

Chapter 17

Plane and Solid Integrals

In Chapter 2 we introduced the derivative, one of the two main concepts in calculus. Then in Chapter 15 we extended the idea to higher dimensions. In the present chapter, we generalize the concept of the definite integral, introduced in Chapter 6, to higher dimensions.

Take a moment to review the definite integral. Instead of using the notation of Chapter 6, we will restate the definition in a notation that easily generalizes to higher dimension.

We started with an interval $[a, b]$, which we will call I , and a continuous function f defined at each point P of I . Then we cut I into n short intervals I_1, I_2, \dots, I_n , chose a point P_1 in I_1, P_2 in I_2, \dots, P_n in I_n . See Figure 17.0.1. Denoting the length of I_i by L_i , we formed the sum

$$\sum_{i=1}^n f(P_i)L_i.$$

The limit of these sums as all the subintervals are chosen shorter and shorter is the definite integral of f over interval I . We denoted it $\int_b^a f(x) dx$. We now denote it $\int_I f(P)dL$. This notation tells us that we are integrating a function, f , over an interval I . The dL reminds us that the integral is the limit of approximations formed as the sum of products of the function value and the length of an interval.

We will define integrals of functions over plane regions, such as square and disks, over solid regions, such as tubes and balls, and over surfaces such as the surface of a ball, in the same way. You can probably conjecture already what the definition will be. These integrals are needed to compute total mass if we know the density at each point, or total gravitational attraction, or center of gravity, and so on.

It is one thing to define these higher-dimensional integrals. It is another to calculate them. Most of our attention will be devoted to seeing how to compute

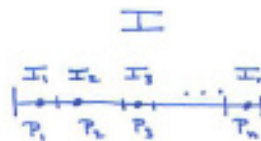


Figure 17.0.1:

them with the aid of so-called “iterated integrals,” which involve integrals over intervals, the type defined in Chapter 6.

17.1 The Double Integral: Integrals Over Plane Areas

The goal of this section is to define the integral of a function defined in a region of a plane. With only a slight tweaking of this definition, we will define later in the chapter integrals over surfaces and solids.

We suggest you re-read the introduction to this chapter and the definition of the definite integral $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ before going on.

Volume Approximated by Sums

Let R be a region in the xy plane, bounded by curves. For convenience, assume R is convex (no dents), for example, an ellipse, a disk, a parallelogram, a rectangle, or a square. We draw R in perspective in Figure 17.1.1(a). Imagine

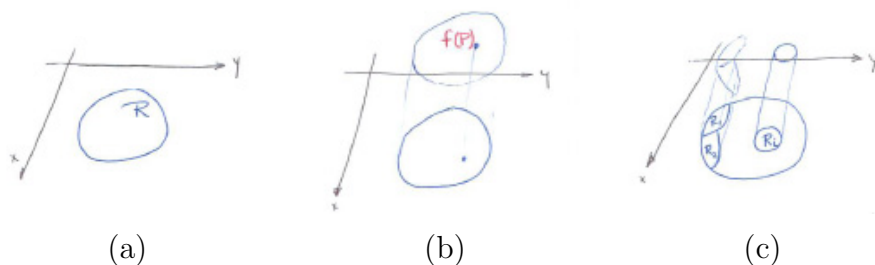


Figure 17.1.1:

that there is a surface above R (perhaps an umbrella). The height of the surface above point P on R is $f(P)$, as shown in Figure 17.1.1(b)

If you know $f(P)$ for every point P how would you estimate the volume, V , of the solid under the surface and above R ?

Just as we used rectangles to estimate the area of regions back in Section 6.1, we will use cylinders to estimate the volume of a solid. Recall, from Section 7.4, that the volume of a cylinder is the product of its height and the area of its base.

Inspired by the approach in Section 6.1, we cut R into n small regions R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n . Each R_i has area A_i . Choose points P_1 in R_1, P_2 in R_2, \dots, P_n in R_n . Then we build a cylinder over each little region R_i . Its height will be $f(P_i)$. There will then be n cylinders. The total volume of these cylinders is

$$\sum_{i=1}^n f(P_i)A_i. \quad (17.1.1)$$

As we choose the regions R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n , smaller and smaller, the sum (17.1.1) approaches the volume V , if f is a continuous function.

EXAMPLE 1 Estimate the volume of the solid under the saddle $z = xy$

and above the rectangle R whose vertices are $(1, 0)$, $(2, 0)$, $(2, 3)$, and $(1, 3)$.

SOLUTION Figure 17.1.2(a) shows the solid region in question.

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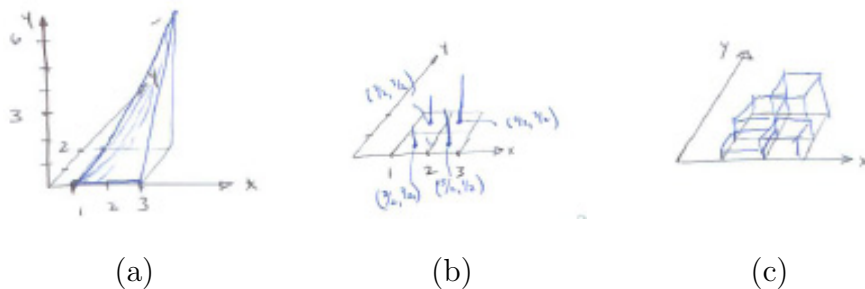


Figure 17.1.2:

The highest point is above $(2, 3)$, where $z = 6$. So the solid fits in a box whose height is 6 and whose base has area 4. So we know the volume is at most $4 \cdot 6 = 24$.

