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Volumes of Revolution

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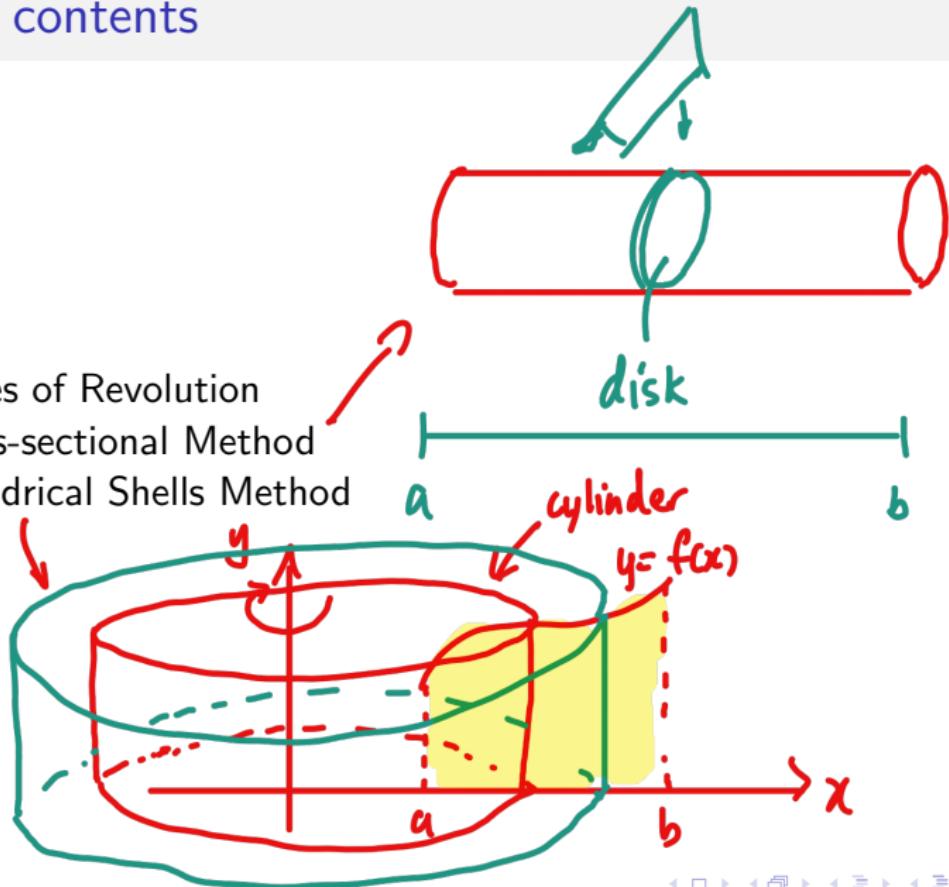
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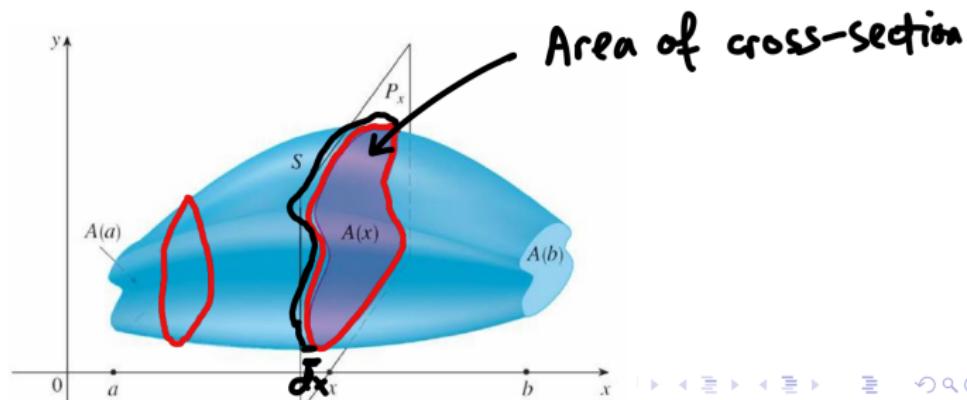
Vertical plane slicing

variable in x , revolve around x -axis

slice perpendicular to the x -axis

- ① We slice the solid S vertically using a plane.
- ② We calculate, **for every** $x \in [a, b]$, the **cross-sectional area function** $A(x)$.
- ③ Summing all these cross-sections means integrating $A(x)$ from $x = a$ to $x = b$, which gives us the volume of the solid, i.e.

