

1. Investigate the area under $f(x) = 1/x$ from $x = 1$ to $x = \infty$.

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} dx$$

(a) Find an antiderivative first: $\int \frac{1}{x} dx =$

(b) $\int_1^{10} \frac{1}{x} dx =$

(c) $\int_1^{100} \frac{1}{x} dx =$

(d) $\int_1^{1000} \frac{1}{x} dx =$

(e) Do we see a pattern? What is it? $\int_1^a \frac{1}{x} dx =$

(f) We expect $\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^a \frac{1}{x} dx =$

(g) Prove it!

i. First, $\int_1^a \frac{1}{x} dx =$

ii. Hence $\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^a \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \quad =$

2. Investigate the area under $f(x) = 1/x^2$ from $x = 1$ to $x = \infty$.

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx$$

(a) Find an antiderivative first: $\int \frac{1}{x^2} dx =$

(b) $\int_1^{10} \frac{1}{x^2} dx =$

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3. Investigate the area under $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^{1.1}}$ from $x = 1$ to $x = \infty$.

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{1.1}} dx$$

(a) Find an antiderivative first: $\int \frac{1}{x^{1.1}} dx =$

(b) $\int_1^{10} \frac{1}{x^{1.1}} dx =$

(c) $\int_1^{100} \frac{1}{x^{1.1}} dx =$

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(e) Do we see a pattern? What is it? $\int_1^a \frac{1}{x^{1.1}} dx =$

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(g) Prove it!

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4. Investigate the area under $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^{1.01}}$ from $x = 1$ to $x = \infty$.

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{1.01}} dx$$

(a) Find an antiderivative first: $\int \frac{1}{x^{1.01}} dx =$

(b) $\int_1^{10} \frac{1}{x^{1.01}} dx =$

(c) $\int_1^{100} \frac{1}{x^{1.01}} dx =$

(d) $\int_1^{1000} \frac{1}{x^{1.01}} dx =$

(e) Do we see a pattern? What is it? $\int_1^a \frac{1}{x^{1.01}} dx =$

(f) We expect $\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^a \frac{1}{x^{1.01}} dx =$

(g) Prove it!

i. First, $\int_1^a \frac{1}{x^{1.01}} dx =$

ii. Hence $\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^a \frac{1}{x^{1.01}} dx = \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \quad =$

5. Can you draw any conclusions from these previous investigations about

(a) $\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^{2.1}} dx$, or $\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^3} dx$? Justify your answer using words and clearly labeled figures.

(b) $\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^{1+10^{-n}}} dx$? Justify.

(c) $\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^{1+\epsilon}} dx$, where ϵ is any tiny positive number? Explain.