

SECTION 5.3: THE FUNDAMENTAL THEOREM OF CALCULUS

Before we jump into the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, we need to review some previous results.

RECALL:

- **DIFFERENTIABILITY IMPLIES CONTINUITY:** If $f'(a)$ exists, then f is continuous at $x = a$.
- **MEAN VALUE THEOREM:**

If F is continuous over an interval $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) then there is a value c in (a, b) so that:

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

- **DEFINITION OF THE DEFINITE INTEGRAL:** If f is continuous on $[a, b]$ then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{\|\Delta\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \Delta x_i$$

where Δ runs through all partitions of $[a, b]$ and x_i^* lies in the interval $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$

THE FUNDAMENTAL THEOREM OF CALCULUS (EVALUATION OF DEFINITE INTEGRALS):

If f is continuous on $[a, b]$ and F is any antiderivative of f on $[a, b]$, then:

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

PROOF: (VIDEO) Let $\Delta = \{x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ be a partition of $[a, b]$.

CLAIM: F satisfies the conditions of the Mean Value Theorem on each subinterval $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$.

Since F is an antiderivative of f on $[a, b]$ and f is continuous on $[a, b]$, $F'(x) = f(x)$ for all x in $[a, b]$, and, in particular, for all x in $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$. This means F is differentiable for all x in $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$ and, hence, F is continuous on $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$. Therefore, the Mean Value Theorem applies. We have there is a value x_i^* in $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$ with:

$$F'(x_i^*) = \frac{F(x_i) - F(x_{i-1})}{x_i - x_{i-1}}$$

Rearranging this equation, we get $F(x_i) - F(x_{i-1}) = F'(x_i^*)(x_i - x_{i-1}) = f(x_i^*)\Delta x_i$. Hence:

$$\begin{aligned} F(b) - F(a) &= F(x_n) - F(x_0) \\ &= F(x_n) - F(x_{n-1}) + F(x_{n-1}) - F(x_{n-2}) + \dots + F(x_3) - F(x_2) + F(x_2) - F(x_1) + F(x_1) - F(x_0) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (F(x_i) - F(x_{i-1})) \\ F(b) - F(a) &= \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \Delta x_i \end{aligned}$$

The sum on the right is a Riemann Sum, hence, taking the limit of both sides as $\|\Delta\| \rightarrow 0$:

$$F(b) - F(a) = \lim_{\|\Delta\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \Delta x_i = \int_a^b f(x) dx \quad \checkmark$$

STRATEGY FOR EVALUATING DEFINITE INTEGRALS: To evaluate $\int_a^b f(x) dx$:

1. Find an antiderivative of f , F .
2. Evaluate $F(b) - F(a)$.

NOTATION: We write $F(x)|_{x=a}^{x=b} = F(b) - F(a)$ so : $\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(x)|_{x=a}^{x=b} = F(b) - F(a)$.

EXAMPLE 1: Evaluate the following using the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus.

1. $\int_{-1}^3 (2x - 1) dx$.

Ans: $\int_{-1}^3 (2x - 1) dx = x^2 - x|_{x=-1}^{x=3} = ((3)^2 - (3)) - ((-1)^2 - (-1)) = 4$.

2. $\int_1^{16} \sqrt{x} dx$.

Ans: $\int_1^{16} \sqrt{x} dx = \int_1^{16} x^{\frac{1}{2}} dx = \frac{2}{3} x^{\frac{3}{2}} \Big|_{x=1}^{x=16} = \frac{2}{3} (16)^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{2}{3} (1)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 42$.

3. $\int_0^{\pi} \sin(\theta) d\theta$.

Ans: $\int_0^{\pi} \sin(\theta) d\theta = -\cos(\theta) \Big|_{\theta=0}^{\theta=\pi} = (-\cos(\pi)) - (-\cos(0)) = 2$.

4. $\int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \csc(\theta) \cot(\theta) d\theta$.

Ans: $\int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \csc(\theta) \cot(\theta) d\theta = -\csc(\theta) \Big|_{\theta=\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\theta=\frac{\pi}{2}} = -\csc\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \csc\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = 1$.

5. $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{8}} \sec^2(2t) dt$.

Ans: $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{8}} \sec^2(2t) dt = \frac{1}{2} \tan(2t) \Big|_{t=0}^{t=\frac{\pi}{8}} = \frac{1}{2} \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \tan(0) = \frac{1}{2}$.