To estimate the volume we cut the rectangular box into four 1 by 1 squares and evaluate $z = xy$ at, say, the center of the squares, as shown in Figure 17.1.2(b).

Then we form a cylinder for each square. The base is the square and the height is determined by the value of xy at the center of the square. These are shown in Figure 17.1.2(c). (The cylinder over rectangle boxes.)

Then the total volume is

$$\underbrace{\frac{3}{4}}_{\text{height}} \cdot \underbrace{1}_{\text{area of base}} + \underbrace{\frac{5}{4}}_{\text{height}} \cdot \underbrace{1}_{\text{area of base}} + \underbrace{\frac{9}{4}}_{\text{height}} \cdot \underbrace{1}_{\text{area of base}} + \underbrace{\frac{15}{4}}_{\text{height}} \cdot \underbrace{1}_{\text{area of base}} = 8 \quad (17.1.2)$$

This estimate is then 8 cubic units. We know this is an overestimate (Why?) By cutting the base into smaller pieces and using more cylinders we could make a more accurate estimate of the volume of the solid. \diamond

Density

Before we consider a “total mass” problem we must define the concept of “density.” Consider a piece of sheet metal, which we view as part of a plane. It is homogeneous, “the same everywhere.” Let R be any region in it, of area A and mass m . The quotient m/A is the same for all regions R , and is called the “density.”

It may happen that the material, unlike sheet metal is not uniform. For instance, a towel that was just used to dry dishes. As R varies, the quotient

m/A , or “average density in R ,” also varies. Physicists define the **density at a point** as follows.

They consider a small disk R of radius r and center at P , as in Figure 17.1.4. Let $m(r)$ be the mass in that disk and $A(r)$ be the area of the disk (πr^2). The

$$\text{“Density at } P\text{”} = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{m(r)}{A(r)}.$$

Thus density is denoted $\sigma(P)$, “sigma of P,”

With the physicists, we will assume the density $\sigma(P)$ exists at each point and that it is a continuous function. In addition, we will assume that if R is a very small region of area A and P is a point in that region then the product $\sigma(P)A$ is an approximation of the mass in R .

Total Mass Approximated by Sums

Assume that a flat region R is occupied by a material of varying density. The density at point P in R is $\sigma(P)$. Estimate M , the total mass in R .

As expected, we cut R into n small regions R_1, R_2, \dots, R_i has area A_i . We next choose points P_1 in R_1, P_2 in R_2, \dots, P_u in R_n . Then we estimate the mass in each little region R_i , as shown in Figure 17.1.4. The mass in R_i is

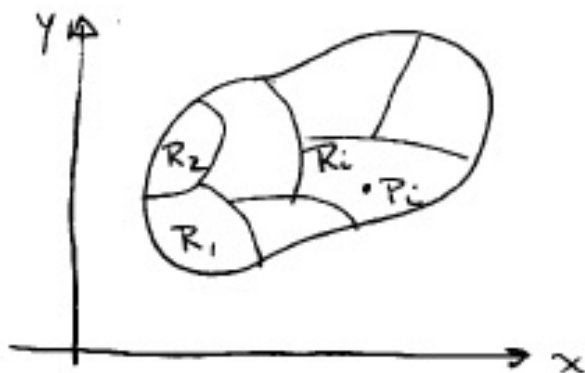


Figure 17.1.4: This example has $i = 7$ subregions.

approximately

$$\frac{\sigma(P_i)}{\text{density}} \cdot \frac{A_i}{\text{area}}$$

Thus

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sigma(P_i)A_i \quad (17.1.3)$$



Figure 17.1.3:

σ is Greek for our letter “s”, the initial letter of “surface.” $\sigma(P)$ denotes the density of a surface or “lamina” at P .

is the total estimate. As we divide R into smaller and smaller regions, the sums (17.1.2) approaches the total mass M , if σ is a continuous function.

EXAMPLE 2 A rectangular **lamina**, of varying density occupies the rectangle with corners at $(0, 0)$, $(2, 0)$, $(2, 3)$, and $(0, 3)$ in the xy plane. Its density at (x, y) is xy grams per square cm. Estimate its mass by cutting it into six 1 by 1 squares and evaluating the density at the center of each square.