$$\text{Volume of solid } S = \int_a^b \underbrace{A(x)}_{\text{area}} \underbrace{dx}_{\text{thickness}} .$$

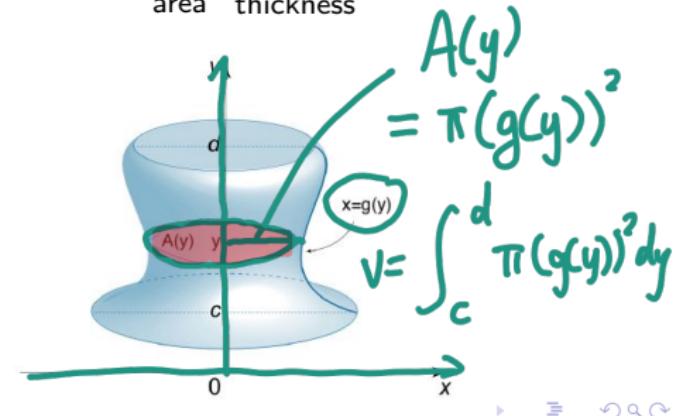
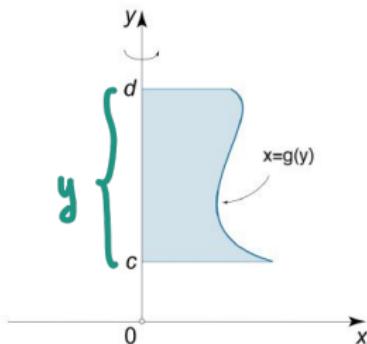


Horizontal plane slicing

*Variable in y, revolve around y-axis
perpendicular to y-axis*

- ① We slice the solid S horizontally using a plane.
- ② We calculate, **for every** $y \in [c, d]$, the **cross-sectional area function** $A(y)$.
- ③ Summing all these cross-sections means integrating $A(y)$ from $y = c$ to $y = d$, which gives us the volume of the solid, i.e.

$$\text{Volume of solid } S = \int_c^d \underbrace{A(y)}_{\text{area}} \underbrace{dy}_{\text{thickness}} .$$



Example 1

$$x^2 + y^2 = r^2 \Rightarrow y = \sqrt{r^2 - x^2} \quad y > 0$$

Show that the volume V of a sphere of radius $r > 0$ is $\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$.

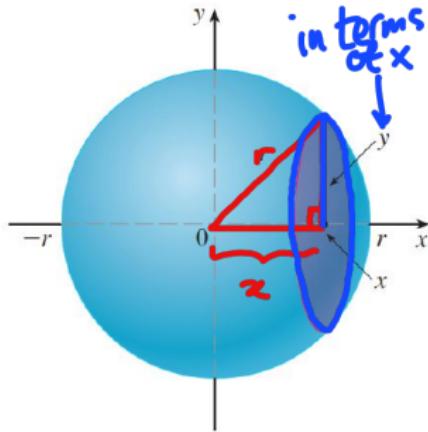
Radius of the disk = $\sqrt{r^2 - x^2}$
(in terms of x)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of cross-section} &= \pi (\sqrt{r^2 - x^2})^2 \\ A(x) &= \pi(r^2 - x^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$V = \int_{-r}^r A(x) dx = \pi \int_{-r}^r r^2 - x^2 dx$$

