
AMAT112: Calculus I

Antiderivatives and Rectilinear Motion

1. Find an anti-derivative for each of the following.

a) $f(x) = x^2 - 2x + 1$

b) $g(t) = t^7 - 6t + 8$

c) $h(s) = s^{-4} + 2s + 3$

d) $w(z) = 2 - \frac{5}{z^2}$

e) $v(t) = \sqrt{t} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}$

f) $g(\theta) = \sec^2(\theta) - \sin(\theta)$

g) $r(a) = -\csc(a) \cot(a) + \frac{1}{a}$

h) $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

i) $v(u) = e^u + \csc^2(u) - \frac{1}{u^2}$

The following two exercises are from the textbook section 4.7.

2. A stone is dropped from the upper observation deck of a tower, 405 m above the ground.
- a) Find the distance of the stone above ground level at time t .
 - b) How long does it take the stone to reach the ground?
 - c) With what velocity does it strike the ground?
 - d) If the stone is thrown downward with a speed of 5 m/s, how long does it take to reach the ground?
3. Two balls are thrown upward from the edge of a cliff. The first is thrown with a speed of 48 ft/s and the other is thrown one second later with a speed of 24 ft/s. When do the balls pass each other?
4. A hot air balloon ascending at a rate of 12 ft/sec is at a height 80 ft above the ground when a package is dropped. How long does it take the package to reach the ground?
5. A rocket lifts off the surface of Earth with a constant acceleration of 20 m/sec². How fast will the rocket be going 1 minute later?
6. (a) Suppose that the velocity of a body moving along the s -axis is $\frac{ds}{dt} = v = 9.8t - 3$.
- i. Find the body's displacement from $t = 1$ to $t = 3$ given that $s = 5$ when $t = 0$.
 - ii. Find the body's displacement from $t = 1$ to $t = 3$ given that $s = -2$ when $t = 0$.
 - iii. Now find the body's displacement from $t = 1$ to $t = 3$ given that $s = s_0$ when $t = 0$.
- (b) Suppose that the position of a body moving along a coordinate line is a differentiable function of time t . Is it true that once you know an antiderivative of the velocity function ds/dt you can find the body's displacement from $t = a$ to $t = b$ even if you do not know the body's exact position at those times? Give reasons for your answer.