SOLUTION One such square is shown in Figure 17.1.5. The density at its

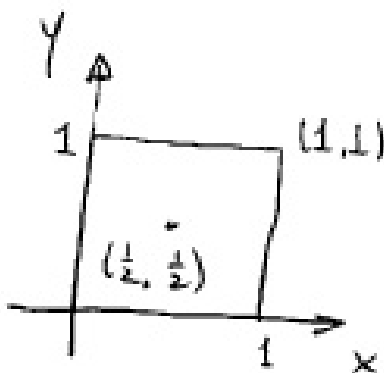


Figure 17.1.5:

center is $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4}$. Since its area is $1 \times 1 = 1$, an estimate of σ , its mass, is

$$\frac{1}{4} \underbrace{\text{density}} \cdot \underbrace{1 \text{ area}} = \frac{1}{4} \text{ grams.}$$

Similar estimates for the remaining six small squares gives a total estimate of

$$\frac{1}{4} \cdot 1 + \frac{3}{4} \cdot 1 + \frac{3}{4} \cdot 1 + \frac{9}{4} \cdot 1 + \frac{5}{4} \cdot 1 + \frac{15}{4} \cdot 1 = 9 \text{ grams}$$

Thus sum is identical to the sum (17.1.2), which estimates a volume. \diamond

The arithmetic in Examples 1 and 2 show that totally unrelated problems, one in volume, the other in mass, lead to the same estimates. Moreover, as the rectangle is cut into smaller pieces, the estimate would become closer and closer to the volume or the mass. These estimates, similar to the estimates $\sum_{i=1}^n (f(c_i) \Delta x_i)$ that appears in the definition of the definite integral $\int_a^b f(x) dx$, brings us to the definition of “double integral”. It is called the double integral because the domain of the function is in the two-dimensional plane.

The Double Integral

The definition of the double integral is almost the same as that of $\int_a^b f(x) dx$, the integral over an interval. The only differences are:

1. instead of dividing an interval into smaller intervals, we divide a planar region into smaller planar regions,
2. instead of a function defined on an interval, we have a function defined on a planar region, and
3. we need a quantitative way to say that a “little” region is “small.”

To meet the need described in (3) we define the “diameter” of a planar region. The **diameter** of a region bounded by a curve is the maximum distance between two points in the region. For instance, the diameter of a square of side s is $s\sqrt{2}$ and the diameter of a disk is the same as its traditional diameter that we know from geometry.

With that aside taken care of, we are ready to define a double integral.

DEFINITION (*Double Integral*) Let R be a region in a plane bounded by curves and f a continuous numerical function defined at least on R . Partition R into smaller regions R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n of respective areas A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n . Choose a point P_1 in R_1, P_2 in R_2, \dots, P_n in R_n and form the approximating (Riemann) sum

$$\sum_{i=1}^n f(P_i)A_i. \quad (17.1.4)$$

Form a sequence of such partitions such that as one goes out in the sequence of partitions, the sequence of diameters of the largest region in each partition approaches 0. Then the sums (17.1.4) approach a limit, which is called “the integral of f over R ” or the “double integral” of f over R . It is denoted

$$\int_R f(P) dA.$$

Before looking at some examples, we make four brief remarks:

1. It is called a double integral because R lies in a plane, which has dimension 2.
2. We use the notion of a diameter of a region only to be able to define the double integral.

3. It is proved in advanced calculus that the sums do indeed approach a limit.
4. Other notations for a double integral are discussed near the end of this section.

Our discussion of integrals over a plane region started with two important illustrations. The rest of this section is devoted to these applications in the context of double integrals.

Volume Expressed as a Double Integral

Consider a solid S and its projections (“shadows”) R on a plane, as in Figure 17.1.6. Assume that for each point P in R the line through P perpendicular to R intersects S in a line segment of length $C(P)$. Then

“The double integral of cross-section is the volume.”

$$\text{Volume of } S = \int_R C(P) \, dA.$$

Mass Expressed as a Double Integral

Consider a plane distribution of mass through a region R , as shown in Figure 17.1.7. The density may vary throughout the region. Denote the density at P by $\sigma(P)$ (in grams per square centimeters). Then

“The double integral of density is the total mass.”

$$\text{Mass in } R = \int_R \sigma(P) \, dA$$

Average Value as a Double Integral

The average value of $f(x)$ for x is the interval $[a, b]$ was defined in Section 6.3 as

$$\frac{\int_a^b f(x) \, dx}{\text{length of interval.}}$$

We make a similar definition for a function defined on a two-dimensional region.

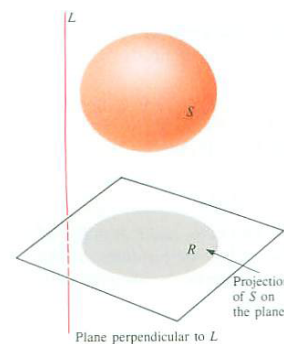


Figure 17.1.6: ARTIST: Delete the line L , and the current caption. Add a point P in R and draw the vertical line through P , highlighting the part that is in S (and has length $c(P)$).

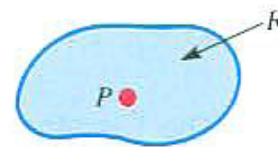


Figure 17.1.7:

Integral	Interpretation
$\int_R 1 \, dA$	Area of R
$\int_R \sigma(P) \, dA$, $\sigma(P)$ = density	Mass of R
$\int_R c(P) \, dA$, $c(P)$ = length of cross section of solid	Volume of R

Table 17.1.1:

DEFINITION (*Average value*) The **average value** of f over the region R is

$$\frac{\int_R f(P) \, dA}{\text{Area of } R}.$$

If $f(P)$ is positive for all P in R , there is a simple geometric interpretation of the average of f over R . Let S be the solid situated below the graph of f (a surface) and above the region R . The average value of f over R is the height of the cylinder whose base is R and whose volume is the same as the volume of S . (See Figure 17.1.8. The integral $\int_R f(P) \, dA$ is called “an integral over a plane region” to distinguish it from $\int_a^b f(x) \, dx$, which, for contrast, is called, “an integral over an interval.”

