

SS.1 Area Between 2 Curves

Algebra, Trig, Analytic Geometry.

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

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

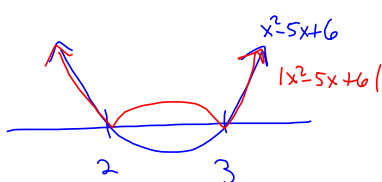
**3** The area between the curves  $y = f(x)$  and  $y = g(x)$  and between  $x = a$  and  $x = b$  is

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

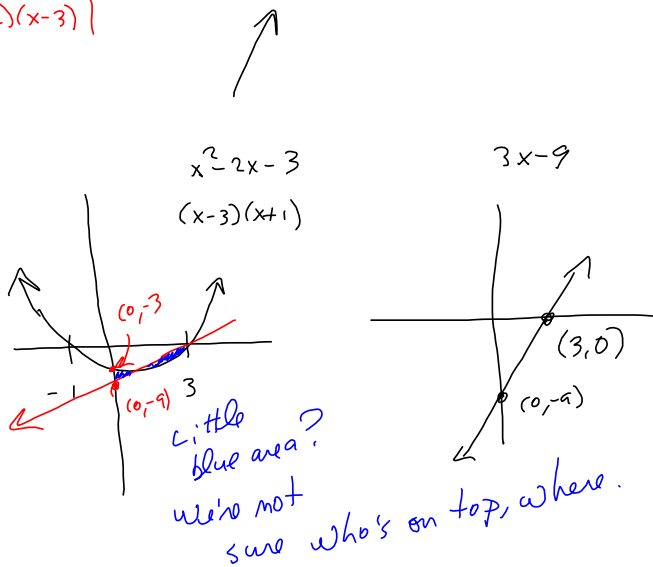
Find area bounded by  $x=0, x=3, y=x^2-2x-3$  and  $y=3x-9$

$$\int_0^3 |x^2-2x-3 - (3x-9)| dx = \int_0^2 (x^2-5x+6) dx - \int_2^3 (x^2-5x+6) dx$$

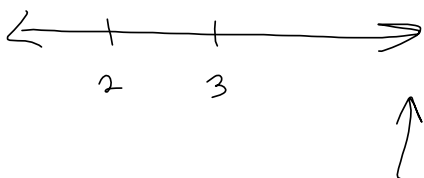
$$|x^2-2x-3-3x+9| = |x^2-5x+6|$$



How do we handle who's on top?  
 Solve  $x^2-2x-3=3x-9$   
 or just write  $x^2-2x-3-(3x-9)$  & analyze its sign.



$$x^2-2x-3 = 3x-9 \text{ when } x=2, x=3$$



Test	$x^2-2x-3$	$3x-9$
$x=0$	-3	-9
$x=2.5$	-1.75	-1.5
$x=4$	5	3

on  $(-\infty, 2)$  :  $x^2-2x-3$  is on top  
 on  $(2, 3)$  :  $3x-9$  is on top  
 on  $(3, \infty)$  :  $x^2-2x-3$  " " "

That means

$$|x^2-2x-3-(3x-9)|$$

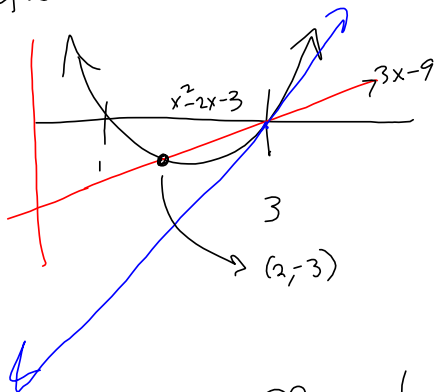
$$= x^2-2x-3-(3x-9) \text{ on } (-\infty, 2) \cup (3, \infty)$$

$$\& \text{ it } = (3x-9)-(x^2-2x-3) \text{ on } (2, 3)$$

I usually just analyze  $f(x)-g(x)$  for its sign.

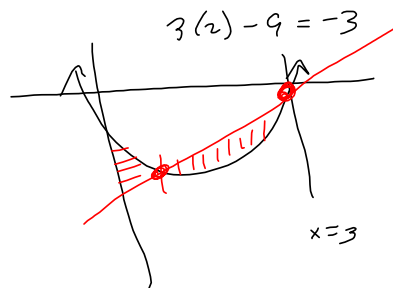
$$|x^2 - 2x - 3 - (3x - 9)| = |x^2 - 5x + 6|$$

Apply to  
sketch of  
the 2, together



$$= \begin{cases} x^2 - 5x + 6 & \text{if } x \leq 2 \text{ or } x \geq 3 \\ -(x^2 - 5x + 6) & \text{if } 2 < x < 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\int_0^3 |f-g| = \int_0^2 (f-g) - \int_2^3 (f-g)$$



