

# Core Pure 2

## Volumes of Revolution

### Chapter Overview

1: Revolving around the  $x$ -axis.

2: Revolving around the  $y$ -axis.

3: Volumes of revolution with parametric curves.

4: Modelling

5 Further calculus	5.1	Derive formulae for and calculate volumes of revolution.	Both $\pi \int y^2 dx$ and $\pi \int x^2 dy$ are <b>required</b> . Students should be able to find a volume of revolution given either Cartesian equations or parametric equations.
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This chapter involves volumes of revolution but with trickier integration than in CP1.

### Revolving around the x-axis

**Recap: When revolving around the  $x$ -axis,  $V = \pi \int_b^a y^2 dx$**

#### Example

The region  $R$  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 region  $R$  is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $x$ -axis.

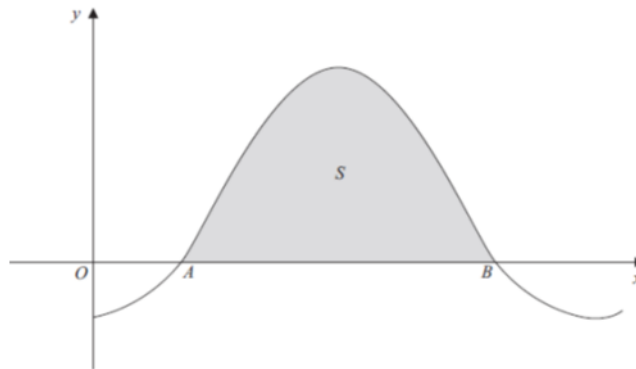


Figure 3 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation  $y = 1 - 2 \cos x$ , where  $x$  is measured in radians. The curve crosses the  $x$ -axis at the point  $A$  and at the point  $B$ .

(a) Find, in terms of  $\pi$ , the  $x$  coordinate of the point  $A$  and the  $x$  coordinate of the point  $B$ . **(3)**

The finite region  $S$  enclosed by the curve and the  $x$ -axis is shown shaded in Figure 3. The region  $S$  is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $x$ -axis.

(b) Find, by integration, the exact value of the volume of the solid generated. **(6)**

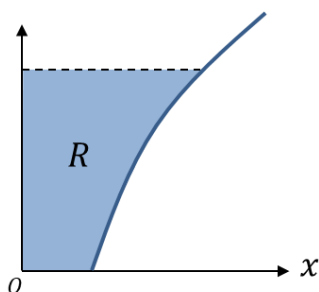
### Revolving around the y-axis

**Recap:** When revolving around the y-axis,  $V = \pi \int_b^a x^2 dy$

i.e. we are just **swapping the roles of x and y**.

#### Example

The diagram shows the curve with equation  $y = 4 \ln x - 1$ . The finite region  $R$ , shown in the diagram, is bounded by the curve, the x-axis, the y-axis and the line  $y = 4$ . Region  $R$  is rotated by  $2\pi$  radians about the y-axis. Use integration to show that the exact value of the volume of the solid generated is  $2\pi\sqrt{e}(e^2 - 1)$ .



## Volumes of revolution for parametric curves

We have seen in Pure Year 2 that parametric equations are where, instead of some single equation relating  $x$  and  $y$ , we have an equation for each of  $x$  and  $y$  in terms of some parameter, e.g.  $t$ . As  $t$  varies, this generates different points  $(x, y)$ .

**To integrate parametrically, the trick was to replace  $dx$  with  $\frac{dx}{dt} dt$**

$$V = \pi \int_{x=b}^{x=a} y^2 dx \quad \longrightarrow$$

Note that as we're integrating with respect to  $t$  now, we need to find the equivalent limits for  $t$ . We can do the same for revolving around the  $y$ -axis: just replace  $dy$  with  $\frac{dy}{dt}$  and change the limits.

### Example

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  $y = 0$ . Find the exact volume of the solid formed when  $R$  is rotated  $2\pi$  radians about the  $x$ -axis.

## Test Your Understanding

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The finite shaded region  $S$  shown in Figure 3 is bounded by the curve  $C$ , the line  $x = \sqrt{3}$  and the  $x$ -axis. This shaded region is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $x$ -axis to form a solid of revolution.

- (c) Find the volume of the solid of revolution, giving your answer in the form  $p\pi\sqrt{3} + q\pi^2$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are constants.

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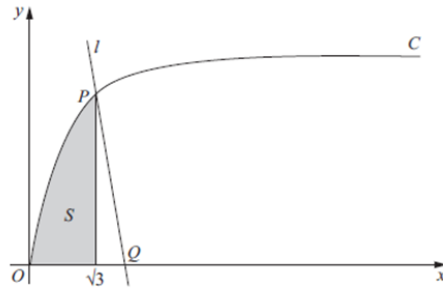


Figure 3

Figure 3 shows part of the curve  $C$  with parametric equations

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

## Modelling with Volumes of Revolution

### Example

The diagram shows a model of a goldfish bowl. 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 3cm.

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

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

