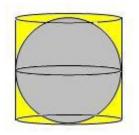
Answer Question #47433 - Math - Geometry

How to prove that, the volume formula of sphere is $\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$; without using integration?

Solution

We can find the volume of sphere by <u>Archimedes formula</u>.

Archimedes found after several experiments that the volume of a sphere and also its surface area is exactly $\frac{2}{3}$ -rd of the volume and the surface area of a cylinder with the same outer dimensions.



Look at the above diagram.

Let r be the radius of the sphere. Since the over all dimensions of both the sphere and the cylinder are same, the height of the cylinder is 2r.

Under this condition the volume of the cylinder is,

Area of the base \cdot Height of the cylinder = $\pi r^2 \cdot 2r = 2\pi r^3$.

Therefore, as per Archimedes formula the volume of the sphere is,

$$\frac{2}{3} \cdot 2\pi r^3 = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3.$$