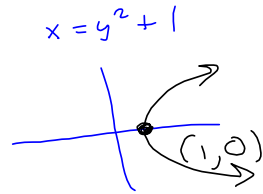
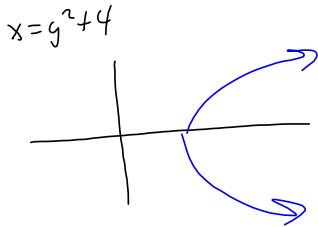
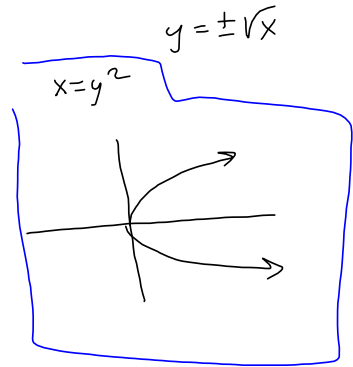
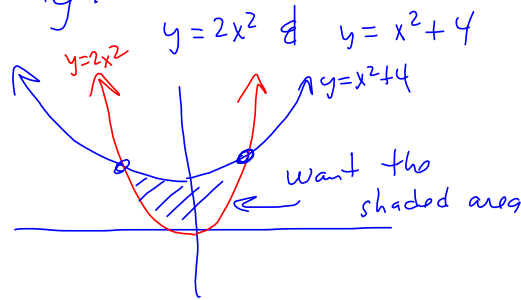
Way more efficient  
to just subtract  
the two funcs &  
graph  $|f-g|$

$$\int_0^2 ((x^2 - 2x - 3) - (3x - 9)) dx + \int_2^3 ((3x - 9) - (x^2 - 2x - 3)) dx$$

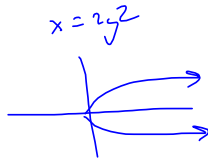
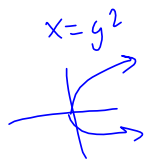
Area Bounded by  $x=2y^2$ ,  $x=y^2+4$  #17

When in doubt, swap variables & work it

this way:



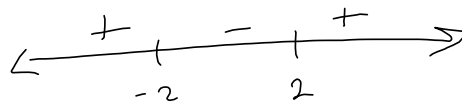
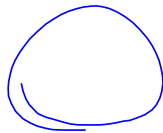
Short of a picture, you can always just go to town on  $\int |f-g|$



$$x=2y^2, x=y^2+4$$

$$|2y^2 - (y^2+4)| = |y^2-4|$$

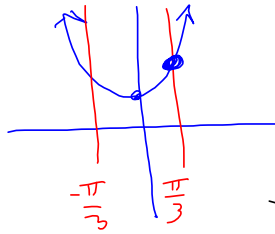
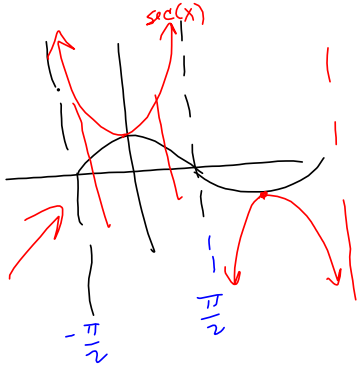
$$= |y-2||y+2|$$



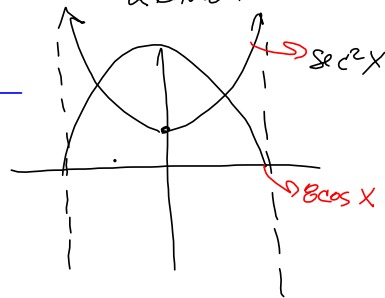
- 2.1
- 0
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So this  $|2y^2 - (y^2+4)|$   
 $y^2-4$ , if  $x \leq -2$  or  $x \geq 2$   
 $= |y^2-4| = -(y^2-4)$ , if  $-2 < x < 2$

Area bounded by  $y = \sec^2 x$ ,  $y = 8 \cos x$ ,  $x = -\frac{\pi}{3}$ ,  $x = \frac{\pi}{3}$  (#15)



$[-\frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{\pi}{3}]$  is symmetric interval.



Find intersection:

$$\sec^2 x = 8 \cos x$$

$$\sec^2 x - 8 \cos x = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\cos^2 x} - 8 \cos x = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\cos^2 x} - \frac{8 \cos x}{1} \cdot \frac{\cos^2 x}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{-8 \cos^3 x + 1}{\cos^2 x} = 0$$

How convenient!  
Handed us the intersection!  
 $x = \pm \frac{\pi}{3}$

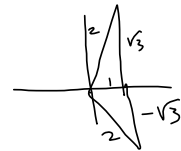
Same when  $8 \cos^3 x - 1 = 0$

$$8 \cos^3 x = 1$$

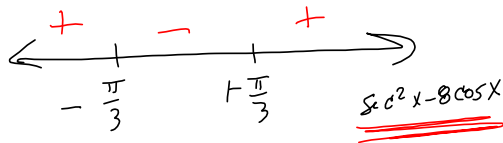
$$\sqrt[3]{8 \cos^3 x} = \sqrt[3]{1}$$

$$2 \cos x = 1$$

$$\cos x = \frac{1}{2}$$



$-\frac{\pi}{3}$  is obtained with  $2\pi - \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{5\pi}{3}$



So  $|\sec^2 x - 8 \cos x| = \boxed{8 \cos x - \sec^2 x}$

& that's what we integrate,

$$\int_{-\frac{\pi}{3}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} (8 \cos x - \sec^2 x) dx = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} (8 \cos x - \sec^2 x) dx$$

by even function, symmetric interval