Integration Technique - Substitution

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4. The function f is defined by $f(x) = \sqrt{25 - x^2}$ for $-5 \le x \le 5$.

(a) Find $f'(x)$.

(b) Write an equation for the line tangent to the graph of f at $x = -3$.

(c) Let g be the function defined by $g(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{for } -5 \le x \le -3 \\ x + 7 & \text{for } -3 < x \le 5. \end{cases}$

Is g continuous at $x = -3$? Use the definition of continuity to explain your answer.

(d) Find the value of $\int_0^5 x\sqrt{25 - x^2}\ dx$.

Question 2

Qualification: AP Calculus AB

Areas: Applications of Differentiation, Applications of Integration, Integration

Subtopics: Integration - Area Under A Curve, Integration Technique – Substitution, Local or Relative Minima and Maxima, Volume of Revolution – Disc Method

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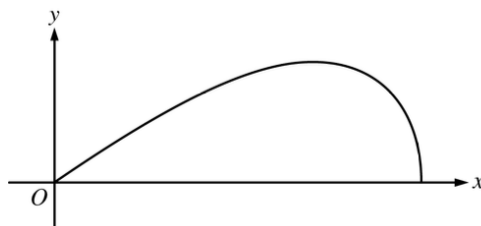
3. A company designs spinning toys using the family of functions $y = cx\sqrt{4 - x^2}$, where c is a positive constant. The figure above shows the region in the first quadrant bounded by the x-axis and the graph of $y = cx\sqrt{4 - x^2}$, for some c. Each spinning toy is in the shape of the solid generated when such a region is revolved about the x-axis. Both x and y are measured in inches.

(a) Find the area of the region in the first quadrant bounded by the x-axis and the graph of $y = cx\sqrt{4 - x^2}$ for $c = 6$.

(b) It is known that, for $y = cx\sqrt{4 - x^2}$, $\dfrac{dy}{dx} = \dfrac{c\left(4 - 2x^2\right)}{\sqrt{4 - x^2}}$. For a particular spinning toy, the radius of the largest cross-sectional circular slice is 1.2 inches. What is the value of c for this spinning toy?

(c) For another spinning toy, the volume is 2π cubic inches. What is the value of c for this spinning toy?