EXAMPLE 2: Find and interpret: $\int_1^6 |4x - x^2| dx$.

For starters, note that, in general, $\int_a^b |f(x)| dx \neq \left| \int_a^b f(x) dx \right|$ (do you see why not?)

Recall $|x| = x$ if $x \geq 0$ and $|x| = -x$ if $x < 0$ hence $|f(x)| = f(x)$ if $f(x) \geq 0$ and $|f(x)| = -f(x)$ if $f(x) < 0$.

Hence we make a Sign Diagram for $f(x) = 4x - x^2$ over $[1, 6]$ in order to simplify $|f(x)| = |4x - x^2|$ appropriately:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & (+) & & 0 & & (-) & f(x) \\ & \uparrow & & & & \uparrow & \\ 1 & & 2 & & 4 & & 5 & & 6 & x \end{array}$$

This means on $[1, 4]$, $f(x) = 4x - x^2 \geq 0$ so $|4x - x^2| = 4x - x^2$. Hence,

$$\int_1^4 |4x - x^2| dx = \int_1^4 (4x - x^2) dx = 2x^2 - \frac{1}{3}x^3 \Big|_{x=1}^{x=4} = \left(2(4)^2 - \frac{1}{3}(4)^3\right) - \left(2(1)^2 - \frac{1}{3}(1)^3\right) = 9$$

On $[4, 6]$, $f(x) = 4x - x^2 < 0$ so $|4x - x^2| = -(4x - x^2) = -4x + x^2$. Hence,

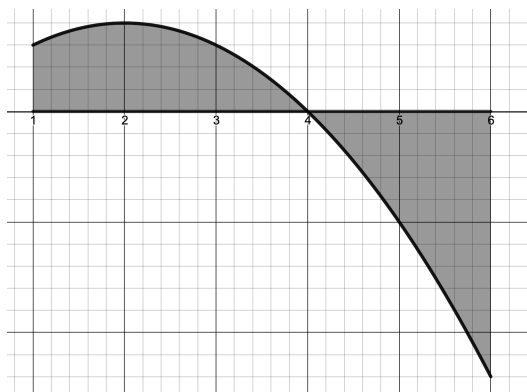
$$\int_4^6 |4x - x^2| dx = \int_4^6 (-4x + x^2) dx = -2x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3 \Big|_{x=4}^{x=6} = \left(-2(6)^2 + \frac{1}{3}(6)^3\right) - \left(-2(4)^2 + \frac{1}{3}(4)^3\right) = \frac{32}{3}$$

Using the additive interval property of definite integrals, we get:

$$\int_1^6 |4x - x^2| dx = \int_1^4 |4x - x^2| dx + \int_4^6 |4x - x^2| dx = 9 + \frac{32}{3} = \frac{59}{3}$$

Geometrically, we have found the **total area** between $y = 4x - x^2$ and the x -axis over $[1, 4]$ is $\frac{59}{3}$ units².

That is the sum of the (unsigned) areas below.



NOTE: In general:

- $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ gives the **net** area between $y = f(x)$ and the x -axis over $[a, b]$.
- $\int_a^b |f(x)| dx$ gives the **total** area between $y = f(x)$ and the x -axis over $[a, b]$.

THE FUNDAMENTAL THEOREM OF CALCULUS (ANTIDERIVATIVES AS INTEGRALS):

