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Volumes by Cylindrical Shells

- For volumes that may be difficult to integrate with the disk and washer method
- E.g. $y = f(x)$ rotated around the y axis
- Each slice of the area under the curve of f is going to be rotated and forms a hollow cylindrical shell
 - Height: $f(x_i^*)$, radius x_i^* , and thickness Δx ; the volume of each shell is the area of the rectangle multiplied by the circumference at that location, $\Delta V = f(x_i^*)\Delta x_i \cdot 2\pi x_i^*$
 - Taking the limit as the number of shells approaches infinity, $V = \int_a^b 2\pi x f(x) dx$
- If the region is defined by the area between two curves then $V = \int_a^b 2\pi x(f(x) - g(x)) dx$
- Similarly we can also rotate around the x axis instead by replacing all the x with y
 - Note that in the washer method, rotation around the x axis leads to integration wrt x , but for the shell method it's the opposite; rotation around the x axis leads to integration wrt y
- Example: Rotate the area between $y^2 - x^2 = 1$ and $y = 2$ about the x axis
 - We can take advantage of symmetry
 - For a given y value, $x = \sqrt{y^2 - 1}$; the minimum y occurs when $x = 0 \implies y = 1$
 - This leads to the integral $V = 2 \int_1^2 2\pi y(\sqrt{y^2 - 1}) dy$
 - To evaluate, substitute $u = y^2 - 1 \implies du = 2y dy \implies V = 4\pi \int_0^3 \sqrt{u} du$
$$= 2\pi \left[\frac{2}{3} u^{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_0^3$$
$$= 4\sqrt{3}\pi$$
- If rotating about an axis that is parallel to one of the principle axes, subtract an offset $V = \int_a^b 2\pi x(f(x) - k) dx$

Average Value of a Function

- Since the average of a set of discrete numbers is $a_{avg} = \frac{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n}{n}$, the average of a function taken at discrete points is $f_{avg} = \frac{f(x_1^*) + f(x_2^*) + \dots + f(x_n^*)}{n}$
- If we consider a uniform partition, then $\Delta x = \frac{b-a}{n} \implies n = \frac{b-a}{\Delta x}$
- If we substitute this into the equation above then $f_{avg} = \frac{f(x_1^*) + f(x_2^*) + \dots + f(x_n^*)\Delta x}{b-a}$
- Take the limit $n \rightarrow \infty$, the sum turns into an integral $f_{avg} \equiv \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$ (note this is a definition of the average)
- This is defined as the average value of f
- This leads to the *Mean Value Theorem for Integrals*: For f continuous on $[a, b]$, there exists $c \in [a, b]$ such that $f(c) = f_{avg} = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$; a continuous function must equal its average value at some point
 - Proof: Let $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$, then by the MVT there exists c such that $F'(c) = \frac{F(b) - F(a)}{b-a}$ for $c \in [a, b]$; therefore $F'(c) \implies f(c) = \frac{\int_a^b f(t) dt - \int_a^a f(t) dt}{b-a} = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt$
 - This is also a special case of the second MVT for $g(x) = 1$

- The *Second Mean Value Theorem* for integrals: For nonnegative g , $\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx = f(c) \int_a^b g(x) dx$ where $c \in [a, b]$
 - Proof: By the EVT f has a maximum and minimum $m \leq f(x) \leq M$; since g is nonnegative, $mg(x) \leq f(x)g(x) \leq Mg(x) \implies m \int_a^b g(x) dx \leq \int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx \leq M \int_a^b g(x) dx$
 - * If g is everywhere zero then the theorem holds true since $0 = 0$
 - * Otherwise we can divide by $\int_a^b g(x) dx$ to get $m \leq \frac{\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx}{\int_a^b g(x) dx} \leq M$
 - * By the IVT, there exists a $c \in [a, b]$ such that $f(c) = \frac{\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx}{\int_a^b g(x) dx}$, since this value is between m and M and f takes on all values in that interval
 - * Therefore there exists $c \in [a, b]$ such that $f(c) \int_a^b g(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx$
 - Notes: $f(c)$ is *not* the average of f as from the first MVT; this is a weighted average where $g(x)$ is the weight
 - Think of it like a centre of mass where $g(x)$ describes the density, so $\frac{\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx}{\int_a^b g(x) dx}$ is the weighted average/centre of mass