

NCERT-8.2.7

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Question : Calculate the area bounded by the curves $y^2 = 4x$ and $y = 2x$.

Solution:

(a) Theoretical Solution :

1) **Find Points of Intersection:**

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For $y^2 = 4x$:

$$V_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad f_1 = 0$$

The quadratic form is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + 0 = 0$$

For $y = 2x$:

$$V_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0.5 \end{pmatrix}, \quad f_2 = 0$$

The quadratic form is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + 0 = 0$$

3) **Write the two equations in matrix form:**

- From $Q_1(x, y)$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

Simplifies to:

$$y^2 - 4x = 0$$

- From $Q_2(x, y)$:

$$2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0.5 \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

Simplifies to:

$$-2x + y = 0 \quad \text{or equivalently, } y = 2x$$

4) **Substitute $y = 2x$ from $Q_2(x, y)$ into $Q_1(x, y)$:**

$$(2x)^2 - 4x = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$4x^2 - 4x = 0 \tag{2}$$

$$x(x - 1) = 0 \tag{3}$$

5) **Solve for x :**

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 1$$

6) **Find y for each x :**

- For $x = 0$, $y = 2(0) = 0$
- For $x = 1$, $y = 2(1) = 2$

7) **The intersection points are:**

$$(0, 0) \quad \text{and} \quad (1, 2)$$

8) **Set Up the Integral:**

The parabola is $y^2 = 4x \implies x = \frac{y^2}{4}$, and the line is $x = \frac{y}{2}$. To calculate the area, we integrate the difference between the parabola and the line in terms of y , from $y = 0$ to $y = 2$:

$$\text{Area} = \int_{y=0}^{y=2} \left(\frac{y}{2} - \frac{y^2}{4} \right) dy. \quad (4)$$

9) **Evaluate the Integral:**

Expand the integral:

$$\text{Area} = \int_0^2 \frac{y}{2} dy - \int_0^2 \frac{y^2}{4} dy. \quad (5)$$

First term:

$$\int_0^2 \frac{y}{2} dy = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^2 y dy = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{y^2}{2} \right)_0^2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{4}{2} = 1. \quad (6)$$

Second term:

$$\int_0^2 \frac{y^2}{4} dy = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^2 y^2 dy = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{y^3}{3} \right)_0^2 = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{8}{3} = \frac{2}{3}. \quad (7)$$

Now subtract:

$$\text{Area} = 1 - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{3}{3} - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{3}. \quad (8)$$

(b) Numerical Solution / Simulation :

We aim to compute the integral:

$$I = \int_0^2 \left(\frac{y}{2} - \frac{y^2}{4} \right) dy$$

using the trapezoidal rule approach.

10) **Discretize the Interval:** Divide the interval $[0, 2]$ into $N = 100$ equal subintervals.

The step size is:

$$h = \frac{2 - 0}{N} = \frac{2}{100} = 0.02. \quad (9)$$

The discrete points are:

$$y_i = 0 + i \cdot h, \quad \text{for } i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 100. \quad (10)$$

For example:

$$y_0 = 0, \quad y_1 = 0.02, \quad y_2 = 0.04, \dots, y_{100} = 2. \quad (11)$$

11) **Define the Function:** The function to integrate is:

$$f(y) = \frac{y}{2} - \frac{y^2}{4}. \quad (12)$$

12) **Establish the difference equation:**

Using the trapazoidal rule ,

$$I_n = I_{n-1} + \frac{h}{2} (f(y_n) + f(y_{n-1})) \quad (13)$$

where:

- a) I_n : The approximate integral value up to the n -th point,
- b) $h = 0.02$: The step size,
- c) $f(y_n) = \frac{y_n}{2} - \frac{y_n^2}{4}$: The function evaluated at y_n .

So, the integral can be approximated as,

$$I_n = I_{n-1} + \frac{h}{2} \left(\left(\frac{y_n}{2} - \frac{y_n^2}{4} \right) + \left(\frac{y_{n-1}}{2} - \frac{y_{n-1}^2}{4} \right) \right) \quad (14)$$

$$y_n = y_{n-1} + h \quad (15)$$

13) **Iterative Computation:** The recurrence relation is applied iteratively starting with the initial condition:

$$I_0 = 0. \quad (16)$$

Each step updates I_n using the values of $f(y_n)$ and $f(y_{n-1})$.

14) **Final Value:** After iterating up to $n = 100$, the value of the integral at the upper bound $y = 2$ is:

$$I[100] \approx 0.3333 \quad (17)$$

Using the difference equation (14) we can code to simulate the area pretty easily . Choosing $n = 100$ we get area as 0.3333 which verifies with the theoretical solution.

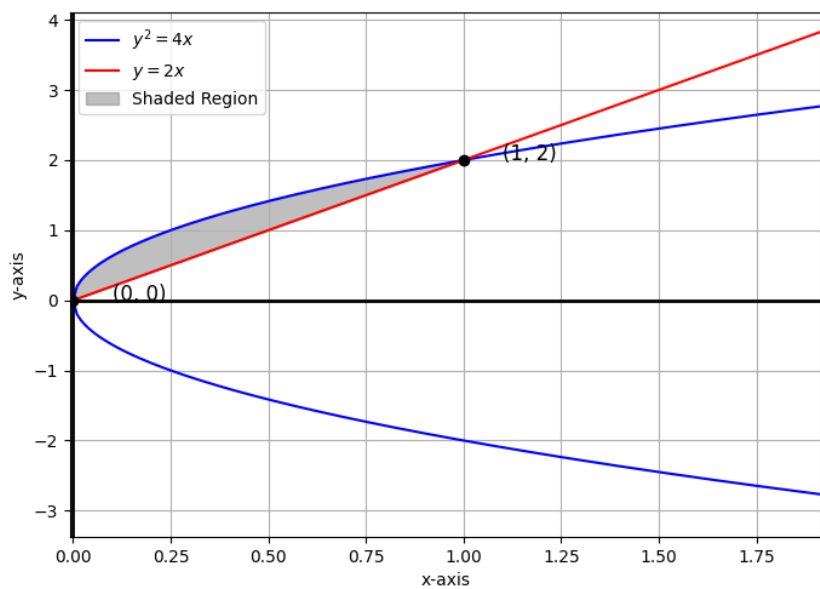


Fig. 14: Graph