

# INDEFINITE INTEGRALS; FUNDAMENTAL THEOREM OF CALCULUS

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Let  $f$  be continuous on  $[a, b]$ . An *indefinite integral* (or *antiderivative*) of  $f$  is a function  $F$  which is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$  and  $F'(x) = f(x)$  for all  $x \in (a, b)$ . By FTC (part 1), you can find an indefinite integral of  $f$  as follows: define  $F(x) := \int_a^x f(t)dt$  for every real number  $x$ . Then

$$F(b) - F(a) = \int_a^b f(t)dt - \int_a^a f(t)dt = \int_a^b f(t)dt .$$

Part 2 of FTC says that  $G(b) - G(a) = \int_a^b f(t)dt$  for any other indefinite integral  $G$  of  $f$ . This follows from the fact that any two indefinite integrals of  $f$  differ by a constant (if  $F' = f$  and  $G' = f$ , then  $(F - G)' = 0$ , and any function whose derivative is 0 is a constant).

A definite integral is a number, while an indefinite integral is a function. Always take care to think about what type of integral is being dealt with. By the FTC, you can use indefinite integrals to compute definite integrals.

*Exercise 1* (Section 5.3, #9). Use Part 1 of FTC to find the derivative of the function

$$g(s) = \int_5^s (t - t^2)^8 dt .$$

*Exercise 2* (Section 5.3, #13). Use Part 1 of FTC to find the derivative of the function

$$h(x) = \int_1^{e^x} \ln t dt .$$

*Exercise 3* (Section 5.3, #31). Evaluate the integral

$$\int_0^{\pi/4} (\sec t)^2 dt .$$

*Exercise 4* (Section 5.3, #40). Evaluate the integral

$$\int_1^2 \frac{4 + u^2}{u^3} du .$$

*Exercise 5* (Section 5.3, #72). If  $f$  is continuous and  $g$  and  $h$  are differentiable functions, find a formula for

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_{g(x)}^{h(x)} f(t) dt .$$