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The integral of the function $f(P) = 1$ over a region is of special interest. The typical approximating sum $\sum_{i=1}^n f(P_i)A_i$ then equals $\sum_{i=1}^n 1 \cdot A_i = A_1 + A_2 + \cdots + A_n$, which is the area of the region R that is being partitioned. Since *every* approximating sum has this same value, it follows that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(P_i)A_i = \text{Area of } R.$$

Consequently

$$\int_R 1 \, dA = \text{Area of } R.$$

This formula will come in handy on several occasions. The 1 is often omitted, in which case we write $\int_R dA = \text{Area of } R$. This table summarizes some of the main applications of the double integral $\int_R dA$:

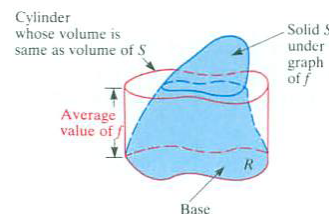


Figure 17.1.8:

The integral of a constant function, 1, gives area.

Properties of Double Integrals

Integrals over plane regions have properties similar to those of integrals over intervals:

1. $\int_R cf(P) dA = c \int_R f(P) dA$ for any constant c .
2. $\int_R [f(P) + g(P)] dA = \int_R f(P) dA + \int_R g(P) dA$.
3. If $f(P) \leq g(P)$ for all points P in R , then $\int_R f(P) dA \leq \int_R g(P) dA$.
4. If R is broken into two regions, R_1 and R_2 , overlapping at most on their boundaries, then

$$\int_R f(P) dA = \int_{R_1} f(P) dA + \int_{R_2} f(P) dA.$$

For instance, consider **3** when $f(P)$ and $g(P)$ are both positive. Then $\int_R f(P) dA$ is the volume under the surface $z = f(P)$ and above R in the xy plane. Similarly $\int_R g(P) dA$ is the volume under $z = f(P)$ and above R . Then **3** asserts that the volume of a solid is not larger than the volume of a solid that contains it. (See Figure 17.1.9.)

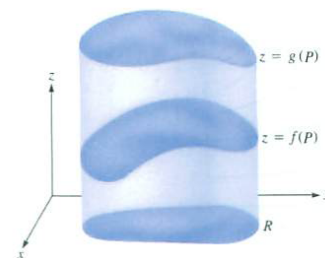


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Summary

A Word about 4-Dimensional Space

We can think of 2-dimensional space as the set of ordered pairs (x, y) of real numbers. The set of ordered triplets of real numbers (x, y, z) represents 3-dimensional space. The set of ordered quadruplets of real numbers (x, y, z, t) represents 4-dimensional space.

It is easy to show that 4-dimensional space is a very strange place.

In 2-dimensional space the set of points of the form $(x, 0)$, the x -axis, meets the set of points of the form $(0, y)$, the y -axis, in a point, namely the origin $(0, 0)$. Now watch what can happen in 4-space. The set of points of the form $(x, y, 0, 0)$ forms a plane congruent to our familiar xy -plane. The set of points of the form $(0, 0, z, t)$ forms another such plane. So far, no surprise. But notice what the intersection of those two planes is. Their intersection is just the point $(0, 0, 0, 0)$. Can you picture two endless planes meeting in a single point? If so, tell us how.

EXERCISES for 17.1 *Key:* R–routine, M–moderate, C–challenging

1.[R] In the estimates for the volume in Example 1, the centers of the squares were used as the P_i 's. Make an estimate for the volume in Example 1 by using the same partition but taking as P_i

- (a) the lower left corner of each R_i ,
- (b) the upper right corner of each R_i .
- (c) What do (a) and (b) tell about the volume of the solid?

2.[R] Estimate the mass in Example 2 using the partition of R into six squares and taking as the P_i 's

- (a) upper left corners,
- (b) lower right corners.

3.[R] Let R be a set in the plane whose area is A . Let f be the function such that $f(P) = 5$ for every point P in R .

- (a) What can be said about any approximating sum $\sum_{i=1}^n f(P_i)A_i$ formed for this R and this f ?
- (b) What is the value of $\int_R f(P) dA$?

4.[R] Let R be the square with vertices $(1, 1)$, $(5, 1)$, $(5, 5)$, and $(1, 5)$. Let $f(P)$ be the distance from P to the y axis.

- (a) Estimate $\int_R f(P) dA$ by partitioning R into four squares and using midpoints as sampling points.
- (b) Show that $16 \leq \int_R f(P) dA \leq 80$.

5.[R] Let f and R be as in Example 1. Use the estimate of $\int_R f(P) dA$ obtained in the text to estimate the average of f over R .

6.[R] Assume that for all P in R , $m \leq f(P) \leq M$, where m and M are constants.

Let A be the area of R . By examining approximating sums, show that

$$mA \leq \int_R f(P) \, dA \leq MA.$$

7.[R]

- (a) Let R be the rectangle with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(2, 0)$, $(2, 3)$, and $(0, 3)$. Let $f(x, y) = \sqrt{x+y}$. Estimate $\int_R \sqrt{x+y} \, dA$ by partitioning R into six squares and choosing the sampling points to be their centers.
- (b) Use (a) to estimate the average value of f over R .

