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Quiz 5, Spring, 2013

The quiz is worth 5 points. **Remove EVERYTHING from your desk except this quiz and a pen or pencil.** SHOW your work. Express your work in a neat and coherent manner.

Find the average y coordinate of the points on the semi-circle parameterized by $\vec{c}: [0, \pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, where $\vec{c}(\theta) = (0, a \sin \theta, a \cos \theta)$, for some positive number a .

Answer: The average of y is

$$\frac{\int_{\vec{c}} y ds}{\int_{\vec{c}} ds} = \frac{\int_0^\pi a \sin \theta \|\vec{c}'(\theta)\| d\theta}{\int_0^\pi \|\vec{c}'(\theta)\| d\theta} = \frac{\int_0^\pi a^2 \sin \theta d\theta}{\int_0^\pi a d\theta} = \frac{-a^2 \cos \theta \Big|_0^\pi}{a\theta \Big|_0^\pi} = \frac{2a^2}{a\pi} = \boxed{\frac{2a}{\pi}}$$