



Tutorial No. 14 Solution

Density, Mass, Moment and Center of Mass

Find the mass and center of mass of the lamina that occupies the region D and has the given density function

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$$D = \{(x, y) \mid 0 \leq x \leq 2, -1 \leq y \leq 1\}; \rho(x, y) = xy^2$$

$$m = \iint_D \rho(x, y) dA = \int_0^2 \int_{-1}^1 xy^2 dy dx = \int_0^2 x dx \int_{-1}^1 y^2 dy = \left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 \right]_0^2 \left[\frac{1}{3} y^3 \right]_{-1}^1 = 2 \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{3},$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{m} \iint_D x \rho(x, y) dA = \frac{3}{4} \int_0^2 \int_{-1}^1 x^2 y^2 dy dx = \frac{3}{4} \int_0^2 x^2 dx \int_{-1}^1 y^2 dy = \frac{3}{4} \left[\frac{1}{3} x^3 \right]_0^2 \left[\frac{1}{3} y^3 \right]_{-1}^1 = \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{8}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{3},$$

$$\bar{y} = \frac{1}{m} \iint_D y \rho(x, y) dA = \frac{3}{4} \int_0^2 \int_{-1}^1 xy^3 dy dx = \frac{3}{4} \int_0^2 x dx \int_{-1}^1 y^3 dy = \frac{3}{4} \left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 \right]_0^2 \left[\frac{1}{4} y^4 \right]_{-1}^1 = \frac{3}{4} \cdot 2 \cdot 0 = 0.$$

$$\text{Hence, } (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \left(\frac{4}{3}, 0 \right).$$

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$$D = \{(x, y) \mid 0 \leq x \leq a, 0 \leq y \leq b\}; \rho(x, y) = cxy$$

$$m = \iint_D \rho(x, y) dA = \int_0^a \int_0^b cxy dy dx = c \int_0^a x dx \int_0^b y dy = c \left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 \right]_0^a \left[\frac{1}{2} y^2 \right]_0^b = \frac{1}{4} a^2 b^2 c,$$

$$M_y = \iint_D x \rho(x, y) dA = \int_0^a \int_0^b cx^2 y dy dx = c \int_0^a x^2 dx \int_0^b y dy = c \left[\frac{1}{3} x^3 \right]_0^a \left[\frac{1}{2} y^2 \right]_0^b = \frac{1}{6} a^3 b^2 c, \text{ and}$$

$$M_x = \iint_D y \rho(x, y) dA = \int_0^a \int_0^b cxy^2 dy dx = c \int_0^a x dx \int_0^b y^2 dy = c \left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 \right]_0^a \left[\frac{1}{3} y^3 \right]_0^b = \frac{1}{6} a^2 b^3 c.$$

$$\text{Hence, } (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \left(\frac{M_y}{m}, \frac{M_x}{m} \right) = \left(\frac{2}{3} a, \frac{2}{3} b \right).$$

3-

D is the triangular region with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(2, 1)$, $(0, 3)$;
 $\rho(x, y) = x + y$

$$m = \int_0^2 \int_{x/2}^{3-x} (x+y) dy dx = \int_0^2 \left[xy + \frac{1}{2} y^2 \right]_{y=x/2}^{y=3-x} dx = \int_0^2 \left[x \left(3 - \frac{3}{2} x \right) + \frac{1}{2} (3-x)^2 - \frac{1}{8} x^2 \right] dx$$

$$= \int_0^2 \left(-\frac{9}{8} x^2 + \frac{9}{2} x \right) dx = \left[-\frac{9}{8} \left(\frac{1}{3} x^3 \right) + \frac{9}{2} x \right]_0^2 = 6 ,$$

$$M_y = \int_0^2 \int_{x/2}^{3-x} (x^2 + xy) dy dx = \int_0^2 \left[x^2 y + \frac{1}{2} xy^2 \right]_{y=x/2}^{y=3-x} dx = \int_0^2 \left(\frac{9}{2} x - \frac{9}{8} x^3 \right) dx = \frac{9}{2} , \text{ and}$$

$$M_x = \int_0^2 \int_{x/2}^{3-x} (xy + y^2) dy dx = \int_0^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} xy^2 + \frac{1}{3} y^3 \right]_{y=x/2}^{y=3-x} dx = \int_0^2 \left(9 - \frac{9}{2} x \right) dx = 9 . \text{ Hence } m=6 ,$$

$$(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \left(\frac{M_y}{m}, \frac{M_x}{m} \right) = \left(\frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{2} \right) .$$

