

Solution to Tute 2, Section 6.2, Question 51

The barrel is obtained by rotating the curve $y = f(x) = R - kx^2$, $-\frac{h}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{h}{2}$ about the x axis. At the ends of the barrel, the radius of the barrel will be equal to the height of the function,

$$f\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) = R - k\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^2 = R - \frac{kh^2}{4}.$$

Of course, if $\delta = \frac{kh^2}{4}$, then the end radius is $R - \delta$.

Now we find the volume for $0 \leq x \leq \frac{h}{2}$ and double it. As usual, if we rotate a thin vertical sliver

around the x axis, we obtain (roughly) a thin disk. So an elemental volume is given by

$$dV_i = \pi r_i^2 dx = \pi(R - kx_i^2) dx.$$

Note that $\delta = kh^2 / 4$.

So, forming a Riemann sum, we obtain $V \approx \sum_{i=1}^n dV_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \pi(R - kx_i^2)^2 dx$, and in the limit this

becomes

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \int_0^{\frac{h}{2}} \pi(R - kx^2)^2 dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{h}{2}} \pi(R^2 - 2kRx^2 + k^2x^4) dx \\ &= \pi \left[R^2x - \frac{2}{3}kRx^3 + \frac{1}{5}k^2x^5 \right]_0^{\frac{h}{2}} \\ &= \pi \left[R^2 \frac{h}{2} - \frac{2}{3}kR \frac{h^3}{8} + \frac{1}{5}k^2 \frac{h^5}{32} \right] - \pi[0] \\ &= \pi h \left[\frac{R^2}{2} - \frac{kRh^2}{12} + \frac{k^2h^4}{160} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Hence the full volume will be double this.

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_T &= \pi h \left[R^2 - \frac{kRh^2}{6} + \frac{k^2h^4}{80} \right] \\
 &= \pi h \left[R^2 - \frac{2R}{3} \frac{kh^2}{4} + \frac{1}{80} k^2h^4 \right] \\
 &= \pi h \left[R^2 - \frac{2R}{3} \delta + \frac{1}{80} * 16\delta^2 \right] \\
 &= \frac{\pi h}{3} \left[3R^2 - 2R\delta + \frac{3}{5} \delta^2 \right] \\
 &= \frac{\pi h}{3} \left[2R^2 + R^2 - 2R\delta + \frac{3}{5} \delta^2 \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that $-2R\delta$ is a term from $(R - \delta)^2 = r^2$.

And if $r = R - \delta$, $r^2 = R^2 - 2R\delta + \delta^2$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{So } V_T &= \frac{\pi h}{3} \left[2R^2 + R^2 - 2R\delta + \delta^2 - \delta^2 + \frac{3}{5} \delta^2 \right] \\
 &= \frac{\pi h}{3} \left[2R^2 + r^2 - \frac{2}{5} \delta^2 \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Voila!