

# A review on antiderivative and integral

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## §1. Antiderivative (原函数)

**Definition 1.1(antiderivative (原函数))** A function  $F$  is called an antiderivative of a function  $f$  on a given interval  $I$  if  $F'(x) = f(x)$  for all  $x$  in the interval.

It is obvious that if  $F$  is an antiderivative of  $f$  then for any constant  $c$   $F + c$  is also an antiderivative of  $f$ . And, any antiderivative  $G$  of  $f$  must be a sum of  $F$  and a constant function, because if a function has derivative 0 on an **interval** then  $f$  must be a constant on the interval. Traditionally the following notation has been used to represent this fact:

$$\int f(x)dx = F(x) + c$$

where  $F$  denotes an antiderivative of  $f$  and  $c$  denotes constant function. The expression  $\int f(x)dx$  is called the **indefinite integral** of  $f$ . Sometimes it is treated as a function, sometimes it is regarded as a set of all antiderivatives of  $f$ . The “arbitrariness” and “uncertainty” to use this notation is a historical result. Don't mind it!

How to find an antiderivative of a given function?

There is a technique called “*substitution*” (代入法).

**Proposition 1(substitution(代入法))** If  $F$  is an antiderivative of  $f$ , then  $f(g(x))g'(x)$  has antiderivative  $F(g(x))$ . Or,

$$\int f(g(x))g'(x)dx = F(g(x)) + c.$$

This is obvious. It is called “substitution” since it can be obtained by substituting  $u = g(x)$  and  $du = g'(x)dx$  into

$$\int f(u)du = F(u) + c.$$

**Remark** Substitution method is also called **changing variable method** 变量替换法.

**Example 1**  $\int (x^2 + 1)^{50} 2x dx$       **Example 2**  $\int \sin(x + 9) dx$

**Example 3**  $\int \cos 5x dx$       **Example 4**  $\int \frac{dx}{(\frac{1}{3}x - 8)^5}$

**Example 5**  $\int \left(\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{\cos^2 \pi x}\right) dx$       **Example 6**  $\int \sin^2 x \cos x dx$

**Example 7**  $\int \frac{\cos \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x}} dx$       **Example 8**  $\int t^4 \sqrt[3]{3-5t^5} dt$

**Example 9**  $\int x^2 \sqrt{x-1} dx$       **Example 10**  $\int \cos^3 x dx$

**Example 11** Let  $f_1(x) = \frac{1}{x}, x \neq 0, f_2(x) = \frac{1}{x}, x > 0, f_3(x) = \frac{1}{x}, x < 0$ . Find

$$\int f_k(x) dx, k = 1, 2, 3.$$

**Example 12** Evaluate  $\int \frac{3x^2}{x^3+5} dx$ .

**Example 13**  $\int e^{-x} dx$      $\int x^2 e^{x^3} dx,$      $\int \frac{e^{\sqrt{x}}}{\sqrt{x}} dx$

**Proposition 2 (integration by parts 分部积分法)** If  $f$  has derivative and  $g$  has an antiderivative of  $g$ , then

$$\int f(x)g'(x)dx = f(x)G(x) - \int f'(x)G(x) dx.$$

**Example 14** Evaluate  $\int xe^x dx$ .

**Example 15** Evaluate  $\int \ln x dx$ .

**Example 16** Evaluate  $\int x^2 e^{-x} dx$ .

**Example 17** Evaluate  $\int e^x \cos x dx$ .

**Example 18**

$$\begin{aligned} \int x^2 \sqrt{x-1} dx &= \frac{2}{3}x^2(x-1)^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{4}{3} \int x(x-1)^{\frac{3}{2}} dx \\ &= \frac{2}{3}x^2(x-1)^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{8}{15}x(x-1)^{\frac{5}{2}} + \frac{8}{15} \int (x-1)^{\frac{5}{2}} dx \\ &= \frac{2}{3}x^2(x-1)^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{8}{15}x(x-1)^{\frac{5}{2}} + \frac{16}{105}(x-1)^{\frac{7}{2}} + c. \end{aligned}$$