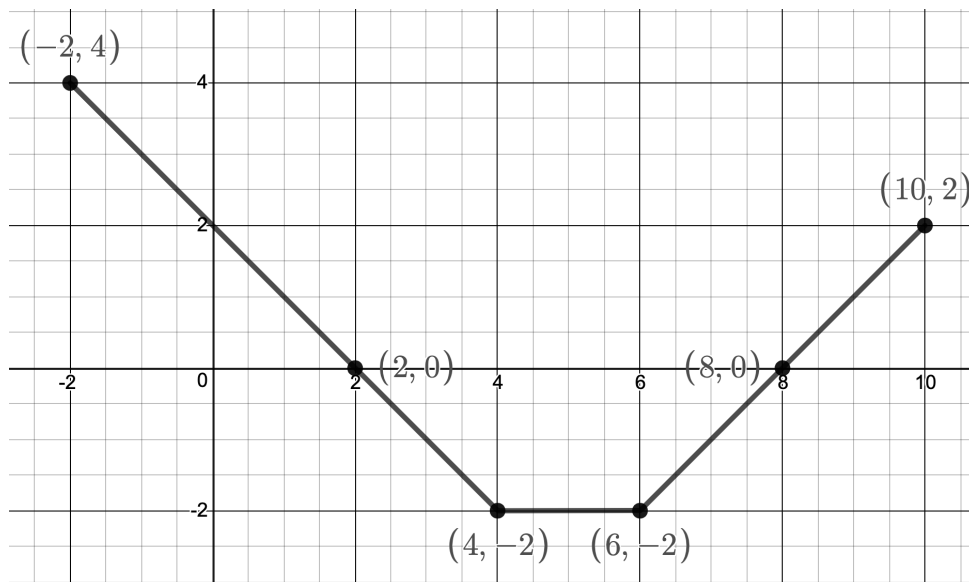
If f is continuous on $[a, b]$ then the function: $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$ is differentiable on (a, b) . Moreover:

$$F'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \int_a^x f(t) dt = f(x)$$

Before we jump into the proof of this theorem, we first discuss what functions of the form $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$.

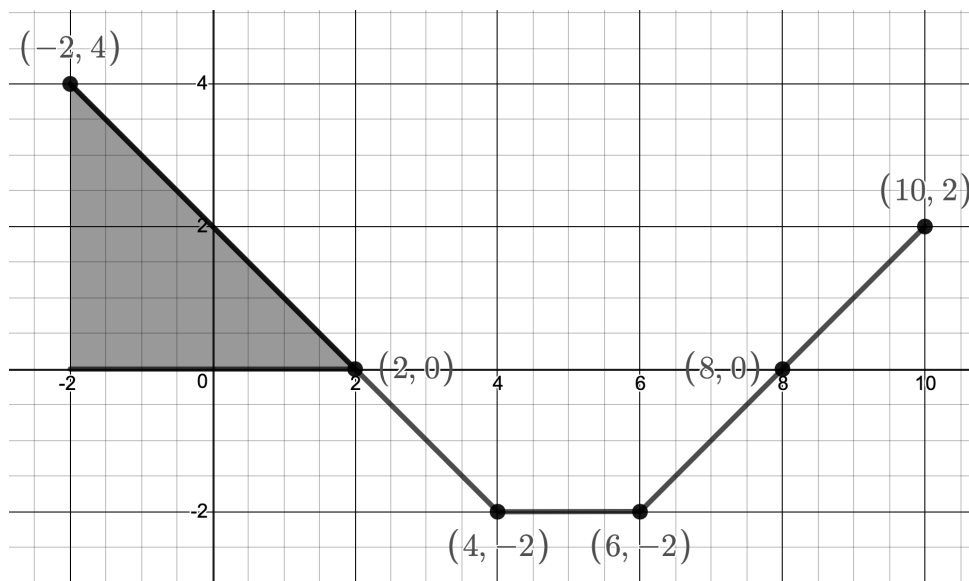
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Consider the graph of $y = f(t)$ below and define $F(x) = \int_{-2}^x f(t) dt$ for $-2 \leq x \leq 10$



