

MA 16200: Plane Analytic Geometry and Calculus II

Lecture 7: Mass and Work Problems

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Sections Covered: 6.7 (Up to Lifting Problems)

Arc Length: $y = 1 - x^2$; $[-1, 1]$

$$f'(x) = -2x$$

$$[f'(x)]^2 = 4x^2$$

$$L = \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1 + 4x^2} \, dx = \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1 + (2x)^2} \, dx ; \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Let } u = 2x \\ du = 2 \, dx \\ dx = \frac{1}{2} du \end{array}$$

Mass Formula Derivation

$Mass = (Density)(Volume)$, but what happens when the density is non-constant?



$$Mass \text{ (Segment)} : (Density)(Volume) = \underbrace{\rho(x_i^*)}_{\text{Density Function}} \Delta X$$

$$Mass \approx \sum (\text{Density Segments}) \approx \sum_i \rho(x_i^*) \Delta X$$

$$\text{Take } \Delta X \rightarrow 0, \quad Mass = \int_a^b \rho(x) dx$$

Mass of a 1-D Object

Definition 1

Suppose a thin bar or wire is represented by the interval $a \leq x \leq b$ with a density function $\rho = \rho(x)$ (with units of mass per length).

The **mass** of the object is:

$$m = \int_a^b \rho(x) \, dx$$

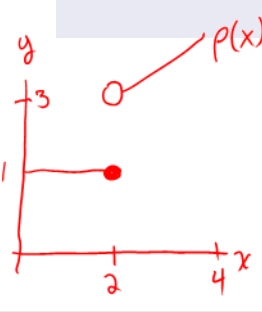
Note: Assume all units are SI units unless otherwise stated

Example

Problem 2

Find the mass of the thin rod given the density function:

$$\rho(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 1+x & \text{if } 2 < x \leq 4 \end{cases} \quad \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}}$$



$$\begin{aligned} m &= \int_0^4 \rho(x) dx = \int_0^2 \rho(x) dx + \int_2^4 \rho(x) dx \\ &= \int_0^2 (1) dx + \int_2^4 (1+x) dx = 2 + \left[\frac{1}{2}(1+x)^2 \right]_2^4 \\ &= 2 + \left[\frac{5^2}{2} - \frac{3^2}{2} \right] = 2 + \left[\frac{25-9}{2} \right] = 10 \text{ kg} \end{aligned}$$

Extra Space

Example

Problem 3

A thin, two-meter bar, represented by the interval $0 \leq x \leq 2$, is made of an alloy whose density in units of kg/m is given by $\rho(x) = 1 + x^2$. What is the mass of the bar?


$$\begin{aligned} m &= \int_0^2 \rho(x) dx = \int_0^2 (1 + x^2) dx \\ &= \left[x + \frac{1}{3} x^3 \right]_0^2 = 2 + \frac{1}{3} \cdot 8 \\ &= 2 + \frac{8}{3} = \frac{6}{3} + \frac{8}{3} = \frac{14}{3} \text{ kg} \end{aligned}$$


Extra Space

Example

Problem 4

Find the mass of the thin rod given the density function:

$$\rho(x) = x\sqrt{2-x^2}; \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1$$


$$\begin{aligned} m &= \int_0^1 x\sqrt{2-x^2} \, dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \underbrace{\sqrt{2-x^2}}_{u=2-x^2} (-2x) \, dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \left[(2-x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_0^1 \end{aligned}$$

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$$M = -\frac{1}{3}[1 - 2^{\frac{3}{2}}] = -\frac{1}{3}[1 - \sqrt{8}] = \frac{1}{3}[\sqrt{8} - 1]$$

$$= \frac{1}{3}[2\sqrt{2} - 1] \text{ kg}$$

$$\rho(x) = \text{kg/m}$$

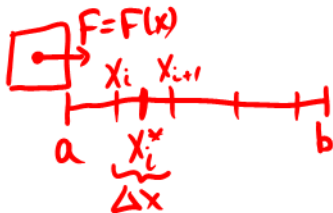
$$x = m$$

$$\int \left(\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}}\right) m$$

Derivation

$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{D}$$

Work = (Force)(Distance) $\cos \theta$, but what happens when the force is non-constant (assuming the object is moving in a straight line and $\theta = 0$).