8.[R]

- (a) Let R be the square with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(0.8, 0)$, $(0.8, 0.8)$, and $(0, 0.8)$. Let $f(P) = f(x, y) = e^{xy}$. Estimate $\int_R e^{xy} \, dA$ by partitioning R into 16 squares and choosing the sampling points to be their centers.
- (b) Use (a) to estimate the average value of $f(P)$ over R .
- (c) Show that $0.64 \leq \int_R f(P) \, dA \leq 0.64e^{0.64}$.

9.[R]

- (a) Let R be the triangle with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(4, 0)$, and $(0, 4)$ shown in Figure 17.1.10. Let $f(x, y) = x^2y$. Use the partition into four triangles and sampling points shown in the diagram to estimate $\int_R f(P) \, dA$.
- (b) What is the maximum value of $f(x, y)$ in R ?
- (c) From (b) obtain an upper bound on $\int_R f(P) \, dA$.

10.[R]

- (a) Sketch the surface $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$.
- (b) Let \mathcal{V} be the region in space below the surface in (a) and above the square R with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(1, 0)$, $(1, 1)$, and $(0, 1)$. Let V be the volume of \mathcal{V} . Show that $V \leq \sqrt{2}$.
- (c) Using a partition of R with 16 squares, find an estimate for V that is too large.
- (d) Using the partition in (c), find an estimate for V that is too small.

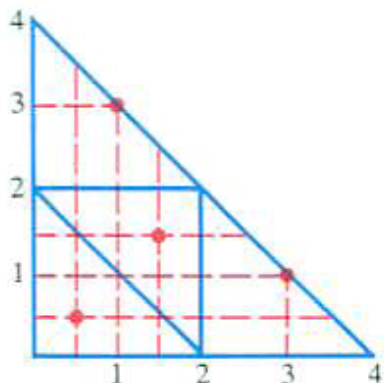


Figure 17.1.10:

11.[R] The amount of rain that falls at point P during one year is $f(P)$ inches. Let R be some geographic region, and assume areas are measured in square inches.

(a) What is the meaning of $\int_R f(P) dA$?

(b) What is the meaning of

$$\frac{\int_R f(P) dA}{\text{Area of } R}?$$

12.[M] A region R in the plane is divided into two regions R_1 and R_2 . The function $f(P)$ is defined throughout R . Assume that you know the areas of R_1 and R_2 (they are A_1 and A_2) and the average of f over R_1 and the average of f over R_2 (they are f_1 and f_2). Find the average of f over R . (See Figure 17.1.11(a).)

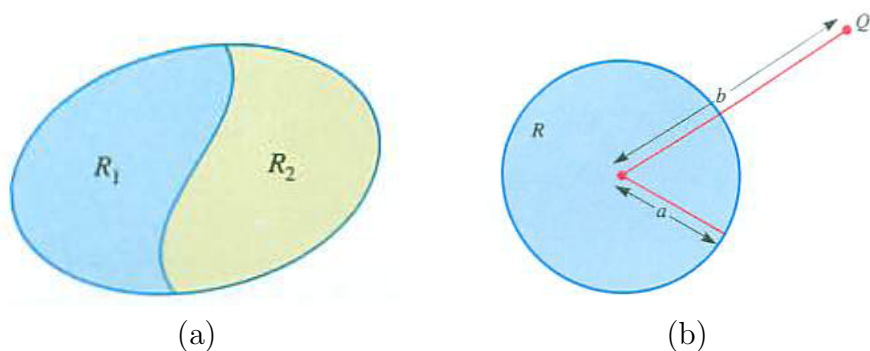


Figure 17.1.11:

13.[M] A point Q on the xy plane is at a distance b from the center of a disk R of radius a ($a < b$) in the xy plane. For P in R let $f(P) = 1/\overline{PQ}$. Find positive numbers c and d such that:

$$c < \int_R f(P) dA < d.$$

(The numbers c and d depend on a and b .) See Figure 17.1.11(b).

14.[M] Figure 17.1.12 shows the parts of some level curves of a function $z = f(x, y)$ and a square R . Estimate $\int_R f(P) dA$, and describe your reasoning.

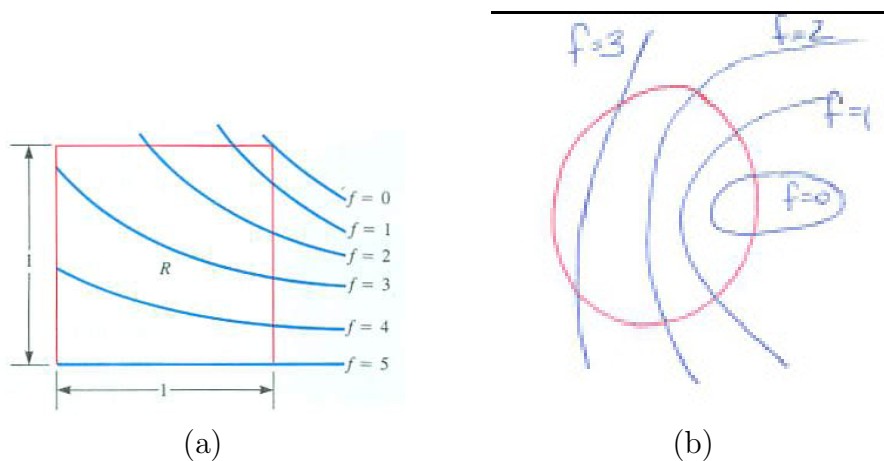


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15.[M] Figure ?? shows the parts of some level curves of a function $z = f(x, y)$ and a unit circle R . Estimate $\int_R f(P) dA$, and describe your reasoning.

