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**6.2 Concepts Worksheet**

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**Riemann Sum as a Definite Integral**

Certain infinite series can be summed because they are identifiable as the Riemann sum of a definite integral. The following are both Riemann sums. The first example outlines steps in the process of converting a Riemann sum to a definite integral.

**Example A:**

Find a definite integral whose value is equal to  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{\sqrt{1} + \sqrt{2} + \cdots + \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n^3}} \right)$ .

Step 1: Factor out a “candidate”  $dx$ . In general,  $dx$  will be a constant divided by  $n$ . Note in this case we may use

$$\begin{aligned} dx &= \frac{1}{n} \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{\sqrt{1} + \sqrt{2} + \cdots + \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n^3}} \right) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{\sqrt{1} + \sqrt{2} + \cdots + \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \sqrt{\frac{1}{n}} + \sqrt{\frac{2}{n}} + \cdots + \sqrt{\frac{n}{n}} \right] \cdot \frac{1}{n} \end{aligned}$$

Step 2: Identify the variable,  $x$ , by searching the summation for changing values where the absolute value of the common difference between consecutive values is  $dx$ . (There are several possible appropriate choices for  $x$  and  $dx$ .)

$$x\text{-values: } \frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n}, \dots, \frac{n}{n} \quad \left( x = \frac{k}{n} \right)$$

Step 3: Find the range of  $x$  values as  $n$  approaches infinity.

$$\text{Limit of } x\text{-values: } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0; \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n} = 1$$

Step 4: Verify that  $dx$  is a correct “candidate” for this Riemann Sum. Specifically,  $dx$  should equal the quotient determined by the width of the range of  $x$ -values divided by the number of terms in the summation. That is,

$$dx = \frac{1-0}{n}, \text{ which agrees with the } dx \text{ selected in Step 1.}$$

Step 5: Identify  $f(x)$ , the functional operation on the  $x$ -values. Since the summation terms  $\sqrt{\frac{1}{n}}, \sqrt{\frac{2}{n}}, \dots, \sqrt{\frac{n}{n}}$  are the

square roots of the  $x$ -values:  $\frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n}, \dots, \frac{n}{n}$ , we let  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ .

In summary,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[ \left( \sqrt{\frac{k}{n}} \right) \frac{1}{n} \right]$  is a Riemann sum, which can be expressed as  $\int_0^1 \sqrt{x} \, dx$ , a definite integral.

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**Example B:**

Briefly outlined:

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \frac{k^3}{n^4} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \left[ \frac{k^3}{n^3} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \right] \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \left[ \left( \frac{k}{n} \right)^3 \cdot \frac{1}{n} \right]\end{aligned}$$

Step 1:  $dx = \frac{1}{n}$

Step 2:  $x$ -values:  $\frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n}, \frac{3}{n}, \dots, \frac{2n}{n}$        $\left( x = \frac{k}{n} \right)$

Step 3: Limit of  $x$ -values:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$ ;  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n}{n} = 2$

Step 4:  $dx = \frac{2-0}{2n} = \frac{1}{n}$ , which agrees with  $dx$  chosen in Step 1.

Step 5:  $f(x) = x^3$

Therefore  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \frac{k^3}{n^4} = \int_0^2 x^3 dx$

Express the following Riemann Sums as definite integrals:

1.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{1}{n^3} + \frac{4}{n^3} + \frac{9}{n^3} + \dots + \frac{n^2}{n^3} \right]$

2.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[ \frac{k}{n} + \left( \frac{k}{n} \right)^2 \right] \frac{1}{n}$

3.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \sqrt{\frac{1}{n^2} \left( 1 + \frac{2k}{n} \right)}$

4.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=n+1}^{2n} \frac{1}{2k}$

5.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \left[ \frac{1}{1 + \frac{2k}{n}} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \right]$

**Concept Connectors**

Based on problem 5 above, use the following choices for  $x$ -values and define an appropriate integral.

6.  $x = \frac{k}{n}$

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7.  $x = \frac{2k}{n}$

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8.  $x = 1 + \frac{2k}{n}$

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9. Do the integrals you wrote in problems 6–8 all have the same value? Explain.

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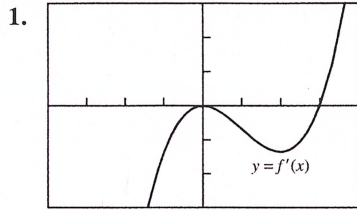
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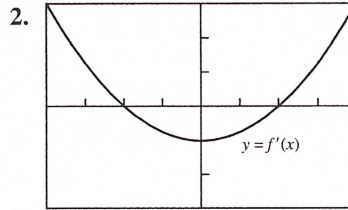
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**Graphical Antidifferentiation**

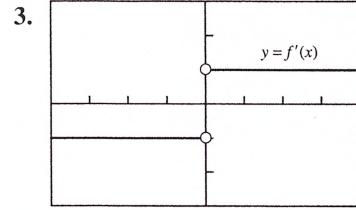
Each of the following graphs represents the derivative of a continuous function  $f$ . Sketch a possible graph of  $y = f(x)$  on the same set of axes as the derivative, assuming  $f(0) = 0$ .



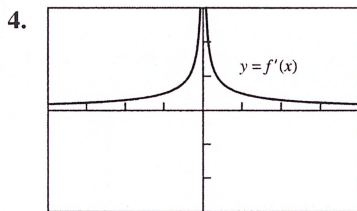
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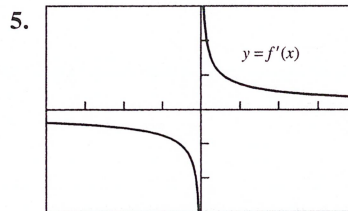
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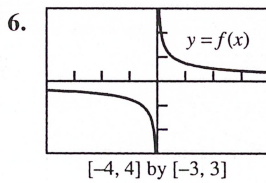


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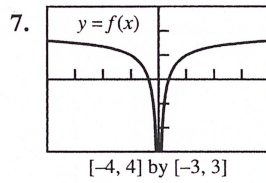


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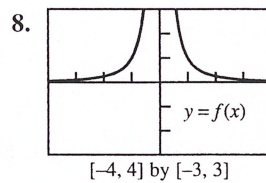
The following graphs of  $f'(x)$  involve nonexistent derivatives at  $x = 0$ , because  $f(x)$  is discontinuous at  $x = 0$ . Match each graph of  $f(x)$  to the corresponding  $f'(x)$  graph.



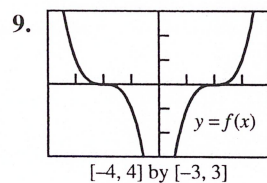
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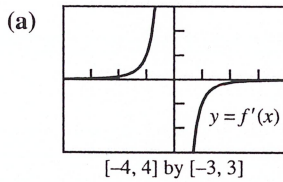
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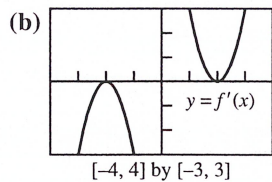
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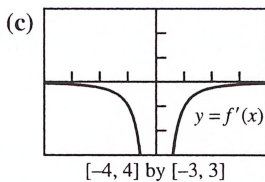
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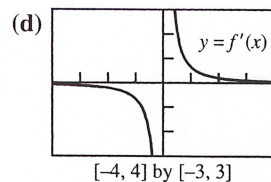
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