

## Section 5.4 - The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

### 1. Mean Value Theorem:

Suppose that  $f$  is a function which is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ . Then, there exist a point  $c$  in  $(a, b)$  for which

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}.$$

In other words,  $f(b) - f(a) = f'(c)(b - a)$ .

### 2. Fundamental Theorem of Calculus Part 1:

Let  $f$  be a continuous function on an interval  $I$  and let  $a$  be any number in  $I$ . Then if

$$F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt,$$

is differentiable on  $I$ , it follows that  $F'(x) = f(x)$ .

**Proof:**

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) &= \int_a^x f(t) dt \text{ and } F(x+h) = \int_a^{x+h} f(t) dt \\ \Rightarrow F(x+h) - F(x) &= \int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt. \end{aligned}$$

By the Mean Value Theorem, there exists some  $c$  in  $(x, x+h)$  for which

$$F'(c) = \frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h}.$$

Hence, we have

$$F'(c) = \frac{\int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt}{h}.$$

If we let  $h \rightarrow 0$ , then  $c \rightarrow x$ , and we have

$$F'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt}{h}.$$

Since  $f$  is continuous on  $[x, x+h]$ , there exist  $m, M$  such that  $m \leq f(t) \leq M$  for all  $t$  in  $[x, x+h]$ . We hence know that

$$\begin{aligned} mh &\leq \int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt \leq Mh, \text{ or} \\ m &\leq \frac{\int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt}{h} \leq M \end{aligned}$$

If we let  $h \rightarrow 0$ , then  $m = f(x) = M$ , and we have

$$f(x) \leq \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt}{h} \leq f(x).$$

It follows that

$$F'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt}{h} = f(x).$$

3. Fundamental Theorem of Calculus Part 2:

If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then

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

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

**Proof:**

By the Fundamental Theorem Part 1, we have

$$g(x) = \int_a^b f(t) dt$$

is an antiderivative of  $f(x)$ . It follows that  $F(x) = g(x) + C$  for  $a < x < b$ . Thus,

$$F(b) = \int_a^b f(t) dt + C \quad \text{and} \quad F(a) = \int_a^a f(t) dt + C.$$

It follows that

$$F(b) - F(a) = \int_a^b f(t) dt + C - \left( \int_a^a f(t) dt + C \right) = \int_a^b f(t) dt.$$

4. Example: Find the following derivatives:

(a)  $\frac{d}{dx} \int_0^x \cos(t^2) dt$

(b)  $\frac{d}{dx} \int_0^{x^2} \ln t dt$

5. Example: Let  $F(x) = \int_0^x \sin(2t) dt$ .

(a) Evaluate  $F(\pi)$ .

(b) Draw a sketch to explain geometrically why the answer to part (a) is correct.

(c) For what values of  $x$  is  $F(x)$  positive? Negative?

6. Examples:

(a)  $\int_1^2 \frac{t^6 - t^2}{t^4} dt$

(b)  $\int_{-1}^1 \frac{3}{t^4} dt$  ( DNE, as not continuous on  $[-1, 1]$ ).