

1) Differentiate the following functions (write $f'(x)$):

a) $f(x) = x$

b) $f(x) = x^2$

c) $f(x) = \ln(x)$

d) $f(x) = \exp(x)$

e) $f(x) = \sin(x)$

f) $f(x) = 1/x$

2) Integrate the following functions (write $\int f(x) dx$):

a) $f(x) = x$

b) $f(x) = x^2$

c) $f(x) = \ln(x)$

d) $f(x) = \exp(x)$

e) $f(x) = \sin(x)$

f) $f(x) = 1/x$

3) A function whose derivative is a constant multiple of itself must be?

a) periodic

b) linear

c) exponential

d) quadratic

e) logarithmic

4) Explain your answer to problem #3 by examining your answers to problem #1. For example, the derivative of $f(x) = x^2$ is $2x$, and that is not a constant multiplied by the function $f(x)$. Hence, $f(x) = x^2$ is not a correct answer to problem #3. Hence, a quadratic function is not a correct answer to problem #3.

Power Function:

$$\frac{d(x^n)}{dx} = n \cdot x^{n-1}$$

Exponential function:

$$\frac{d(\exp(x))}{dx} = \exp(x)$$

Periodic Function:

$$\frac{d(\sin(x))}{dx} = \cos(x)$$

$$\frac{d(\cos(x))}{dx} = -\sin(x)$$

Logarithm:

$$\frac{d(\ln(x))}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$$

Integration requires a recognition of differentials. Almost all of the problems we work deal with are *definite* integrals:

$$\int_A^B f(x)dx = [F(x)]_A^B$$

In the previous equation, we know the form of the function $f(x)$ and we are searching for the function $F(x)$. The function $F(x)$ – the antiderivative – has the property that its derivative is equal to the integrand.

In the previous equation, the “[]” notation is shorthand notation for this: evaluate the antiderivative at its upper limit (B) and subtract from that the antiderivative evaluated at the lower limit (A).

$$\int_A^B x dx = \left[\frac{1}{2} \cdot x^2 \right]_A^B = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (B^2 - A^2)$$

$$\int_A^B x^2 dx = \left[\frac{1}{3} \cdot x^3 \right]_A^B = \frac{1}{3} \cdot (B^3 - A^3)$$

$$\int_A^B \exp(x) dx = [\exp(x)]_A^B = \exp(B) - \exp(A)$$

$$\int_A^B \sin(x) dx = [-\cos(x)]_A^B = -(\cos(B) - \cos(A))$$

$$\int_A^B \frac{1}{x} dx = [\ln(x)]_A^B = \ln(B) - \ln(A)$$

We know this (a function whose derivative is a constant multiple of itself):

$$f' = k \cdot f$$

Formally

$$\frac{df}{dx} = k \cdot f$$

Rearranging....because we are going to integrate and thus derive the form of f

$$\frac{1}{f} \cdot df = k \cdot dx$$

Integrating both sides

$$\int_{f_o}^f \frac{1}{f} \cdot df = k \int_{x_o}^x (1) dx$$

Antiderivatives

$$[\ln(f)]_{f_o}^f = k[x]_{x_o}^x$$

Algebra

$$\ln(f) - \ln(f_o) = k(x - x_o)$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{f}{f_o}\right) = k(x - x_o)$$

$$\frac{f}{f_o} = \exp(k(x - x_o))$$

$$f(x) = f_o \cdot \exp(k(x - x_o))$$

Note: $f' = k \cdot f$