

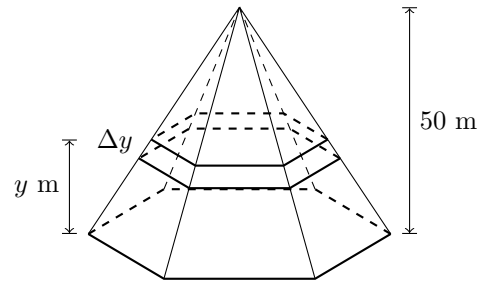
3. [8 points]

Consider a tent that is 50 meters tall whose base is a regular hexagon (i.e. a 6-sided polygon with equal length sides and equal angles) and whose horizontal cross-sections are also regular hexagons.

(See figure on the right.)

Suppose the perimeter of the base is 72 meters.

Let $P(y)$ be the perimeter, in meters, of a horizontal cross section y meters above the ground.



- a. [2 points] It turns out that $P(y)$ is a linear function of the variable y .
 (You do not need to verify this.) Find a formula for $P(y)$.

Answer: $P(y) =$ _____

- b. [3 points] The area of a regular hexagon with perimeter p is equal to $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{24}p^2$.

Write an expression that gives the approximate volume, in cubic meters, of a horizontal slice of the region inside the tent that is Δy meters thick and y meters above the ground. (Assume here that Δy is small but positive.) Your expression should not involve any integrals.

Answer: Volume of slice \approx _____

- c. [3 points] Write, but do not evaluate, an expression involving one or more integrals that gives the total volume, in cubic meters, inside the tent.

Answer: Volume = _____