16.[C]

- (a) Let R be a disk of radius 1. Let $f(P)$, for P in R , be the distance from P to the center of the disk. By cutting R into narrow circular rings with center at the center of the disk, evaluate $\int_R f(P) dA$.
- (b) Find the average of $f(P)$ over R .

Exercises 17 and 18 introduce an idea known as **Monte Carlo methods** for estimating a double integral using randomly chosen points. These methods tend to be rather inefficient because the error decreases on the order of $1/\sqrt{n}$, where n is the number of random points. That is a slow rate. These methods are used only when it's possible to choose n very large.

17.[C] This exercise involves estimating an integral by choosing points randomly. A computing machine can be used to generate random numbers and thus random points in the plane which can be used to estimate definite integrals, as we now show. Say that a complicated region R lies in the square whose vertices are $(0, 0)$, $(2, 0)$, $(2, 2)$, and $(0, 2)$, and a complicated function f is defined in R . The machine generated 100 random points (x, y) in the square. Of these, 73 lie in R . The average value of f for these 73 points is 2.31.

- (a) What is a reasonable estimate of the area of R ?
- (b) What is a reasonable estimate of $\int_R f(P) dA$?

18.[C] Let R be the disk bounded by the unit circle $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ in the xy plane. Let $f(x, y) = e^{x^2y}$ be the temperature at (x, y) .

- (a) Estimate the average value of f over R by evaluating $f(x, y)$ at twenty random points in R . (Adjust your program to select each of x and y randomly in the interval $[-1, 1]$. In this way you construct a random point (x, y) in the square whose vertices are $(1, 1)$, $(-1, 1)$, $(-1, -1)$, $(1, -1)$. Consider only those points that lie in R .)
- (b) Use (a) to estimate $\int_R f(P) dA$.
- (c) Show why $\pi/e \leq \int_R f(P) dA \leq \pi e$.

19.[C] Sam is heckling again. "As usual, the authors made this harder than necessary. They didn't need to introduce "diameters." Instead they could have used good old area. They could have taken the limit as all the areas of the little pieces approached 0. I'll send them a note."

Is Sam right?

In making finer and finer partitions as $n \rightarrow \infty$ we saw that each R_i is small in the sense it fits in a disk of radius r_n , where $r_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. The Exercises 20 to 23 in this section explore another way to control the size of a region.

20.[C] Consider a region R in the plane. The diameter, d of R , is defined as the

greater distance between two points in R . Find the diameter of

- (a) a disk of radius r ,
- (b) and equilateral triangle of side length s ,
- (c) a square whose sides have length s .

21.[C]

- (a) Show that a region of diameter d can always fit into a disk of diameter $2d$.
- (b) Can it always fit into a disk of diameter d ?

22.[C] If a region has diameter d ,

- (a) how small can its area be?
- (b) show that area is less than or equal to $\pi d^2/2$.

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23.[C] The unit square can be partitioned with nine congruent squares.

- (a) What is the diameter of each of these small squares?
- (b) It is possible to partition that square into nine regions whose largest diameter is $5/11$. Show that $5/11$ is smaller than the diameter in (a).

24.[R] Some practice differentiates.

25.[R] Some practice integrals, e.g. $\int \frac{x^2+1}{x^3} dx$, etc.

17.2 Computing $\int_R f(P) dA$ Using Rectangular Coordinates

In this section, we will show how to use rectangular coordinates to evaluate the integral of a function f over a plane region R , $\int_R f(P) dA$. This method requires that both R and f be described in rectangular coordinates. We first show how to describe plane regions R in rectangular coordinates.

Describing R in Rectangular Coordinates

Some examples illustrate how to describe planar regions by their cross sections in terms of rectangular coordinates.

EXAMPLE 1 Describe a disk R of radius a in a rectangular coordinates.

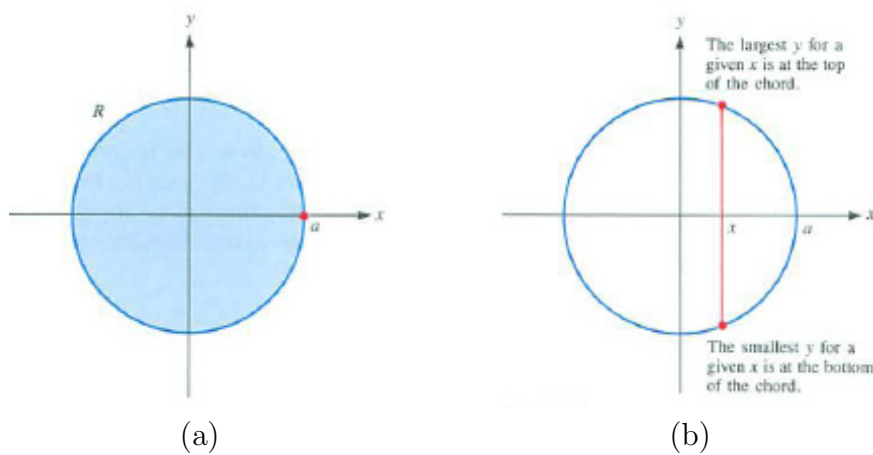


Figure 17.2.1:

SOLUTION Introduce an xy coordinate system with its origin at the center of the disk, as in Figure 17.2.1(a). A glance at the figure shows that x ranges from $-a$ to a . All that remains is to tell how y varies for each x in $[-a, a]$.