**Example 19** Evaluate  $\int \sin^n x dx, \int \cos^n x dx, n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Example 20**  $\int \cos(\ln x) dx$

## §2. The definite integral (定积分)

**Notation** For convenience  $F(b) - F(a)$  is written as  $F \Big|_a^b$ .

**Example 1**  $\int_0^{2\pi} \sin kx \, dx = \int_0^{2\pi} \cos jx \, dx = 0, \quad k, j \in \mathbb{N}.$

**Example 2**  $\int_0^{\infty} \exp(-x) \, dx = 1.$       **Example 3** Evaluate  $\int_{-1}^2 |x| \, dx.$

**Example 4**  $\lim_{a \rightarrow +\infty} \int_1^a \frac{1}{x} \, dx = +\infty.$       **Example 5**  $\lim_{a \rightarrow +\infty} \int_1^a \frac{1}{x^2} \, dx = 1.$

**Example 6** Evaluate  $\int_0^6 f(x) \, dx$  if  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x < 2, \\ 3x - 2, & x \geq 2. \end{cases}$

**Theorem** Let  $f \in L[a, b]$ . Define  $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) \, dt, \quad a \leq x \leq b.$  If  $f$  is continuous at point  $x \in [a, b]$  then  $F'(x) = f(x).$

### §3. Evaluating definite integral by substitution and by parts

**Example 1**  $\int_0^2 x(x^2 + 1)^3 \, dx$

**Example 2** (a)  $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{8}} \sin^5 2x \cos 2x \, dx$       (b)  $\int_2^5 (2x - 5)(x - 3)^9 \, dx$

**Example 3** Find the average value of the function  $f(x) = \frac{\cos \frac{\pi}{x}}{x^2}$  over the interval  $[1, 3]$ , i.e. the value  $f_{\text{ave}} := \frac{1}{3-1} \int_1^3 f(x) \, dx.$

**Solution**  $f_{\text{ave}} = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^3 \frac{\cos \frac{\pi}{x}}{x^2} \, dx \stackrel{u=\frac{\pi}{x}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \int_{\pi}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{\cos u}{\pi^2} u^2 \frac{-\pi}{u^2} \, du = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\frac{\pi}{3}}^{\pi} \cos u \, du = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4\pi}.$

**The formula of integration by parts**

$$\int_a^b f(x)g'(x) \, dx = f(x)g(x) \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b f'(x)g(x) \, dx.$$

**Example 4**

$$\int_0^1 \tan^{-1} x \, dx = x \tan^{-1} x \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 \frac{x}{1+x^2} \, dx = \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \ln(1+x^2) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{\pi}{4} - \ln \sqrt{2}.$$

**Some reduction formulas** (a)  $\int \sec^n x \, dx;$  (b)  $\int \tan^n x \, dx;$  (c)  $\int x^n e^x \, dx.$

## §4. Area and Volume

**Area Formula** If  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous functions on  $[a, b]$  and if  $f(x) \geq g(x)$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$ , then the area of the region bounded above by  $y = f(x)$ , below by  $y = g(x)$ , on the left by the line  $x = a$ , and on the right by the line  $x = b$  is (as a definition)

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

**Example 1** Find the area bounded above by  $y = x + 6$ , below by  $y = x^2$ , on the sides by the lines  $x = 0$  and  $x = 2$ .

