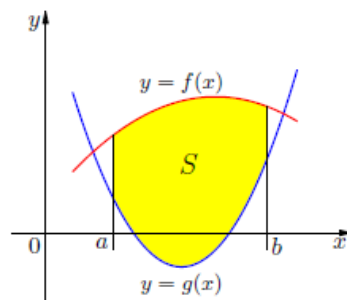


Chapter 7. Applications of integration
Section 7.1 Areas between curves

The area of the region bounded by the curves $y = f(x)$, $y = g(x)$, and the lines $x = a$ and $x = b$, where f and g are continuous functions and $f(x) \geq g(x)$ for all x in $[a, b]$, is

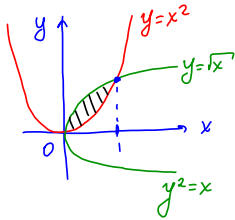
$$A = \int_a^b [f(x) - g(x)] dx$$

[top] - [bottom]



Example 1. Find the area of the region bounded by

1. $y = x^2, y^2 = x$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= \int_0^1 ([\text{top}] - [\text{bottom}]) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 (\sqrt{x} - x^2) dx \\ &= \left(\frac{x^{3/2}}{3/2} - \frac{x^3}{3} \right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3} = \boxed{\frac{1}{3}} \end{aligned}$$

Points of intersection:

$$(x^2)^2 = (x)^2$$

$$x^4 = x$$

$$x^4 - x = 0$$

$$x(x^3 - 1) = 0$$

$$x_1 = 0, x_2 = 1$$

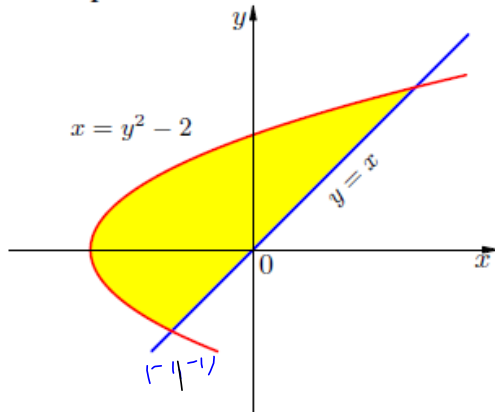
2. $y = \cos x, y = \sin 2x, x = 0, x = \pi/2$

3. $y = x^2 + 1, y = 3 - x^2, x = -1, x = 2$

In general case, the area between the curves $y = f(x)$, $y = g(x)$ and between $x = a$ and $x = b$, is

$$A = \int_a^b |f(x) - g(x)| dx$$

Example 2. Find the area of the shaded region.



If a region is bounded by curves with equations $x = f(y)$, $x = g(y)$, $y = c$ and $y = d$, where f and g are continuous functions and $f(y) \geq g(y)$ for all y in $[c, d]$, then its area is

$$A = \int_c^d [f(y) - g(y)] dy$$

Find the area of the region bounded by the parabola $y = x^2$, tangent line to this parabola at $(1, 1)$, and the x -axis.