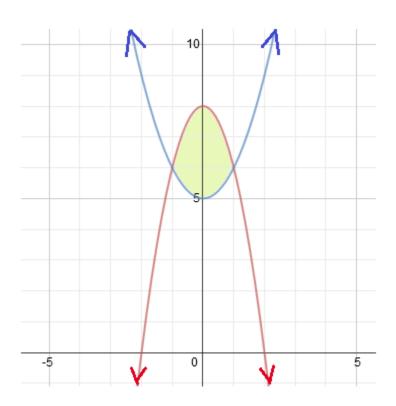
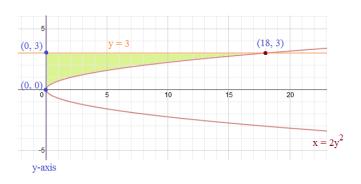
Calculus: Definite Integrals & Area between Curves



Finding the area between curves can be solved using integrals with either vertical or horizontal partitions....

Example: Find the area bounded by y = 3, the y-axis, and $x = 2y^2$

Step 1: Draw a quick sketch to see the region



Step 2: Determine the integral

The left boundary is x = 0

The right boundary is the intersection of y=3 and $x=2y^2$ @ x=18

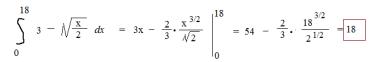
$$\int_{0}^{18} dx$$

The upper boundary is y = 3

$$\int_{0}^{18} 3 dx$$

The lower boundary is $x = 2y^2$ \longrightarrow $y = \sqrt{\frac{x}{2}}$

Step 3: Solve



Step 2A: Determine the integral

The upper boundary is the intersection of y = 3 and $x = 2y^2$

@ y = 3

The lower boundary is the intersection of $x = 2y^2$ and the y-axis @ y =

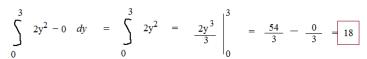


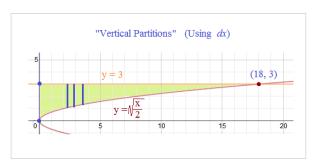
The "outer" boundary is the function on the right: $x = 2y^2$

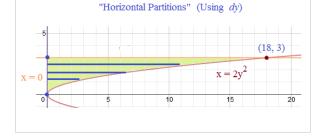
The "inner" boundary is the function on the left: x = 0 (the y-axis)

$$\int_{0}^{3} 2y^2 - 0 \quad dy$$

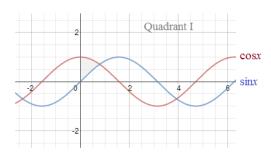
Step 3A: Solve







Step 1: Sketch the graph



Step 2: Determine the boundaries

The intersection of cosx and sinx is $\frac{1}{4}$

$$\frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \cos x$$

$$\frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = 1$$

$$\tan x = 1$$

And, the intersections with Quadrant I imply a left boundary of x = 0

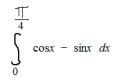
boundary of integral will be 0 and $\frac{11}{4}$

$$\int_{0}^{\frac{1}{4}} dx$$

0.5

Step 3: Write the functions in the integral

Since $\cos x$ is above $\sin x$ in the interval $[0, \frac{1}{4}]$,



Step 4: Solve

Solve
$$\sin x + \cos x = \sin(\frac{\pi}{4}) + \cos(\frac{\pi}{4}) - \sin(0) + \cos(0)$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - (0+1)$$

$$= \sqrt{2} - 1 \stackrel{\sim}{=} .414$$

Example: The area of the region is 2.

If the equations that form the boundary are

$$y = k\cos x$$
$$y = kx^2$$

what is k?

