MATH 141, FALL 2013, MIDTERM 2

Problem 2. Let R be the region bounded by the y-axis and by the right half of the circle centered at the origin with radius equal to 1. Sketch the region Rand find the coordinates of its center of gravity.

Total points: 25.

- 1. (6 pt.) Sketch of the region.
- 2. (7 pt.) The moment about the x-axis is given by:

$$M_x = \int_{-1}^{1} yf(y)dy = \int_{-1}^{1} y\sqrt{1-y^2}dy = 0$$

because the integrand is an odd function.

3. (7 pt.) The moment about the y-axis is given by:

$$M_y = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} [f(y)]^2 dy = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} (1 - y^2) dy = \int_{0}^{1} (1 - y^2) dy$$
$$= \left[y - \frac{y^3}{3} \right]_{0}^{1} = \frac{2}{3}$$

4. (3 pt.) The area of R is:

$$A = \int_{-1}^{1} \sqrt{1 - y^2} dy = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

5. (2 pt.) Then the coordinates of the center of gravity are:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{M_y}{A} = \frac{4}{3\pi}$$
$$\bar{y} = \frac{M_x}{A} = 0$$