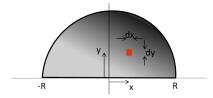
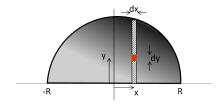
## Discovery Exercise for Cartesian Double Integrals over a Non-Rectangular Region

A half-disk of radius R above the x-axis has a density given by  $\sigma = kyx^2$  where k is a constant. Your goal is to find the total mass.

1. The drawing below shows a small rectangle at a specific x and y value with width dx and height dy. Write the area dA and the mass dm of this small region as a function of x, y, dx, and dy.



2. In the next drawing this small rectangle has been extended into a vertical strip. Write a function for the y-value at the top of this strip as a function of x.



3. To compute the mass of the entire vertical strip, integrate your dm from Part 1 as y goes from the bottom (y=0) to the top (the function you found in Part 2). The result will be a function of x and dx.

4. Integrate your answer from Part 3 as x goes from -R to R to compute the mass of the entire half-disk. Check that your answer has correct units.

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