**Solution**  $A = \int_0^2 (x + 6 - x^2) dx = \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 + 6x - \frac{1}{3}x^3\right)\Big|_0^2 = \frac{34}{3}$ . □

**Example 2** Find the area of the region that is enclosed between the curves  $y = x^2$  and  $y = x + 6$ .

**Solution** Let  $f(x) = x + 6 - x^2$ . Solving the equation  $f(x) = 0$  we get two roots:  $x_1 = -2$ ,  $x_2 = 3$ . We conclude that the region between the given curves is exactly between the lines  $x = -2$  and  $x = 3$ . It is easy to verify that  $f(x) > 0$  when  $x \in [-2, 3]$ . So we get the result  $A = \int_{-2}^3 f(x) dx = \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 + 6x - \frac{1}{3}x^3\right)\Big|_{-2}^3 = \frac{125}{6}$ . □

**Example 3** Find the area of the region enclosed by  $x = y^2$  and  $y = x - 2$ .

**Solution** Let  $g(y) = y + 2 - y^2$ . Solving the equation  $g(y) = 0$  we get two roots:  $y_1 = -1$ ,  $y_2 = 2$ . We conclude that the region enclosed by curves is exactly between the lines  $y = -1$  and  $y = 2$ . It is easy to verify that  $g(y) > 0$  when  $y \in [-1, 2]$ . So we get the result  $A = \int_{-1}^2 g(y) dy = \left(\frac{1}{2}y^2 + 2y - \frac{1}{3}y^3\right)\Big|_{-1}^2 = \frac{10}{3} + \frac{7}{6} = \frac{9}{2}$ . □

**Example 4** Let  $s(t)$  be the position at time  $t$  of a particle moving on a coordinate line representing the time. We know that the instantaneous velocity  $v(t)$  at time  $t$  is defined by  $v(t) = s'(t)$ . Hence by the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus we have

$$s(t_2) - s(t_1) = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} v(t) dt$$

which represents the change of the position of the particle over the time interval  $[t_1, t_2]$ .

**Volume Formula** Let  $S$  be a solid bounded by two parallel planes perpendicular to the  $x$ -axis at  $x = a$  and  $x = b$ . If for each  $x \in [a, b]$ , the cross-sectional area of  $S$  perpendicular to the  $x$ -axis is  $A(x)$ , then the volume of the solid is (as a definition)

$$V = \int_a^b A(x) dx$$

provided  $A \in R[a, b]$ .

**Example 5** Let  $f$  be continuous and nonnegative on  $[a, b]$ , and let  $R$  be the region that is bounded above by  $y = f(x)$ , below by the  $x$ -axis, and on the sides by the lines  $x = a$  and  $x = b$ . Find the volume of the *solid of revolution* (旋转体) that is generated by revolving the region  $R$  about the  $x$ -axis.

**Solution** Since the cross section of the solid taken perpendicular to the  $x$ -axis at the point  $x \in [a, b]$  is a circular disk of radius  $f(x)$ , its area is  $A(x) = \pi(f(x))^2$ . Thus by Formula 6.2.2 the volume of the solid is

$$V = \int_a^b \pi(f(x))^2 dx.$$

**Example 6** Find the volume of the solid that is obtained when the region under the curve  $y = \sqrt{x}$  over the interval  $[1, 4]$  is revolved about the  $x$ -axis.

**Solution**  $V = \int_1^4 \pi x dx = \frac{15\pi}{2}.$

**Example 7** Find the volume of a ball of radius  $r$ .

**Solution** The ball can be regarded as the solid that is obtained when the region under the curve  $y = \sqrt{r^2 - x^2}$  over the interval  $[-r, r]$  is revolved about the  $x$ -axis. Then we get its volume

$$V = \int_{-r}^r \pi(r^2 - x^2) dx = (2 - \frac{2}{3})\pi r^3 = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3.$$

**Example 8** Let  $f$  and  $g$  be continuous and nonnegative on  $[a, b]$ , and suppose that  $f(x) \geq g(x)$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$ . Let  $R$  be the region that is bounded above by  $y = f(x)$ , below by  $y = g(x)$ , and on the sides by the lines  $x = a$  and  $x = b$ . Find the volume of the solid of revolution that is generated by revolving the region  $R$  about the  $x$ -axis.

**Solution**  $V = \int_a^b \pi((f(x))^2 - (g(x))^2) dx.$

Because the cross section are washer (垫圈) shaped, the application of this formula is called *method of washers*.

