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Figure 2

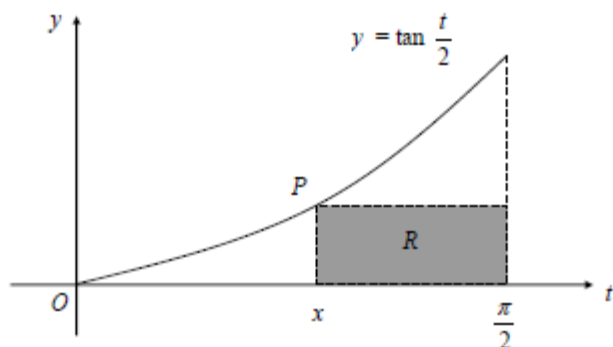


Figure 2 shows a sketch of the curve C with equation $y = \tan \frac{t}{2}$, $0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$.

The point P on C has coordinates $\left(x, \tan \frac{x}{2}\right)$.

The vertices of rectangle R are at $(x, 0)$, $\left(\frac{x}{2}, 0\right)$, $\left(\frac{x}{2}, \tan \frac{x}{2}\right)$ and $\left(x, \tan \frac{x}{2}\right)$ as shown in Figure 2.

(a) Find an expression, in terms of x , for the area A of R . (1)

(b) Show that $\frac{dA}{dx} = \frac{1}{4}(\pi - 2x - 2 \sin x) \sec^2 \frac{x}{2}$. (4)

(c) Prove that the maximum value of A occurs when $\frac{\pi}{4} < x < \frac{\pi}{3}$. (7)

(d) Prove that $\tan \frac{\pi}{8} = \sqrt{2} - 1$. (3)

(e) Show that the maximum value of $A > \frac{\pi}{4}(\sqrt{2} - 1)$. (2)