4-

D is the triangular region with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(1, 1)$, $(4, 0)$;
 $\rho(x, y) = x$

$$m = \int_0^1 \int_y^{4-3y} x dx dy = \int_0^1 \left[\frac{1}{2} (4-3y)^2 - \frac{1}{2} y^2 \right] dy = \left[-\frac{1}{18} (4-3y)^3 - \frac{1}{6} y^3 \right]_0^1 = \frac{10}{3} ,$$

$$M_y = \int_0^1 \int_y^{4-3y} x^2 dx dy = \int_0^1 \left[\frac{1}{3} (4-3y)^3 - \frac{1}{3} y^3 \right] dy = \left[-\frac{1}{36} (4-3y)^4 - \frac{1}{12} y^4 \right]_0^1 = 7 ,$$

$$M_x = \int_0^1 \int_y^{4-3y} xy dx dy = \int_0^1 \left[\frac{1}{2} y(4-3y)^2 - \frac{1}{2} y^3 \right] dy = \int_0^1 (8y - 12y^2 + 4y^3) dy = 1 .$$

$$\text{Hence } m = \frac{10}{3} , (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = (2.1, 0.3) .$$

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D is bounded by $y = e^x$, $y = 0$, $x = 0$, and $x = 1$; $\rho(x, y) = y$

$$m = \int_0^1 \int_0^{e^x} y \, dy \, dx = \int_0^1 \left[\frac{1}{2} y^2 \right]_{y=0}^{y=e^x} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 e^{2x} dx = \left[\frac{1}{4} e^{2x} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{4} (e^2 - 1),$$

$$M_y = \int_0^1 \int_0^{e^x} xy \, dy \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 x e^{2x} dx = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{2} x e^{2x} - \frac{1}{4} e^{2x} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{8} (e^2 + 1), \text{ and}$$

$$M_x = \int_0^1 \int_0^{e^x} y^2 \, dy \, dx = \int_0^1 \left[\frac{1}{3} y^3 \right]_{y=0}^{y=e^x} dx = \frac{1}{3} \int_0^1 e^{3x} dx = \frac{1}{3} \left[\frac{1}{3} e^{3x} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{9} (e^3 - 1).$$

$$\text{Hence } m = \frac{1}{4} (e^2 - 1), \quad (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \left(\frac{\frac{1}{8} (e^2 + 1)}{\frac{1}{4} (e^2 - 1)}, \frac{\frac{1}{9} (e^3 - 1)}{\frac{1}{4} (e^2 - 1)} \right) = \left(\frac{e^2 + 1}{2(e^2 - 1)}, \frac{4(e^3 - 1)}{9(e^2 - 1)} \right).$$

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A lamina occupies the part of the disk $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$ in the first quadrant. Find its center of mass if the density at any point is proportional to its distance from the x -axis.

$$\rho(x, y) = ky = kr \sin \theta, \quad m = \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^1 kr^2 \sin \theta \, dr \, d\theta = \frac{1}{3} k \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin \theta \, d\theta = \frac{1}{3} k [-\cos \theta]_0^{\pi/2} = \frac{1}{3} k,$$

$$M_y = \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^1 kr^3 \sin \theta \cos \theta \, dr \, d\theta = \frac{1}{4} k \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin \theta \cos \theta \, d\theta = \frac{1}{8} k [-\cos 2\theta]_0^{\pi/2} = \frac{1}{8} k,$$

$$M_x = \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^1 kr^3 \sin^2 \theta \, dr \, d\theta = \frac{1}{4} k \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^2 \theta \, d\theta = \frac{1}{8} k [\theta + \sin 2\theta]_0^{\pi/2} = \frac{\pi}{16} k.$$

$$\text{Hence } (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \left(\frac{3}{8}, \frac{3\pi}{16} \right).$$

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Find the center of mass of a lamina in the shape of an isosceles right triangle with equal sides of length a if the density at any point is proportional to the square of the distance from the vertex opposite the hypotenuse.

