

3. Given: $f(x) = \begin{cases} x & , 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & , x = \frac{1}{2} \\ 1-x & , \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \end{cases}$

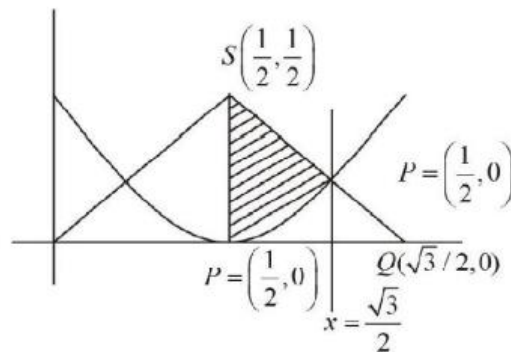
and $g(x) = \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Then the area (in sq. units) of the region bounded by the curves, $y = f(x)$ and $y = g(x)$ between the lines, $2x = 1$ and $2x = \sqrt{3}$, is :

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- (a) $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$
 (b) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} - \frac{1}{3}$
 (c) $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$
 (d) $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$

solution:

3. (b) Coordinates of $P\left(\frac{1}{2}, 0\right)$, $Q\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, 0\right)$, $R\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, 1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$ and $S\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$



Required area = Area of trapezium PQRS

$$\begin{aligned} & - \int_{1/2}^{\sqrt{3}/2} \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 dx \\ & = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2} + 1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{3} \left(\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^3\right)_{1/2}^{\sqrt{3}/2} \\ & = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} - \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$