

Math 250 6.4 Volume: The Shell Method

- Objectives
- 1) Find the volume of a solid of revolution using the cylindrical shell method.
 - 2) Compare the shell method to the disk method.

Primary concept: definite integral is accumulating the surface areas of cylinders whose radii (radius plural) are expanding along the axis of integral

Notice:

- Around what line do I revolve?
- Do I integrate in x or in y ?
- Have I written my integrand using the variable with which I should integrate?
- Have I written my limits of integration with the correct variable?

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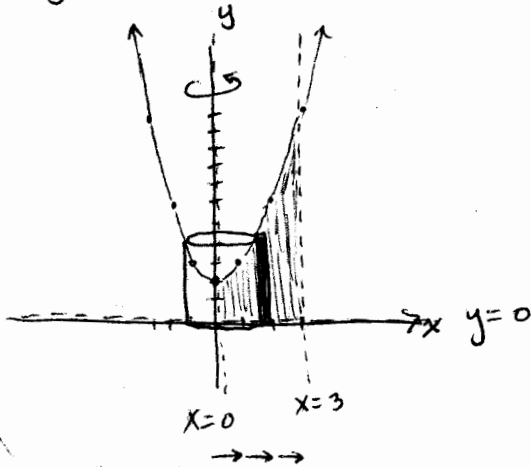
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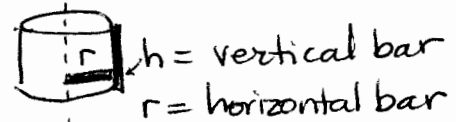
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- ① Revolve $f(x) = x^2 + 2$, bounded by $x=0$ and $x=3$, $y=0$ around the y -axis. Find the volume of this region of revolution using the method of cylindrical shells.



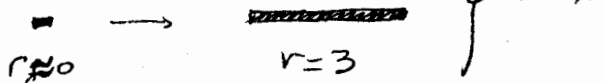
sample cylinder



axis of revolution passes through center of all cylinders as we integrate.

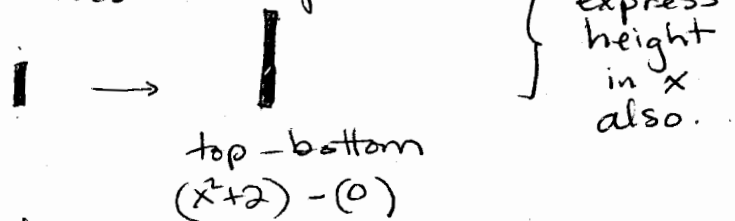
Integrate shells as radius increases $\Rightarrow x=0$ to $x=3$

$r(x)$ is just x !



