

# 4) Volumes of revolution

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## 4.1) Volumes of revolution around the $x$ -axis

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## Worked example

A finite region is bounded by the curve with equation  $y = \sin 4x$ , the  $x$ -axis and  $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$ . Find the volume of the solid formed when the region is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $x$ -axis.

## Your turn

A finite region is bounded by the curve with equation  $y = \sin 2x$ , the  $x$ -axis and  $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ . Find the volume of the solid formed when the region is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $x$ -axis.

$$\frac{\pi^2}{4}$$

## Worked example

A finite region is bounded by the curve with equation  $y = 1 - 2 \sin x$  ( $0 < x < \pi$ ) and the  $x$ -axis.

Find the exact volume of the solid formed when the region is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $x$ -axis.

## Your turn

A finite region is bounded by the curve with equation  $y = 1 - 2 \cos x$  ( $0 < x < \pi$ ) and the  $x$ -axis.

Find the volume of the solid formed when the region is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $x$ -axis.

$$\pi(4\pi + 3\sqrt{3})$$

## Worked example

Find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $x$ -axis between the given limits:

$$y = \sqrt{\frac{3 \sin x}{2 + \cos x}} \text{ between } x = 0 \text{ and } x = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

## Your turn

Find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $x$ -axis between the given limits:

$$y = \sqrt{\frac{4 \sin x}{1 + \cos x}} \text{ between } x = 0 \text{ and } x = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$4\pi \ln 2$$

## Worked example

Using integration by parts, find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $x$ -axis between the given limits:

$$y = \frac{\sqrt{\ln x}}{x^2} \text{ between } x = 1 \text{ and } x = 2$$

## Your turn

Using integration by parts, find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $x$ -axis between the given limits:

$$y = \sqrt{x} \sec x \text{ between } x = 0 \text{ and } x = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\frac{\pi}{4} (\pi - \ln 4)$$

## Worked example

A finite region is bounded by the curve with equation  $y = \frac{3}{10(2+5x)}$ , the  $x$ -axis, and the lines  $x = 1$  and  $x = -2$ .

Find the exact volume of the solid formed when the region is rotated through  $360^\circ$  about the  $x$ -axis.

## Your turn

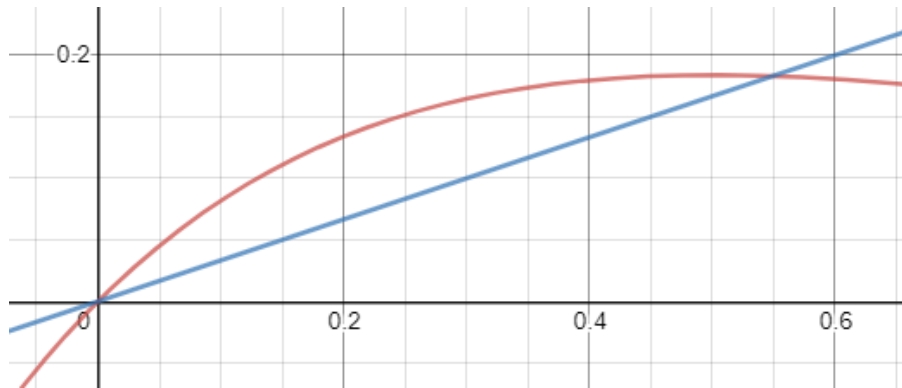
A finite region is bounded by the curve with equation  $y = \frac{10}{3(5+2x)}$ , the  $x$ -axis, and the lines  $x = -1$  and  $x = 2$ .

Find the exact volume of the solid formed when the region is rotated through  $360^\circ$  about the  $x$ -axis.

$$\frac{100\pi}{81}$$

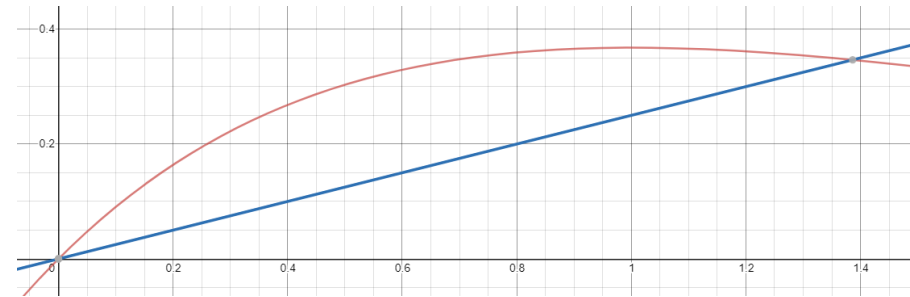
## Worked example

A finite region is bounded by the curve with equation  $y = xe^{-2x}$  and the line  $y = \frac{1}{3}x$ . Find the volume of the solid formed when the region is rotated through  $360^\circ$  about the  $x$ -axis.



