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Mathematics(Calculus 1 – Fundamentals of Calculus)

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1. Introduction to Calculus

Calculus is a branch of mathematics that focuses on change and accumulation. It is used to understand motion, growth, and variation in natural and social sciences. Calculus is divided into two main branches:

- **Differential Calculus:** studies rates of change (derivatives).
- **Integral Calculus:** studies accumulation of quantities (integrals). Applications appear in physics (motion, force), economics (cost and revenue), biology (population growth), and engineering (optimization and modeling).

2. Functions

A function assigns each input exactly one output. Examples:

1. $f(x) = x^2$ (quadratic function)
2. $f(x) = e^x$ (exponential function)
3. $f(x) = \ln(x)$ (logarithmic function)
4. $f(x) = \sin(x)$ (trigonometric function)

3. Limits

A limit describes the value a function approaches as the input approaches a point.

Example 1:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = x^2 + x - 2 = 2^2 + 2 - 2 = 4.$$

Example 2: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{3x+2}{x-1} = \frac{3 \cdot 2 + 2}{2 - 1} = 8.$

Example 3: Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$ Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ if it exists?

Solution: The values of $f(x)$ can be made arbitrarily large by taking x close enough to 0. Thus the values of $f(x)$ do not approach 0 number, so $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x^2}$ does not exist.

4. Derivatives

The derivative measures the instantaneous rate of change of a function. It can be viewed as the slope of the tangent line to a curve at a given point.

Derivative definition: the function $f' = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ is called the derivative with respect to x of the function f . The domain of f' consists of all the points for which the limit exists. The domain of f consists of all the points for which the limit exists.

Basic Rules:

1. If $y = k$, where k is constant, $y' = 0$.
2. If $y = k \cdot f(x)$, then $y' = k \cdot f'(x)$.
3. If $f(x) = x^n$, then for every real value of x , $f'(x) = nx^{n-1}$.
4. If $y = f(x) \pm g(x)$, then $y' = f'(x) \pm g'(x)$.
5. If $y = f(x) \cdot g(x)$, then $y' = f(x) \cdot g'(x) + g(x) \cdot f'(x)$.
6. If $f(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$, where $g(x) \neq 0$ for every x , then $y' = \frac{g(x) \cdot f'(x) - f(x) \cdot g'(x)}{(g(x))^2}$.
7. If $y = (f(x))^n$, (Any real number n) then $y' = n(f(x))^{n-1} \cdot f'(x)$.
8. If $y = \sin(u)$, then $y' = \cos(u) \cdot u'$
9. If $y = \cos(u)$, then $y' = -\sin(u) \cdot u'$
10. If $y = e^u$, then $y' = e^u \cdot u'$
11. If $y = \ln(u)$, then $y' = \frac{u'}{u}$

Example 4: If $y = (x^2 + x + 1)^3$ then $y' = 3(x^2 + x + 1)^2 \cdot (2x + 1)$

Example 5: If $y = \frac{x^2}{2x-1}$, find y' ?

$$y' = \frac{(2x-1) \cdot (2x) - x^2 \cdot 2}{(2x-1)^2} = \frac{4x^2 - 2x - 2x^2}{(2x-1)^2} = \frac{2x^2 - 2x}{(2x-1)^2} = \frac{2(x^2 - x)}{(2x-1)^2}$$

Example 6: (Application – Velocity)

If $s(t) = 5t^2 + 2t$ is the position (in meters), find velocity?

$v(t) = s'(t) = 10t + 2$ is velocity.

Example 7: If the concentration of a drug in the plasma is given by the equation:

$C(X) = 5X^3$, What is the instantaneous rate of increase in concentration at any time t ?

$$C'(X) = 15X^2 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}, t \text{ in hours.}$$

Example 8 : If Drug plasma concentration after bolus: $C(t) = C_0 e^{-kt}$, find $\frac{dC}{dt}$?

Solution: $\frac{dC}{dt} = C_0(-k)e^{-kt} = -kC_0 e^{-kt}.$

Interpretation: The instantaneous rate of change is proportional to $(-k)$ times the current concentration (exponential decay). Negative sign = concentration decreasing.

Example 9: If $PH = -\log_{10}[H^+]$, So how does pH change when the concentration of hydrogen ions $[H^+]$ changes?

Solution: Use natural log relation $\log_{10}x = \frac{\ln x}{\ln 10}$, so $\log_{10}[H^+] = \frac{\ln[H^+]}{\ln 10}$

Differentiate: $\frac{dPH}{d[H^+]} = \frac{1}{\ln 10} \cdot \frac{1}{[H^+]}$.

