

Worksheet #12: Density and Average Value & Volumes of Revolution (Disk Method)

- Conceptual Understanding:
 - If the linear mass density of a rod at position x is given by the function $\rho(x)$, what integral should be evaluated to find the mass of the rod between points a and b ?
 - If the radial mass density of a disk centered at the origin is given by the function $\rho(r)$, where r is the distance from the center point, what integral should be evaluated to find the mass of a disk of radius R ?
 - Write down the equation for the average value of an integrable function $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$.
- Find the total mass of a 1-meter rod whose linear density function is $\rho(x) = 10(x + 1)^{-2}$ kg/m for $0 \leq x \leq 2$.
- Find the average value of the following functions over the given interval.
 - $f(x) = x^3$, $[0, 4]$
 - $f(x) = x^3$, $[-1, 1]$
 - $f(x) = \cos(x)$, $\left[0, \frac{\pi}{6}\right]$
 - $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + 1}$, $[-1, 1]$
 - $f(x) = \frac{\sin(\pi/x)}{x^2}$, $[1, 2]$
 - $f(x) = e^{-nx}$, $[-1, 1]$
 - $f(x) = 2x^3 - 6x^2$, $[-1, 3]$
 - $f(x) = x^n$ for $n \geq 0$, $[0, 1]$
- Odzala National Park in the Republic of the Congo has a high density of gorillas. Suppose that the radial population density is $\rho(r) = 52(1 + r^2)^{-2}$ gorillas per square kilometer, where r is the distance from a grassy clearing with a source of water. Calculate the number of gorillas within a 5 km radius of the clearing.
- Find the total mass of a circular plate of radius 20 cm whose mass density is the radial function $\rho(r) = 0.03 + 0.01 \cos(\pi r^2)$ g/cm².
- Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region bounded by $y = \frac{1}{x^5}$, $y = 0$, $x = 1$, and $x = 6$, about the x -axis.
- Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region bounded by $f(x) = \sin(x)$ and the x -axis over the interval $[0, \pi]$ about the x -axis.
[Hint: You may use the trig identity $\sin^2(x) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos(2x))$ in order to evaluate the integral.]
- Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region in the first quadrant bounded by the curves $x = 0$, $y = 1$, $x = y^{11}$, about the line $y = 1$.
- For each of the following, use disks or washers to find the integral expression for the volume of the region.
 - R is the region bounded by $y = 1 - x^2$ and $y = 0$; about the x -axis.
 - R is the region bounded by $x = 2\sqrt{y}$, $x = 0$, and $y = 9$; about the y -axis.
 - R is the region bounded by $y = 1 - x^2$ and $y = 0$; about the line $y = -1$.
 - Between the regions in part (a) and part (c), which volume is bigger? Why? First argue without computing the integrals, then also evaluate the integrals to check your answer.
 - R is the region bounded by $y = e^{-x}$, $y = 1$ and $x = 2$; about the line $y = 2$.

- (f) R is the region bounded by $y = x$ and $y = \sqrt{x}$; about the line $x = 2$.
10. Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region bounded by the given curves about the specified axis. $y = 0$, $y = \cos(2x)$, $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$, $x = 0$ about the line $y = -6$.
11. Find the volume of the cone obtained by rotating the region in the first quadrant under the segment joining $(0, h)$ and $(r, 0)$ about the y -axis.
12. A soda glass has the shape of the surface generated by revolving the graph of $y = 6x^2$ for $0 \leq x \leq 1$ about the y -axis. Soda is extracted from the glass through a straw at the rate of $1/2$ cubic inch per second. How fast is the soda level in the glass dropping when the level is 2 inches? (Answer should be implicitly in units of inches per second.)
13. The torus is the solid obtained by rotating the circle $(x - a)^2 + y^2 = b^2$ around the y -axis (assume that $a > b$). Show that it has volume $2\pi^2 ab^2$.
[Hint: Draw a picture, set up the problem and evaluate the integral by interpreting it as the area of a circle.]