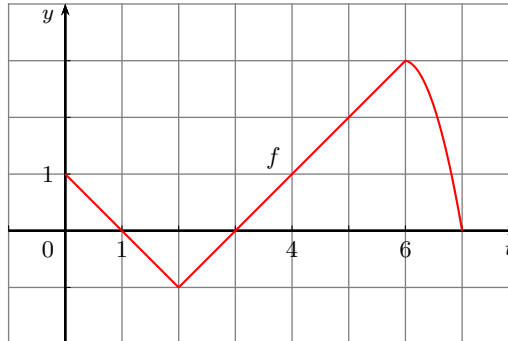


Calculus I, Section 5.3, #2
 The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

Let $g(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt$ where f is the function whose graph is shown at right.¹



- (a) Evaluate $g(x)$ for $x = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5,$ and 6 .

$$g(0) = \int_0^0 f(t) dt = 0 \text{ from the property } \int_0^0 f(x) dx = 0.$$

$g(1) = \int_0^1 f(t) dt$. From the graph of f , we see that f is nonnegative on the interval $[0,1]$, so the integral is equal to the area between the graph and the x -axis. This region is a triangle, so the area $= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{2}$. Thus, $g(1) = \frac{1}{2}$.

$g(2) = \int_0^2 f(t) dt$. From the graph of f , we see that f is nonnegative on the interval $[0,1]$, and negative on $[1,2]$. We know that from 0 to 1, the integral is $\frac{1}{2}$. On the interval $[1,2]$ the area is again $\frac{1}{2}$, but the function is negative, so the *integral* is $-\frac{1}{2}$. Thus $g(2) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} = 0$.

$g(3) = \int_0^3 f(t) dt$. Continuing the same reasoning—integral is positive if function is above the x -axis, integral is negative if function is below the y -axis—we can see $g(3) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{2}$.

$$g(4) = \int_0^4 f(t) dt = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 0.$$

$$g(5) = \int_0^5 f(t) dt = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2} = \frac{3}{2}.$$

$$g(6) = \int_0^6 f(t) dt = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2} + \frac{5}{2} = \frac{8}{2} = 4.$$

- (b) Estimate $g(7)$.

$$\begin{aligned} g(7) &= \int_0^7 f(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^6 f(t) dt + \int_6^7 f(t) dt \end{aligned}$$

and since the area under the graph from 6 to 7 is ≈ 2.2 ,

$$\begin{aligned} &= 4 + 2.2 \\ &= 6.2 \end{aligned}$$

- (c) Where does g have a maximum value? Where does it have a minimum value?

g has a maximum value of 6.2 that occurs at $x = 7$. g has a minimum value of $-\frac{1}{2}$ that occurs at $x = 3$.

¹Stewart, *Calculus, Early Transcendentals*, p. 399, #2.

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(d) Sketch a rough graph of g .