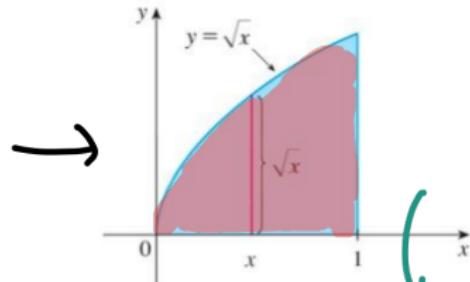
even

$$= 2\pi \int_0^r r^2 - x^2 dx = 2\pi \left[r^2 x - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^r = 2\pi \left[r^3 - \frac{r^3}{3} \right] = \frac{4\pi r^3}{3}$$

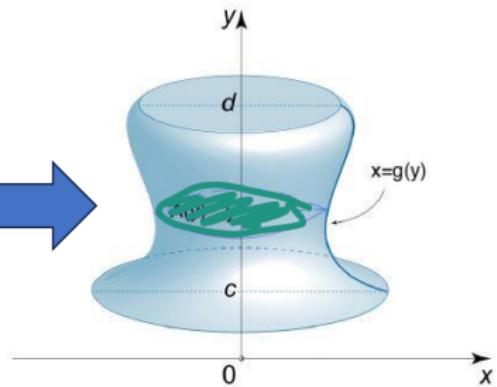
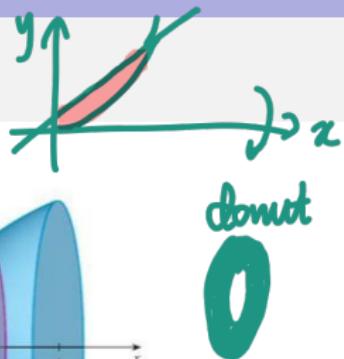
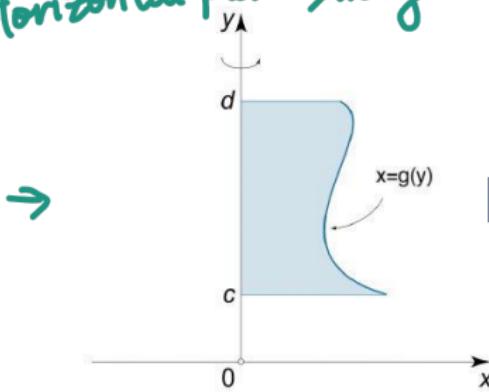


Solids by revolving a curve about an axis

Vertical plane slicing



Horizontal plane slicing



Cross-sectional area

$$\text{TLDR} \rightarrow \pi R^2$$

To find these volumes of revolution, the key step is to find the cross-sectional area (either $A(x)$ or $A(y)$ depending on vertical or horizontal planar slicing). We focus on two cases:

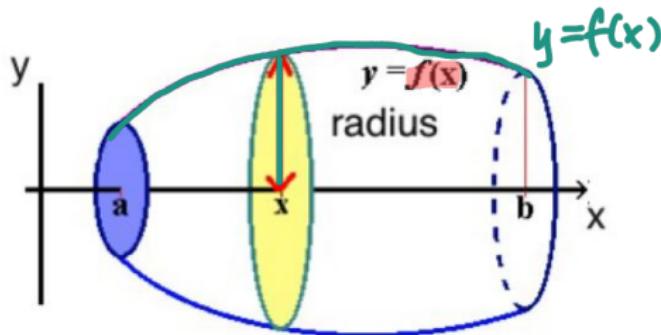
- Cross-section is a **disk**.
- Cross-section is a **washer**.



