Section 4.2, Problem 2

With n=6, we obtain $\delta x=\pi/8$, a=0, and $b=3\pi/4$. Using the left endpoints, our sample points are

$$x_1 = 0,$$
 $x_4 = 3\pi/8,$
 $x_2 = \pi/8,$ $x_5 = \pi/2,$
 $x_3 = \pi/4,$ $x_6 = 5\pi/8.$

So, the Riemann sum is $\sum_{i=1}^{6} f(x_{i-1}) \Delta x$ and we obtain the following estimate for the integral:

$$\int_0^{3\pi/4} \cos x \, dx \approx 1.033185.$$

The Riemann sum that we just computed represents an approximation of the integral of the function $f(x) = \cos x$ from a = 0 to $b = 3\pi/4$. It also represents the net area under the curve of $\cos x$.

Section 4.2, Problem 6(c)

We have a=-2 and b=4. We want n=6 subintervals, so $\Delta x=1$. The midpoints of each subintervals will be our sample points and they are

$$\overline{x}_1 = -1.5,$$
 $\overline{x}_4 = 1.5$
 $\overline{x}_2 = -0.5,$ $\overline{x}_5 = 2.5$
 $\overline{x}_3 = 0.5$ $\overline{x}_6 = 3.5.$

So the integral of the function is approximated by

$$\int_{-2}^{4} f(x) dx \approx \Delta x \Big(f(\overline{x}_1) + f(\overline{x}_2) + f(\overline{x}_3) + f(\overline{x}_4) + f(\overline{x}_5) + f(\overline{x}_6) \Big)$$
$$= -1 - 1 + 1 + 1 + 0 - 0.5 = -0.5.$$

Section 4.2, Problem 18

The function is $f(x) = x\sqrt{1+x^3}$ and we have a = 2, b = 5. So the limit represents

$$\int_2^5 x\sqrt{1+x^3} \, dx.$$

Section 4.2, Problem 22

Let n be the number of subintervals. We have a=1 and b=4, so $\Delta x=3/n$. We also have that the right endpoints of each subinterval are $x_i=1+i\Delta x=1+3i/n$. So, using the right endpoints rule, we know that

$$\int_{1}^{4} (x^{2} - 4x + 2) dx = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{i=1}^{n} f(x_{i}) \Delta x.$$

We have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} f(x_i) \Delta x = \frac{3}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (1+3i/n)^2 - 4 - 12i/n + 2$$

$$= \frac{3}{n} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} 1 + 6i/n + 9i^2/n^2 - 4 - 12i/n + 2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{3}{n} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} -1 - 6i/n + 9i^2/n^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{3}{n} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{9i^2 - 6in - n^2}{n^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{3}{n^3} \left[9 \sum_{i=1}^{n} i^2 - 6n \sum_{i=1}^{n} i - \sum_{i=1}^{n} n^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{3}{n^3} \left[\frac{3n(n+1)(2n+1)}{2} - 3n^2(n+1) - 3n^3 \right]$$

$$= \frac{18n^3 + 27n^2 + 9n}{n^3} - \frac{9n^3 + 9n^2}{n^3} - 3.$$

Taking the limit as $n \to \infty$, we obtain

$$\int_{1}^{4} (x^2 - 4x + 2) \, dx = 6.$$

Section 4.3, Problem 2, (a) and (c)

- (a) We have g(0) = 0, g(1) = 1/2, g(2) = 0, g(3) = -1/2, g(4) = 0, g(5) = 1/2, and g(6) = 1.
- (c) By the FTC part I, we have g'(x) = f(x). We see that g'(x) doesn't exist when x = 2 and x = 6, and is zero at x = 1 and x = 3. Those are the critical points. We can use the closed interval method to find the maximum and minimum value.
 - The maximum value is the $\max\{g(0), g(1), g(2), g(3), g(6)\} = 1$.
 - The minimum value is the $\min\{g(0), g(1), g(2), g(3), g(6)\} = -1/2$.