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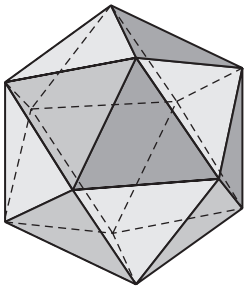


Figure 1

A regular icosahedron of side length x cm, shown in Figure 1, is expanding uniformly.

The icosahedron consists of 20 congruent equilateral triangular faces of side length x cm.

(a) Show that the surface area, A cm^2, of the icosahedron is given by

$$A = 5\sqrt{3}x^2$$

(2)

Given that the volume, V cm^3, of the icosahedron is given by

$$V = \frac{5}{12}\left(3 + \sqrt{5}\right)x^3$$

(b) show that $\dfrac{\mathrm{d}V}{\mathrm{d}A} = \dfrac{\left(3 + \sqrt{5}\right)x}{8\sqrt{3}}$

(3)

The surface area of the icosahedron is increasing at a constant rate of $0.025\,\text{cm}^2\,\text{s}^{-1}$

(c) Find the rate of change of the volume of the icosahedron when $x = 2$, giving your answer to 2 significant figures.

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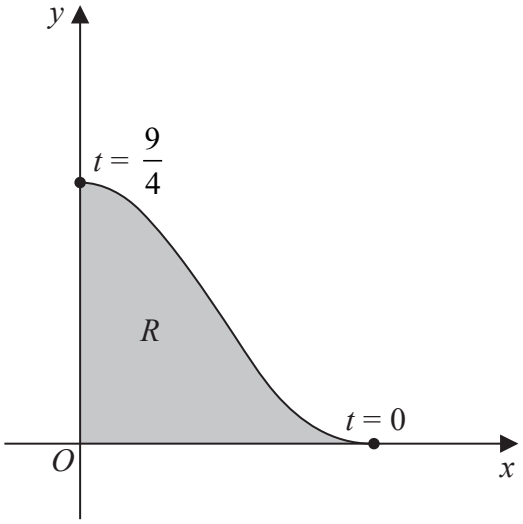


Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a sketch of the curve with parametric equations

$$x = \sqrt{9 - 4t} \qquad y = \frac{t^3}{\sqrt{9 + 4t}} \qquad 0 \leqslant t \leqslant \frac{9}{4}$$

The curve touches the x-axis when $t = 0$ and meets the y-axis when $t = \frac{9}{4}$

The region R, shown shaded in Figure 2, is bounded by the curve, the x-axis and the y-axis.

(a) Show that the area of R is given by

$$K\int_0^{\frac{9}{4}} \frac{t^3}{\sqrt{81 - 16t^2}}\,\mathrm{d}t$$

where K is a constant to be found.

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(b) Using the substitution $u = 81 - 16t^2$, or otherwise, find the exact area of R.

(*Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.*)

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