MATH 2 PROBLEM OF THE WEEK 6

Due Friday, Feburary 14th, 2003 before the quiz.

Please show all your work!

Name:_____

Say f(x) and g(x) are continuous functions on the interval [a, b], a < b. Give geometric arguments for why each of the following are true.

(1) If f(x) > 0 for all $x \in [a, b]$ then

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x) \, dx > 0.$$

(2) If f(x) > g(x) for all $x \in [a, b]$, then

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x) \, dx > \int_{a}^{b} g(x) \, dx.$$

(3) If m < f(x) < M for two constants m and M and for all $x \in [a, b]$ then

$$m(b-a) < \int_{a}^{b} f(x) \, dx < M(b-a).$$