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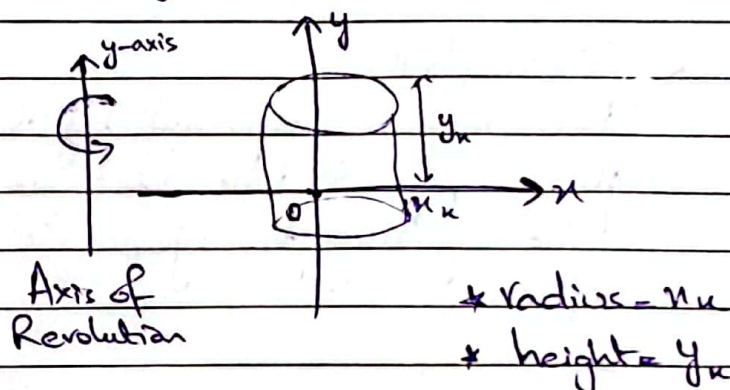
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LECTURE

G.2 VOLUMES USING CYLINDRICAL SHELLS

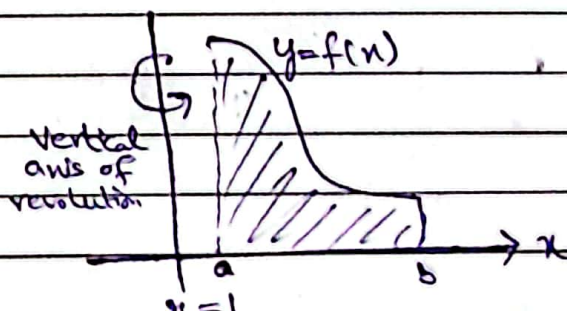
→ SLICING WITH CYLINDERS

- * Suppose, we slice through the solid using circular cylinders of increasing radii.
- * Slicing straight down through the solid so that the axis of each cylinder is parallel to y-axis.
- * The radii of the cylinders increase with each slice.



→ THE SHELL METHOD

Suppose that the region bounded by the graph of a non-negative continuous function $y=f(x)$ and the x-axis over the finite closed interval $[a, b]$ lies to the right of the vertical line $x=L$. We generate a solid S by rotating this region about the vertical line ' L '.



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→ SHELL FORMULA FOR REVOLUTION ABOUT A VERTICAL LINE

The volume of the solid generated by revolving the region between the x -axis and the graph of a continuous function $y=f(x) \geq 0$, $a \leq x \leq b$, about a vertical line $x=c$ is,

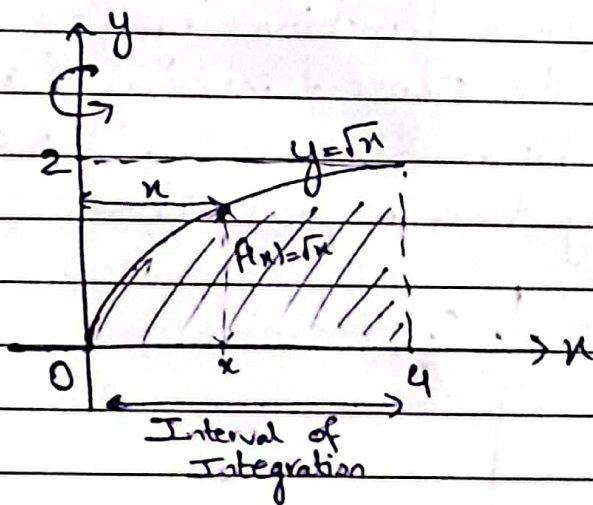
$$V = \int_a^b 2\pi (\text{Shell radius}) (\text{Shell height}) dx$$

→ Example #2

The region bounded by the curve $y=\sqrt{x}$, the x -axis, and the line $x=4$ is revolved about the y -axis to generate a solid. Find the volume of the solid.

Solution

Sketch:



(Distance from axis of Revolution)
* Shell Radius = x
* Shell Height = $y = \sqrt{x}$

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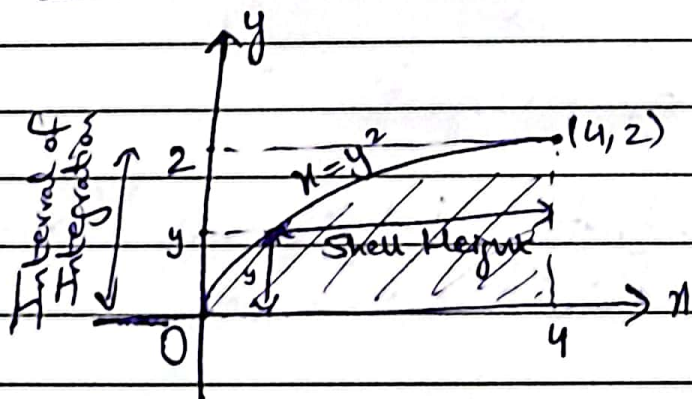
$$\begin{aligned} V &= \int_a^b 2\pi \left(\text{Shell radius} \right) \left(\text{Shell height} \right) dx \\ &= \int_0^4 2\pi (x) (\sqrt{x}) dx \\ &= 2\pi \int_0^4 x^{3/2} dx \\ &= 2\pi \left[\frac{2}{5} x^{5/2} \right]_0^4 \\ &= \frac{128\pi}{5} \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE #3

The region bounded by the curve $y = \sqrt{x}$, the x -axis, and the line $x = 4$ is revolved about the x -axis to generate a solid. Find the volume of the solid by the shell method.