**Example 9** Find the volume of the solid generated when the region between the graphs of the functions  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} + x^2$  and  $g(x) = x$  over the interval  $[0, 2]$  is revolved about the  $x$ -axis.

**Solution**  $V = \int_0^2 \pi\left(\left(\frac{1}{2} + x^2\right)^2 - x^2\right) dx = \int_0^2 \pi\left(\frac{1}{4} + x^4\right) dx = \frac{69\pi}{10}.$

**Example 10** Find the volume of the solid generated when the region enclosed by  $y = \sqrt{x}$ ,  $y = 2$ , and  $x = 0$  is revolved about the  $y$ -axis.

**Solution** It is obvious that the the solid is obtained when the region under the curve  $x = y^2$  over the interval  $[0, 2]$  is revolved about the  $y$ -axis. Hence  $V = \int_0^2 \pi y^4 dy = \frac{32\pi}{5}.$

**Example 11** Let  $f$  be continuous and nonnegative on  $[a, b]$   $a \geq 0$ , and let  $R$  be the region that is bounded above by  $y = f(x)$ , below by the  $x$ -axis, and on the sides by the lines  $x = a$  and  $x = b$ . Find the volume of the solid of revolution (旋转体)  $S$  that is generated by revolving the region  $R$  about the  $y$ -axis.

**Analysis** If  $f(x) = h$  a constant, then  $S$  is a cylindrical shell which volume is obviously the difference

$$\pi b^2 h - \pi a^2 h = 2\pi \frac{a+b}{2}(b-a)h. \quad (1)$$

In general case we make a partition  $T_n = \{x_j = a + j\frac{b-a}{n} : j = 0, 1, \dots, n\}$ , let  $R_j$  be the region that is bounded above by  $y = f(x)$ , below by the  $x$ -axis, and on the sides by the lines  $x_{j-1}$  and  $x_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ . Then we denote by  $S_j$  the solid of revolution that is generated by revolving the region  $R_j$  about the  $y$ -axis. If  $n$  is big enough then on each  $[x_{j-1}, x_j]$  ( $j = 1, \dots, n$ ),  $f$  may be regarded as a constant  $f(\frac{x_{j-1}+x_j}{2})$  approximately. Then the volume of  $S_j$  has an approximate value  $V_j \approx 2\pi \frac{x_{j-1}+x_j}{2}(x_j - x_{j-1})f(\frac{x_{j-1}+x_j}{2})$  by the formula (1). Hence the volume  $V$  of  $S$  has the following approximate value.

$$V = \sum_{j=1}^n S_j \approx 2\pi \frac{x_{j-1}+x_j}{2}(x_j - x_{j-1})f(\frac{x_{j-1}+x_j}{2}).$$

We denote by

$$\Lambda_n = \{\lambda_j = \frac{x_{j-1}+x_j}{2} = a + (j - \frac{1}{2})\frac{b-a}{n} : j = 1, \dots, n\}$$

the special "choice" with respect to  $T_n$ , and write  $g(x) = 2\pi x f(x)$ . Then we see

$$V \approx \sum_{j=1}^n g(\lambda_j) \frac{b-a}{n} = S(g, T_n, \Lambda_n) = S_n(g)$$

which is just a special Riemann sum of  $g$  (see the Definition 5.5.1 and the followed Theorem 1). We may image that when  $n \rightarrow +\infty$  the limit of  $S_n(g)$  is the exact value of  $V$ . Then we get (as a definition) the formula (see (6.3.2), P.413)

$$V = \int_a^b g(x) dx = \int_a^b 2\pi x f(x) dx. \quad (2)$$

**Example 12** Find the volume of the torus (环状体) that results when the region enclosed by the circle of radius  $r$  with center at  $(h, 0)$ ,  $h > r$ , is revolved about the  $y$ -axis.