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Work (Segment)} &: (\text{Force})(\text{Distance}) \\ &\approx F(x_i^*) \Delta x \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Work} \approx \sum (\text{Work over segments}) = \sum_i F(x_i^*) \Delta x$$

$$\text{Take } \Delta x \rightarrow 0, \quad W = \int_a^b F(x) dx$$

Work

Definition 5

The work done by a variable force $F = F(x)$ moving an object along the line $x = a$ to $x = b$ in the direction of the force is:

$$W = \int_a^b F(x) \, dx$$

Example

Problem 6

When a particle is located a distance x meters from the origin, a force of $\cos \frac{\pi}{3}x$ Newtons acts on it. How much work is done in moving the particle from $x = 1$ to $x = 2$?

Handwritten solution for Problem 6:

$$W = \int_1^2 \cos \frac{\pi}{3}x \, dx = \frac{3}{\pi} \int_1^2 \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{3}x \right) \left[\frac{\pi}{3} \right] dx$$
$$= \frac{3}{\pi} \left[\sin \left(\frac{\pi}{3}x \right) \right]_1^2 = \frac{3}{\pi} \left[\sin \left(\frac{2\pi}{3} \right) - \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \right) \right]$$
$$= \frac{3}{\pi} \left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right] = 0 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} = 0 \text{ J}$$


Note: The final result in the image is 0 J, which is incorrect. The correct result is $\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{\pi}$ J.

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Example

Problem 7

Interpret your answer to the previous problem by considering the work done from $x = 1$ to $x = \frac{3}{2}$ and from $x = \frac{3}{2}$ to $x = 2$.



$$\begin{aligned}
 W &= \int_1^{3/2} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}x\right) dx = \frac{3}{\pi} \left[\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}x\right) \right]_1^{3/2} \\
 &= \frac{3}{\pi} \left[\sin \frac{\pi}{2} - \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \right] = \frac{3}{\pi} \left[1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right] \\
 W &= \int_{3/2}^2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}x\right) dx = \frac{3}{\pi} \left[\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}x\right) \right]_{3/2}^2 \\
 &= \frac{3}{\pi} \left[\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \right] = \frac{3}{\pi} \left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - 1 \right] = -\frac{3}{\pi} \left[1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

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Example

Problem 8

Newton's Law of Gravitation states that two bodies with masses m_1 and m_2 attract each other with a force:

$$F(r) = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2}$$



where r is the distance between the bodies and G is the gravitational constant. If one of the bodies is fixed, find the work needed to move the other from $r = a$ to $r = b$.


$$\begin{aligned} W &= \int_a^b G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2} dr = G m_1 m_2 \int_a^b \frac{1}{r^2} dr = G m_1 m_2 \left[-\frac{1}{r} \right]_a^b \\ &= G m_1 m_2 \left[-\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{a} \right] = G m_1 m_2 \left[\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right] \end{aligned}$$

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Example

Problem 9

Use Newton's Law of Gravitation to compute the work required to launch a 1000-kg satellite vertically to an orbit ~~1000 km~~^{10⁶ m} high. You may assume that Earth's mass is $M = 5.98 \times 10^{24}$ kg and is concentrated at its center. Take the radius of $R = 6.37 \times 10^6$ m and $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11}$ N · m²/kg².



$$W = \int_{R+10^6}^R GM(1000) \frac{1}{r^2} dr = GM(1000) \left[\frac{1}{R} - \frac{1}{R+10^6} \right]$$

$$= (6.67 \times 10^{-11})(5.98 \times 10^{24})(1000) \left[\frac{1}{6.37 \times 10^6} - \frac{1}{\underbrace{(6.37 \times 10^6)}_{+10^6}} \right]$$

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Hooke's Law

Definition 10 (Hooke's Law)

The force required to keep a spring stretched/compressed is directly proportional to the displacement from its equilibrium position. In symbols,

$$F(x) = kx$$

where k is called the **spring constant**.



$x=0$
Equilibrium Point



Example

Problem 11

Suppose a force of 10 N is required to stretch a spring 0.1 m from its equilibrium position and hold it in that position.


(a) Assuming the spring obeys Hooke's law, find the spring constant k .

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(x) &= kx \\
 10 &= k(0.1) \\
 k &= 100 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{m}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Example (cont.)

Problem 12

(b) How much work is needed to **compress** the spring 0.5 m from its equilibrium position?



$$W = \int_0^{-0.5} F(x) dx = \int_0^{-0.5} (100)x dx = 50x^2 \Big|_0^{-0.5}$$
$$= 50(0.25) = 12.5 \text{ Nm} = 12.5 \text{ J}$$

Example (cont.)