As radius increases, height varies with parabola

$$h(x) = x^2 + 2$$



$$\text{Volume} = \int_{x=0}^{x=3} 2\pi r(x) h(x) dx$$

$$= \int_{x=0}^3 2\pi (x)(x^2 + 2 - 0) dx$$

subst $r(x) = x$
 $h(x) = x^2 + 2 - 0$

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

simplify

$$= 2\pi \int_0^3 x^3 + 2x dx$$

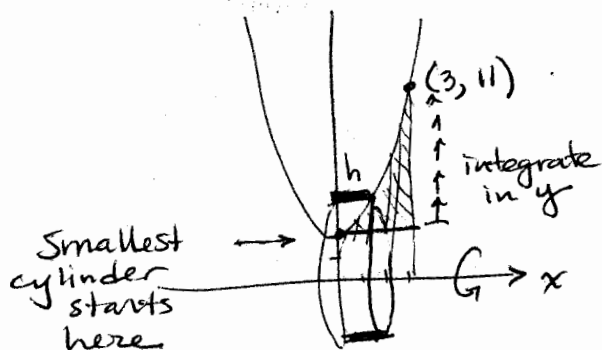
distribute

$$= 2\pi \left[\frac{1}{4}x^4 + x^2 \right]_0^3$$

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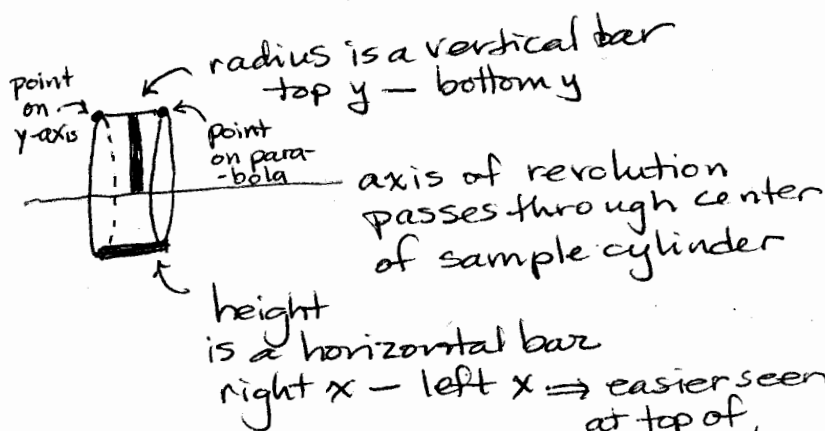
$$= 2\pi \left[\left(\frac{1}{4} \cdot 3^4 + 3^2 \right) - 0 \right] = \boxed{\frac{117}{2}\pi}$$

- (2) Revolve the region bounded by $y = x^2 + 2$, $x = 0$, $x = 3$, $y = 2$ around the x -axis and find the volume of revolution using the method of cylindrical shells.



Sample cylinder

similar region to previous question, but revolved around different axis



For shells,
Integrate in radius
from $y = 2$ to $y = 11$

$$r(y) = y$$

$$h(y) = \sqrt{y-2} - 0 = \sqrt{y-2}$$

$$\text{Volume} = \int_{y=2}^{11} 2\pi r(y) h(y) dy$$

$$= \int_2^{11} 2\pi (y) (\sqrt{y-2}) dy$$

$$u+2=y \rightarrow u=y-2$$

$$du=dy$$

$$u_1 = 2-2=0$$

$$u_2 = 11-2=9$$

Need x coordinate
in terms of y .

Solve $y = x^2 + 2$ for x

$$y-2 = x^2$$

$$\pm \sqrt{y-2} = x$$

want QI $\Rightarrow +\sqrt{}$

$$x = \sqrt{y-2}$$

need
 u -substitution!

$$= \int_{u=0}^{u=9} 2\pi (u+2) u^{1/2} du$$

rewrite in u and du
 u -substitution

$$= 2\pi \int_{u=0}^9 u^{1/2} (u+2) du$$

rearrange $\rightarrow$ constant multiple
 outside integral
 $\rightarrow u^{1/2}$ to front, distrib

$$= 2\pi \int_{u=0}^9 u^{3/2} + 2u^{1/2} du$$

dist

$$= 2\pi \left[\frac{2}{5} u^{5/2} + 2 \cdot \frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} \right] \Big|_0^9$$

antidiff

$$= 2\pi \left[\frac{2}{5} u^{5/2} + \frac{4}{3} u^{3/2} \right] \Big|_0^9$$

simplify

option 1: Evaluate in u .

Option 2: Evaluate in y .

$$= 2\pi \left[\frac{2}{5} (9)^{5/2} + \frac{4}{3} (9)^{3/2} - 0 \right]$$

$$= 2\pi \left[\frac{2}{5} (y-2)^{5/2} + \frac{4}{3} (y-2)^{3/2} \right] \Big|_2^{11}$$

$$= 2\pi \left[\frac{2}{5} (3)^5 + \frac{4}{3} (3)^3 \right]$$

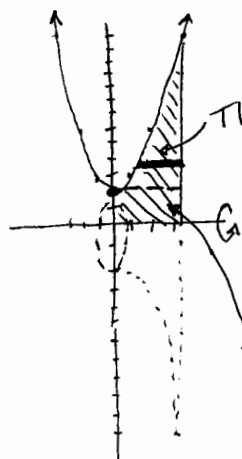
$$= 2\pi \left[\left(\frac{2}{5} (11-2)^{5/2} + \frac{4}{3} (11-2)^{3/2} \right) - \left(\frac{2}{5} (2-2)^{5/2} - \frac{4}{3} (2-2)^{3/2} \right) \right]$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{1332}{5} \pi}$$

$$= 2\pi \left[\frac{2}{5} (9)^{5/2} - \frac{4}{3} (9)^{3/2} - 0 \right]$$

- ② b) Revolve the region bounded by $y = x^2 + 2$, $x = 0$, $x = 3$, and $y = 0$ around the x -axis. Find volume by shells.

same region as ①, but different axis of revolution.



