

Calculus 2 Workbook Solutions

Surface area of revolution



SURFACE AREA OF REVOLUTION

■ 1. Find the surface area of the object generated by revolving the curve around the x-axis on the interval $2 \le x \le 7$.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x + 4$$

Solution:

The surface area of an object formed by rotating the graph of a function y = f(x) on the interval [a, b] is given by

$$A = \int_{a}^{b} 2\pi y \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} \ dx$$

If we plug in what we've been given, we get

$$A = \int_{2}^{7} 2\pi \left(\frac{1}{3}x + 4\right) \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{2}} dx$$

$$A = 2\pi \int_{2}^{7} \left(\frac{1}{3}x + 4\right) \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{9}} \ dx$$

$$A = 2\pi \int_{2}^{7} \left(\frac{1}{3}x + 4\right) \sqrt{\frac{10}{9}} \ dx$$



$$A = \frac{2\sqrt{10}\pi}{3} \int_{2}^{7} \frac{1}{3}x + 4 \ dx$$

Integrate, then evaluate over the interval.

$$A = \frac{2\sqrt{10}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{x^2}{6} + 4x \right) \Big|_{2}^{7}$$

$$A = \frac{2\sqrt{10}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{7^2}{6} + 4(7)\right) - \frac{2\sqrt{10}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{2^2}{6} + 4(2)\right)$$

$$A = \frac{2\sqrt{10}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{49}{6} + 28\right) - \frac{2\sqrt{10}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{4}{6} + 8\right)$$

$$A = \frac{2\sqrt{10}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{49}{6} + \frac{168}{6}\right) - \frac{2\sqrt{10}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{4}{6} + \frac{48}{6}\right)$$

$$A = \frac{2\sqrt{10}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{217}{6}\right) - \frac{2\sqrt{10}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{52}{6}\right)$$

$$A = \frac{434\sqrt{10}\pi}{18} - \frac{104\sqrt{10}\pi}{18}$$

Combine into one fraction.

$$A = \frac{434\sqrt{10}\pi - 104\sqrt{10}\pi}{18}$$

$$A = \frac{330\sqrt{10}\pi}{18}$$



$$A = \frac{55\sqrt{10}\pi}{3}$$

■ 2. Find the surface area of the object generated by revolving the curve around the *x*-axis on the interval $1 \le x \le 5$.

$$g(x) = \frac{2}{3}x + 5$$

Solution:

The surface area of an object formed by rotating the graph of a function y = g(x) on the interval [a, b] is given by

$$A = \int_{a}^{b} 2\pi y \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} \ dx$$

If we plug in what we've been given, we get

$$A = \int_{1}^{5} 2\pi \left(\frac{2}{3}x + 5\right) \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{2}} dx$$

$$A = 2\pi \int_{1}^{5} \left(\frac{2}{3}x + 5\right) \sqrt{1 + \frac{4}{9}} \ dx$$

$$A = 2\pi \int_{1}^{5} \left(\frac{2}{3}x + 5\right) \sqrt{\frac{13}{9}} \ dx$$



$$A = \frac{2\sqrt{13}\pi}{3} \int_{1}^{5} \frac{2}{3} x + 5 \ dx$$

Integrate, then evaluate over the interval.

$$A = \frac{2\sqrt{13}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{1}{3}x^2 + 5x\right) \Big|_{1}^{5}$$

$$A = \frac{2\sqrt{13}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{1}{3}(5)^2 + 5(5)\right) - \frac{2\sqrt{13}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{1}{3}(1)^2 + 5(1)\right)$$

$$A = \frac{2\sqrt{13}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{25}{3} + 25\right) - \frac{2\sqrt{13}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{1}{3} + 5\right)$$

$$A = \frac{2\sqrt{13}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{25}{3} + \frac{75}{3}\right) - \frac{2\sqrt{13}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{15}{3}\right)$$

$$A = \frac{2\sqrt{13}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{100}{3}\right) - \frac{2\sqrt{13}\pi}{3} \left(\frac{16}{3}\right)$$

$$A = \frac{200\sqrt{13}\pi}{9} - \frac{32\sqrt{13}\pi}{9}$$

Combine into one fraction.

$$A = \frac{168\sqrt{13}\pi}{9}$$

$$A = \frac{56\sqrt{13}\pi}{3}$$



■ 3. Set up the integral that approximates the surface area of the object generated by revolving the curve around the x-axis on the interval $-3 \le x \le 3$. Do not evaluate the integral.

$$h(x) = x^2 + 3$$

Solution:

The surface area of an object formed by rotating the graph of a function y = h(x) on the interval [a, b] is given by

$$A = \int_{a}^{b} 2\pi y \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} \ dx$$