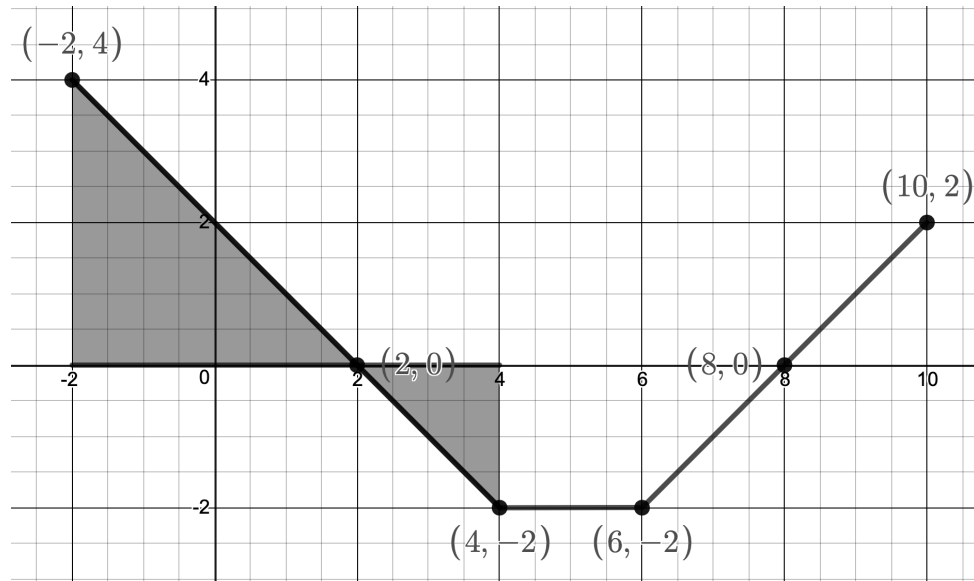
The graph of $y = f(t)$

1. $F(2) = \int_{-2}^2 f(t) dt$ which corresponds to the area shaded below so $F(2) = \frac{1}{2}(4)(4) = 8$.



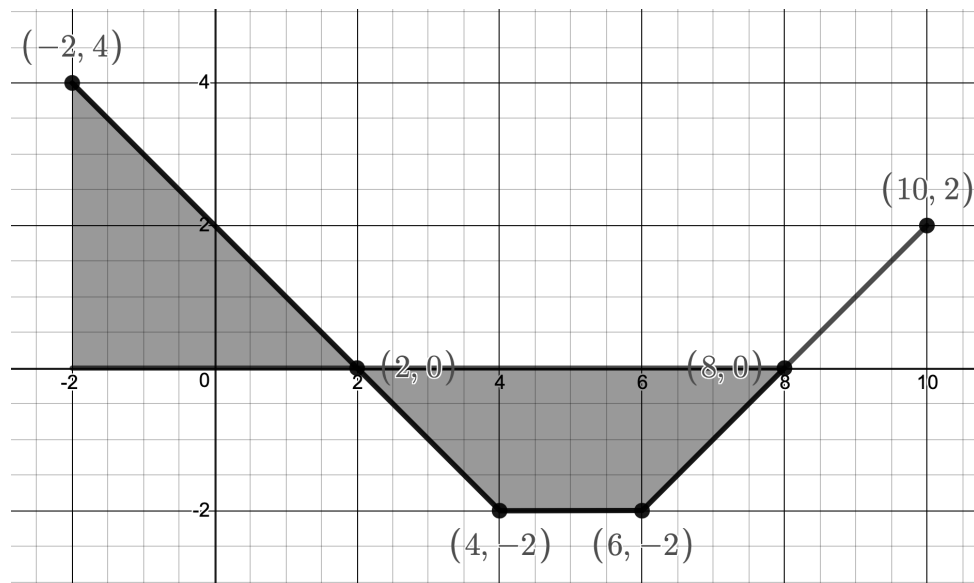
Visualizing $F(2)$

$$2. F(4) = \int_{-2}^4 f(t) dt = \frac{1}{2}(4)(4) - \frac{1}{2}(2)(2) = 6$$



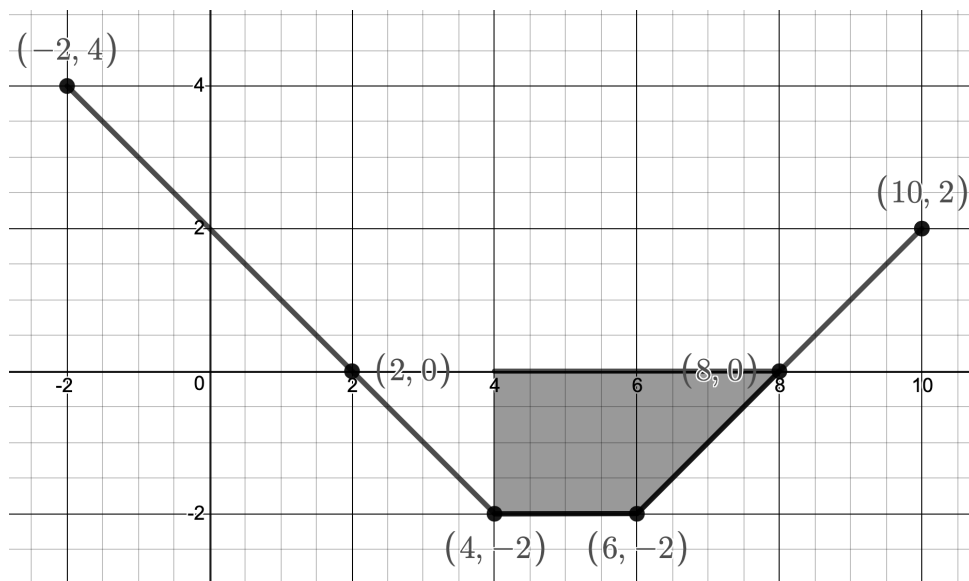
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$$3. F(8) = \int_{-2}^8 f(t) dt = \frac{1}{2}(4)(4) - \frac{1}{2}(2)(2) - (2)(2) - \frac{1}{2}(2)(2) = 0$$