Determine the boundary of the integral

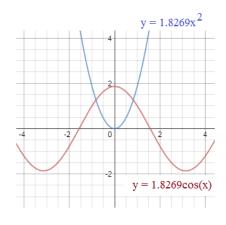
$$k\cos x = kx^2$$

x = .824 and -.824

$$\int_{824}^{.824} \cos x - x^2 dx = \frac{2}{k}$$

$$1.0948 = \frac{2}{k}$$

k = 1.8269



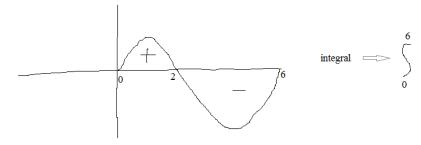
A sketch of the graph shows the answer is reasonable...

"Definite Integrals vs. Area under the curve"

When you find the "area under the curve", you're evaluating the integral and subtracting 0 (the x-axis)....

so, if the function is under the x-axis, the value would be *negative*.

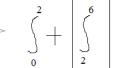
Since area cannot be negative, the value of the definite integral must be turned positive...
Either "flip the sign" or use the absolute value...



use absolute value

or flip sign...

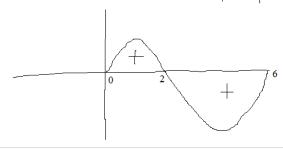
area betwen curve and x-axis



 $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ - \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

To find the area between two functions, you take the integral of the "above" function and subtract the integral of the "below" function.

But, if the functions intersect, they swap places...



Example: Find the area between the x-axis and $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 8x$

We need to identify the boundaries of the integral(s).. Find any intercepts..

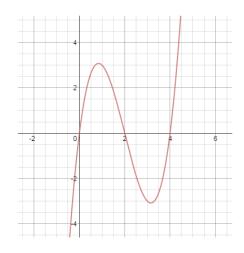
$$x^3 - 6x^2 + 8x = 0$$

$$x(x-2)(x-4) = 0$$

The intercepts are at 0, 2, and 4 (See the graph)

 \int_{0}^{2}

\int \\ \frac{4}{2}



And, since the 2nd half is below the x-axis, we'll flip the sign to create a positive value for area

$$\int_{0}^{2} x^{3} - 6x^{2} + 8x \, dx - \int_{2}^{4} x^{3} - 6x^{2} + 8x \, dx$$

 $\frac{x^4}{4} - 2x^3 + 4x^2 \Big|_{0}^{2} - \frac{x^4}{4} - 2x^3 + 4x^2 \Big|_{2}^{4} = \left((4 - 16 + 16) - (0 - 0 + 0) \right) - \left((64 - 128 + 64) - (4 - 16 + 16) \right) = 4$

Note: the integral of the function, evaluated from 0 to 4, is

$$\int_{0}^{4} x^{3} - 6x^{2} + 8x \, dx = \frac{x^{4}}{4} - 2x^{3} + 4x^{2} \Big|_{0}^{4} = 64 - 128 + 64 - (0 - 0 + 0) = 0$$
The integral is 0..

$$y = x^{2} + 1$$

$$y = -x^{2} + 2x + 5$$

$$x = 0$$

x = 3

Since the functions 'cross over', it'll be helpful to divide the region into 2 parts...

Where do the functions cross? Find the intersection...

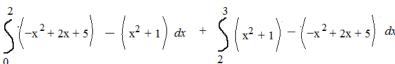
$$x^{2} + 1 = -x^{2} + 2x + 5$$

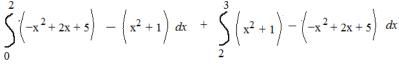
 $2x^{2} - 2x - 4 = 0$

$$2(x-2)(x+1) = 0$$

Intersections occur at (-1, 2) and (2, 5)

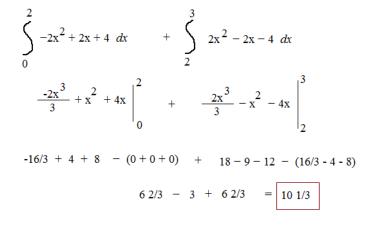
We'll evaluate the 'left' region from 0 to 2... And, the 'right' region from 2 to 3....

