

## Application of the Definite Integral

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### Problem

Set up integrals for the area of the region bounded by the given curves

$$x = y^2 - 1, \text{ and } y = x - 1$$

The curves intersect at  $(0, -1)$ , and  $(3, 2)$ , and the parabola can be expressed as  $y = \pm\sqrt{x+1}$

Solution 1. Using two vertical strips.

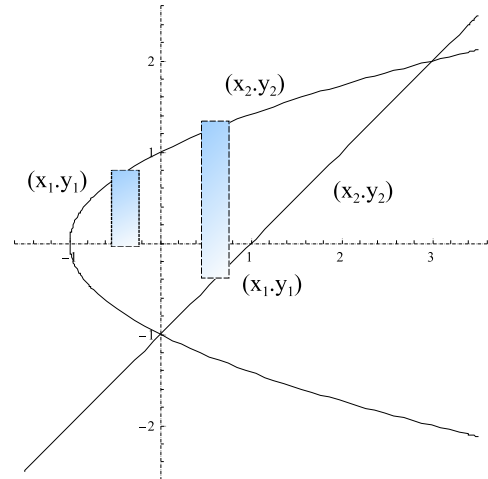
$$\Delta A = \Delta A_1 + \Delta A_2$$

$$\Delta A = 2(y_2 - 0)\Delta x + (y_2 - y_1)\Delta x$$

$$\Delta A = 2(\sqrt{x+1} - 0)\Delta x + (\sqrt{x+1} - (x-1))\Delta x$$

$$-1 \leq x \leq 0 \qquad 0 \leq x \leq 3$$

$$\int_0^1 (2(\sqrt{x+1}) - 0) dx + \int_0^3 (\sqrt{x+1} - (x-1)) dx$$



Solution 2. Using one horizontal strip.

$$\Delta A = (x_2 - x_1)\Delta y$$

$$\Delta A = ((y^2 - 1) - (y + 1))\Delta y$$

$$-1 \leq y \leq 2$$

$$\int_{-1}^2 ((y^2 - 1) - (y + 1)) dy =$$

