

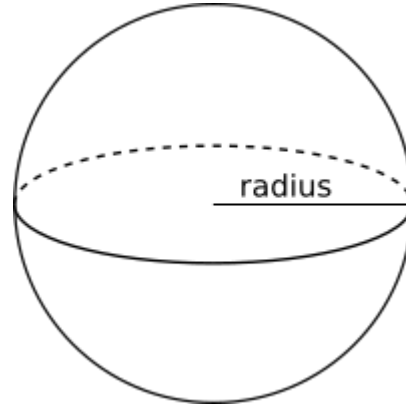
## 1.6 Surface Area and Volume of a Sphere

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**Sphere** - a perfectly round geometrical object in three-dimensional space that is the surface of a completely round ball.

What are some real life examples of spheres?

- any ball (basketball  
baseball)
- planet
- star



### Surface Area of a Sphere

The following video shows how the surface area of a sphere is equal to four times the surface area of circle with equivalent circumference.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FB-acn7d0zU>

So the surface area of a sphere is:  $SA = 4\pi r^2$

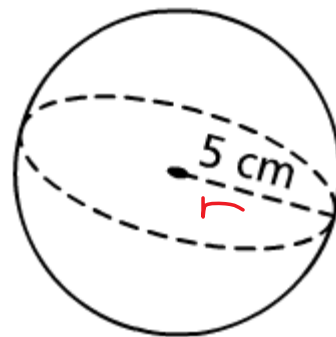
### Example 1:

Calculate the surface area to the nearest square cm.

$$SA = 4\pi r^2$$

$$SA = 4\pi (5\text{ cm})^2$$

$$SA = 314\text{ cm}^2$$



**Example 2:**

A sphere has a surface area of  $80 \text{ in}^2$ . Determine the diameter to the nearest inch.

$$SA = 80 \text{ in}^2$$

$$SA = 4\pi r^2$$

$$80 = 4\pi r^2$$

$$\frac{80}{4\pi} = \frac{4\pi r^2}{4\pi}$$

$$6.37 = r^2$$

$$\sqrt{r^2} = \sqrt{6.37}$$

$$r = 2.5 \text{ in}$$

$$d = 2r = 2(2.5 \text{ in}) = 5 \text{ in}$$

**Example 3:**

An official basketball has a radius of 12.5 cm and usually has a leather covering.

Approximately how much leather, in  $\text{cm}^2$ , is required to cover 12 official basketballs?

$$SA = 12 \cdot 4\pi r^2$$

$$SA = 12 \cdot 4\pi (12.5 \text{ cm})^2$$

$$SA = 23562 \text{ cm}^2$$

### Volume of a Sphere

The Volume of a Sphere is  $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ . This is how much 3D space is contained inside the sphere.

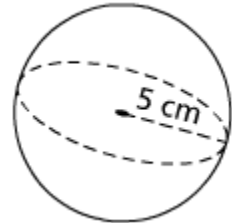
#### Example 4:

Determine the volume of the following sphere to the nearest cubic centimeter.

$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$$

$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi (5\text{ cm})^3$$

$$V = 524\text{ cm}^3$$



#### Example 5:

The sun approximates a sphere with diameter 870 000 mi. What is the approximate volume of the sun?

$$r = \frac{870\,000}{2} = 435\,000\text{ mi}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 = \frac{4}{3}\pi (435\,000\text{ mi})^3 \\ &= 3.4 \times 10^{17}\text{ mi}^3 \end{aligned}$$

**Example 6:**

A carnival clown has  $75 \text{ m}^3$  of helium compressed in a tank. How many spherical balloons with a radius of  $0.25 \text{ m}$  can be filled with the helium from the tank?

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{\text{Balloon}} &= \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 \\
 &= \frac{4}{3} \pi (0.25 \text{ m})^3 \\
 &= 0.065 \text{ m}^3
 \end{aligned}
 \qquad
 \begin{aligned}
 &\frac{75 \text{ m}^3}{0.065 \text{ m}^3} \\
 &= 1153 \text{ balloons}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Example 7:**

Eight basketballs are put in a container. The radius of each basketball is  $10 \text{ cm}$ . If the container is shaped like a square based pyramid, approximately how much space not occupied by basketballs will be left if each side of the base measures  $40 \text{ cm}$  and the height is  $70 \text{ cm}$ ?

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{\text{Pyr}} &= \frac{1}{3} l \cdot w \cdot h \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} (40 \text{ cm})(40 \text{ cm})(70 \text{ cm}) \\
 &= 37333 \text{ cm}^3
 \end{aligned}
 \qquad
 \begin{aligned}
 V_{\text{Ball}} &= \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 \\
 V &= \frac{4}{3} \pi (10 \text{ cm})^3 \\
 V &= 4189 \text{ cm}^3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &8 \times 4189 \text{ cm}^3 = 33512 \text{ cm}^3 \\
 &37333 \text{ cm}^3 - 33512 \text{ cm}^3 = 3821 \text{ cm}^3
 \end{aligned}$$

**Example 8:**

A spherical Christmas ornament measures 12 cm in circumference. What is the approximate volume of the cubed box that will hold this ornament?

$$C = 12 \text{ cm}$$

$$C = 2\pi r$$

$$\frac{12}{2\pi} = \frac{2\pi r}{2\pi}$$

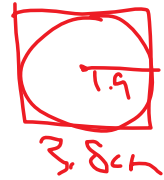
$$r = 1.9 \text{ cm}$$

$$2(1.9) = 3.8 \text{ cm}$$

$$V = s^3$$

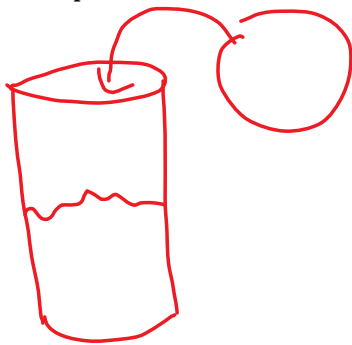
$$V = (3.8 \text{ cm})^3$$

$$V = 54.9 \text{ cm}^3 \sim 55 \text{ cm}^3$$

**Example 9:**

A heavy sphere with diameter 20 cm is dropped into a right circular cylinder with a base radius of 10 cm and a height of 34 cm.

(A) If the cylinder is half full of water, what is the total volume of the water and the sphere?



$$V_{\text{sphere}} = \frac{4}{3}\pi(10 \text{ cm})^3 = 4189 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}V_{\text{cyl}} &= \pi r^2 h \\ &= \pi(10 \text{ cm})^2(34 \text{ cm}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}10681 \text{ cm}^3 \\ &= 5341 \text{ cm}^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$V_T = 4189 \text{ cm}^3 + 5341 \text{ cm}^3 = 9530 \text{ cm}^3$$

(B) How high will the water rise once the sphere is completely under the water? Note: Once the sphere is dropped into the water, the water level will rise to a height that represents the volume of the water plus the volume of the sphere.

$$V = \pi r^2 h$$

$$9530 = \pi(10 \text{ cm})^2 h$$

$$9530 = 314h$$

$$\frac{9530}{314} = \frac{314h}{314}$$

$$h = 30.3 \text{ cm} \sim 30 \text{ cm}$$