## 1. 6.2 Solid of Revolution

**Definition 1.1.** Let R be a region that lies entirely on one side of a line, L. We may **revolve** the region R about the line L to obtain a **solid of revolution**. Each point of R is revolved about L so that the point always stays the same distance from L, creating a circle with center on L and radius the distance from L to that point being revolved.

2. DISC METHOD



## Disc Method:

(1) The curve y = f(x) from x = a to x = b rotated about the x-axis will enclose a solid with cross-sections perpendicular to the x-axis that are discs, so

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

(2) The curve x = f(y) from y = c to y = d rotated about the y-axis will enclose a solid with cross-sections perpendicular to the y-axis that are discs, so

$$V = \int_{c}^{d} \pi [f(y)]^2 \, dy$$

(3) To generalize, note that the integrand is the formula for the area of the circle  $(\pi r^2)$  and the integral is in term of the variable given by the axis of rotation.

**Example 2.1.** Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region about the specified line.  $y = \sec x$ , y = 0, x = -1, x = 1, about the x-axis



**Example 2.2.** Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region about the specified line.  $y = \sqrt{x} \ y = 1 \ x = 0$ , about the y-axis

## 3. WASHER METHOD



(1) The area between the curves y = f(x) and y = g(x) from x = a to x = b, where  $f(x) \ge g(x)$ , rotated about the x-axis will enclose a solid with cross-sections perpendicular to the x-axis that are washers, so

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

(2) The area between the curves x = f(y) and x = g(y) from y = c to y = d, where  $f(y) \ge g(y)$ , rotated about the y-axis will enclose a solid with cross-sections perpendicular to the y-axis that are washers, so

$$V = \int_{c}^{d} \pi [f(y)]^{2} - \pi [g(y)]^{2} \, dy$$

(3) To generalize, note that the integrand is the formula for the area of the outer circle minus the area of the inner circle  $(\pi r_2^2 - \pi r_1^2)$  and the integral is in term of the variable given by the axis of rotation.

**Example 3.1.** Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region about the specified line.  $y = 2 \sec x$ , y = 1,  $x = -\pi/4$ ,  $x = \pi/4$ , about the x-axis.

**Example 3.2.** Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region about the specified line.  $y = e^{2x}$ , y = 1, and x = 2 about the x-axis.

**Example 3.3.** Set up the integral used to find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region about the specified line. Do not evaluate.  $y = e^{2x}$ , y = 1, and x = 2 about the y-axis.

## 4. Lines other than the x and y-axis for the Axis of Rotation

**Example 4.1.** Set up the integral used to find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region about the specified line. Do not evaluate.  $y = e^{2x}$ , y = 1, and x = 2 about y = -2.

**Example 4.2.** Set up the integral used to find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region about the specified line. Do not evaluate.  $y = e^{2x}$ , y = 1, and x = 2 about the line x = 4.

**Example 4.3.** Set up the integral used to find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region about the specified line. Do not evaluate.  $y = \sec x$ , y = 1, x = 1, about the line y = 1.

**Example 4.4.** Set up the integral used to find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region about the specified line. Do not evaluate.  $y = \sec x$ , y = 1, x = 1, about the line y = -1.

**Example 4.5.** Set up the integral used to find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region about the specified line. Do not evaluate.  $y = (x-2)^4$ , 8x - y = 16, about x = 10.