

Math Refresher

Sphere:

$$V = \frac{4\pi}{3} R^3, \quad S = 4\pi R^2 \Rightarrow V(S).$$

Calculator: Trivial.

Zeros of quadratic equation:

$$x^2 + px + q = 0 \Rightarrow x = x_{1,2} = -\frac{p}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^2 - q}.$$

Extrema:

$$2x + p = 0.$$

Right triangle Pythagoras, angles:

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2, \quad \alpha = \arccos(a/c), \quad \beta = \arccos(b/c).$$

Arc length from figure: Read off $x = 0.8$, $y = 7.5$. Pythagoras:

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{x}{r}, \quad \theta = \arccos(\cos \theta), \quad s = \theta r.$$

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Derivative and integral for polynomials (Leibniz 1675):

$$\frac{dx^n}{dx} = n x^{n-1}, \quad \int dx x^n = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + \text{constant}.$$

Swing height:

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{L - \Delta y}{L}.$$

Kinematics velocity, acceleration:

$$v = \dot{x} = \frac{dx}{dt}, \quad a = \dot{v} = \frac{dv}{dt} = \ddot{x} = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}.$$