Area of big disk
- Area of small disk

Cross-section is a disk

sphere example



- We use vertical slicing (since function $y = f(x)$ is in variable x).
- Cross-section is a disk with radius $f(x)$. Thus the cross-sectional area function is

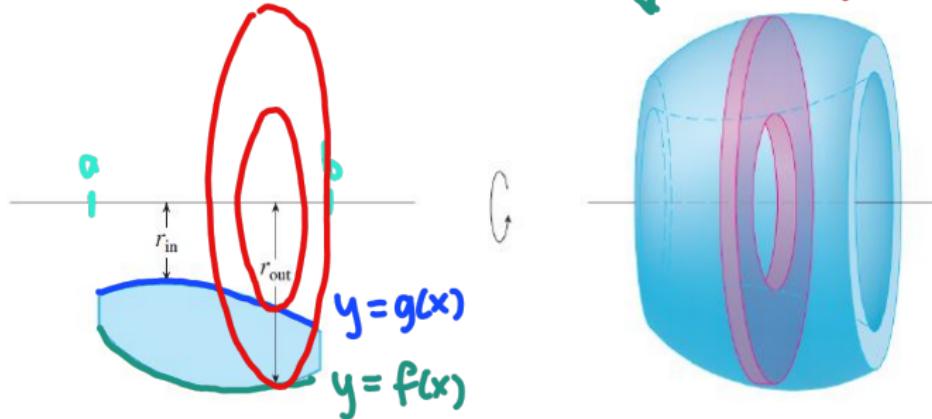
$$A(x) = \pi(f(x))^2.$$

A(y) = \pi(g(y))^2
horizontal slicing

- By summing all cross-sectional areas from $x = a$ to $x = b$, we obtain the volume V of the solid. Thus

$$V = \int_a^b A(x) dx = \int_a^b \pi(f(x))^2 dx.$$

Cross-section is a washer



- The cross-sectional area is the difference of the area of two disks:

$$A(x) = \pi r_{out}^2 - \pi r_{in}^2.$$

*$\overbrace{\hspace{1cm}}$ smaller disk
 $\overbrace{\hspace{1cm}}$ bigger disk*

- The volume V of the solid is

$$V = \int_a^b A(x) dx.$$

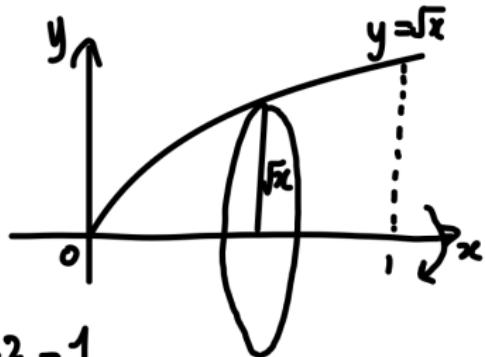
Example 2

Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating about the x -axis, the region under the curve $y = \sqrt{x}$ from $x = 0$ to $x = 1$.

$$A(x) = \pi(\sqrt{x})^2 = \pi x$$

$$\text{Volume of solid} = \int_0^1 A(x) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_0^1 \pi x dx = \pi \left[\frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2}. \end{aligned}$$



Example 2

Exercise 1 Washer

The region R enclosed by the curves $y = x$ and $y = x^2$ is rotated about the x -axis. Find the volume of the resulting solid.

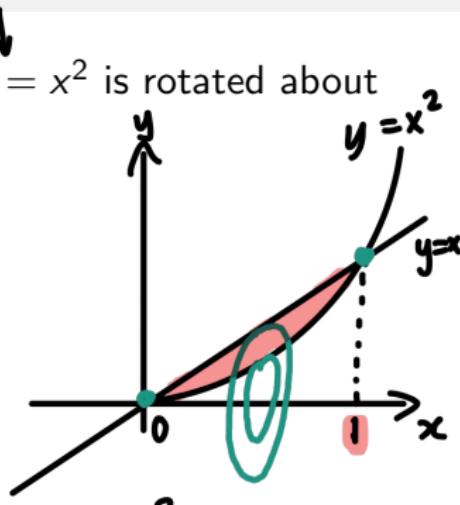
$$r_{\text{out}} = x, r_{\text{in}} = x^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} A(x) &= \pi r_{\text{out}}^2 - \pi r_{\text{in}}^2 \\ &= \pi x^2 - \pi x^4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Volume of solid} = \pi \int_0^1 x^2 - x^4 \, dx$$

