

Method	When to Use	Formula
Volumes by slicing	When the cross section is specified	$V = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} A(x)dx \text{ or } V = \int_{y_1}^{y_2} A(y)dy, \text{ where}$ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $A = \pi R^2$ or $A = \pi \frac{D^2}{4}$ when the cross-section is a circle (R: radius, D: diameter) • $A = s^2$ or $A = \frac{d^2}{2}$ when the cross-section is a square (s: side or base, d: diagonal) • $A = \frac{b^2}{4} \sqrt{3}$ or $A = \frac{h^2}{\sqrt{3}}$ when the cross-section is an equilateral triangle (b: side or base, h: height)
Volumes by Disks	When two functions are revolved about an axis to constitute one region running between both functions (the disk method gives a solid with no empty space inside)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $V = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \pi(f(x) - g(x))^2 dx$ to get the volume about the x-axis • $V = \int_{y_1}^{y_2} \pi(f(y) - g(y))^2 dy$ to get the volume about the y-axis
Volumes by Washers	When two functions are revolved about an axis and the volume between them is required (the washer method gives a solid with some empty space inside) Note: Rather than drawing to determine which of the functions is above the second, we use absolute value.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $V = \left \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \pi(f^2(x) - g^2(x))dx \right$ to get the volume about the x-axis • $V = \left \int_{y_1}^{y_2} \pi(f^2(y) - g^2(y))dy \right$ to get the volume about the y-axis
Volumes by Cylindrical Shell	When two functions are revolved about an axis and there are points of intersection between the graphs of the functions and the axis.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $V = \left \int_{x_1}^{x_2} 2\pi x(f(x) - g(x))dx \right$ to get the volume about the y-axis

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	<p>Note: Rather than drawing to determine which of the functions is above the second, we use absolute value.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $V = \left \int_{y_1}^{y_2} 2\pi y (f(y) - g(y)) dy \right$ to get the volume about the x-axis • $V = \left \int_{x_1}^{x_2} 2\pi (x - k)(f(x) - g(x)) dx \right$ to get the volume about the line $x=k$ • $V = \left \int_{y_1}^{y_2} 2\pi (y - k)(f(y) - g(y)) dy \right$ to get the volume about the $y=k$
<p>Length</p>	<p>To calculate the length of functions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $L = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \sqrt{1 + (y')^2} dx$ when $y = f(x)$ • $L = \int_{y_1}^{y_2} \sqrt{1 + (x')^2} dy$ when $x = f(y)$ • $L = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \sqrt{(x'_t)^2 + (y'_t)^2} dt$ when parametric equations are given $x = f(t)$ & $y = g(t)$