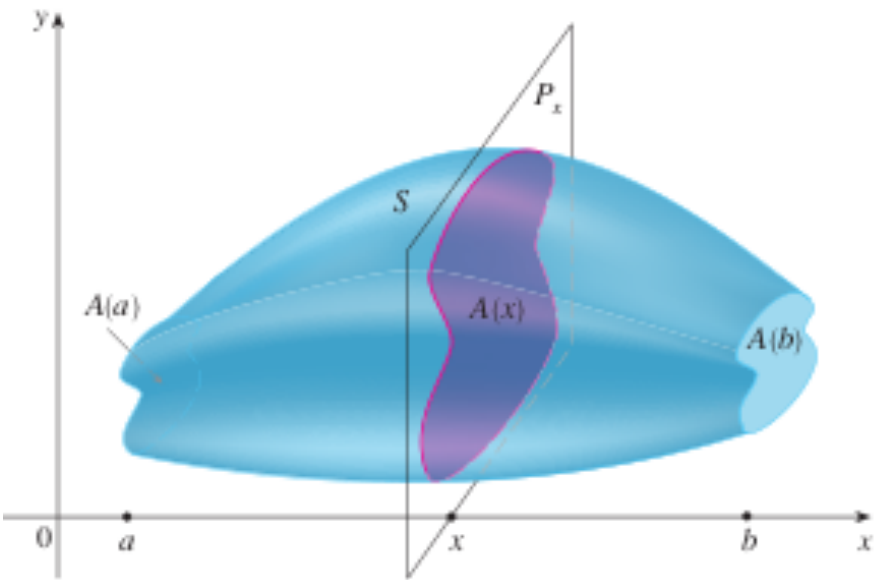


Chapter 5

Applications in integration

5.2 Volumes



S : Object (or solid)

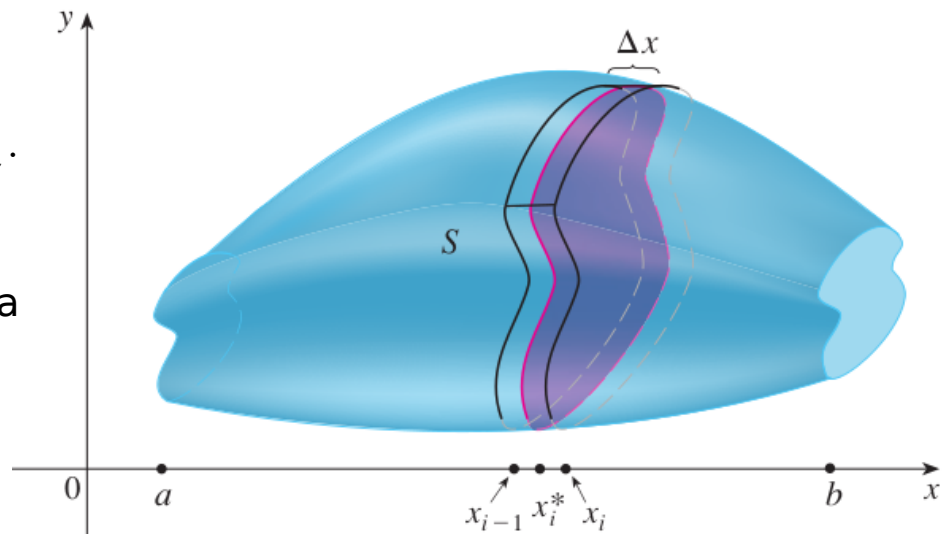
P_x : Cross-section at x .

$A(x)$: Area of the cross-section.

- Cut the solid in n slices

$$P_{x_1}, P_{x_2}, \dots, P_{x_n}.$$

- Select sample points in each subinterval.
- Approximate the slice by a bunch of cylinders:

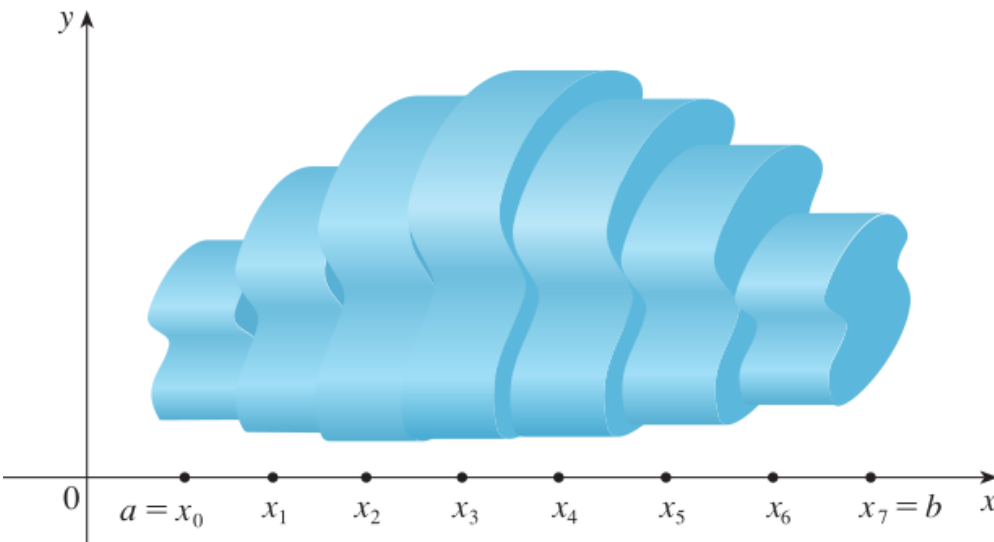


$$\text{Vol}(\text{Slide}) = A(x_i^*)\Delta x.$$

- Sum the volume of all slices:

$$V \approx \sum_{i=1}^n A(x_i^*)\Delta x$$

- Taking $n \rightarrow \infty$



Formula for the volume of a generic solid:

$$V = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n A(x_i^*)\Delta x = \int_a^b A(x) dx.$$

EXAMPLE 1 Show that the volume of a sphere of radius r is $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$.

Solid of revolution.

Rotation about the x-axis.

EXAMPLE 2 Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating about the x -axis the region under the curve $y = \sqrt{x}$ from 0 to 1. Illustrate the definition of volume by sketching a typical approximating cylinder.

Rotation around the y-axis.

EXAMPLE 3 Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region bounded by $y = x^3$, $y = 8$, and $x = 0$ about the y-axis.

Cross-section as a washer.

EXAMPLE 4 The region \mathcal{R} enclosed by the curves $y = x$ and $y = x^2$ is rotated about the x -axis. Find the volume of the resulting solid.

Rotation about another line.

EXAMPLE 5 Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region in Example 4 about the line $y = 2$.

In summary.

- If the cross-section is a disk (as in Examples 1–3), we find the radius of the disk (in terms of x or y) and use

$$A = \pi(\text{radius})^2$$

- If the cross-section is a washer (as in Examples 4 and 5), we find the inner radius r_{in} and outer radius r_{out} from a sketch (as in Figures 8, 9, and 10) and compute the area of the washer by subtracting the area of the inner disk from the area of the outer disk:

$$A = \pi(\text{outer radius})^2 - \pi(\text{inner radius})^2$$