Placing the vertex opposite the hypotenuse at $(0,0)$, $\rho(x,y)=k(x^2+y^2)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} m &= \int_0^a \int_0^{a-x} k(x^2+y^2) dy dx = k \int_0^a \left[ax^2 - x^3 + \frac{1}{3} (a-x)^3 \right] dx \\ &= k \left[\frac{1}{3} ax^3 - \frac{1}{4} x^4 - \frac{1}{12} (a-x)^4 \right]_0^a = \frac{1}{6} ka^4 \end{aligned}$$

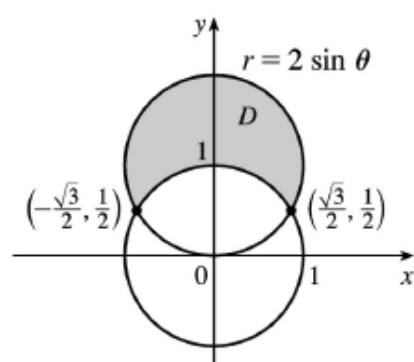
By symmetry,

$$\begin{aligned} M_y = M_x &= \int_0^a \int_0^{a-x} ky(x^2+y^2) dy dx = k \int_0^a \left[\frac{1}{2} (a-x)^2 x^2 + \frac{1}{4} (a-x)^4 \right] dx \\ &= k \left[\frac{1}{6} a^2 x^3 - \frac{1}{4} ax^4 + \frac{1}{10} x^5 - \frac{1}{20} (a-x)^5 \right]_0^a = \frac{1}{15} ka^5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \left(\frac{2}{5} a, \frac{2}{5} a \right).$$

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A lamina occupies the region inside the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 2y$ but outside the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 1$. Find the center of mass if the density at any point is inversely proportional to its distance from the origin.



$$\rho(x,y)=k/\sqrt{x^2+y^2}=k/r,$$

$$m = \int_{\pi/6}^{5\pi/6} \int_1^{2\sin\theta} \frac{k}{r} r dr d\theta = k \int_{\pi/6}^{5\pi/6} [(2\sin\theta)-1] d\theta$$

$$= k[-2\cos\theta - \theta]_{\pi/6}^{5\pi/6} = 2k \left(\sqrt{3} - \frac{\pi}{3} \right)$$

By symmetry of D and $f(x)=x$, $M_y=0$, and

$$\begin{aligned} M_x &= \int_{\pi/6}^{5\pi/6} \int_1^{2\sin\theta} kr \sin\theta dr d\theta = \frac{1}{2} k \int_{\pi/6}^{5\pi/6} (4\sin^3\theta - \sin\theta) d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2} k \left[-3\cos\theta + \frac{4}{3} \cos^3\theta \right]_{\pi/6}^{5\pi/6} = \sqrt{3} k \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \left(0, \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2(3\sqrt{3} - \pi)} \right).$$

Find the moments of inertia I_x , I_y , I_0 for the lamina of

D is bounded by $y = e^x$, $y = 0$, $x = 0$, and $x = 1$; $\rho(x, y) = y$

$$\begin{aligned} I_x &= \iint_D y^2 \rho(x, y) dA = \int_0^1 \int_0^{e^x} y^2 \cdot y dy dx = \int_0^1 \left[\frac{1}{4} y^4 \right]_{y=0}^{y=e^x} dx = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 e^{4x} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1}{4} e^{4x} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{16} (e^4 - 1), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_y &= \iint_D x^2 \rho(x, y) dA = \int_0^1 \int_0^{e^x} x^2 y dy dx = \int_0^1 x^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} y^2 \right]_{y=0}^{y=e^x} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 x^2 e^{2x} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{1}{2} x^2 - \frac{1}{2} x + \frac{1}{4} \right) e^{2x} \right]_0^1 \text{ [integrate by parts twice]} \\ &= \frac{1}{8} (e^2 - 1), \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and } I_0 = I_x + I_y = \frac{1}{16} (e^4 - 1) + \frac{1}{8} (e^2 - 1) = \frac{1}{16} (e^4 + 2e^2 - 3).$$

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Find the moments of inertia I_x , I_y , I_0 for the lamina of

D is bounded by the parabola $x = y^2$ and the line $y = x - 2$;
 $\rho(x, y) = 3$

$$I_x = \int_{-1}^2 \int_{y^2}^{y+2} 3y^2 dx dy = \int_{-1}^2 (3y^3 + 6y^2 - 3y^4) dy = \left[\frac{3}{4} y^4 + 2y^3 - \frac{3}{5} y^5 \right]_{-1}^2 = \frac{189}{20} ,$$
$$I_y = \int_{-1}^2 \int_{y^2}^{y+2} 3x^2 dx dy = \int_{-1}^2 [(y+2)^3 - y^6] dy = \left[\frac{1}{4} (y+2)^4 - \frac{1}{7} y^7 \right]_{-1}^2 = \frac{1269}{28} , \text{ and } I_0 = I_x + I_y = \frac{1917}{35} .$$