

M1B Schoenbrun Section 6.3 Volumes by Slicing

1) Revolve the function $y = x^2$ around the x axis and find the volume on the interval $[0, 1]$

The slices are circles with radius $r = x^2$ so the area $A(x) = \pi r^2 = \pi(x^2)^2 = \pi x^4$

$$\text{so } V = \int_0^1 \pi x^4 dx = \pi \left[\frac{x^5}{5} \right]_0^1 = \pi \left[\frac{1}{5} - 0 \right] = \frac{\pi}{5}$$

2) Revolve the function $y = x^2$ around the y axis and find the volume on the interval $[0, 1]$

We will integrate on the y axis. The slices are circles with radius $r = x = \sqrt{y}$

$$\text{so } A(x) = \pi r^2 = \pi(\sqrt{y})^2 = \pi y$$

$$\text{so } V = \int_0^1 \pi y dy = \pi \left[\frac{y^2}{2} \right]_0^1 = \pi \left[\frac{1}{2} - 0 \right] = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

3) Revolve the function $y = e^x$ around the x axis and find the volume on the interval $[0, 1]$

The slices are circles with radius $r = e^x$ so the area $A(x) = \pi r^2 = \pi(e^x)^2 = \pi e^{2x}$

$$\text{so } V = \int_0^1 \pi e^{2x} dx = \pi \left[\frac{e^{2x}}{2} \right]_0^1 = \pi \left[\frac{e^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right] = \frac{\pi}{2} [e^2 - 1]$$

4) Given a volume with the base a circle of radius 1, with the cross section at each chord perpendicular to a diameter an equilateral triangle, find the volume.

The half chord length $y = \sqrt{1 - x^2}$. This is half the base of the equilateral triangle, so

$$A(x) = \frac{1}{2} b \cdot h = \frac{1}{2} (2\sqrt{1 - x^2}) \cdot (2\sqrt{3}\sqrt{1 - x^2}) = 2\sqrt{3}(1 - x^2)$$

$$\text{so } V = \int_{-1}^1 2\sqrt{3}(1 - x^2) dx = 2 \int_0^1 2\sqrt{3}(1 - x^2) dx = 4\sqrt{3} \left[x - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^1 =$$

$$4\sqrt{3} \left[\left(1 - \frac{1}{3} \right) - (0 - 0) \right] = 4\sqrt{3} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{8\sqrt{3}}{3}$$