## Your turn

A finite region is bounded by the curve with equation  $y = xe^{-x}$  and the line  $y = \frac{1}{4}x$ . Find the volume of the solid formed when the region is rotated through  $360^\circ$  about the  $x$ -axis.



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## 4.2) Volumes of revolution around the $y$ -axis

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## Worked example

A finite region is bounded by the curve with equation  $y = 8 \ln x - 1$ , the  $x$ -axis, the  $y$ -axis, and the line  $y = 2$

Find the exact volume of the solid formed when the region is rotated by  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis.

## Your turn

A finite region is bounded by the curve with equation  $y = 4 \ln x - 1$ , the  $x$ -axis, the  $y$ -axis, and the line  $y = 4$

Find the exact volume of the solid formed when the region is rotated by  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis.

$$2\pi\sqrt{e}(e^2 - 1)$$

## Worked example

Find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis between the given limits:

$$x = e^y - e^{-2y} \text{ between } y = 0 \text{ and } y = 1$$

## Your turn

Find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis between the given limits:

$$x = e^{2y} - e^{-y} \text{ between } y = 0 \text{ and } y = 1$$

$$\frac{\pi}{4}(e^2 - 1)$$

## Worked example

Find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis between the given limits:

$$x = \frac{\sqrt{4 - \ln y}}{y} \text{ between } y = 1 \text{ and } y = 4$$

## Your turn

Find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis between the given limits:

$$x = \frac{\sqrt{5 - \ln y}}{y} \text{ between } y = 1 \text{ and } y = 5$$

$$\frac{\pi}{5} (\ln 5 + 16)$$

## Worked example

Find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis between the given limits:

$$y = \frac{2}{x} - 2 \text{ between } y = 0 \text{ and } y = 1$$

## Your turn

Find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis between the given limits:

$$y = \frac{1}{x} - 1 \text{ between } y = 0 \text{ and } y = 1$$

$$\frac{\pi}{2}$$

## Worked example

Find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis between the given limits:

$$y = \frac{2-5x^2}{1-x^2} \text{ between } y = -1 \text{ and } y = 1$$

## Your turn

Find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis between the given limits:

$$y = \frac{5-2x^2}{x^2-1} \text{ between } y = -1 \text{ and } y = 1$$

$$\pi(2 + 3 \ln 3)$$

## Worked example

Find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis between the given limits:

$$y = 3e^{x^2} \text{ between } y = 3 \text{ and } y = 6$$

## Your turn

Find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis between the given limits:

$$y = 2e^{x^2} \text{ between } y = 2 \text{ and } y = 4$$

$$\pi(4 \ln 2 - 2)$$

## Worked example

Find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis between the given limits:

$$y = \arcsin \sqrt{x} \text{ between } y = 0 \text{ and } y = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

## Your turn

Find the exact volume of the solid generated when each curve is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis between the given limits:

$$y = \arccos \sqrt{x} \text{ between } y = 0 \text{ and } y = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\frac{3\pi^2}{16}$$



## Worked example

A finite region is bounded by the curve with equation  $x = \frac{1}{3y+1}$ , the  $y$ -axis and the lines  $y = 1$  and  $y = b$ . The region is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis to generate a solid of revolution. Given that the volume of this solid is  $\frac{\pi}{60}$ , find  $b$

## Your turn

A finite region is bounded by the curve with equation  $x = \frac{1}{2y+1}$ , the  $y$ -axis and the lines  $y = 1$  and  $y = b$ . The region is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis to generate a solid of revolution. Given that the volume of this solid is  $\frac{\pi}{10}$ , find  $b$

$$b = \frac{13}{4}$$

## 4.3) Volumes of revolution of parametrically defined curves

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## Worked example

The curve  $C$  has parametric equations

$$x = t(1 - t), y = \frac{1}{1-t}, t \leq 0.$$

The region  $R$  is bounded by  $C$ , the  $x$ -axis and the lines  $x = 0$  and  $x = -2$ .