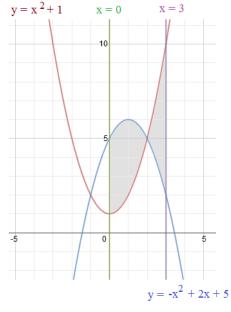




left region: since downward parabola is above the upward facing parabola, it goes first...

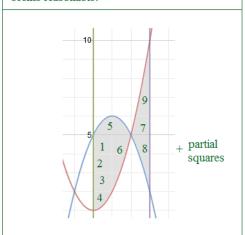
right region: since upward parabola is above the downward facing parabola, it goes first in the integral.. (otherwise, value would be negative)





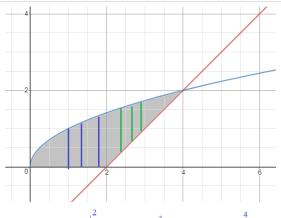
Check for reasonableness:

If you count/estimate the number of shaded boxes in the graph, 10 1/3 square units seems reasonable!



Example: Find the area bounded by $y = \sqrt{x}$ and y = x - 2 that lies in quadrant 1

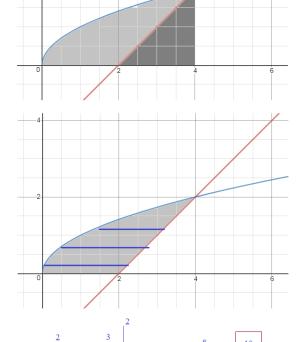
- a) integrate with respect to x
- b) integrate with respect to y



$$\begin{array}{c|c} \frac{3}{2x^{\frac{3}{2}}} & & & & \frac{3}{2} & \frac{2}{2} & +2x \\ 0 & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ \end{array}$$

$$\frac{4\sqrt[4]{2}}{3} + \frac{16}{3} - 8 + 8 - \left(\frac{4\sqrt[4]{2}}{3} - 2 + 4 \right)$$

$$\frac{16}{3} - 2 = \frac{10}{3}$$



a) integrating with respect to x

In this case, we'll use vertical partitions and dx

First, identify the boundaries...

From the graph, x ranges from 0 to 4....

Note: You could solve algebraically,

$$x - 2 = \sqrt{x}$$

 $y = \sqrt{x}$ and the x-axis

$$x^2 - 4x + 4 = x$$

square both sides

intersection at (0, 0)

$$x^2 - 5x + 4 = 10$$

y = x - 2 and the x-axis

$$(x-1)(x-4) = 0$$

$$x = 1$$
 and $x = 4$ (4, 2)

intersection at (2, 0)

extraneous

Second, identify each partition, and write the equation...

$$\int_{0}^{2} \sqrt{x} = 0 dx + \int_{2}^{4} \sqrt{x} = (x-2) dx$$

Third, integrate...

NOTE: You could integrate $\sqrt[h]{x}$ from 0 to 4.. Then, subtract the right triangle...

$$\int_{0}^{4} \sqrt{x} dx = \frac{\frac{3}{2}}{\frac{2x}{3}} \bigg|_{0}^{4} = \frac{\frac{16}{3}}{\frac{16}{3}}$$

then, subtract the area of the triangle (-2)

10

b) integrating with respect to y

Step 4: Solve...