Solution

Sketch:



- * Shell Height = $4 - y^2$
- * Shell Radius = y

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$$V = \int_a^b 2\pi \left(\text{Shell Radius} \right) \left(\text{Shell Height} \right) dy$$

$$= \int_0^2 2\pi (y) (4-y^2) dy$$

$$= 2\pi \int_0^2 (4y - y^3) dy$$

$$= 2\pi \left[2y^2 - \frac{y^4}{4} \right]_0^2$$

$$= 8\pi.$$

* SUMMARY OF THE SHELL METHOD *

Regardless of the position of the axis of revolution (horizontal or vertical), the steps for the shell method are:

- 1) Draw the region and sketch a line segment across it parallel to the axis of revolution. Label the shell height and shell radius.
- 2) Find the limits of integration.
- 3) Integrate the product $2\pi(\text{shell radius})(\text{shell height})$ over 'x' or 'y' to find the volume.

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6.3 ARC LENGTH

→ LENGTH OF A CURVE $y=f(x)$:

Suppose the curve whose length we want to find is the graph of the function $y=f(x)$ from $x=a$ to $x=b$.

In order to derive an integral formula for the length of the curve, we assume that ' f ' has a continuous derivative at every point of $[a, b]$. Such a function is called SMOOTH and its graph is a smooth curve because it does not have any breaks.

→ DEFINITION-

IF f' is continuous on $[a, b]$, then the arc length of the curve $y=f(x)$ from the point $A=(a, f(a))$ to the point $(b, f(b))$ is the value of the integral

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{1 + [f'(x)]^2} dx = \int_a^b \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx$$

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→ Example #1

find the length of the curve, which is the graph of the function

$$y = \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{3} x^{\frac{3}{2}} - 1, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1$$

Solution

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{3} \times \frac{3}{2} x^{\frac{1}{2}} = 2\sqrt{2} x^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = (2\sqrt{2} x^{\frac{1}{2}})^2 = 8x$$

→ The length of the curve over $x=0$ to $x=1$ is,

$$L = \int_0^1 \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 \sqrt{1 + 8x} dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{8} (1 + 8x)^{\frac{3}{2}} \Big|_0^1$$

$$= \frac{13}{6} \approx 2.17$$

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→ Example #2
Find the length of the graph of:

$$f(x) = \frac{x^3}{12} + \frac{1}{x}, \quad 1 \leq x \leq 4$$

SOLUTION

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1}{12} \times 3x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2} \\ &= \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{1}{x^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$* \quad 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = 1 + \left(\frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{1}{x^2} \right)^2$$

$$= 1 + \left(\frac{x^4}{16} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{x^4} \right)$$

$$= \frac{x^4}{16} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{x^4}$$

$$= \left(\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{1}{x^2} \right)^2$$

→ The length of the graph over $[1, 4]$ is:

$$L = \int_1^4 \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2} dx = \int_1^4 \left(\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{1}{x^2} \right) dx$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow L &= \left[\frac{x^3}{12} - \frac{1}{x} \right]_1^4 \\ &= \left(\frac{64}{12} - \frac{1}{4} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{12} - 1 \right) \\ &= \frac{72}{12} \\ &= 6\end{aligned}$$

→ DEALING WITH DISCONTINUITIES IN dy/dx :
Even if the derivative dy/dx does not exist at some point on a curve, it is possible that dx/dy could exist. This can happen, for example, when a curve has a vertical tangent.

→ FORMULA FOR THE LENGTH OF $x=g(y)$,
 $c \leq y \leq d$

If g' is continuous on $[c, d]$, the length of the curve $x=g(y)$ from $A=(g(c), c)$ to $B=(g(d), d)$ is,

$$L = \int_c^d \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dx}{dy} \right)^2} dy = \int_c^d \sqrt{1 + [g'(y)]^2} dy$$

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→ Example #3

Find the length of the curve $y = (x/2)^{2/3}$ from $x=0$ to $x=2$.

Solution

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{x}{2} \right)^{-1/3} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{2}{x} \right)^{1/3}$$

is not defined at $x=0$. So, we cannot find the curve's length.

→ We rewrite the equation to express it in terms of y ,

$$y^{3/2} = \frac{x}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2y^{3/2}$$

→ When $x=0 \Rightarrow y=0$

→ When $x=2 \Rightarrow y=1$

$$\rightarrow \frac{dx}{dy} = 2 \left(\frac{3}{2} \right) y^{1/2} = 3y^{1/2} \text{ is continuous on } [0,1].$$

$$\Rightarrow L = \int_0^1 \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dx}{dy} \right)^2} dy = \int_0^1 \sqrt{1 + 9y} dy$$

$$= \frac{1}{9} \times \frac{2}{3} (1 + 9y)^{3/2} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{2}{27} (10\sqrt{10} - 1) \approx 2.27$$

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→ Example #4

Find the arc length for the curve

$$f(x) = \frac{x^3}{12} + \frac{1}{x}, \quad 1 \leq x \leq 4$$

Taking $A = (1, 13/12)$ as the starting point.

Solution

→ Example #2

$$1 + [f'(x)]^2 = \left(\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{1}{x^2} \right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Arc length} = \int_1^4 \sqrt{1 + [f'(t)]^2} dt = \int_1^4 \left(\frac{t^2}{4} + \frac{1}{t^2} \right) dt$$

$$= \left[\frac{t^3}{12} - \frac{1}{t} \right]_1^4$$

$$= \frac{4^3}{12} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{12}$$

→ To compute the arc length along the curve from $A = (1, 13/12)$ to $B = (4, 67/12)$, for instance,

$$\text{Arc length} = \frac{4^3}{12} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{12} = 6.$$