

8.4 Density, Mass and 8.5 Work —builds on 8.1, 8.2

1. 8.4 Density, Mass and Volume Connections

- (a) Slice so density is approximately constant and sketch a picture of the resulting slice.
- (b) Which is the infinitesimal part of the slice? Circle: Δx or Δy or Δh or Δr
- (c) What is the length, area or volume we'll use (in that variable—the **infinitesimal part too**)?
if a length, like along a rod, it is the infinitesimal part, like Δx

if an area like rectangle, where the width is the infinitesimal part, like Δx , and the height is a function $f(x)$, $g(x) - f(x)$, a constant, or the equation of a line $mx + b$

if a volume many come from earlier in 8.1 or 8.2 (see those practice sheets), like box (length·width·height) or cylinder/disk ($\pi \cdot \text{radius}^2 \cdot \text{height}$), where one of those lengths is the infinitesimal portion

- (d) The Riemann sum turns into an integral $\int \delta \cdot \text{length}$ or $\int \delta \cdot \text{area}$ or $\int \delta \cdot \text{volume}$ in that variable

2. 8.5 Work: Varying Force

Work is force \times distance displaced only applies if the force is constant while it is exerted over the distance. Integrals apply when we vary the force.

- (a) Slice so that the force is approximately constant on a slice for its displacement and sketch a picture of the resulting slice.
- (b) Which is the infinitesimal part of the slice? Circle: Δx or Δy or Δh or Δr
- (c) What is the displacement for that slice in terms of the slicing variable?

- (d) The Riemann sum is $\sum F \cdot \text{displacement}$, like for Hook's Law to stretch (and hold) a spring, where $F(x) = kx$ is constant for displacement Δx and so the work is approximately $\sum F(x)\Delta x$

We may need area or volume here too (see above), like

$F = \text{weight (force in lbs)} = 62.4 \text{ lbs/ft}^3 \times \text{volume calculated as in 8.1 with}$

$\text{work on a slice} = 62.4 \text{ lbs/ft}^3 \times \text{volume} \times \text{slice displacement}$

$$= \text{density} \times \text{volume} \times \text{slice displacement}$$

- (e) The Riemann sum turns into an integral $\int F \cdot \text{displacement}$.