If we plug in what we've been given, we get

$$A = \int_{-3}^{3} 2\pi (x^2 + 3) \sqrt{1 + (2x)^2} \ dx$$

$$A = 2\pi \int_{-3}^{3} (x^2 + 3)\sqrt{1 + 4x^2} \ dx$$

■ 4. Find the surface area of the object generated by revolving the curve around the line y = -1 on the interval $3 \le x \le 9$.

$$g(x) = 2\sqrt{2}x + 7$$



Solution:

The surface area of an object formed by rotating the graph of a function y = g(x) on the interval [a,b] is given by

$$A = \int_{a}^{b} 2\pi y \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} \ dx$$

Since the curve is rotated around the line y = -1, which is 1 unit below the x-axis, add 1 to the function to get $g(x) = 2\sqrt{2}x + 8$ in the integral.

$$A = \int_{3}^{9} 2\pi \left(2\sqrt{2}x + 8\right) \sqrt{1 + (2\sqrt{2})^{2}} \ dx$$

$$A = 2\pi \int_{3}^{9} \left(2\sqrt{2}x + 8\right) \sqrt{1 + 4(2)} \ dx$$

$$A = 2\sqrt{9}\pi \int_{3}^{9} 2\sqrt{2}x + 8 \ dx$$

$$A = 6\pi \int_{3}^{9} 2\sqrt{2}x + 8 \ dx$$

Integrate, then evaluate over the interval.

$$A = 6\pi \left(\sqrt{2}x^2 + 8x \right) \Big|_3^9$$

$$A = 6\pi \left(\sqrt{2}(9)^2 + 8(9)\right) - 6\pi \left(\sqrt{2}(3)^2 + 8(3)\right)$$



$$A = 6\pi \left(81\sqrt{2} + 72 \right) - 6\pi \left(9\sqrt{2} + 24 \right)$$

$$A = 6\pi \left(81\sqrt{2} + 72 - 9\sqrt{2} - 24 \right)$$

$$A = 6\pi \left(72\sqrt{2} + 48\right)$$

$$A = 144\pi \left(3\sqrt{2} + 2\right)$$



SURFACE OF REVOLUTION EQUATION

■ 1. Find an equation for the surface generated by revolving the curve around the *x*-axis.

$$3x^2 + 2y^2 = 8$$

Solution:

Pick a point P(x, y, z) on the surface of the rotation. Then pick another point $Q(x, y_1, 0)$ with the same x-coordinate as point P.

Then for point Q, the equation is $3x^2 + 2y_1^2 = 8$. Since the distance from the x-axis to point P is the same as the distance from the x-axis to point Q, the square of the distances are also equal.

$$d_P = \sqrt{y^2 + z^2}$$

$$d_P^2 = y^2 + z^2$$

$$d_Q = \sqrt{y_1^2 + 0^2}$$

$$d_Q^2 = y_1^2$$

So

$$y_1^2 = y^2 + z^2$$

Substitute this expression into the original equation, simplify, and get an equation for the surface.

$$3x^2 + 2(y^2 + z^2) = 8$$

$$3x^2 + 2y^2 + 2z^2 = 8$$

 \blacksquare 2. Find an equation for the surface generated by revolving the curve around the *y*-axis.

$$5x^2 = 8y^2$$

Solution:

Pick a point P(x, y, z) on the surface of the rotation. Then pick another point $Q(x, y_1, 0)$ with the same y-coordinate as point P.

Then for point Q, the equation is $5x_1^2 = 8y^2$. Since the distance from the y-axis to point P is the same as the distance from the y-axis to point Q, the square of the distances are also equal.

$$d_P = \sqrt{y^2 + z^2}$$

$$d_P^2 = y^2 + z^2$$

$$d_Q = \sqrt{x_1^2 + 0^2}$$

$$d_Q^2 = x_1^2$$

So

$$x_1^2 = x^2 + z^2$$

Substitute this expression into the original equation, simplify, and get an equation for the surface.

$$5(x^2 + z^2) = 8y^2$$

$$5x^2 + 5z^2 = 8y^2$$

 \blacksquare 3. Find an equation for the surface generated by revolving the curve around the x-axis.

$$9x^2 + 25y^2 = 36$$

Solution:

Pick a point P(x, y, z) on the surface of the rotation. Then pick another point $Q(x, y_1, 0)$ with the same x-coordinate as point P.

Then for point Q, the equation is $9x^2 + 25y_1^2 = 36$. Since the distance from the x-axis to point P is the same as the distance from the x-axis to point Q, the square of the distances are also equal.

$$d_P = \sqrt{y^2 + z^2}$$

$$d_P^2 = y^2 + z^2$$

$$d_Q = \sqrt{y_1^2 + 0^2}$$

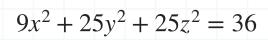
$$d_Q^2 = y_1^2$$

So

$$y_1^2 = y^2 + z^2$$

Substitute this expression into the original equation, simplify, and get an equation for the surface.

$$9x^2 + 25(y^2 + z^2) = 36$$







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