

COMPUTATION OF VOLUMES OF SOLIDS OF REVOLUTION

Revolution about a line parallel to	Method	
	Washers	Shells
The x -axis	$V = \pi \int_{x_1}^{x_2} [R_{ext}^2(x) - R_{int}^2(x)] dx$	$V = 2\pi \int_{y_1}^{y_2} (y - y_0)[R_{ext}(y) - R_{int}(y)] dy$
The y -axis	$V = \pi \int_{y_1}^{y_2} [R_{ext}^2(y) - R_{int}^2(y)] dy$	$V = 2\pi \int_{x_1}^{x_2} (x - x_0)[R_{ext}(x) - R_{int}(x)] dx$
Notation	$R_{ext}(x), R_{int}(x), R_{ext}(y), R_{int}(y)$ denote external or internal radii of revolution, that is, distances of the point revolved from the axis of revolution.	
	x_0 and y_0 denote, respectively, the distance of a variable point of integration (x or y) to the axis of revolution. If we rotate about the x -axis, $y_0 = 0$, if we rotate about the y -axis, $x_0 = 0$.	
Remarks	1. The limits must be consistent with the variable of integration 2. We always integrate along	
	The axis of revolution if the washer technique is used	The perpendicular axis if the shell technique is used
Example	Let R be the region between $y = 1 + x, y = 1/x, x = 1, x = 2$. Find the volume of the solid of revolution, if we revolve R about	
the line $y = -2$, thus $y_0 = -2$	$V = \pi \int_1^2 \left[(x+1+2)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{x}+2\right)^2 \right] dx =$ $= (15 \frac{5}{6} - 4 \ln 2) \pi$	$V = 2\pi \left\{ \int_{1/2}^1 (y+2) \left[2 - \frac{1}{y} \right] dy + \int_1^2 (y+2) [1] dy + \int_2^3 (y+2) [2 - (y-1)] dy \right\} =$ $= (15 \frac{5}{6} - 4 \ln 2) \pi$
the line $x = -2$, thus $x_0 = -2$	$V = \pi \left\{ \int_{1/2}^1 \left[(2+2)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{y}+2\right)^2 \right] dy + \int_1^2 [(2+2)^2 - (1+2)^2] dy + \int_2^3 [(2+2)^2 - (y-1+2)^2] dy \right\} =$ $= (15 \frac{2}{3} - 4 \ln 2) \pi$	$V = 2\pi \int_1^2 (x+2) \left[1 + x - \frac{1}{x} \right] dx =$ $= (15 \frac{2}{3} - 4 \ln 2) \pi$