

Math 17B

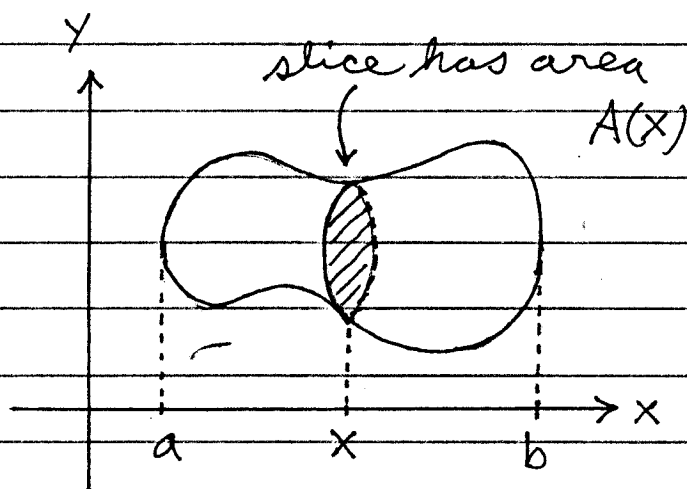
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Volume

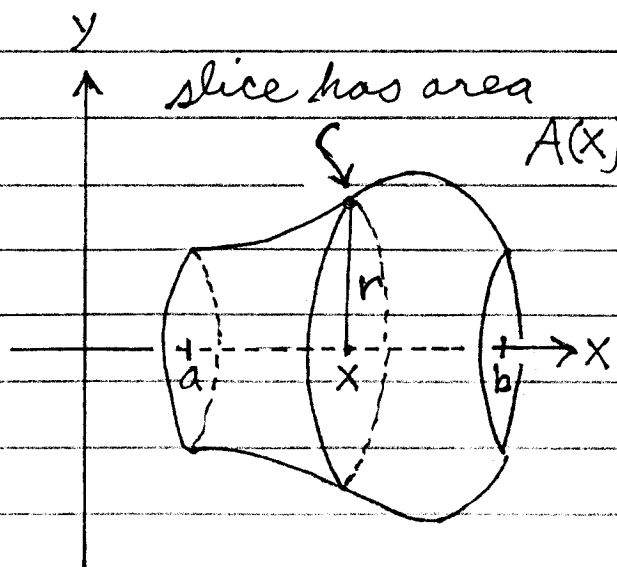
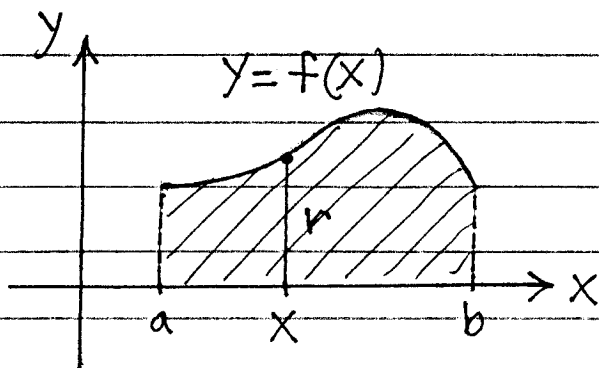
Assume that a solid object is suspended above the x -axis from $x=a$ to $x=b$. Assume that the area $A(x)$ of a cross-sectional slice taken perpendicular to the x -axis at x is known.

Then

$$\text{Volume} = \int_a^b A(x) dx$$



Solid of Revolution



Consider a region R below the graph of $y=f(x)$ and above the interval $[a, b]$. Create a solid of revolution by revolving R about the x -axis. The cross-sectional slice at x is a circle with area

$$A(x) = \pi r^2 = \pi (f(x))^2$$

so

$$\text{Vol} = \int_a^b \pi (f(x))^2 dx$$