The region above $y = 2$ has height h of cylinder horizontal

$$\text{right } x - \text{left } x \\ (x = 3) \quad (\text{parabola in } y)$$

The region below $y = 2$ has height h of cylinder horizontal

$$\text{right } x - \text{left } x \\ (x = 3) \quad (x = 0)$$

Because these regions have different expressions for height h , we need two integrals.

$$\int_{y=0}^2 2\pi (\underbrace{y-0}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{radius} \\ \text{(variable of integration - axis of rev)}}}) (\underbrace{3-0}_{\uparrow \text{height}}) dy + \int_{y=2}^{11} 2\pi (\underbrace{y-0}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{same } r}}) (\underbrace{3-\sqrt{y-2}}_{\uparrow \text{height}}) dy$$

solve parabola for x -coord in terms of y

$$y = x^2 + 2$$

$$y - 2 = x^2$$

$$\pm \sqrt{y-2} = x$$

graph in QI $\Rightarrow$ choose $x = \sqrt{y-2}$

$$= 2\pi \cdot 3 \int_0^2 y dy + 2\pi \int_2^{11} y(3 - \sqrt{y-2}) dy$$

$$u = y - 2 \\ du = dy$$

$$y = u + 2$$

$$u_1 = 2 - 2 = 0 \\ u_2 = 11 - 2 = 9$$

$$= 6\pi \cdot \frac{y^2}{2} \Big|_0^2 + 2\pi \int_{u=0}^9 (u+2)(3 - u^{1/2}) du$$

$$= 3\pi(4 - 0) + 2\pi \int_{u=0}^9 3u - u^{3/2} + 6 - 2u^{1/2} du$$

$$= 12\pi + 2\pi \left[\frac{3u^2}{2} - \frac{2}{5}u^{5/2} + 6u - \frac{2 \cdot 2}{3}u^{3/2} \right] \Big|_{0=u}^{u=9}$$

$$= 12\pi + 2\pi \left[\left(\frac{3}{2}(9)^2 - \frac{2}{5}(9)^{5/2} + 6(9) - \frac{4}{3}(9)^{3/2} \right) - 0 \right]$$

$$= 12\pi + 2\pi \left[\frac{243}{2} - \frac{2}{5}(3^5) + 54 - \frac{4}{3} \cdot (3)^3 \right]$$

$$= 12\pi + 2\pi \left[\frac{243}{2} - \frac{486}{5} + 54 - 36 \right]$$

$$= 12\pi + 2\pi \left[\frac{423}{10} \right]$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{486\pi}{5}} \text{ or } \boxed{97.2\pi}$$

- ③ Find the volume of the solid of revolution formed by revolving the region bounded by

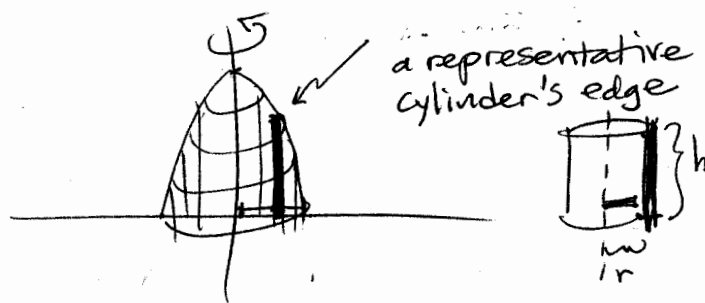
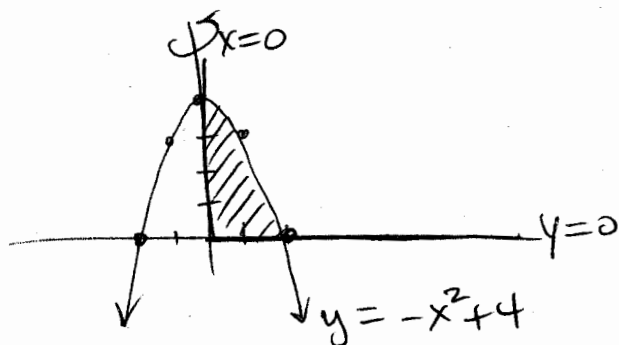
$$y = -x^2 + 4$$

$$x = 0$$

$$y = 0$$

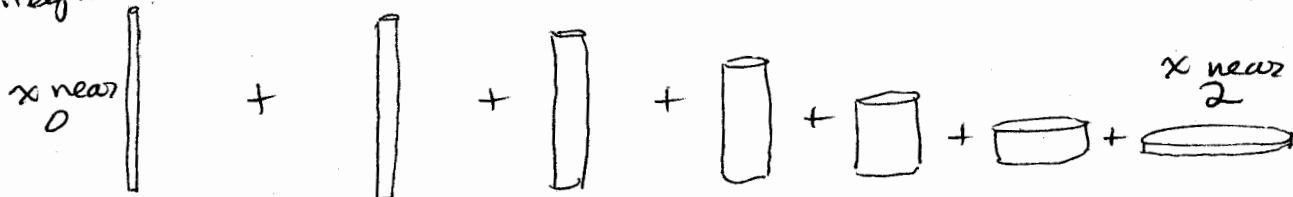
about the y -axis, using the method of cylindrical shells.