Find the exact volume of the solid formed when  $R$  is rotated  $2\pi$  radians about the  $x$ -axis.

## Your turn

The curve  $C$  has parametric equations

$$x = t(1 + t), y = \frac{1}{1+t}, t \geq 0.$$

The region  $R$  is bounded by  $C$ , the  $x$ -axis and the lines  $x = 0$  and  $x = 2$ .

Find the exact volume of the solid formed when  $R$  is rotated  $2\pi$  radians about the  $x$ -axis.

$$\pi\left(2 \ln 2 - \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

## Worked example

A curve C has parametric equations

$$x = \tan \theta, y = \sec^3 \theta, 0 \leq \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

A finite region is bounded by the curve C, the  $y$ -axis, and the lines  $y = 1$  and  $y = 8$ . Find the exact volume of the solid formed when this region is rotated  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis.

## Your turn

A curve C has parametric equations

$$x = \tan \theta, y = \sin \theta, 0 \leq \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

A finite region is bounded by the curve C, the line  $x = \sqrt{3}$  and the  $x$ -axis. Find the exact volume of the solid formed when this region is rotated  $2\pi$  radians about the  $x$ -axis.

$$\pi\sqrt{3} - \frac{1}{3}\pi^2$$

## Worked example

A curve C has parametric equations

$$x = \frac{1}{3t}, y = \ln 3t, t \geq \frac{1}{3}$$

A finite region is bounded by the curve C, the  $x$ -axis, the  $y$ -axis and the line  $y = a$ .

Given that the volume of the solid formed when this region is rotated  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis is  $\frac{12\pi}{25}$ , find the exact value of  $a$

## Your turn

A curve C has parametric equations

$$x = \frac{1}{2t}, y = \ln 2t, t \geq \frac{1}{2}$$

A finite region is bounded by the curve C, the  $x$ -axis, the  $y$ -axis and the line  $y = a$ .

Given that the volume of the solid formed when this region is rotated  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis is  $\frac{24\pi}{49}$ , find the exact value of  $a$

$$a = \ln 7$$

## Worked example

A curve C has parametric equations

$$x = 2 \cos t, y = t^2, \frac{\pi}{2} \leq t \leq \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

A finite region is bounded by the curve C and the  $y$ -axis. Find the exact volume of the solid formed when this region is rotated  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis

## Your turn

A curve C has parametric equations

$$x = 2 \sin t, y = t^2, 0 \leq t \leq \pi$$

A finite region is bounded by the curve C and the  $y$ -axis. Find the exact volume of the solid formed when this region is rotated  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis

$$2\pi^3$$

## 4.4) Modelling with volumes of revolution [Chapter CONTENTS](#)

## Worked example

A vase is modelled using a diagram. The maximum diameter of the vase on the diagram is 4 *cm*.

The cross-section of the model is described by the curve with parametric equations

$x = 2 \sin 2t$ ,  $y = 4 \cos t + 2$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ , where the units of  $x$  and  $y$  are in *cm*.

The vase is formed by rotating this curve about the  $y$ -axis to form a solid of revolution.

(a) Find the volume of water required to fill the vase to a height of 3*cm*.

The real goldfish bowl has a maximum diameter of 24*cm*.

(b) Find the volume of water required to fill the real goldfish bowl to the corresponding height.

## Your turn

A goldfish bowl is modelled using a diagram. The diameter of the bowl on the diagram is 4 *cm*.

The cross-section of the model is described by the curve with parametric equations

$x = 2 \sin t$ ,  $y = 2 \cos t + 2$ ,  $\frac{\pi}{6} \leq t \leq \frac{11\pi}{6}$ , where the units of  $x$  and  $y$  are in *cm*.

The goldfish bowl is formed by rotating this curve about the  $y$ -axis to form a solid of revolution.

(a) Find the volume of water required to fill the model to a height of 3*cm*.

The real goldfish bowl has a maximum diameter of 48*cm*.

(b) Find the volume of water required to fill the real goldfish bowl to the corresponding height.

(a)  $9\pi \text{ cm}^3$

(b)  $48900 \text{ cm}^3$  (3 sf)