**Solution** By formula (2) we get the volume

$$\begin{aligned} V &= 2 \int_{h-r}^{h+r} 2\pi x \sqrt{r^2 - (x-h)^2} dx \\ &\stackrel{u=x-h}{=} 4\pi \int_{-r}^r (u+h) \sqrt{r^2 - u^2} du \\ &= 8\pi h \int_0^r \sqrt{r^2 - u^2} dx \\ &\stackrel{u=r \sin t}{=} 8\pi h \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} r^2 \cos^2 t dt = 4\pi h r^2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 + \cos 2t) dt = 2\pi^2 h r^2. \end{aligned}$$

**Example 13** Use cylindrical shells to find the volume  $V$  of the solid generated when the region enclosed between  $y = \sqrt{x}$ ,  $x = 1$ ,  $x = 4$ , and the  $x$ -axis is revolved about the  $y$ -axis.

**Solution**  $V = \int_1^4 2\pi x \sqrt{x} dx = 2\pi \int_1^4 x^{\frac{3}{2}} dx = \frac{124\pi}{5}.$

**Example 14** Use cylindrical shells to find the volume  $V$  of the solid generated when the region  $R$  in the first quadrant enclosed between  $y = x$  and  $y = x^2$  is revolved about the  $y$ -axis.

**Solution** Let  $f(x) = x, g(x) = x^2$ . The region  $R$  is on the sides by the lines  $x = 0$  and  $x = 1$ . Hence

$$V = \int_0^1 2\pi x f(x) dx - \int_0^1 2\pi x g(x) dx = \int_0^1 2\pi x(f(x) - g(x)) dx = \frac{\pi}{6}.$$

**Example 15** Use cylindrical shells to find the volume  $V$  of the solid generated when the region  $R$  under  $y = x^2$  over the interval  $[0, 2]$  is revolved about the  $x$ -axis.

**Solution** The line  $y = x^2, x \in [0, 2]$  is the same  $x = \sqrt{y}, y \in [0, 4]$ . The region  $R$  has right side  $x = 2$ . So,  $V = \int_0^4 2\pi y(2 - \sqrt{y}) dy = \frac{32\pi}{5}$ .

## §5. Length of a plane curve, Area of a surface of revolution(旋转面) and Applications in Physics

After a suitable explanation we have the following definition.

**Definition 5.1**(Length of a plane curve) If  $y = f(x)$  is a smooth curve on  $[a, b]$  (i.e.  $f$  has continuous derivative on  $[a, b]$ ), then the arc length  $L$  of this curve over  $[a, b]$  is defined as

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{1 + (f'(x))^2} dx. \quad (1)$$

**Example 1** Find the arc length  $L$  of the curve  $y = x^{\frac{3}{2}}$  from  $(1, 1)$  to  $(2, 2\sqrt{2})$ .

**Solution**

$$L = \int_1^2 \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{3}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^2} dx = \int_1^2 \sqrt{1 + \frac{9}{4}x} dx \stackrel{u=1+\frac{9}{4}x}{=} \frac{4}{9} \int_{\frac{13}{4}}^{\frac{17}{4}} u^{\frac{1}{2}} du = \frac{22\sqrt{22} - 13\sqrt{13}}{27}. \quad \square$$

If there is function  $x = \varphi(t), t \in [\alpha, \beta], \alpha < \beta$  such that  $\varphi'$  is continuous and positive, and  $a = \varphi(\alpha), b = \varphi(\beta)$  then we may use substitution  $x = \varphi(t)$  in (1) and get

$$L = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sqrt{1 + (f'(\varphi(t)))^2} \varphi'(t) dt = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sqrt{(\varphi'(t))^2 + (f'(\varphi(t)))^2} dt.$$

If we write  $x = x(t)$  instead of  $x = \varphi(t)$  and  $y = y(t)$  instead of  $y = f(\varphi(t))$  then we are motivated to the following