step 1: sketch the region and revolve it:



step 2: The cylindrical shells encircle the axis of revolution. make the radius of the cylinder perpendicular to the axis of revolution. Accumulate the surface areas of cylinders, for $x = 0$ to $x = 2$. Integrate in radius.

$$A = 2\pi \cdot r \cdot h.$$



The radius of each cylinder is simply x .

The height of each cylinder is $y = f(x)$, top-bottom.

step 3: Set up integral and evaluate

$$\int_{x=0}^{x=2} 2\pi r(x) h(x) dx = \int_0^2 2\pi \cdot x \cdot (-x^2 + 4) dx = \int_0^2 -x^3 + 4x dx$$

$$= 2\pi \left[-\frac{1}{4}x^4 + 2x^2 \right]_0^2 = 2\pi \{ [-4 + 8] - [0 + 0] \} = \boxed{8\pi}$$

- ④ Find the volume of the solid of revolution formed by revolving the region bounded by

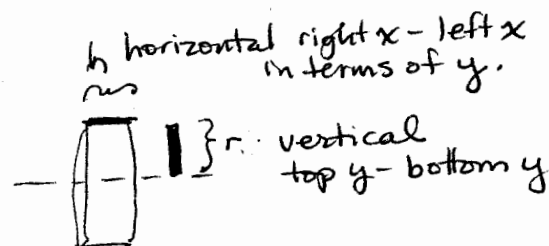
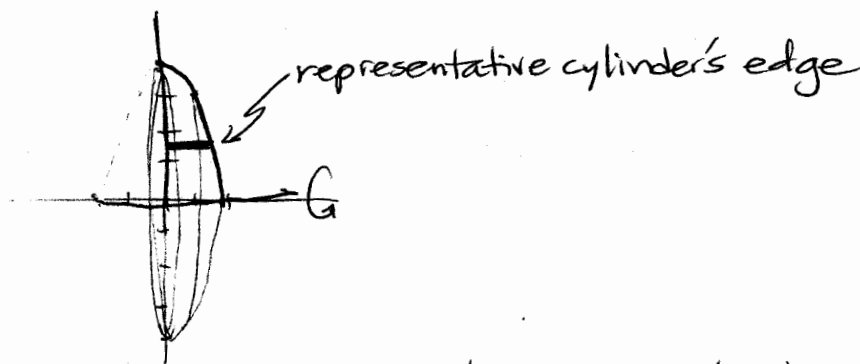
$$y = -x^2 + 4$$

$$y = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

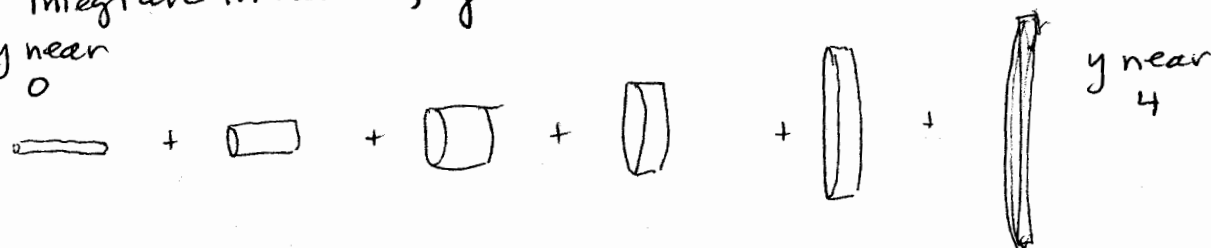
about the x -axis, using the method of cylindrical shells.

