integrand}} dx = \underbrace{F(x)}_{\text{primitive}} + \underbrace{C}_{\text{integration constant}}.$$

Operations on infinite integrals Let $f, g : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous and $k \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$1) \int (f(x) + g(x))dx = \int f(x)dx + \int g(x)dx; \quad \text{and} \quad 2) \int kf(x)dx = k \int f(x)dx.$$

Change of variables Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous, φ be differentiable and g be continuous such that $f(x) = g(\varphi(x))\varphi'(x)$ for any $x \in (a, b)$. Then

$$\int f(x)dx = \int g(\varphi(x))\varphi'(x)dx = \int g(u)du.$$

Problems that may be demonstrated in class :

Q1. Evaluate $\int f(x)dx$ for different functions $f(x)$ as below:

(a) $x\sqrt{x-4}$; (b) $\frac{2x-5}{x^2-5x+36}$; (c) $3^{e^x+1}e^x$; (d) $\sin^2 x$;

(e) $\sin^3 x$; (f) $\tan x$; (g) $\tan^2 x$; (h) $\tan^3 x$;

(i) $\sec x$; (j) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+4}}$; (k) $\sin 7x \cos 4x$; (l) $\frac{\arctan x}{x^2+1}$.

Q2. In this question, we study the behaviour of the indefinite integral $\int \frac{P(x)}{ax^2+bx+c}dx$, where $P(x)$ is a polynomial and $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a \neq 0$.

(a) Find the discriminant of the equation $x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$. Find real constants A and B such that $\frac{x-5}{x^2-5x+6} \equiv \frac{A}{x-2} + \frac{B}{x-3}$. Hence evaluate $\int \frac{x-5}{x^2-5x+6}dx$.

(b) Find the discriminant of the equation $x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$. Find real constants A and B such that $\frac{3x+2}{x^2+2x+1} \equiv \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{(x+1)^2}$. Hence evaluate $\int \frac{3x+2}{x^2+2x+1}dx$.

(c) Find the discriminant of the equation $x^2 + 2x + 2 = 0$. Evaluate $\int \frac{2x+3}{x^2+2x+2}dx$.

(d) Find real constants A, B, C, D such that $\frac{x^3-3x^2-3x+7}{x^2-5x+6} \equiv Ax + B + \frac{Cx+D}{x^2-5x+6}$. Hence evaluate $\int \frac{x^3-3x^2-3x+7}{x^2-5x+6}dx$.

Q3. Let $t = \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$. Express $\sin \theta$ and $\cos \theta$ in terms of t . Evaluate $\int \frac{d\theta}{\sin \theta - \cos \theta - 1}$.