$$= \pi \left[\frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^5}{5} \right]_0^1$$

$$= \pi \left[\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5} \right] = \frac{2\pi}{15}$$



$$x^2 = x$$

$$x^2 - x = 0$$

$$x(x-1) = 0$$

$$x = 0 \text{ or } x = 1$$

Exercise 1

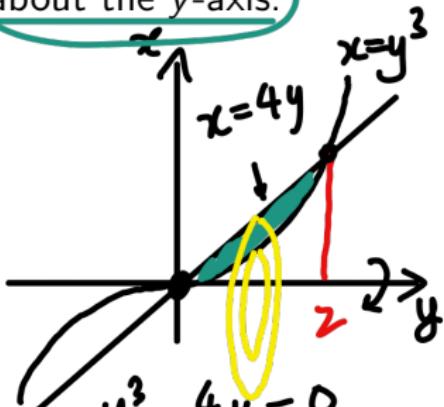
Exercise 2



Find the volume of the solid generated by rotating the region bounded by $y = x^{\frac{1}{3}}$ and $y = \frac{x}{4}$ that lies in the first quadrant, about the y-axis.

$$\begin{aligned} x &= y^3 & x &= 4y \\ y &= x^{\frac{1}{3}} & r_{\text{out}} &= 4y, \quad r_{\text{in}} = y^3 \\ V &= \int_0^2 \pi(4y)^2 - \pi(y^3)^2 dy \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \pi \int_0^2 16y^2 - y^6 dy \\ &= \pi \left[\frac{16y^3}{3} - \frac{y^7}{7} \right]_0^2 = \pi \left[\frac{16 \cdot 8}{3} - \frac{2^7}{7} \right] \end{aligned}$$



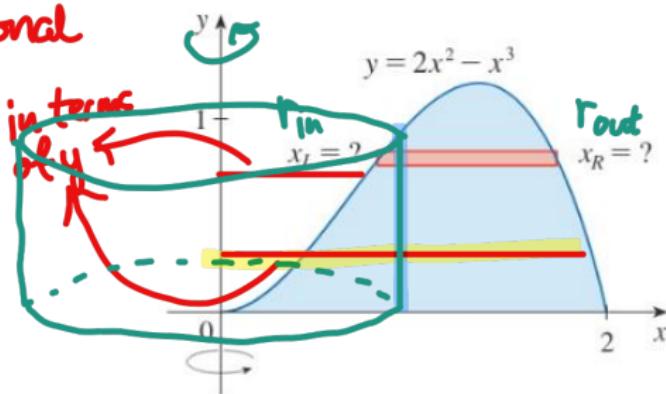
$$\begin{aligned} y^3 - 4y &= 0 \\ y(y^2 - 4) &= 0 \\ y &= 0, y = \pm 2 \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 2

Cross-sectional method can be difficult

- Some volumes of revolution can be difficult to handle with the cross-sectional method.
- Let's suppose we wish to find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating about the y -axis the region bounded by $y = 2x^2 - x^3$ and $y = 0$ (see figure below).
- If we use the cross-sectional method, we would need to find the area of the washer, and as we can see, it is not easy to find r_{out} and r_{in} : x in terms of y .

Cross-sectional
method is
infeasible
to use



$$y = 2x^2 - x^3$$

Make x in
terms of y

$$y = x^2(2-x)$$

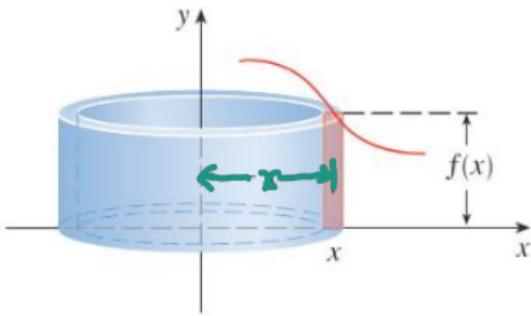
Cylindrical Shells

different variable

- For each x , we rotate the height $f(x)$ around the y -axis, the resulting **cylindrical shell** has a radius x , with thickness dx .
- Each of these shells has a volume of $2\pi x f(x) dx$ (see figure below).
- Summing these shells from $x = a$ to $x = b$, we get the volume V of the solid is

$$V = \int_a^b 2\pi x f(x) dx.$$

height
thickness
circumference



Example 3

Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating about the y -axis the region bounded by $y = \underbrace{2x^2 - x^3}$ and $y = 0$.