Step 1: sketch and revolve



Step 2: The cylindrical shells encircle the axis of revolution so that the radius is perpendicular to the axis of revolution. Accumulate the surface areas $A = 2\pi r h$ for $y=0$ to $y=4$.
integrate in radius, $y=0$

y near 0



The radius of each cylinder is simply y .
The height of each cylinder is $x = f^{-1}(y)$.

$$y = -x^2 + 4$$

$$y - 4 = -x^2$$

$$4 - y = x^2$$

$$\pm \sqrt{4-y} = x$$

$$\sqrt{4-y} = x \quad \text{QI is (+) root.}$$

step 3: Set up integral

$$\int_{y=0}^{y=4} 2\pi r(y) \cdot h(y) dy$$

$$= \int_0^4 2\pi \cdot y \cdot \sqrt{4-y} dy$$

$$= -2\pi \int_{u=4}^{u=0} (4-u) u^{1/2} du$$

$$= 2\pi \int_{u=0}^{u=4} 4u^{1/2} - u^{3/2} du$$

$$= 2\pi \left[\frac{8}{3} u^{3/2} - \frac{2}{5} u^{5/2} \right] \Big|_0^4$$

$$= 2\pi \left\{ \left[\frac{8}{3} \cdot (\sqrt{4})^3 - \frac{2}{5} (\sqrt{4})^5 \right] - 0 \right\}$$

$$= 2\pi \left\{ \frac{64}{3} - \frac{64}{5} \right\}$$

$$= 2\pi \cdot \frac{128}{15}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{256\pi}{15}}$$

need u substitution to antidiff.

$$u = 4 - y$$

$$y = 4 - u$$

$$du = -dy$$

$$u_1 = 4 - 0 = 4$$

$$u_2 = 4 - 4 = 0$$

rewrite in u
simplify in u

antidiff in u.

{ You could also
evaluate in y, not
shown here. }

arithmetic

- ⑤ Find the volume of the solid of revolution formed by revolving the region bounded by

$$y = x^2$$

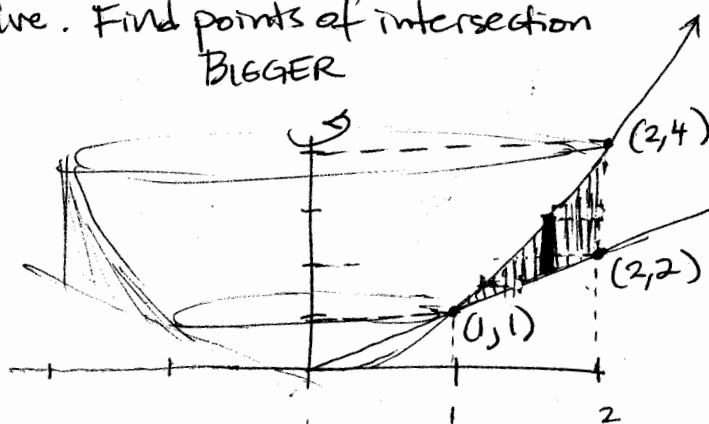
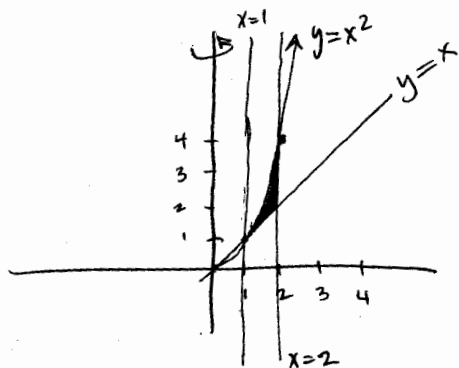
$$x = 1$$

$$x = 2$$

$$y = x$$

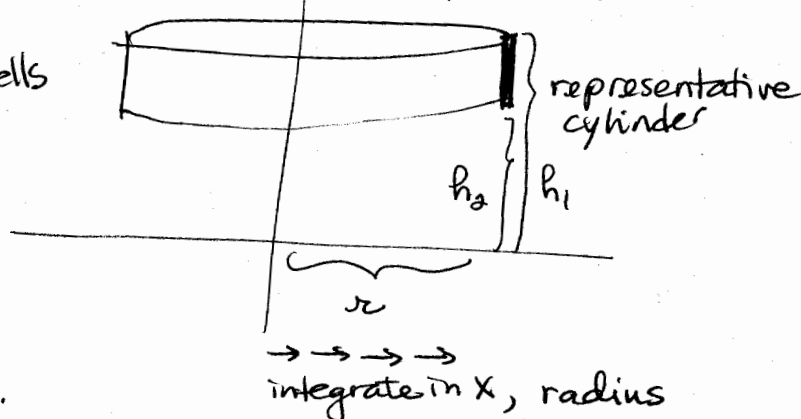
about the y -axis, using the method of cylindrical shells.

step 1: sketch and revolve. Find points of intersection
BIGGER



a bowl with a hole in the bottom and thick upper edges

step 2: the cylindrical shells encircle the axis of revolution, so that the radius is perpendicular to the axis of revolution
 $2\pi x h$



The radius is simply x .

