

MATHEMATICS EXTENSION 2

TOPIC 5: VOLUMES

Exercise vol5_p006

Find the volumes of the solids of revolution for the region bounded by the function $y = 2\sqrt{x}$, the X-axis and the vertical lines $x_a = 0$ and $x_b = 4$ for the following axes of rotation

- (A) X-axis $y_R = 0$
- (B) Y-axis $x_R = 0$
- (C) $y_R = -2$

Solution

(A) rotation around X-axis

Volume of solid of revolution about the X-axis is

$$V = \pi \int_{x_a}^{x_b} y^2 dx \quad \text{Disk Method}$$

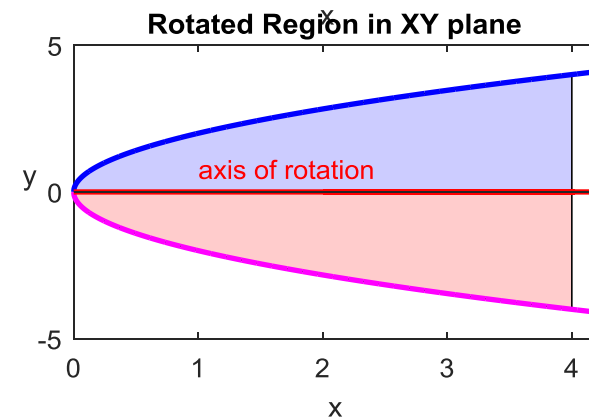
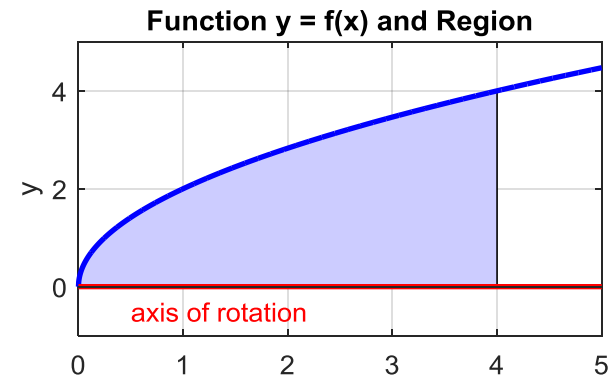
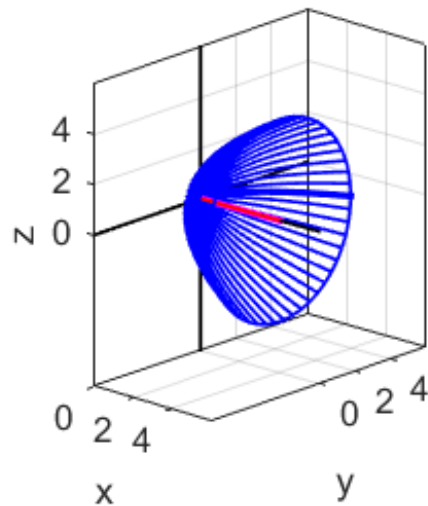
The limits of integration are $x_a = 0$ and $x_b = 4$

The function $y = f(x) \geq 0$ in the interval $[0, 4]$ is

$$y = 2\sqrt{x} \quad y^2 = 4x$$

The volume of the cone is

$$V = 4\pi \int_0^4 x dx = 4\pi \left[\frac{1}{2}x^2 \right]_0^4 = 32\pi$$



We can also find the volume of solid of revolution about the X-axis using the cylindrical shell method

$$V = 2\pi \int_{y_a}^{y_b} y x dy \quad \text{Cylindrical Shell Method}$$

The limits of integration are $y_a = 0$ and $y_b = 4$ and the function is

$$y = 2\sqrt{x} \quad x = \frac{y^2}{4} \quad x y = \frac{y^3}{4}$$

The volume V of the solid of revolution is

$$V = 2\pi \int_0^4 \frac{y^3}{4} dy = 2\pi \left[\frac{1}{4} y^3 \right]_0^4$$

$$V = 32\pi$$

(B) rotation around Y-axis

Volume of solid of revolution about the Y-axis is $V = 2\pi \int_{x_a}^{x_b} y x dx$

