

# 15.6: Applications of Double & Triple Integrals

These are applications for [double integrals](#) and [triple integrals](#).

## Physics Definitions

(mass)

$$dm = \sigma dA \text{ (2 dimensions)}$$

$$dm = \rho dV \text{ (3 dimensions)}$$

(moment)

$$dM = r dm$$

(moment of inertia)

$$dI = r^2 dm$$

Rest of these formulas can essentially be defined by these relationships.

## Mass and First Moments

### In three dimensions

Mass:

$$M = \iiint_D \rho dV$$

First moments about the coordinate planes:

$$M_{yz} = \iiint_D x \rho dV$$

$$M_{xz} = \iiint_D y \rho dV$$

$$M_{xy} = \iiint_D z \rho dV$$

Center of mass:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{M_{yz}}{M}$$

$$\bar{y} = \frac{M_{xz}}{M}$$

$$\bar{z} = \frac{M_{xy}}{M}$$

When density of solid object is constant ( $\rho = 1$ ), the center of mass is called the **centroid** of the object.

## In two dimensions

Mass:

$$M = \iint_D \sigma \, dA$$

First moments about the coordinate axes:

$$M_y = \iint_D x \sigma \, dA$$

$$M_x = \iint_D y \sigma \, dA$$

Center of mass:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{M_y}{M}$$

$$\bar{y} = \frac{M_x}{M}$$

## Moments of Inertia

### In three dimensions

$$I = \iiint r^2 \rho \, dV$$

(Around x-axis,  $r^2$  is  $(y^2 + z^2)$ , etc etc)

### In two dimensions

$$I = \iint r^2 \sigma \, dA$$

About origin:

$$I_O = \iint (x^2 + y^2) \sigma \, dA = I_x + I_y$$

## Joint Probability Density

**Joint probability density function**  $f$  is a function that satisfies:

1.  $f(x, y) \geq 0$
2.  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) \, dx \, dy = 1$
3.  $P((X, Y) \in R) = \iint_R f(x, y) \, dx \, dy$

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