

# Chapter 6

## Applications of Integrals

### 6.1 Area Between Curves

#### 6.1.1 Area with Respect to the $x$ -axis

**Recall 1.** If  $f(x)$  is a continuous function and  $a \leq b$ , then the definite integral  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  represents the “net area” between the curve  $y = f(x)$  and the  $x$ -axis between  $x = a$  and  $x = b$ . (“Net area” means the area above the  $x$ -axis minus the area below the  $x$ -axis.)

**Theorem 2.** If  $f, g$  are continuous functions of  $x$  such that  $f(x) \leq g(x)$  for all  $a \leq x \leq b$ , then the area  $A$  of the region bounded by the curves  $y = f(x)$ ,  $y = g(x)$ ,  $x = a$ , and  $x = b$  is

$$A = \int_a^b g(x) - f(x) dx$$

**Problem 3.** Find the area of the region bounded above by  $y = e^x$ , below by  $y = x$ , and on the sides by  $x = 0$  and  $x = 1$ .

**Problem 4.** Find the area bounded by  $y = x^2$  and  $y = 2x - x^2$ .

**Problem 5.** Find the area bounded by  $y = \sin(x)$  and  $y = \cos(x)$  from  $x = 0$  to  $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

**6.1.2 Area with Respect to the  $y$ -axis**

**Theorem 6.** If  $f, g$  are continuous functions of  $y$  such that  $f(y) \leq g(y)$  for all  $c \leq y \leq d$ , then the area  $A$  of the region bounded by the curves  $x = f(y)$ ,  $x = g(y)$ ,  $y = c$ , and  $y = d$  is

$$A = \int_c^d g(y) - f(y) dy$$

**Problem 7.** Find the area enclosed by  $y = x - 1$  and  $y^2 = 2x + 6$ .

**Problem 8.** Find the area enclosed by  $x = 2y - y^2$  and  $x = y^2 - 4y$ .

Suggested Homework: Section 6.1 numbers 1, 4, 12, 24, 27, 44, 50

## 6.2 Volumes by Cross-Sections

**Definition 9.** The three-dimensional solid obtained by moving a planar shape along a line perpendicular to the plane is called a **cylinder**.

**Definition 10.** The volume  $V$  of a cylinder with base area  $B$  and height  $h$  is defined to be

$$V = Bh$$

**Definition 11.** The volume of a solid positioned between  $x = a$  and  $x = b$  with cross-sectional areas given by  $A(x)$  for each  $x$ -value between  $a$  and  $b$  is defined to be

$$V = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n A(x_{i,n}) \Delta x_n = \int_a^b A(x) dx$$

**Problem 12.** Show that the volume  $V$  of a pyramid with height  $h$  and a square base with side length  $s$  is  $V = \frac{1}{3}s^2h$ .

**Definition 13.** A **solid of revolution** is the result of rotating a shape around a line (called the **axis of revolution**).

**Theorem 14** (Disc Method). Suppose that a solid of revolution is formed from a shape positioned flush against a horizontal or vertical axis of revolution.

If the axis of revolution is horizontal, and  $R(x)$  gives the distance from the axis to the outside of the shape being rotated for each value of  $x$ , then the volume of the solid of revolution from  $x = a$  to  $x = b$  is

$$V = \int_a^b \pi[R(x)]^2 dx$$

If the axis of revolution is vertical, and  $R(y)$  gives the distance from the axis to the outside of the shape being rotated for each value of  $y$ , then the volume of the solid of revolution from  $y = c$  to  $y = d$  is

$$V = \int_c^d \pi[R(y)]^2 dy$$

**Problem 15.** Show that the volume of a sphere of radius  $r$  is  $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ .

**Problem 16.** Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the shape bounded by  $y = \sqrt{x}$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $x = 0$ , and  $x = 1$  about the  $x$ -axis.

**Problem 17.** Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the shape bounded by  $y = x^3$ ,  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ , and  $y = 8$  about the  $y$ -axis.

**Theorem 18** (Washer Method). Suppose that a solid of revolution is formed from a shape not positioned flush against a horizontal or vertical axis of revolution.

If the axis of revolution is horizontal,  $R(x)$  gives the distance from the axis to the outside of the shape being rotated for each value of  $x$ , and  $r(x)$  gives the distance from the axis to the inside of the shape being rotated for each value of  $x$ , then the volume of the solid of revolution from  $x = a$  to  $x = b$  is

$$V = \int_a^b \pi[R(x)]^2 - \pi[r(x)]^2 dx$$

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**Problem 19.** Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the triangle with vertices at  $(1, 1)$ ,  $(3, 1)$ , and  $(1, 2)$  around the  $x$ -axis.

**Problem 20.** Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region bounded by  $y = x$  and  $y = x^2$  about the line  $x = -1$ .

Suggested Homework: Section 6.2 numbers 4, 5, 12, 15, 19, 25, 42, 54, 56, 59

## 6.3 Volume by Cylindrical Shell

**Theorem 21** (Shell Method). If the axis of revolution for a solid of revolution is vertical, and the cylindrical shell formed by rotating a vertical line segment within the shape at a fixed  $x$  value has height  $h(x)$  and radius  $r(x)$ , then the volume of the solid of revolution is

$$V = \int_a^b 2\pi r(x)h(x) dx$$

If the axis of revolution for a solid of revolution is horizontal, and the cylindrical shell formed by rotating a horizontal line segment within the shape at a fixed  $y$  value has height  $h(y)$  and radius  $r(y)$ , then the volume of the solid of revolution is

$$V = \int_c^d 2\pi r(y)h(y) dy$$

**Problem 22.** Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the shape with bounds  $y = 2x^2 - x^3$  and  $y = 0$  about the  $y$ -axis.

**Problem 23.** Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the shape with bounds  $x = y$  and  $x = y^2$  about the  $x$ -axis.



**Problem 24.** Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the shape with bounds  $y = \sqrt{x}$ ,  $y = 0$ , and  $x = 4$  about the  $y$ -axis.

**Problem 25.** Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the shape with bounds  $y = x - x^2$  and  $y = 0$  about the line  $x = 2$ .

Suggested Homework: Section 6.3 numbers 2, 7, 9, 17, 19, 37

## 6.4 Work

**Definition 26.** The **work**  $W$  done by a constant **force**  $F$  exerted on an object over a distance  $d$  is given by the equation

$$W = Fd$$

**Theorem 27.** The work  $W$  done by a variable force  $F(x)$  exerted on an object over the distance from  $x = a$  to  $x = b$  is given by the equation

$$W = \int_a^b F(x) dx$$

**Problem 28.** A vehicle is moved from mile marker  $x = 1$  to mile marker  $x = 3$  with a force of  $F(x) = x^2 + 2x$  tons at a given position  $x$  on the interstate. How much work is done in moving the vehicle in this way?

**Problem 29. Hooke's Law** tells us that a spring with spring constant  $k$  requires  $F(x) = kx$  units of force to stretch the spring  $x$  units beyond its natural length. If a force of 40 newtons is required to stretch a spring from its natural length of 10 meters to 15 meters, what is the value of the spring's constant  $k$ , and how much work is required to stretch the spring further from 15 meters to 18 meters?

**Problem 30.** A 200 pound cable hangs 100 feet from the top of a building. How much work is required to retract the cable to the top of the building?

**Problem 31.** A tank in the shape of an upside-down cone has a height of 16 meters and radius of 4 meters. Assuming that the density of the water is  $1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$ , compute the amount of work required to completely fill the tank by pumping water into the tip of the tank.

(No Suggested Homework)