

1. Find the length of the curve $y^2 = 4(x+4)^3$, $0 \leq x \leq 2$, $y > 0$.

Solution: If $y > 0$, $y = 2(x+4)^{\frac{3}{2}}$, so $y' = 3(x+4)^{\frac{1}{2}}$, the arc length is

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^2 \sqrt{1 + (y')^2} dx &= \int_0^2 \sqrt{1 + 9(x+4)} dx \\&= \int_0^2 \sqrt{9x + 37} dx \\&= \frac{1}{9} \int_0^2 \sqrt{9x + 37} d(9x + 37) \\&= \frac{2}{27} (55^{\frac{3}{2}} - 37^{\frac{3}{2}})\end{aligned}$$

2. Find the arc length function of the curve $y = \sin^{-1} x + \sqrt{1-x^2}$ with starting point at $(0, 1)$

Solution: $y' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} + \frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = \frac{1-x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{1+x}}$.

So the arc length function is

$$\begin{aligned}s(x) &= \int_0^x \sqrt{1 + y'(t)^2} dt = \int_0^x \sqrt{1 + \frac{1-t}{1+t}} dt \\&= \int_0^x \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{1+t}} d(1+t) \\&= 2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{1+t} \Big|_0^x \\&= 2\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{1+x} - 1)\end{aligned}$$

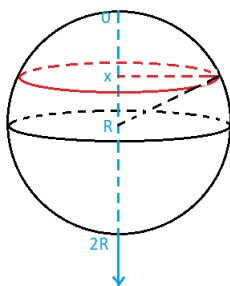
3. A spherical tank of radius R meters is full of water. If the density of water is ρ and gravitational acceleration is g , Find the work required to pump the water out from the top of the sphere.

Solution:

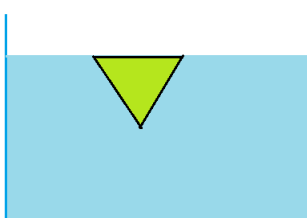
We take a downward x -axis with origin at the top of the sphere. The horizontal section at x is a disk of radius $\sqrt{R^2 - (R-x)^2} = \sqrt{2Rx - x^2}$, so the total work

needed is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^{2R} \rho g \pi (2Rx - x^2) x \, dx &= \pi \rho g \int_0^{2R} 2Rx^2 - x^3 \, dx \\
 &= \pi \rho g \left(\frac{16}{3} Rx^3 - \frac{1}{4} x^4 \right) \Big|_0^{2R} \\
 &= \frac{4}{3} \pi \rho g R^4
 \end{aligned}$$



4. A plate is in the shape of an equilateral triangle with length of edge d . It is submerged into water vertically with one edge at the surface of water. If the density of water is ρ and gravitational acceleration is g , compute the hydrostatic force against one side of the plate.



Solution: We choose x -axis downward with origin at the surface of water, then the horizontal section at depth x is $2 \times (\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}d - x) \times \tan \frac{\pi}{6} = d - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}x$.

So the hydrostatic force is

$$\int_0^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}d} \rho g x \left(d - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}x \right) dx = \frac{1}{8} \rho g d^3$$

5. Find the centre of mass of the region bounded by $y = x^2$, x -axis and $x = 1$.

Solution:

$\int_0^1 x(x)^2 dx = \frac{1}{4}$, $\int_0^1 \frac{(x^2)^2}{2} dx = \frac{1}{10}$, $\int_0^1 x^2 dx = \frac{1}{3}$. So the centre of mass is

$$\left(\frac{\frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{3}}, \frac{\frac{1}{10}}{\frac{1}{3}}\right) = \left(\frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{10}\right)$$

6. Find the centre of mass of the region bounded between the circles $(x+1)^2 + y^2 = 1$ and $x^2 + y^2 = 4$.

Solution:

By the Symmetric Principle, the centre of mass of the small circle is at $(-1, 0)$, and the centre of mass of the big circle is at $(0, 0)$. The small circle has area π and the big circle has area 4π , so the area between them is 3π . Assume the centre of mass of the area between the circles is (x, y) , then

$$\begin{cases} \pi \times (-1) + 3\pi x = 4\pi \times 0 \\ \pi \times 0 + 3\pi y = 4\pi \times 0 \end{cases}$$

We get $x = \frac{1}{3}$, $y = 0$. So the centre of mass of the region between the circles is $(\frac{1}{3}, 0)$.