Figure 17.2.1(b) shows a typical x in $[-a, a]$ and corresponding cross section. The circle has the equation $x^2 + y^2 = a^2$. The top half has the description $y = \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$ and the bottom half, $y = -\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$. So, for each x in $[-a, a]$, y varies from $-\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$ to $\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$. (As a check, test $x = 0$. Does y vary from $-\sqrt{a^2 - 0^2} = -a$ to $\sqrt{a^2 - 0^2} = a$? It does, as an inspection of Figure 17.2.1(b) shows.)

All told, this is the description of R by vertical cross sections:

$$-a \leq x \leq a, \quad -\sqrt{a^2 - x^2} \leq y \leq \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}.$$

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EXAMPLE 2 Let R be the region bounded by $y = x^2$, the x axis, and the line $x = 2$. Describe R in terms of cross sections parallel to the y axis.

SOLUTION A glance at R in Figure 17.2.2(a) shows that for points (x, y) in R , x ranges from 0 to 2. To describe R completely, we shall describe the behavior of y for any x in the interval $[0, 2]$.

Hold x fixed and consider only the cross section above the point $(x, 0)$. It extends from the x axis to the curve $y = x^2$; for any x , the y coordinate varies from 0 to x^2 . The compact description of R by vertical cross sections is:

$$0 \leq x \leq 2, \quad 0 \leq y \leq x^2.$$

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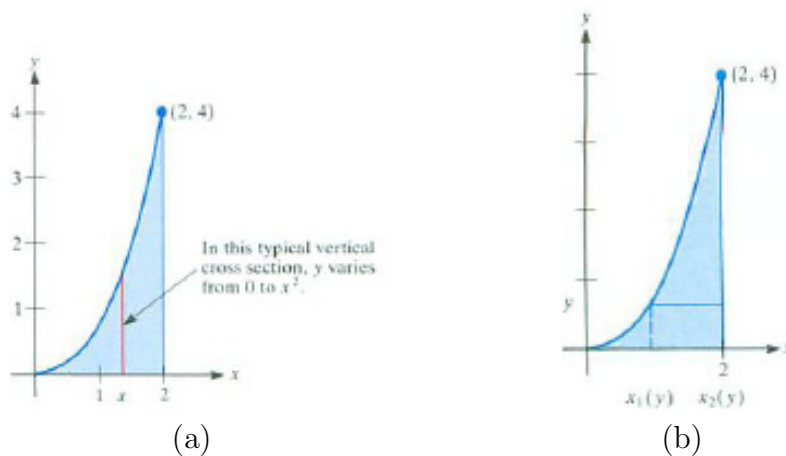


Figure 17.2.2:

EXAMPLE 3 Describe the region R of Example 2 by cross sections parallel to the x axis, that is, horizontal cross sections.

SOLUTION A glance at R in Figure 17.2.2(b) shows that y varies from 0 to 4. For any y in the interval $[0, 4]$, x varies from a smallest value $x_1(y)$ to a largest value $x_2(y)$. Note that $x_2(y) = 2$ for each value of y in $[0, 4]$. To find $x_1(y)$, utilize the fact that the point $(x_1(y), y)$ is on the curve $y = x^2$, that is,

$$x_1(y) = \sqrt{y}.$$

The compact description of R in terms of horizontal cross sections is

$$0 \leq y \leq 4, \quad \sqrt{y} \leq x \leq 2.$$

$$0 \leq x \leq 4, \quad 0 \leq y \leq 2$$

and

$$4 \leq x \leq 6, \quad 0 \leq y \leq 6 - x.$$

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EXAMPLE 4 Describe the region R whose vertices are $(0, 0)$, $(0, 6)$, $(4, 2)$, and $(0, 2)$ by vertical cross sections and then by horizontal cross sections. (See Figure 17.2.3.)

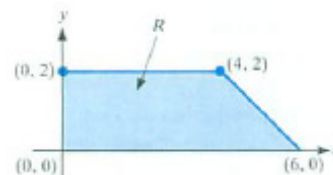


Figure 17.2.3:

SOLUTION Clearly, x varies between 0 and 6. For any x in the interval $[0, 4]$, y ranges from 0 to 2 (independently of x). For x in $[4, 6]$, y ranges from 0 to the value of y on the line through $(4, 2)$ and $(6, 0)$. This line has the equation $y = 6 - x$. The description of R by vertical cross sections therefore requires two separate statements:

Use of horizontal cross sections provides a simpler description. First, y goes from 0 to 2. For each y in $[0, 2]$, x goes from 0 to the value of x on the line $y = 6 - x$. Solving this equation for x yields $x = 6 - y$.

