
PART 1:
PROPERTIES OF THE INTEGRAL



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For Monday (Jan 21), watch the videos:

- FTC – 1: 8.3, 8.4

For Wednesday (Jan 23), watch the videos:

- FTC – 2: 8.5, 8.6, 8.7
- Integration by substitution: 9.1, 9.2, 9.3, 9.4

Properties of the integral

Assume we know the following

$$\int_0^2 f(x)dx = 3, \quad \int_0^4 f(x)dx = 9, \quad \int_0^4 g(x)dx = 2.$$

Compute:

1 $\int_0^2 f(t)dt$

2 $\int_0^2 f(t)dx$

3 $\int_2^0 f(x)dx$

4 $\int_2^4 f(x)dx$

5 $\int_{-2}^0 f(x)dx$

6 $\int_0^4 [f(x) - 2g(x)] dx$

The Mean Value Theorem for integrals

Prove the following theorem.

Theorem

Let $a < b$. Let f be a continuous function on $[a, b]$.
There exists $c \in [a, b]$ such that

$$f(c) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt$$

Hint: Bound $\int_a^b f(t) dt$ from above and from below using the maximum and minimum of f in $[a, b]$. (You need to use the EVT for that.) Then use the IVT.

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