Problem 13

(c) How much work is needed to **stretch** the spring 0.25 m from its equilibrium position? position?

$$W = \int F(x) dx = \int_0^{0.25} 100x dx$$

$$= 50x^2 \Big|_0^{0.25} = \frac{50}{16} = 3.125 \text{ J}$$

Need $x=0$ $x=0.25$

Example (cont.)

Problem 14

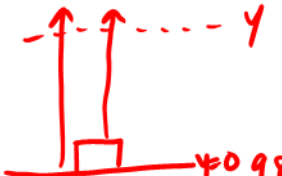
(d) How much additional work is required to stretch the spring 0.25 m if it has already been stretched 0.1 m from its equilibrium position?



$$\begin{aligned} W &= \int_{0.1}^{0.25} F(x) dx = \int_{0.1}^{0.25} 100x dx = 50x^2 \Big|_{0.1}^{0.25} \\ &= \frac{50}{16} - \frac{8}{16} = \frac{42}{16} = 2.625 \text{ J} \end{aligned}$$

Work caused by gravity

What is the work required to lift an object of mass m a distance y upward?



A diagram showing a small square object on a horizontal line representing the ground. Two vertical arrows point upwards from the object. The top arrow is dashed and extends to a horizontal dashed line. The distance between the ground and this line is labeled with a red 'y'.

Work = (Force) (Distance)
 $= mg \Delta y$

Force: $F = m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = \underbrace{mg}_{\text{Acceleration Due to Gravity}}$

$40.98 \frac{m}{s^2}$

If the object is on the ground
 Initial y is 0

$W = mgy$ — (*)

Lifting a Chain

Definition 15

The work required to lift a chain of density ρ hanging vertically from $y = 0$ to $y = L$ is:

$$W = \int_0^L \rho g(L - y) dy$$

Why? Density ρ ; Work (Segments) = $mg(L - y_i^*)$
 $= \rho g(L - y_i^*) \Delta y$

In the limit,

$y=L$
 y_i^*
 $3\Delta y$
 $y=0$

$$W = \int_0^L \rho g(L - y) dy$$

Example

Problem 16

A ten-meter chain with density of 1.5 kg/m hangs from a platform at a construction site that is 11 meters above the ground. Compute the work required to lift the chain to the platform.

$y=10$ ——— If $y=0$ represents the ground

$w = \int_0^{10} \rho g (11 - y) dy$

$y=0$ ——— If $y=0$ represents the base of the chain

$W = \int_0^{10} \rho g (10 - y) dy = (-1) \int_0^{10} \rho g (10 - y) [-1] dy$

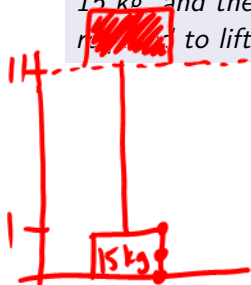
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$$\begin{aligned} &= -\rho g \cdot \frac{1}{2}[(10-y)^2]_0^{10} = -\frac{\rho g}{2}[0-100] = 50 \rho g \\ &= 50 (1.5)(9.8) = 735 \text{ J} \end{aligned}$$

Example

Problem 17

Several packages of nails are placed in a one-meter-tall bucket that rests on the ground; the mass of the bucket and nails together is 15 kg, and the chain is attached to the bucket. How much work is required to lift the bucket to the platform?



$$\text{Work Chain} : 735 \text{ J}$$

$$\int_0^1 mg(1+y) dy$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Work (Bucket)}: mg\Delta y &= 11mg \\ &= 11(15)(9.8) \approx 1617 \text{ J} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Total Work} : 735 + 1617 = 2352 \text{ J}$$


Example

Problem 18

A cable that weighs 2 lb/ft is used to lift 800 lbs of coal up a mineshaft 500 ft deep. Find the work done.

Force (Metric): $F = mg$ in Newtons
US : Weight = $\left(\frac{\text{Weight}}{\text{ft}}\right) \Delta y = \rho \Delta y$

500
0



Chain: $\int_0^{500} 2(500-y) dy = (-1) \int_0^{500} 2(500-y)(-1) dy$
 $= (-1) [(500-y)^2]_0^{500} = (-1) [0 - 250,000] = 250,000 \text{ ft-lbs.}$

Work (Coal): (Weight)(Distance) = $800(500) = 400,000 \text{ ft-lbs}$

Total: 650,000 ft-lbs