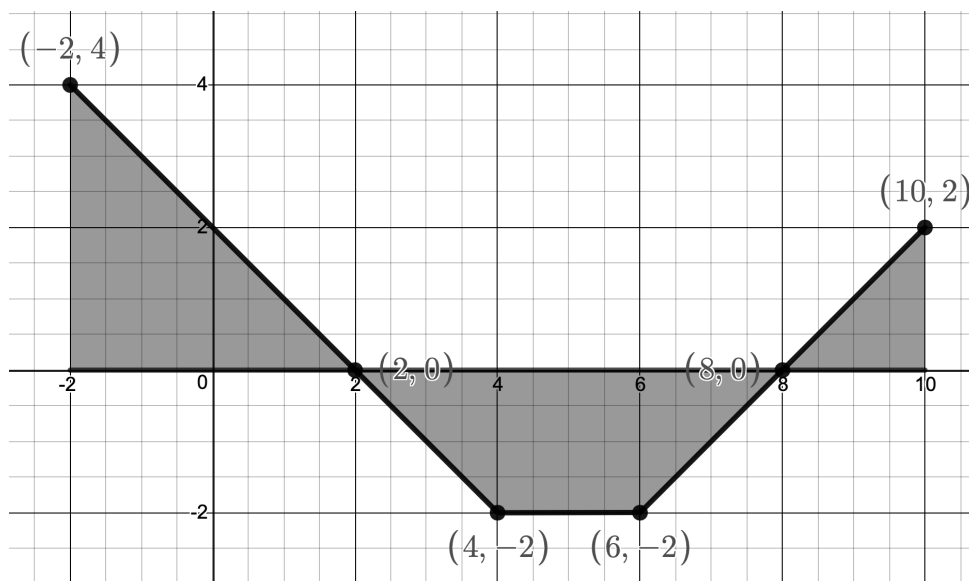
Visualizing $F(8)$

$$4. F(8) - F(4) = \int_{-2}^8 f(t) dt - \int_{-2}^4 f(t) dt = 0 - 6 = -6$$



Visualizing $F(8) - F(4)$

$$5. F(10) = \frac{1}{2}(4)(4) - \frac{1}{2}(2)(2) - (2)(2) - \frac{1}{2}(2)(2) + \frac{1}{2}(2)(2) = 1$$



Visualizing $F(10)$

QUESTIONS: Over what interval(s) is F increasing? decreasing?

PROOF OF THE FUNDAMENTAL THEOREM OF CALCULUS (ANTIDERIVATIVES AS INTEGRALS):

Suppose f is continuous on $[a, b]$ and let $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$ for x in (a, b) . Recall the definition of derivative:

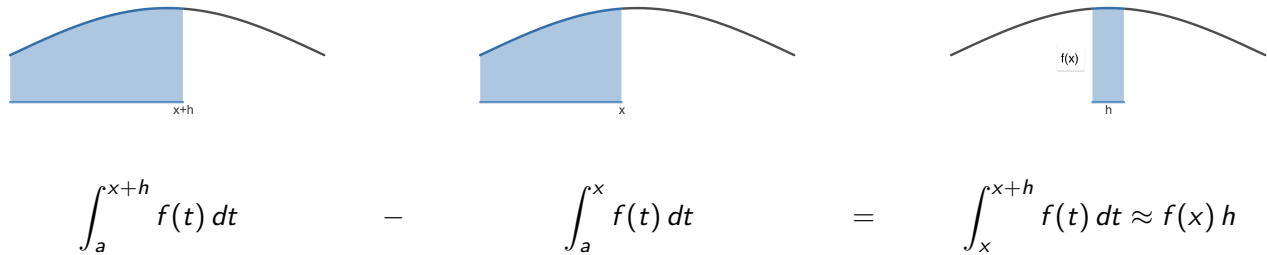
$$F'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_a^{x+h} f(t) dt - \int_a^x f(t) dt}{h}$$