In this case, we'll use $horizontal\ partitions$ and dy

Step 1: Write equations in terms of y

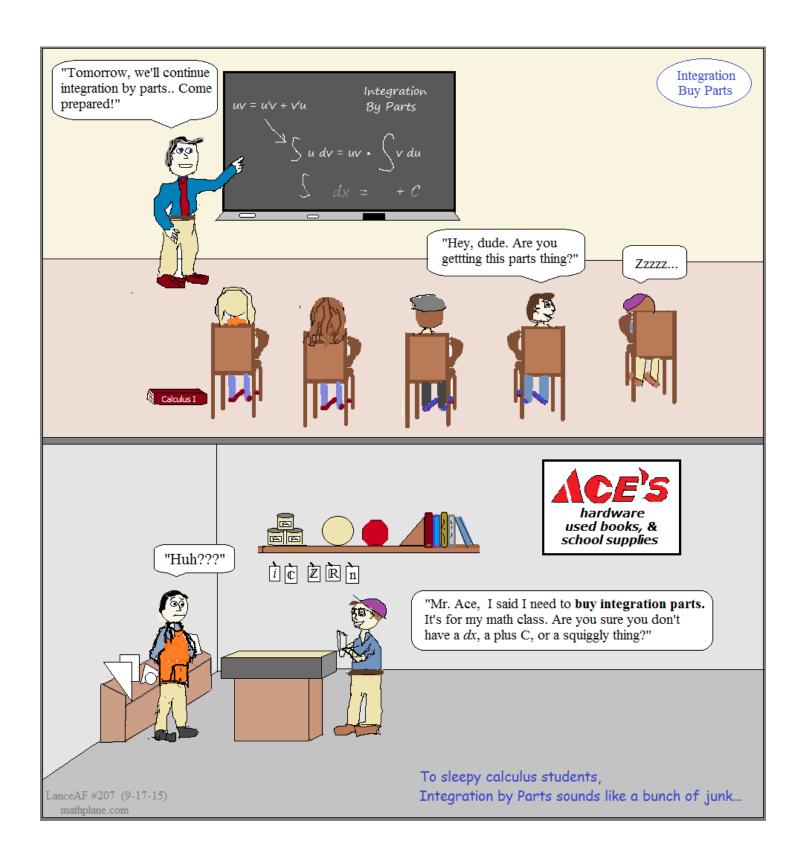
Step 2: Establish the boundary for the integral

In quadrant I, the range y goes from 0 to 2

$$\int_{-\infty}^{2}$$

Step 3: Identify each partition, and write the equation

$$\int_{0}^{2} y+2 - y^{2} dy$$



Practice Questions-→

1) Find the area of the region bounded by $\begin{array}{ll} y=x \\ \\ y=2-x \\ \\ y=0 \end{array}$

Definite Integrals: Area between Curves

2) Find the area of region created by the intersection of the following parabolas

$$y = 8 - 2x^2$$

$$y = x^2 + 5$$

3) Find the area between the functions $f(y) = y^2$ g(y) = y + 2

4) Find the area bounded by the functions

$$f(x) = \frac{8}{x^2}$$

$$g(x) = 8x$$

$$h(x) = x$$

5) Find the area between
$$x = y^2 - 4$$
 and $x = 6 - 3y$

Definite Integrals: Area between Curves

6) Find the area enclosed by
$$f(x) = x^2$$
 and $g(x) = -x^2 + 2x + 24$

7) Find the area between the parabolas
$$x+y^2=0$$

$$x+3y^2=2$$

8) Find the area of the region surrounded by
$$y=\frac{10}{x}$$

$$x=0$$

$$y=2$$

$$y=10$$

9) Find the area of the region below y = x and y = 2 and above the curve $y = \frac{1}{8} x^2$

Definite Integrals: Area between Curves

10) Find the area of the region bordered by $y = 2\sin(x)$

$$y = \sin(2x)$$

11) Find the value using a) geometric areas

$$\int_{2}^{9} |x-5| dx$$

12) Find the area of the region: Where
$$a > 0$$
, $y = x / \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$