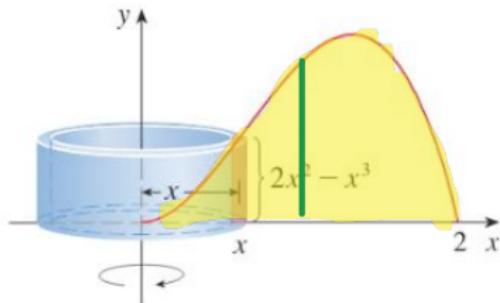
$$\text{Height} = 2x^2 - x^3$$

$$\text{radius} = x$$

$$V = \int_0^2 2\pi x (2x^2 - x^3) dx$$

$$= \pi \int_0^2 4x^3 - 2x^4 dx$$

$$= \pi \left[x^4 - \frac{2x^5}{5} \right]_0^2 = \pi \left[16 - \frac{64}{5} \right] = \frac{16\pi}{5}.$$



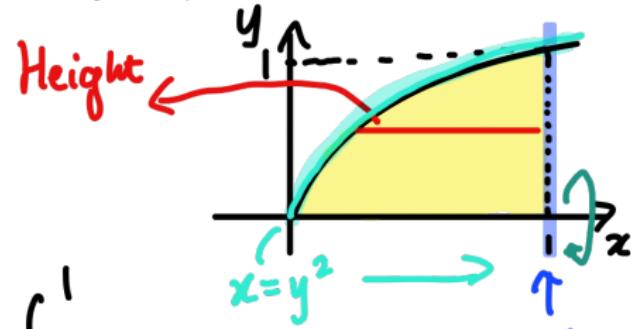
Example 4 Answer was $\frac{\pi}{2}$

$$x = y^2$$

Use cylindrical shells to find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating about the x-axis, the region under the curve $y = \sqrt{x}$ from $x = 0$ to $x = 1$.

$$\text{Height} = 1 - y^2$$

$$x =$$



$$\text{Radius} = y$$

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \int_0^1 2\pi y(1-y^2) dy = \pi \int_0^1 2y - 2y^3 dy \\ &= \pi \left[y^2 - \frac{y^4}{2} \right]_0^1 = \pi \left[1 - \frac{1}{2} \right] \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Example 4

Exercise 3

Let S be the solid obtained by rotating the region shown in the figure below about the y -axis.

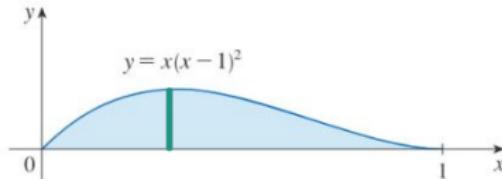
- Briefly explain why it might be awkward to find the volume V of S using the washer method. *Difficult to make x in terms of y*
- Find V using cylindrical shells.

$$\text{Height} = x(x-1)^2$$

$$\text{Radius} = x$$

$$V = \int_0^1 2\pi x x(x-1)^2 dx$$

$$= 2\pi \int_0^1 x^2(x-1)^2 dx = 2\pi \int_0^1 (x^2-x)^2 dx$$



Exercise 3

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 2\pi \int_0^1 (x^2 - x)^2 dx \\
 &= 2\pi \int_0^1 x^4 - 2x^3 + x^2 dx \\
 &= 2\pi \left[\frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^4}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^1 \\
 &= 2\pi \left[\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \right] = \frac{\pi}{15}.
 \end{aligned}$$

