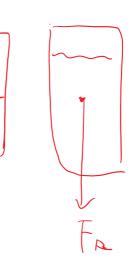


## Center of gravity



To design the structure for supporting a water tank, we will need to know the weight of the tank and water as well as the locations where the resultant forces representing these distributed loads act.

How can we determine these resultant weights and their lines of action?

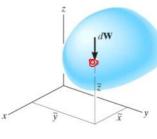


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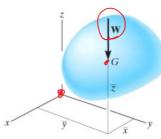




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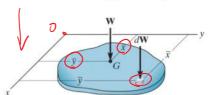
A body is composed of an infinite number of particles, and so if the body is located within a gravitational field, then each of these particles will have a weight dW.  $\omega = \int d\omega$ 



The <u>center of gravity (CG)</u> is a point, often shown as G, which locates the resultant weight of a system of particles or a solid body.

From the definition of a resultant force, the sum of moments due to individual particle weight about any point is the same as the moment due to the resultant weight located at G.

#### Center of gravity



$$w = \int dW$$



$$\frac{y}{\bar{x}} = \int \tilde{x} dw$$

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#### Center of Mass

# Volume $\overline{x} = \frac{\int \tilde{x} \, dm}{\int dm} \qquad \overline{x} = \frac{\int \tilde{x} \, dV}{\int dV} \qquad \overline{x} = \frac{\int \tilde{x} \, dA}{\int dA}$

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# Center of Area ->

$$\overline{x} = \frac{\int \tilde{x} \, dA}{\int dA}$$

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#### Centroid

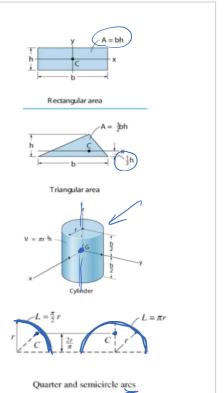
The centroid, C, is a point defining

geometric center of an object.

The centroid coincides with the center of mass or the center of gravity only if the material of the body is homogeneous (density or specific weight is constant throughout the body).

If an object has an axis of symmetry, then the centroid of object lies on that axis.

In some cases, the centroid may not be located on the object.



# Centroid – Analysis Procedure

1. Select an appropriate coordinate system

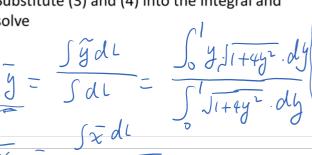
2. Define the appropriate element (dL/ dA, or dV)

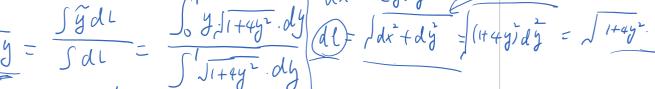
3. Express (2) in terms of the coordinate system

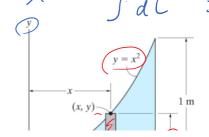
4. Identify any symmetry

5. Express the moment arms (centroid) of (2)

6. Substitute (3) and (4) into the integral and solve







Locate the centroid of the area.

