1086-VB-627 Jun Tao* (jtao68@yahoo.com), 14207 Eagle Mine Drive, Poway, CA 92064. The Development of the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus by Using the Limit Approach Only.

This paper describes how to develop the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus by only using the limit approach. Let F(x) be differentiable and f(x) be continuous on an interval [a, b], where F'(x) = f(x). Let's divide the interval [a, b] into n pieces of small intervals whose width is $h\left(h = \frac{b-a}{n}\right)$; then the following formula can be directly proved by using the limit approach:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left[F'(a) h + F'(a+h) h + \dots + F'(a+(n-1)h) h \right] = F(b) - F(a)$$

Since f(x) = F'(x), we have f(a) h = F'(a) h, \cdots , f(a + (n-1)h) h = F'(a + (n-1)h)h. Let's substitute them into the proved formula, we have:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left[f(a) \, h + f(a+h) \, h + \dots + f(a+(n-1) \, h) \, h \right] = F(b) - F(a)$$

Rewrite the formula as:

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx = F(b) - F(a)$$

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