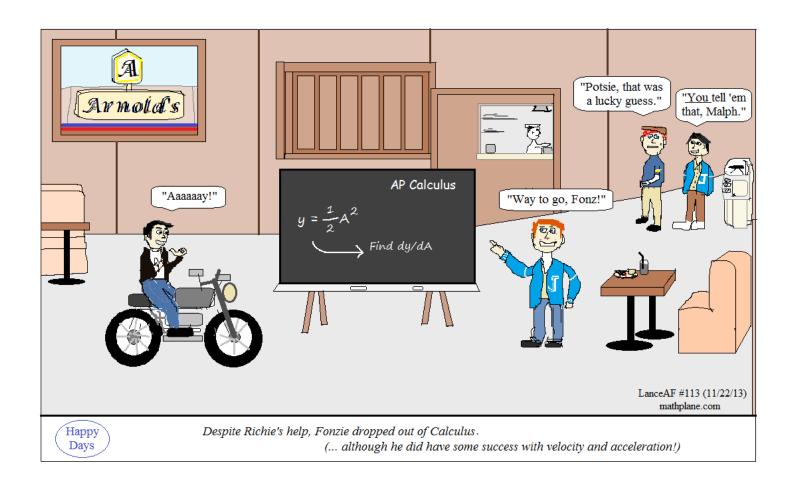
$$y = 0$$

in Quadrant I

- 13) Find the area of the region bordered by $y = 3 x^2$ y = -1
 - a) Solve using an integral with respect to x

b) Solve using an integral with respect to y

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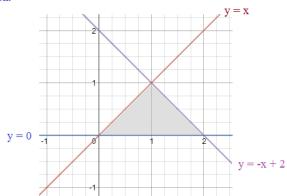


SOLUTIONS-→

$$y = 2 - x$$

$$y = 0$$

First sketch the region:



Method 1: Find area of the triangle (geometry)

Area =
$$\frac{1}{2}$$
 (base)(height)

$$=\frac{1}{2}(2)(1)=\boxed{1}$$

Method 2: Use integrals (calculus)

shaded area under left half

shaded area under right half

$$\int_{0}^{1} x - 0 \ dx + \int_{1}^{2} (-x + 2) - 0 \ dx$$

$$\frac{x^2}{2} \Big|_{0}^{1} + \frac{-x^2}{2} + 2x \Big|_{1}^{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}$$
 - 0 + -2 + 4 - (-1/2 + 2) = 1

2) Find the area of region created by the intersection of the following parabolas

$$y = 8 - 2x^2$$

Step 1: Sketch curves and identify area

$$y = x^2 + 5$$

Step 2: Find intersection to determine boundaries of integral

$$x^2 + 5 = 8 - 2x^2$$

$$3x^2 = 3$$

(1, 6)

$$x = 1$$
 and -1

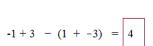
(-1, 6)

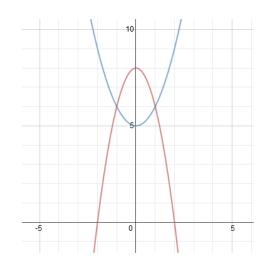
Step 3: Solve definite integral

area under area under upper curve lower curve

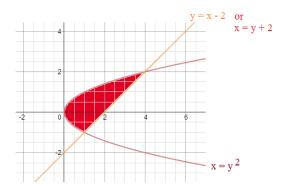
$$\int_{-1}^{1} 8 - 2x^2 - (x^2 + 5) dx$$

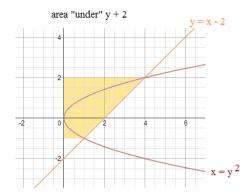
$$\int_{-1}^{1} -3x^2 + 3 dx = -x^3 + 3x \Big|_{-1}^{1}$$
-1+3 - (1+-3) = 4





$$g(y) = y + 2$$



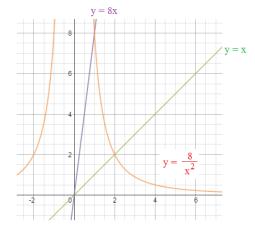


4) Find the area bounded by the functions

$$f(x) = \frac{8}{x^2}$$

$$g(x) = 8x$$

$$h(x) = x$$



Determine the region boundaries (points of intersection)

$$y^{2} = y + 2$$

$$y^{2} - y - 2 = 0$$

$$(y - 2)(y + 1) = 0$$

$$y = -1, 2$$

$$x = y + 2$$

$$x = (-1) + 2 \quad x = 1 \quad (1, -1)$$

$$x = y + 2$$

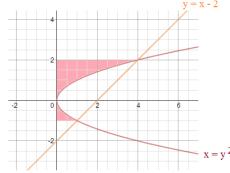
$$x = (2) + 2 \quad x = 4 \quad (4, 2)$$

