Applications of Integrals

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Average of a function

- If $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ is integrable, then $\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) \, dx = \frac{\int_a^b f(x) \, dx}{\text{length of interval } [a,b]}.$
- If $f: D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$ is integrable, then $\frac{\iint_D f(x,y) \, dA}{\iint_D dA} = \frac{\iint_D f \, dA}{\text{area of } D}$
- If $f: W \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}$ is integrable, then $\frac{\iiint_W f(x,y,z) \, dV}{\iiint_W dV} = \frac{\iiint_W f \, dV}{\text{volume of } W}$

Total Mass

If W is a solid with density $\delta(x,y,z)$ then its mass is

$$\iiint_{W} \delta(x, y, z) \, dV$$

Center of Mass in \mathbb{R}^2

For a lamina D with density function $\delta(x,y)$ the **center of mass** is

$$ar{x} = rac{ ext{total moment with respect to } y ext{-axis}}{ ext{total mass}}$$
 $= rac{\iint_D x \delta(x,y) \, dA}{\iint_D \delta(x,y) \, dA}$
 $ar{y} = rac{ ext{total moment with respect to } x ext{-axis}}{ ext{total mass}}$
 $= rac{\iint_D y \delta(x,y) \, dA}{\iint_D \delta(x,y) \, dA}$

Center of Mass in \mathbb{R}^3

W a solid with density $\delta(x, y, z)$.