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Question:

Find the area of the region bounded by $x^2 = 4y$, $y = 2$, $y = 4$ and the y -axis in the first quadrant.

Solution:

Theoretical Solution:

Express x in terms of y ,

$$x = 2\sqrt{y} \quad (0.1)$$

$$(or) \quad (0.2)$$

$$x = -2\sqrt{y} \quad (0.3)$$

But we should take first equation as we have to find the area in the first quadrant,
Area under the curve is given by,

$$A = \int_2^4 2\sqrt{y} dy \quad (0.4)$$

$$A = 2 \left(\frac{y^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\frac{3}{2}} \right) \Big|_2^4 \quad (0.5)$$

$$A = \frac{4}{3} \left(4^{\frac{3}{2}} - 2^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) \quad (0.6)$$

$$A = \frac{4}{3} (8 - 2\sqrt{2}) \quad (0.7)$$

$$A = 6.895 \quad (0.8)$$

Computational Solution: Taking trapezoid-shaped strips of small area and adding them all up. Say we have to find the area of y_x from $x = x_0$ to $x = x_n$, discretize the points on the x axis $x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ such that they are equally spaced with the step size h .

Sum of all trapezoidal areas is given by,

$$A = \frac{1}{2}h(y(x_1) + y(x_0)) + \frac{1}{2}h(y(x_2) + y(x_1)) + \dots + \frac{1}{2}h(y(x_n) + y(x_{n-1})) \quad (0.9)$$

$$= h \left[\frac{1}{2} (y(x_0) + y(x_n)) + y(x_1) + \dots + y(x_{n-1}) \right] \quad (0.10)$$

Let $A(x_n)$ be the area enclosed by the curve $y(x)$ from $x = x_0$ to $x = x_n$, (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n) be equidistant points with step-size h .

$$A(x_n + h) = A(x_n) + \frac{1}{2}h(y(x_n + h) + y(x_n)) \quad (0.11)$$

We can repeat this till we get the required area.

Discretizing the steps, making $A(x_n) = A_n$, $y(x_n) = y_n$ we get,

$$A_{n+1} = A_n + \frac{1}{2}h(y_{n+1} + y_n) \quad (0.12)$$

We can write y_{n+1} in terms of y_n using the first principle of derivative. $y_{n+1} = y_n + hy'_n$

$$A_{n+1} = A_n + \frac{1}{2}h((y_n + hy'_n) + y_n) \quad (0.13)$$

$$A_{n+1} = A_n + \frac{1}{2}h(2y_n + hy'_n) \quad (0.14)$$

$$A_{n+1} = A_n + hy_n + \frac{1}{2}h^2y'_n \quad (0.15)$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + h \quad (0.16)$$

In the given question, $y_n = \frac{x_n^2}{4}$ and $y'_n = \frac{x_n}{2}$.

The general difference equation will be given by

$$A_{n+1} = A_n + hy_n + \frac{1}{2}h^2y'_n \quad (0.17)$$

$$A_{n+1} = A_n + h\left(\frac{x_n^2}{4}\right) + \frac{1}{2}h^2\left(\frac{x_n}{2}\right) \quad (0.18)$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + h \quad (0.19)$$

Iterating till we reach $x_n = 4$ will return the required area.

Area obtained computationally: 6.895 sq. units.

Area obtained theoretically: $\frac{4}{3}(8 - 2\sqrt{2}) = 6.895$ sq.units

Area under the parabola from $y = 2$ to $y = 4$: 6.89543 square units