$$\int_{-1}^{2} y + 2 \, dy - \int_{-1}^{2} y^2 \, dy$$

$$= \frac{y^2}{2} + 2y - \frac{y^3}{3} \Big|_{-1}^{2} = 2 + 4 - \frac{8}{3} - (1/2 - 2 + 1/3)$$

$$= 8 - 9/3 - 1/2 = 4 \frac{1}{2}$$

area "under" y²



The difference between the yellow and pink areas is the region we are evaluating...

Find intersection points:
$$f$$
 and g $(1, 8)$

$$\begin{cases}
\frac{8}{x^2} = 8x \\
8x^3 = 8 \\
x = 1
\end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases}
\frac{8}{x^2} = x
\end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases}
\frac{8}{x^2} = x
\end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases}
x = 1 \\
x = 0
\end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases}
x = x \\
7x = 0 \\
x = 0
\end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases}
x = 2
\end{cases}$$

Then, separate the areas..

$$\int_{0}^{1} 8x - x \, dx + \int_{1}^{2} \frac{8}{x^{2}} - x \, dx$$
(g above h) (f above h)

$$\frac{7x^{2}}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{vmatrix} + \frac{-8}{x} - \frac{x^{2}}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\frac{7}{2} - 0 + (-4 - 2) - (-8 - \frac{1}{2})$$

$$\frac{7}{2} + 2 + \frac{1}{2} = \boxed{6}$$

5) Find the area between $x = y^2 - 4$ and x = 6 - 3y

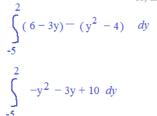
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Find intersection(s) of equations to determine boundaries

$$y^{2} - 4 = 6 - 3y$$

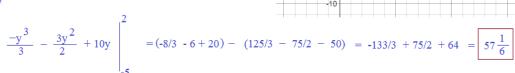
 $y^{2} + 3y - 10 = 0$ Intersections are (0, 2) and (21, -5)
 $(y + 5)(y - 2) = 0$

Identify equation (and determine which function is "above" the other) or, in this case, "on the right"



(horizontal partitions, so we use dy)

$$\int_{0}^{2} -y^2 - 3y + 10 \, dy$$



Find the area enclosed by $f(x) = x^2$

and
$$g(x) = -x^2 + 2x + 24$$

Find intersection(s) of equations to determine boundaries

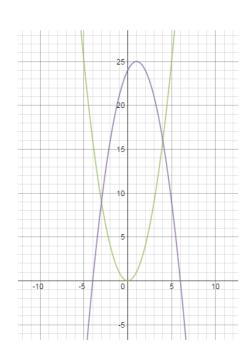
$$x^{2} = -x^{2} + 2x + 24$$
 $2x^{2} - 2x - 24 = 0$
Intersections occur at (-3, 9) and (4, 16)
 $x = -3, 4$

Identify equation (and determine which function is "above" the other)

$$\int_{-3}^{4} -x^2 + 2x + 24 - x^2 dx$$
above below (vertical partitions, so we use dx)

$$\int_{-3}^{4} -2x^2 + 2x + 24 \quad dx$$

$$\frac{-2x^{3}}{3} + x^{2} + 24x \Big|_{-3}^{4} = -128/3 + 16 + 96 - (18 + 9 - 72)$$
$$= -128/3 + 157 = \boxed{114 \frac{1}{3}}$$



$$x + y^2 = 0$$

$$x + 3y^2 = 2$$

(two horizontal parabolas that open to the left)

$$-y^2 = 2 - 3y^2$$

$$2v^2 = 2$$

$$(-1, 1)$$

$$2y^2 = 2$$

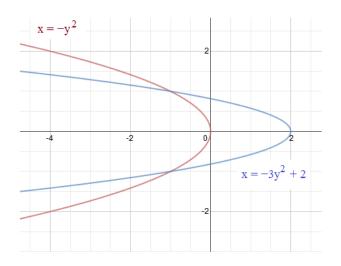
 $y = 1, -1$ (-1, -1)

