

Lesson 13

random stuff

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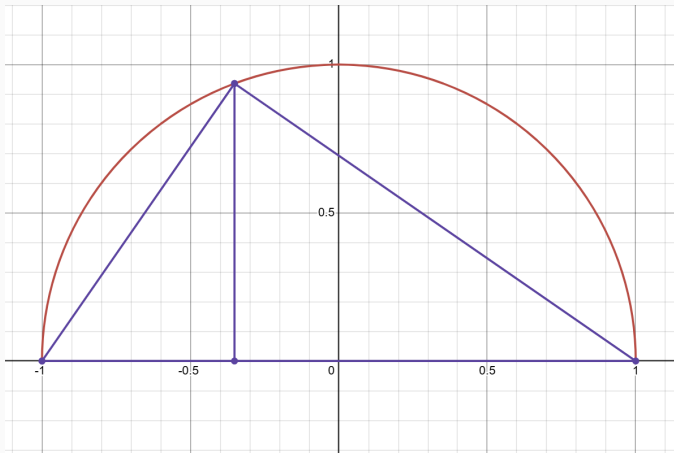
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2. A whole new world

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go to desmos

desmos semicircle thing



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remember this?

remember that: $\frac{a + b + c + \dots}{n} \geq \sqrt[n]{a \times b \times c \times \dots}$

lets try this

For $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}^+$, show that

$$\frac{a^2}{bc} + \frac{b^2}{ca} + \frac{c^2}{ab} \geq 3$$

a new question

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Find the maximum of $2 - a - \frac{1}{2a}$ for all positive a .

a new question

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Find the maximum of $2 - a - \frac{1}{2a}$ for all positive a .

We can rewrite the given expression as $2 - (a + \frac{1}{2a})$. To maximize the whole expression, we must minimize $a + \frac{1}{2a}$. Since a is positive, so is $\frac{1}{2a}$. This means AM - GM will hold for a and $\frac{1}{2a}$.

By AM - GM, the arithmetic mean of a and $\frac{1}{2a}$ is at least their geometric mean, or $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$. This means the sum of a and $\frac{1}{2a}$ is at least $\sqrt{2}$. We can prove that we can achieve this minimum for $a + \frac{1}{2a}$ by plugging in $a = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ by solving $a + \frac{1}{2a} = \sqrt{2}$ for a .

Plugging in $a = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ into our original expression that we wished to maximize, we get that $2 - a - \frac{1}{2a} = 2 - \sqrt{2}$, which is our answer.

one more question

remember that: $\frac{a + b + c + \dots}{n} \geq \sqrt[n]{a \times b \times c \times \dots}$

lets try this

Find **all** real solutions to $2^x + x^2 = 2 - \frac{1}{2^x}$

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rearrange to get $2^x - \frac{1}{2^x} = 2 - x^2$

using $AM \geq GM$ we can see that

$$2^x - \frac{1}{2^x} \geq 2$$

$$\implies 2 - x^2 \geq 2$$

$$\iff x^2 \leq 0 \text{ which can only be possible if } x = 0.$$

Therefore this is our only answer.

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