Focusing on the numerator, we use properties of the definite integral to get:

$$\int_a^{x+h} f(t) dt - \int_a^x f(t) dt = \int_a^{x+h} f(t) dt + \int_x^a f(t) dt = \int_x^a f(t) dt + \int_a^{x+h} f(t) dt = \int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt$$

Now for a bit of hand-waving¹. . . If h is 'small,' then x and $x+h$ are 'close' and as f is continuous $f(t) \approx f(x)$ for all t , $x \leq t \leq x+h$. Hence, $\int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt \approx f(x)h$.

Geometrically:



Hence,

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

EXAMPLE 3: Use the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus to find the following derivatives:

1. For $F(x) = \int_1^x \sin(t^2) dt$, $F'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \int_1^x \sin(t^2) dt = \sin(x^2)$.

2. For $G(x) = \int_1^{5x} \sin(t^2) dt$, we note $G(x) = F(5x)$ from above.

Hence, using the chain rule, $G'(x) = F'(5x)D_x[5x] = \sin((5x)^2)(5) = 5 \sin(25x^2)$.

3. For $H(x) = \int_x^{5x} \sin(t^2) dt$, we rewrite

$$H(x) = \int_x^1 \sin(t^2) dt + \int_1^{5x} \sin(t^2) dt = - \int_1^x \sin(t^2) dt + \int_1^{5x} \sin(t^2) dt = \int_1^{5x} \sin(t^2) dt - \int_1^x \sin(t^2) dt$$

Hence, $H(x) = G(x) - F(x)$ so $H'(x) = G'(x) - F'(x) = 5 \sin(25x^2) - \sin(x^2)$.

¹which we'll make more precise in the next section!

The sorts of maneuvers in the previous example generalize to the following theorem:

THEOREM: If f is continuous, then $\frac{d}{dx} \int_{g(x)}^{h(x)} f(t) dt = f(h(x))h'(x) - f(g(x))g'(x)$

EXAMPLE 4: Find the indicated derivative:

$$1. \frac{d}{dx} \int_2^x \sqrt[4]{1+t^2} dt$$

$$\text{Ans: } \frac{d}{dx} \int_2^x \sqrt[4]{1+t^2} dt = \sqrt[4]{1+x^2}$$

$$2. \frac{d}{dx} \int_x^0 3t \sin(2t) dt$$

$$\text{Ans: } \frac{d}{dx} \int_x^0 3t \sin(2t) dt = -\frac{d}{dx} \int_0^x 3t \sin(2t) dt = -3x \sin(2x)$$

$$3. \frac{d}{dx} \int_{-\pi}^{x^3} \cos(\sqrt[3]{t}) dt$$

$$\text{Ans: } \frac{d}{dx} \int_{-\pi}^{x^3} \cos(\sqrt[3]{t}) dt = \cos(\sqrt[3]{x^3}) D_x [x^3] = 3x^2 \cos(x)$$

$$4. \frac{d}{dx} \int_{-x}^x e^{-t^2} dt$$

$$\text{Ans: } \frac{d}{dx} \int_{-x}^x e^{-t^2} dt = e^{-x^2} D_x [x] - e^{-(-x)^2} D_x [-x] = e^{-x^2} + e^{-x^2} = 2e^{-x^2}$$

$$5. \frac{d}{dx} \int_0^{\tan(x)} \frac{1}{t^2+1} dt$$

$$\text{Ans: } \frac{d}{dx} \int_0^{\tan(x)} \frac{1}{t^2+1} dt = \frac{1}{\tan^2(x)+1} D_x [\tan(x)] = \frac{\sec^2(x)}{\tan^2(x)+1} = \frac{\sec^2(x)}{\sec^2(x)} = 1$$

HOMEWORK: Section 5.3: 25 - 69 odd, 13, 71 - 103 odd, 107, 117*