The height that's desired requires subtracting away the lower part.

cylinder formed by parabola $-$ cylinder formed by line
 $2\pi x h_1 - 2\pi x h_2$

$$2\pi x (h_1 - h_2)$$

$h_1 = x^2$ height of parabola

$h_2 = x$ height of line.

step 3: Set up integral and evaluate.

$$\int_{x=1}^{x=2} 2\pi x (x^2 - x) dx$$

$$= 2\pi \int_1^2 x^3 - x^2 dx$$

$$= 2\pi \left[\frac{1}{4}x^4 - \frac{1}{3}x^3 \right]_1^2$$

$$= 2\pi \left[\left(4 - \frac{8}{3} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{3} \right) \right]$$

$$= 2\pi \left[\frac{4}{3} - \frac{-1}{12} \right]$$

$$= 2\pi \left(\frac{17}{12} \right)$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{17\pi}{6}}$$

Could this have been done by the disk/washer method?

Yes — but it would be

- integrated in $y \Rightarrow$ need to solve for x in terms of y
- require two integrals, plus subtraction.

$$\int_{y=1}^{y=4} \pi r^2 dy = \int_{y=1}^{y=4} \pi R^2 - \pi r^2 dy$$

$$\int_{y=1}^{y=2} \pi y^2 - \pi (\sqrt{y})^2 dy + \int_{y=2}^{y=4} \pi (2)^2 - \pi (\sqrt{y})^2 dy$$

$$= \pi \int_1^2 y^2 - y dy + \pi \int_2^4 4 - y dy$$

$$= \pi \left[\frac{1}{3}y^3 - \frac{1}{2}y^2 \right]_1^2 + \pi \left(4y - \frac{1}{2}y^2 \right) \Big|_2^4$$

$$= \pi \left[\left(\frac{8}{3} - 2 \right) - \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] + \pi \left[(16 - 8) - (8 - 2) \right]$$

$$= \pi \left[\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{6} + 8 - 6 \right] = \boxed{\frac{17\pi}{6}}$$

- ⑥ Find the volume of the surface of revolution formed by revolving the region bounded by

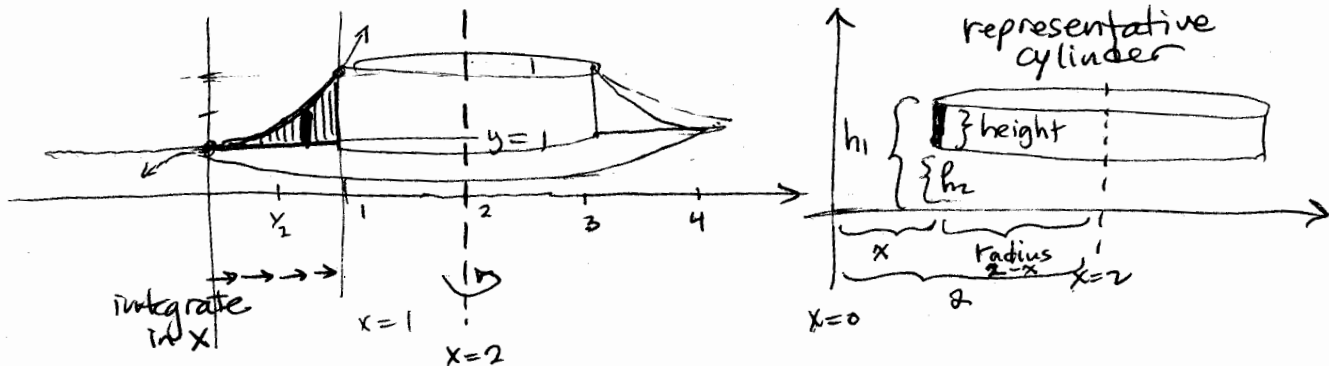
$$y = x^3 + x + 1$$

$$y = 1$$

$$x = 1$$

around $x = 2$.

step 1: sketch and revolve — use GC!



step 2: The radius of the cylindrical shell is perpendicular to the axis of revolution. Area accumulated: $2\pi r h$

The radius is NOT $x \Rightarrow$ we don't want the distance from the y axis to the representative edge.

