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Solution

Math 208H, Section 1

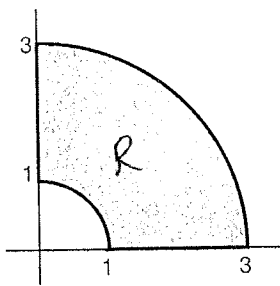
Quiz number 7

The y -coordinate \bar{y} of the center of mass of the region R in the (x, y) -plane lying in the first quadrant between the circles of radius 1 and 3 centered at the origin (see figure) can be computed as

$$\left[\int_R y \, dA \right] / \left[\int_R 1 \, dA \right]$$

(where $\int_R 1 \, dA$ is the area of R , expressed as an integral). Find \bar{y} .

[Note: The area of R can be obtained from the areas of the circles of radii 1 and 3, if you prefer that to the integral...]



$$\text{or } 1 \leq r \leq 3 \\ 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\int_R y \, dA = \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_1^3 r \sin \theta \, r \, dr \, d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_1^3 r^2 \sin \theta \, dr \, d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin \theta \left. \frac{r^3}{3} \right|_1^3 d\theta =$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin \theta \left(\frac{27}{3} - \frac{1}{3} \right) d\theta = -\frac{26}{3} \cos \theta \Big|_0^{\pi/2} = -\frac{26}{3} (\cos \frac{\pi}{2} - \cos 0)$$

$$= -\frac{26}{3} (0 - 1) = \frac{26}{3}$$

$$\int_R 1 \, dA = \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_1^3 r \, dr \, d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/2} \left. \frac{r^2}{2} \right|_1^3 d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{(9-1)}{2} d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/2} 4 \, d\theta = 4 \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right) = 2\pi \quad \leftarrow \text{Area!} = \frac{1}{4} (\pi(3^2 - 1^2)) = \frac{1}{4} (8\pi) = 2\pi \dots$$

$$\bar{y} = \frac{(26/3)}{2\pi} = \frac{13}{3\pi}$$