

Connecting what we know about Area

Link 2: Discontinuous functions and Area

Equation	Geometric
<p>Given the function:</p> $f(x) = \frac{ x }{x}$ <p>Draw a graph in a $[-1,2]$ by $[-2,2]$ window below.</p>	<p>Using what you know about this shape and geometry, find the area between the shape and the x-axis. Show all work.</p>
Definite Integral	Analysis
<p>a. Express the area between the shape and the x-axis using an integral(s).</p> <p>b. Express in calculator notation what you would use to solve this integral.</p> <p>c. Evaluate this integral using the calculator</p>	<p>a. Does your geometric answer match your answer calculated by the graphing calculator?</p> <p>b. Does a different answer other than the one you calculated make more sense?</p> <p>c. Make a conjecture about the area of this discontinuous shape.</p>

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Link 3: Discontinuous functions and Area

Equation	Geometric
<p>Given the function:</p> $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2}$ <p>Draw a graph in a $[0,3]$ by $[0,6]$ window below.</p> <p>Do you recognize the shapes? If so, what observations can you make about it?</p>	<p>Using what you know about this shape and geometry, find the area between the shape and the x-axis. Show all work.</p>
Definite Integral	Analysis
<p>a. Express the area as an integral.</p> <p>b. Express in calculator notation what you would use to solve this integral.</p> <p>c. Solve this integral using the calculator</p>	<p>a. Does this graph have a discontinuity? If so, what kind of discontinuity?</p> <p>b. Does the discontinuity affect the area?</p> <p>c. Make a conjecture about the area of this discontinuous shape.</p>

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Extension:

1. Use Areas to show that $\int_0^5 \text{int}(x) dx = 10$ and confirm your answer with the calculator.

2. Use Areas to show that $\int_{-4}^6 \text{int}(2x) dx = 47$ and confirm your answer with the calculator.