$$(-1, -1)$$

$$\int_{-1}^{1} 2 - 3y^2 - (-y^2) dy \qquad \int_{-1}^{1} 2 - 2y^2 dy$$

$$2y - \frac{2y^3}{3} \Big|_{1}^{1} = 2 - \frac{2}{3} - (-2 + \frac{2}{3}) = \boxed{\frac{8}{3}}$$

Definite Integrals: Area between Curves



8) Find the area of the region surrounded by $y = \frac{10}{x}$

$$x = 0$$

$$y = 2$$

$$y = 10$$

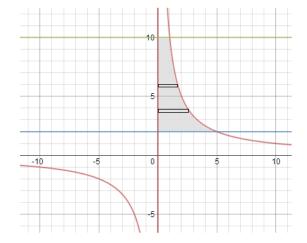
Use the graph or algebra to find the intersections

$$y = \frac{10}{x}$$
 and $y = 2$ (5, 2)

$$y = \frac{10}{x}$$
 and $y = 10$ (1, 10)

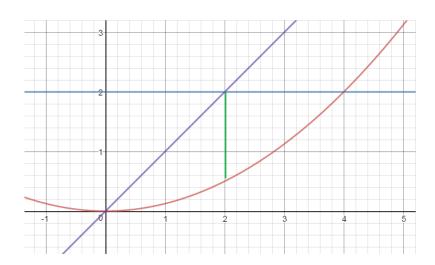
$$x = \frac{10}{v}$$

Note: horizontal partitions are used ---> dy



$$\int_{2}^{10} \frac{10}{y} dy = 10 \ln y \Big|_{2}^{10} = 10 \ln(10) - 10 \ln(2) = \boxed{10 \ln 5 \approx 16.1}$$

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By looking at the graph (or solving algebraically), we see the points of intersection are at x = 2 and x = 4..

And, since the border above changes at x = 2, we'll use 2 separate integrals...

$$\int_{0}^{2} x - \frac{1}{8}x^{2} dx + \int_{2}^{4} 2 - \frac{1}{8}x^{2} dx$$

Left area

Right area

$$\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{24} \Big|_{0}^{2} + 2x - \frac{x^3}{24} \Big|_{2}^{4}$$

$$2 - \frac{8}{24}$$

$$2 - \frac{8}{24} + 8 - \frac{64}{24} - (4 - \frac{8}{24})$$

$$6 - \frac{8}{3} = 10/3$$

10) Find the area of the region bordered by $y = 2\sin(x)$

$$y = \sin(2x)$$

$$2\sin x = \sin 2x$$

$$2\sin x = 2\sin x \cos x$$

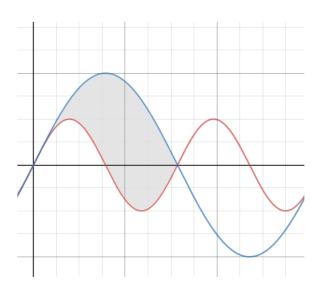
$$2\sin x \cos x - 2\sin x = 0$$

$$2\sin x(\cos x - 1) = 0$$

$$2\sin x = 0$$
 $x = 0$ and

$$\cos x + 1 = 0$$

$$\cos x = 1$$
 $x = 0$

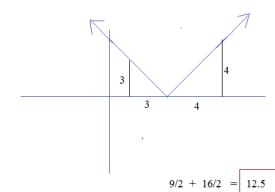


$$\int_{0}^{\infty} 2\sin x + \sin(2x) dx$$

$$2\sin x + \sin(2x) dx \qquad -2\cos x + \frac{1}{2}\cos(2x) \bigg|_{0}^{2} = -2(-1) - \frac{1}{2}(1) - \left(-2(1) + \frac{1}{2}(1)\right) = \boxed{4}$$