* We want the distance from $x = 2$ to the representative edge.

$$\underline{\underline{\text{radius} = 2 - x}}$$

The height is NOT $y \Rightarrow$ we don't want the distance from the x -axis to the top of the cylinder

* We want the distance from $y = 1$ to the top of the cylinder

$$\underline{\underline{\text{height} = h_1 - h_2 = (x^3 + x + 1) - 1 = x^3 + x}}$$

step 3: set up integral

$$\int_{x=0}^{x=1} 2\pi r h \, dx = \int_0^1 2\pi (2-x)(x^3+x) \, dx$$

$$= 2\pi \int_0^1 2x^3 + 2x - x^4 - x^2 dx$$

$$= 2\pi \int_0^1 -x^4 + 2x^3 - x^2 + 2x dx$$

$$= 2\pi \left[-\frac{1}{5}x^5 + \frac{1}{2}x^4 - \frac{1}{3}x^3 + x^2 \right] \Big|_0^1$$

$$= 2\pi \left\{ \left(-\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + 1 \right) - (0) \right\}$$

$$= 2\pi \cdot \frac{29}{30}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{29\pi}{15}}$$

Could this have been done by disks/washers?

- integrate in y
- need x as a function of y .

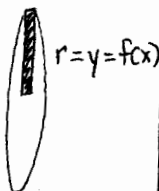
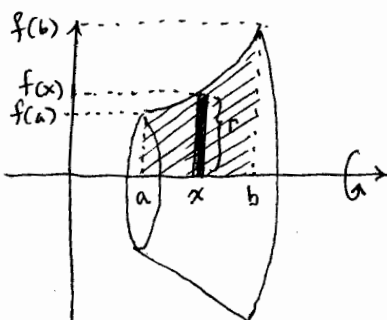
oops! $y = x^3 + x + 1$ can't be solved for x using skills we have.

So no... we could not have done it with disks/washers..

Let's compare and contrast the two methods and the two types of revolution:

* **DISKS/WASHERS**
revolve around x-axis

$$\pi r^2$$

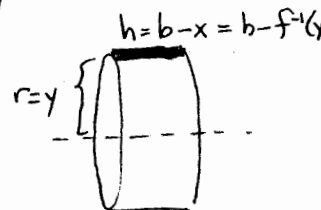
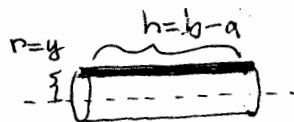
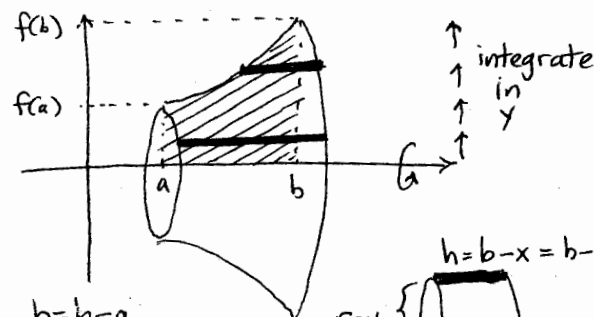


→ → → integrate in x

$$\int_{x=a}^{x=b} \pi (f(x))^2 dx$$

CYLINDRICAL SHELLS
revolve around x-axis

$$2\pi r h$$

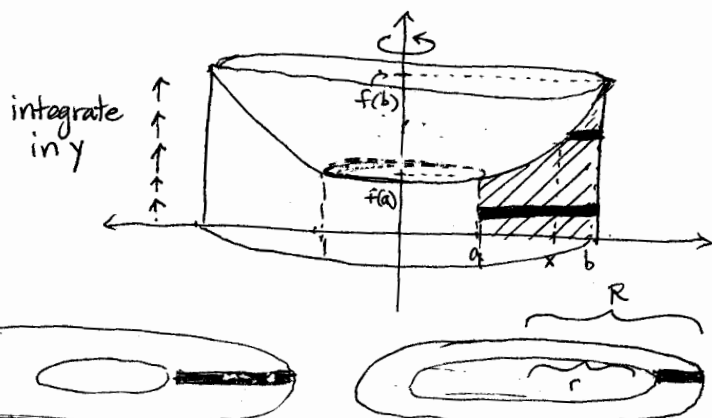


↑ ↑ ↑ integrate in y

$$\int_{y=0}^{y=f(a)} 2\pi y(b-a) dy + \int_{y=f(a)}^{y=f(b)} 2\pi y(b-f^{-1}(y)) dy$$