**Length formula for parametric curves** If no segment of the curve represented by the parametric equation

$$x = x(t), y = y(t) \quad (\alpha \leq t \leq \beta)$$

is traced more than once as  $t$  increases from  $\alpha$  to  $\beta$ , and if  $x'(t)$  and  $y'(t)$  are continuous functions for  $\alpha \leq t \leq \beta$ , then the arc length of the curve is given by

$$L = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sqrt{(x'(t))^2 + (y'(t))^2} dt. \quad (2)$$

**Example 2** Use (2) to find the circumference (周长)  $L$  of a circle of radius  $r$  from the parametric equation

$$x = r \cos t, \quad y = r \sin t, \quad (0 \leq t \leq 2\pi).$$

**Solution**

$$L = \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{(-r \sin t)^2 + (r \cos t)^2} dt = \int_0^{2\pi} r dt = 2\pi r.$$

**Example 3** Find the arc length of  $y = \sin x$  from  $x = 0$  to  $x = \pi$ .

**Solution** The length is  $L = \int_0^\pi \sqrt{1 + \cos^2 x} dx$ . This integral cannot be evaluated in terms of elementary functions. Using Maple :

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> int((1+(cos(x))^2)^(1/2),x=0..Pi);
      2 sqrt(2) EllipticE(1/2 sqrt(2))
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> evalf(%);
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3.820197788
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We get  $L \approx 3.820197788$ . □

**Definition 5.2**(Area of a surface of revolution (旋转面面积)) If  $f$  is a smooth, nonnegative function on  $[a, b]$  (i.e.  $f$  has continuous derivative and  $f \geq 0$  on  $[a, b]$ ), then the area  $S$  of the surface of revolution that is generated by revolving the curve  $y = f(x)$  over  $[a, b]$  about the  $x$ -axis is defined as

$$S = \int_a^b 2\pi f(x) \sqrt{1 + (f'(x))^2} dx. \quad (3)$$

**Example 4** Find the area of the surface that is generated by revolving the portion of the curve  $y = x^3$  between  $x = 0$  and  $x = 1$  about the  $x$ -axis.

**Solution**  $S = \int_0^1 2\pi x^3 \sqrt{1 + (3x^2)^2} dx \stackrel{u=1+9x^4}{=} \int_1^{10} \frac{2\pi}{36} u^{\frac{1}{2}} du = \frac{\pi}{27} (10^{\frac{3}{2}} - 1)$ .

**Example 5** Find the area of the surface that is generated by revolving the portion of the curve  $y = x^2$  between  $x = 1$  and  $x = 2$  about the  $y$ -axis.

**Solution** The curve is also expressed as  $x = \sqrt{y}$ ,  $1 \leq y \leq 4$ . Hence the area required is

$$S = \int_1^4 2\pi \sqrt{y} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}\right)^2} dy = \pi \int_1^4 \sqrt{1 + 4y} dy \stackrel{u=1+4y}{=} \frac{\pi}{4} \int_5^{17} 7\sqrt{u} du = \frac{\pi}{6} (17^{\frac{3}{2}} - 5^{\frac{3}{2}}).$$

**Definition 5.3**(Work performed by the force (力做的功)) Suppose that an object moves in the positive direction along a coordinate line over the interval  $[a, b]$  while subjected to a variable force  $F(x)$  that is applied in the direction of motion. Then we define the **work**(功)  $W$  performed by the force on the object to be  $W = \int_a^b F(x) dx$ .

**Example 6** A spring exerts a force of 5 N when stretched 1 m beyond its natural length.

(a) Find the spring constant (弹性系数)  $k$ .

(b) How much work is required to stretch the spring 1.8 m beyond its natural length?

**Solution** (a) Substituting  $x = 1(\text{m})$  and  $F(1) = 5(\text{N})$  into the formula  $F(x) = kx$  we get  $k = 5(\text{N/m})$ .

(b)  $W = \int_0^{1.8} kx \, dx = \frac{5}{2}(1.8)^2(\text{Nm}) = 8.1(\text{J})(\text{焦耳})$ .

