5.2 Videos Guide

5.2a

Disk Method: The volume of a solid obtained by rotating the graph of a function *f*,
a ≤ *x* ≤ *b* about the *x*-axis:

$$\circ \quad V = \int_a^b \pi[f(x)]^2 \, dx$$

• Washer Method: The volume of a solid obtained by rotating the region between two functions, f and g, $a \le x \le b$ (for $f \ge g$ over the interval [a, b]) about the x-axis:

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$$V = \int_{a}^{b} \pi \{ [f(x)]^{2} - [g(x)]^{2} \} dx$$

In both cases, the representative rectangle (represented as dx in these cases) is *perpendicular* to the axis of rotation. (Analogous formulas exist for functions of y.) Note that these are based on the area of a circle.

5.2b

Exercises:

• Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region bounded by the given curves about the specified line. Sketch the region, the solid, and a typical disk or washer.

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$$y = \frac{1}{x}$$
, $y = 0$, $x = 1$, $x = 4$; rotate about the *x*-axis
• $x = 2 - y^2$, $x = y^4$; rotate about the *y*-axis

5.2c

- Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region bounded by the given curves about the specified line. Sketch the region, the solid, and a typical disk or washer. $y = x^3$, y = 1, x = 2; rotate about y = -3
- When the axis of rotation is not a coordinate axis, we can generalize the volume of a solid of revolution as follows. If *R* is the distance between *f* and the axis of rotation and *r* is the distance between *g* and the axis of rotation, the above formulas become

$$\circ V = \pi \int_{a}^{b} R^{2} dx$$

$$\circ V = \pi \int_{a}^{b} (R^{2} - r^{2}) dx$$

• Various possible disk and washer setups—focus on identifying *R* and *r*

5.2d

Definition: (volume-by slicing)

• Let S be a solid that lies between x = a and x = b. If the cross-sectional area of S in the plane P_x , through x and perpendicular to the x-axis, is A(x), where A is a continuous function, then the volume of S is

$$V = \int_{a}^{b} A(x) \, dx$$

Exercises:

- Find the volume of the described solid *S*.
 - The base of *S* is a circular disk with radius *r*. Parallel cross-sections perpendicular to the base are squares.

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• The base of S is the triangular region with vertices (0, 0), (1, 0), and (0, 1). Cross-sections perpendicular to the y-axis are equilateral triangles.