11) Find the value using a) geometric areas

$$\int_{2}^{9} |x-5| dx$$



12) Find the area of the region: Where
$$a > 0$$
, $y = x / \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$

$$y = 0$$

in Quadrant I

$$\int_{2}^{5} -(x-5) dx + \int_{5}^{9} x-5 dx$$

$$-\frac{x^{2}}{2} + 5x \Big|_{2}^{5} + \frac{x^{2}}{2} - 5x \Big|_{5}^{9}$$

$$-25/2 + 25 - (-2+10) + 81/2 - 45 + (25/2 - 25)$$

$$-25/2 + 17 + 8 = 25/2$$

$$\int_{0}^{a} x(a^2 - x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} dx$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}\int_{0}^{a} -2 x(a^{2}-x^{2})^{\frac{1}{2}} dx$$

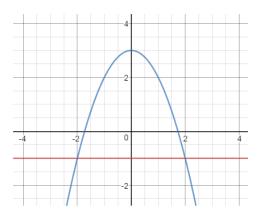
$$-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{(a^2 - x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\frac{3}{2}} \bigg|_{0}^{a} = 0 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{a^3}{\frac{3}{2}} = \boxed{\frac{a^3}{3}}$$

$$y = -1$$

a) Solve using an integral with respect to x

$$y = 3 + x^2$$

$$y = -1$$



Find the intersections to determine the boundaries:

$$3 + x^2 = -1$$

$$x^2 = 4$$

$$x = -2$$
 and 2

$$\int_{-2}^{2} 3 - x^2 - (-1) dx$$

upper lower curve line

$$\int_{-2}^{2} -x^2 + 4 \ dx = \frac{-x^3}{3} + 4x \bigg|_{-2}^{2}$$

$$\frac{-8}{3} + 8 \quad - \left(\frac{8}{3} - 8 \right)$$

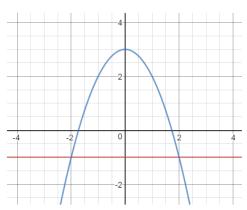
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b) Solve using an integral with respect to y

$$y = 3 + x^2$$
 $y - 3 = -x^2$
 $3 - y = x^2$

$$\pm \sqrt{(3-y)} = x$$



Looking at the graph, the boundaries are y = -1 and 3

$$\int_{-1}^{3} \sqrt{(3-y)} - 0 \quad dy$$

$$\int_{-1}^{3} \sqrt{(3-y)} dy = -\int_{-1}^{3} -(3-y)^{\frac{1}{2}} dy$$

$$-\frac{2}{3}(3-y)^{\frac{3}{2}}\Big|_{1}^{3}$$

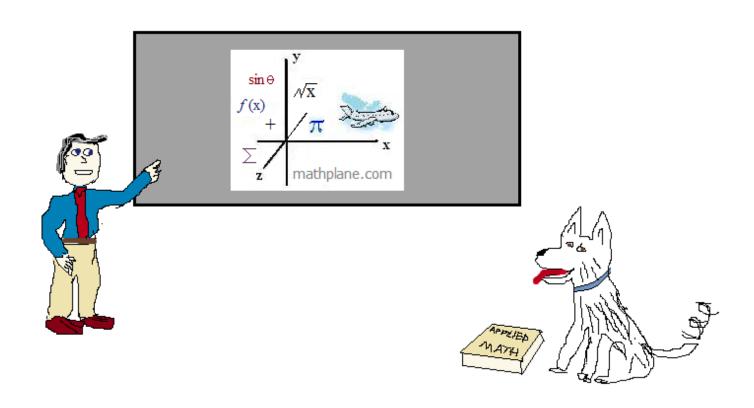
$$0 \quad - \quad \frac{2}{3} \left(3 - \frac{3}{11}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 16/3$$

And, the left side is also 16/3...

total area: $\frac{32}{3}$

Thanks for visiting. (Hope it helped!)

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