**Example 7** A conical water tank of radius 10 meters and height 30 meters is filled with water to a depth of 15 meters. How much work is required to pump all of the water out through a hole in the top of the tank?

**Solution** The weight density of water is 1 gram per cubical centimeter that is  $10^3 \text{ Kg/m}^3$  (kilogram per cubical meter). Then as is shown in Figure 6.6.5 the work

$$W = 10^3 \int_{15}^{30} \frac{\pi}{9} x^3 \, dx = 2 \cdot 3^3 \cdot 5^8 \pi (\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}).$$

**Work-energy relationship** Assume that an object moves in the positive direction along a coordinate line over the interval  $[a, b]$  while subjected to a force  $F(x)$  that is applied in the direction of the motion. Let  $x(t), v(t) = x'(t)$ , and  $v'(t)$  denote the respective position, velocity, and acceleration of the object at time  $t$ . It follows from Newton's Second Law of Motion that  $F(x(t)) = mv'(t)$  where  $m$  is the mass of the object. Assume that  $x(t_0) = a, x(t_1) = b$  with  $v(t_0) = v_i$  and  $v(t_1) = v_f$  the initial (初) and final (终) velocities of the object, respectively. Then

$$\begin{aligned} W &= \int_a^b F(x) \, dx = \int_{x(t_0)}^{x(t_1)} F(x) \, dx = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} F(x(t))x'(t) \, dt \\ &= \int_{t_0}^{t_1} mv'(t)v(t) \, dt = \int_{v_i}^{v_f} mv \, dv = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \Big|_{v_i}^{v_f} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}v_f^2 - \frac{1}{2}v_i^2. \end{aligned}$$

We define the “energy of motion” or **kinetic energy** of the object by

$$K = \frac{1}{2}mv^2.$$

Then we have the **work-energy relationship**

$$W = K_f - K_i$$

with  $K_i$  and  $K_f$  denoting the initial and final kinetic energy of the object.

**Example 8** A space probe (探测器) of mass  $m = 5.00 \times 10^4 \text{ kg}$  travels in deep space subjected only to the force of its engine. Starting at a time when the speed of the probe is  $v = 1.10 \times 10^4 \text{ m/s}$ , the engine is fired continuously over a distance of  $2.50 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$  with a constant force of  $4.00 \times 10^5 \text{ N}$  in the direction of motion. What is the final speed of the probe?

**Solution** We have

$$\begin{aligned}K_f &= W + K_i = \int_0^{2.50 \times 10^6 \text{m}} F(x) dx + \frac{1}{2}mv_i^2 \\&= (4.00 \times 10^5 \text{m}) \times (2.50 \times 10^6 \text{N}) + \frac{1}{2}(5.00 \times 10^4 \text{kg})(1.10 \times 10^4 \text{m/s})^2 \\&= 4.025 \times 10^12 \text{J}\end{aligned}$$

Then we get

$$v_f = \sqrt{2 \frac{K_f}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{2(4.025 \times 10^{12})}{5.00 \times 10^4}} \text{m/s} \approx 1.27 \times 10^4 \text{m/s}.$$

**Definition 5.4**(Fluid force on a vertical surface (液体在竖直面上的压力)) Suppose that a flat surface is immersed (浸入) vertically in a fluid of weight density (比重)  $\rho$  and that the submerged (淹没的) portion of the surface extends from  $x = a$  to  $x = b$  along an  $x$ -axis whose positive direction is down (Figure 6.7.4a). For  $a \leq x \leq b$ , suppose that  $w(x)$  is the width of the surface and that  $h(x)$  is the depth of the point  $x$ . Then we define the **fluid force** on the surface (that is perpendicular to the surface) to be

$$F = \int_a^b \rho h(x)w(x) dx.$$

**Example 9** The face of a dam is a vertical rectangle of height 100 m and width 200 m. Find the total fluid force exerted on the face when the water surface is level with the top of the dam.

**Solution**  $\int_0^{100} 200x dx = 10^6 \text{T}$ (吨).