Example 10: If $y = \sin^4(x)$, find y' ?

$$y' = 4 \sin^3(x) \cdot \cos(x) \cdot 1$$

Example 11: If $y = (7\sin(5x) - \cos(\sqrt{x}))^3$, find y' ?

$$y' = 3(7\sin(5x) - \cos(\sqrt{x}))^2 \cdot (35\cos(5x) + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \sin(\sqrt{x})).$$

Example 12: If $f(x) = \cos(e^{2x})$, find $f'(x)$?

$$f'(x) = -\sin(e^{2x}) \cdot e^{2x} \cdot 2 = -2e^{2x} \cdot \sin(e^{2x}).$$

Indefinite Integral

Def: A function $F(x)$ is called an anti-derivative of a function $f(x)$ if $F'(x) = f(x)$. If $F(x)$ is any anti-derivative of $f(x)$, then the most general anti-derivative of $f(x)$ is called an indefinite integral and denoted $\int f(x)dx = F(x) + c$, c is any constant.

❖ In this definition the \int is called the integral symbol, $f(x)$ is called the integrand, x is called the integration variable and the c is called the constant of integration.

Basic Integration formulas:

$$1. \int x^n dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C$$

$$2. \int (f(x))^n \cdot f'(x) dx = \frac{(f(x))^{n+1}}{n+1} + C$$

Example 1: If the rate of drug accumulation is: $\frac{dA}{dt} = 5t^2$, Find the general expression for the amount of drug $A(t)$?

Solution: $A(t) = \int 5t^2 dt = 5 \frac{t^3}{3} + C$

Example 2: If infusion-rate ($\text{mg} \cdot \text{hr}^{-1}$) modeled as: $\frac{dA}{dt} = 3t^2 + 2t + 1$, Find $A(t)$?

Solution: $A(t) = \int 3t^2 + 2t + 1 dt = 3 \frac{t^3}{3} + 2 \frac{t^2}{2} + t + C = t^3 + t^2 + t + C.$

Example 3: If rate of concentration change is: $\frac{dC}{dt} = 0.5t^2 - t + 0.2$ ($\text{mg} \cdot \text{L}^{-1} \cdot \text{hr}^{-1}$).

Find $C(t)$??

Solution: $C(t) = \int (0.5t^2 - t + 0.2) dt = 0.5 \frac{t^3}{3} - \frac{t^2}{2} + 0.2t + C.$

Example 4: Suppose rate: $\frac{dA}{dt} = (t+1)(t^2+2t)$, Find $A(t)$??

Solution: $A(t) = \int (t + 1)(t^2 + 2t)dt = \int (t^3 + 3t^2 + 2t)dt$

$$= \frac{t^4}{4} + 3 \frac{t^3}{3} + 2 \frac{t^2}{2} + C = \frac{t^4}{4} + t^3 + t^2 + C.$$

Example 5: A topical gels potency index changes in time as: $(3t + 2)^4$, Find the antiderivative $P(t)$??

Solution: $P(t) = \int (3t + 2)^4 dt = \frac{1}{3} \int 3 (3t + 2)^4 dt = \frac{1}{3} \frac{(3t+2)^5}{5} + C = \frac{(3t+2)^5}{15} + C.$

Example 6: In an advanced pharmaceutical formulation study, the rate of change of an excipient's activity inside a liquid preparation is modeled as: $R(t) = \frac{t}{(t^2+1)^2}$, where:

- $R(t)$: rate of change of excipient activity
- t : time (hours)

Find the expression for the cumulative activity of the excipient??

Solution: Let $A(t) = \int \frac{t}{(t^2+1)^2} dt = \int t (t^2 + 1)^{-2} dt = \frac{1}{2} \int 2t (t^2 + 1)^{-2} dt$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{(t^2+1)^{-1}}{-1} + C = -\frac{1}{2(t^2+1)} + C.$$

Example 7: In a drug dissolution test, the rate of drug dissolution in a simulated medium is given by: $D(t) = 3t^2(2t + 1)$

where:

- $D(t)$ = dissolution rate (mg/hr)
- t = time (hr)

Find the total amount of drug dissolved up to time t ??

Solution: Let $Q(t) = \int 3t^2(2t + 1)dt = \int (6t^3 + 3t^2)dt$

$$= 6 \frac{t^4}{4} + 3 \frac{t^3}{3} + C = \frac{3}{2} t^4 + t^3 + C.$$