Cylindrical Shell Method

The limits of integration are $x_a = 0$ and $x_b = 4$. The function $y = f(x) \geq 0$ in the interval $[0, 4]$ is

$$y = 2\sqrt{x} \quad x y = 2x^{3/2}$$

The volume of the solid of revolution is

$$V = 2\pi \int_0^4 2x^{3/2} dx = 4\pi \left[\frac{2}{5} x^{5/2} \right]_0^4 = \frac{8\pi}{5} [32] = \frac{256\pi}{5}$$

We can also find the volume of revolution using the **Disk Method** but it is a little more difficult. V_2 is the volume of revolution for the rotation of the line $x_b = 4$ in the interval $0 \leq y \leq 4$

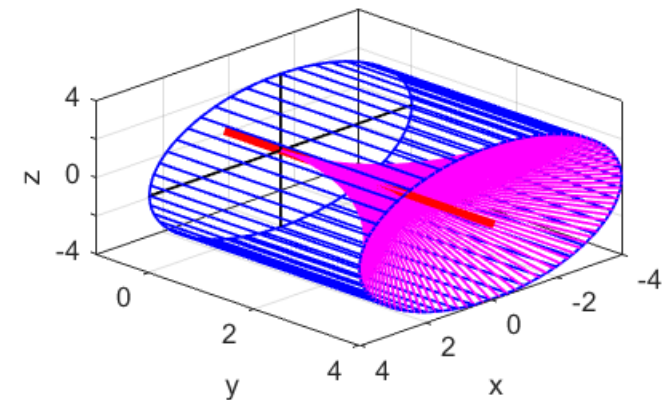
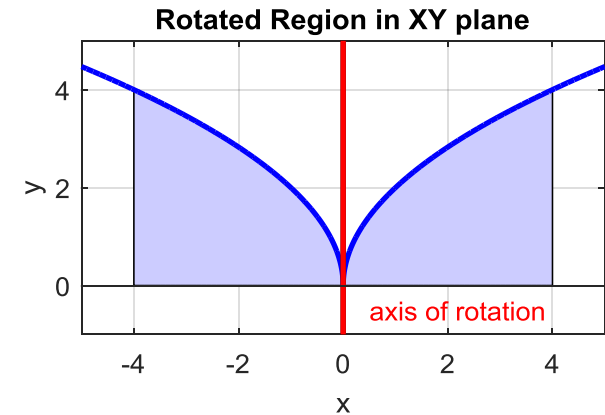
$$V_2 = \pi \int_{y_a}^{y_b} x^2 dy = \pi \int_{y_a}^{y_b} x^2 dy = \pi \int_0^4 4^2 dy = 16\pi [y]_0^4 = 64\pi$$

V_1 is the volume of revolution of the region bounded by the function and the Y-axis

$$V_2 = \pi \int_{y_a}^{y_b} x^2 dy = \pi \int_{y_a}^{y_b} (y^4 / 16) dy = \frac{1}{16} \pi \left[\frac{1}{5} y^5 \right]_0^4 = \frac{64}{5} \pi$$