DISKS/WASHERS
revolve around y-axis

$$\pi R^2$$



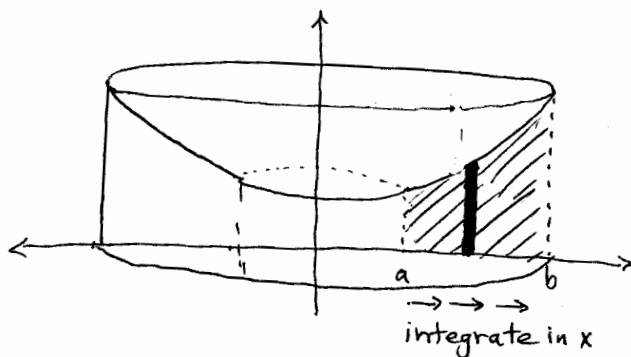
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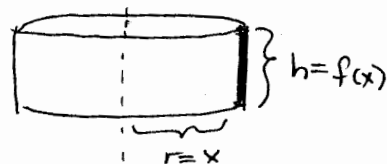
$$\int_{y=0}^{y=f(a)} \pi b^2 - \pi a^2 dy + \int_{y=f(a)}^{y=f(b)} \pi b^2 - \pi (f^{-1}(y))^2 dy$$

* **CYLINDRICAL SHELLS**
revolve around y-axis

$$2\pi r h$$



→ → → integrate in x



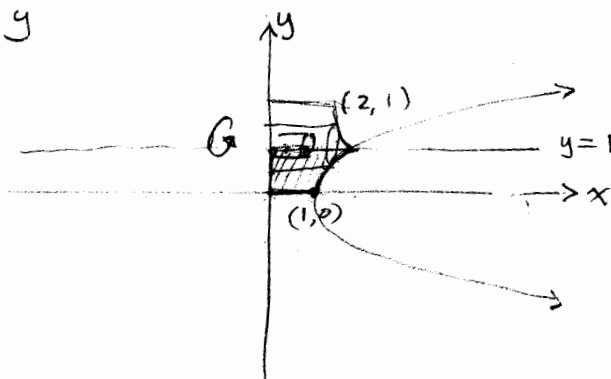
$$\int_{x=a}^{x=b} 2\pi x \cdot f(x) dx$$

⑦ EX
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6.4

$$\begin{cases} x = y^2 + 1 \\ x = 0 \\ y = 0 \\ y = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \pm \sqrt{x-1} = y$$

around $y=1$



By shells

$$\int_{y=0}^1 2\pi (1-y)(y^2+1-0) dy +$$

By slices

disks! no space between shaded region and axis of revolution

$$\int_{x=0}^1 \pi 1^2 dx + \int_{x=1}^2 \pi (1-\sqrt{x-1})^2 dx$$

shells

$$2\pi \int_{y=0}^1 (1-y)(y^2+1) dy = 2\pi \int_0^1 (y^2+1-y^3-y) dy = 2\pi \int_0^1 (-y^3+y^2-y+1) dy$$

$$= 2\pi \left[-\frac{1}{4}y^4 + \frac{1}{3}y^3 - \frac{1}{2}y^2 + y \right]_0^1 = 2\pi \left[\left(-\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2} + 1\right) - 0 \right] = \boxed{\frac{7\pi}{6}}$$

slices

$$\pi \int_{x=0}^1 dx + \pi \int_{x=1}^2 (1-\sqrt{x-1})^2 dx = \pi x \Big|_0^1 + \pi \int_1^2 x dx - 2\pi \int_1^2 \sqrt{x-1} dx$$

$$= \pi(1-0) + \pi \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 \right) \Big|_1^2 - 2\pi \int_0^1 u^2 du = \pi + \pi \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2^2 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1^2 \right) - 2\pi \left[\frac{2}{3} u^3 \right]_0^1$$

$u = x-1$
 $du = dx$
 $u_1 = 1-1=0$
 $u_2 = 2-1=1$

$$= \pi + \pi \left(2 - \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{4\pi}{3} (1-0) = \pi + \frac{3\pi}{2} - \frac{4\pi}{3} = \boxed{\frac{7\pi}{6}}$$