The volume of revolution of the region is

$$V = V_2 - V_1 = \left(64 - \frac{64}{5} \right) = \frac{256\pi}{5}$$

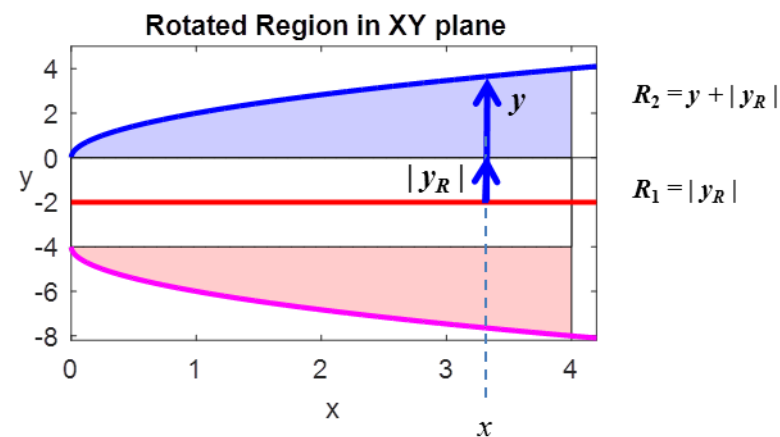
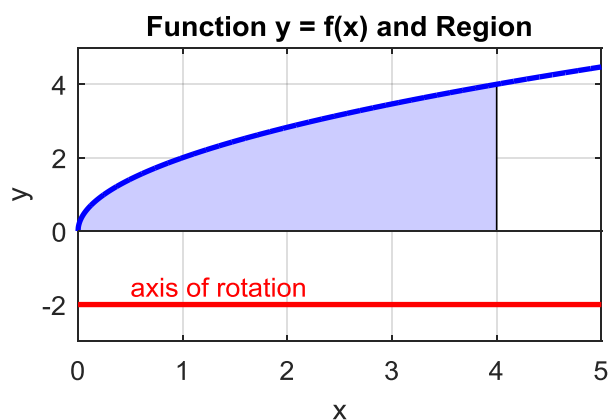


(C) rotation about the horizontal line $y_R = -2$

The solid is generated by a rotation through 360° , therefore the cross-sections of the solid of revolution will be circles, hence, the volume of the rotated region can be found by evaluating the definite integral

$$V = \pi \int_{x_a}^{x_b} R(x)^2 dx$$

You need to carefully draw a set of sketches to clearly identify the region, the axis of rotation and determine the radius $R(x)$.



The function is $y = 2\sqrt{x}$ $0 \leq x \leq 4$ and the axis of rotation is $y_R = -2$.

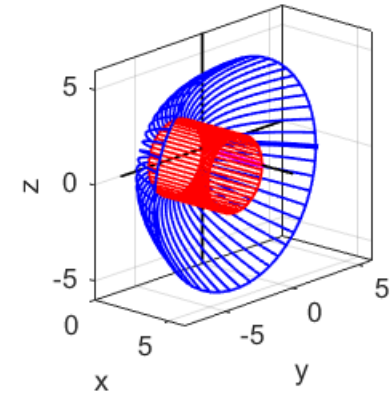
The volume V_2 generated by revolving the function $y = 2\sqrt{x}$ in interval $0 \leq x \leq 4$ around the axis of rotation $y_R = +2$ is

$$R_2(x) = y + |y_R| = 2 \quad R_2(x)^2 = 4x + 8x^{1/2} + 4 \quad x_a = 2 \quad x_b = 4$$

$$V_2 = \pi \int_2^4 (4x + 8x^{1/2} + 4) dx$$

$$V_2 = \pi \left[2x^2 + \frac{16}{3}x^{3/2} + 4x \right]_2^4$$

$$V_2 = \frac{272}{3}\pi$$



We need to subtract the volume V_1 generated by the rotation of the X-axis in the interval $0 \leq x \leq 4$ around the axis of rotation

$$R_1(x) = 2 \quad R(x)^2 = 4 \quad x_a = 2 \quad x_b = 4$$

$$V_1 = 4\pi \int_0^4 dx$$

$$V_1 = 4\pi [x]_0^4$$

$$V_1 = 16\pi = \frac{48}{3}\pi$$

The volume V of the solid of revolution of the region is thus

$$V = V_2 - V_1 = (272 - 48)\frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$V = \frac{224\pi}{3}$$