The compact description in terms of horizontal cross-sections is much shorter:

$$0 \leq y \leq 2, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 6 - y.$$

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These examples are typical. First, determine the range of one coordinate, and then see how the other coordinate varies for any fixed value of the first coordinate.

Evaluating $\int_R f(P) dA$ by Iterated Integrals

We will offer an intuitive development of a formula for computing double integrals over plane regions.

We first develop a way for computing a double integral over a rectangle. After applying this formula in Example 5, we make the slight modification needed to evaluate double integrals over more general regions.

Consider a rectangular region R whose description by cross sections is

$$a \leq x \leq b, \quad c \leq y \leq d,$$

as shown in Figure 17.2.4(a). If $f(P) \geq 0$ for all P in R , then $\int_R f(P) dA$ is the volume V of the solid whose base is R and which has, above P , height $f(P)$. (See Figure 17.2.4(b).) Let $A(x)$ be the area of the cross section made by a

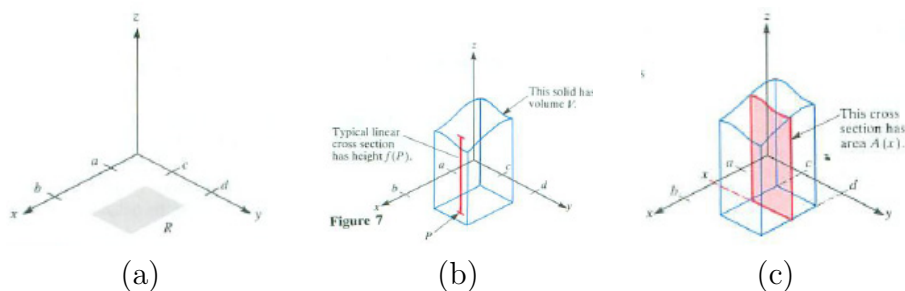


Figure 17.2.4:

plane perpendicular to the x axis and having abscissa x , as in Figure 17.2.4(c). As was shown in Section 5.1,

$$V = \int_b^a A(x) dx.$$

But the area $A(x)$ is itself expressible as a definite integral:

$$A(x) = \int_c^d f(x, y) dy.$$

Note that x is held fixed throughout the integration to find $A(x)$. This reasoning provides an iterated integral whose value is $V = \int_R f(P) dA$, namely,

$$\int_R f(P) dA = V = \int_a^b A(x) dx = \int_a^b \left(\int_c^d f(x, y) dy \right) dx.$$

In short

$$\int_R f(P) dA = \int_a^b \left(\int_c^d f(x, y) dy \right) dx.$$

Of course, cross sections by planes perpendicular to the y axis could be used. Then similar reasoning shows that

$$\int_R f(P) dA = \int_c^d \left(\int_a^b f(x, y) dx \right) dy.$$

An integral over a rectangle expressed an iterated integral

The quantities $\int_a^b \left(\int_c^d f(x, y) dy \right) dx$ and $\int_c^d \left(\int_a^b f(x, y) dx \right) dy$ are called **iterated integrals**. Usually the brackets are omitted and are written $\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y) dy dx$ and $\int_c^d \int_a^b f(x, y) dx dy$.

The order of dx and dy matters; the differential that is on the left tells which integration is performed first.

EXAMPLE 5 Compute the double integral $\int_R f(P) dA$, where R is the rectangle shown in Figure 17.2.5(a) and the function f is defined by $f(P) = \overline{AP}^2$.

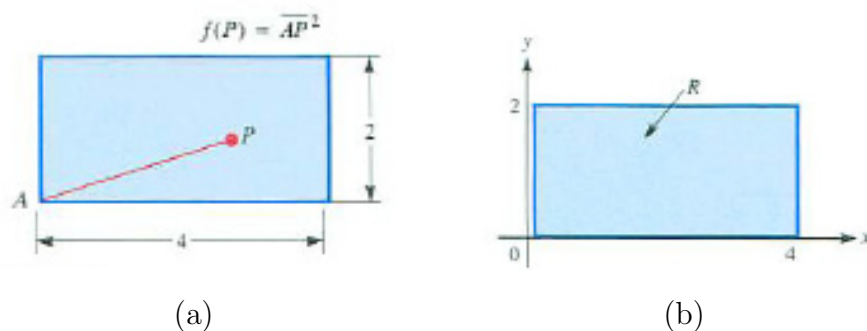


Figure 17.2.5:

SOLUTION Introduce xy coordinates in the convenient manner depicted in Figure 17.2.5(b). Then f has this description in rectangular coordinates:

$$f(x, y) = \overline{AP}^2 = x^2 + y^2.$$

To describe R , observe that x takes all values from 0 to 4 and that for each x the number y takes all values between 0 and 2. Thus

$$\int_R f(P) dA = \int_0^4 \left(\int_0^2 (x^2 + y^2) dy \right) dx.$$

We must first compute the inner integral

The cross-sectional area $A(x)$.

$$\int_0^2 (x^2 + y^2) dy, \quad \text{where } x \text{ is fixed in } [0, 4].$$

To apply the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, first find a function $F(x, y)$ such that

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = x^2 + y^2.$$

Keep in mind that x is constant during this first integration.

$$F(x, y) = x^2 y + \frac{y^3}{3}$$

is such a function. The appearance of x in this formula should not disturb us, since x is fixed for the time being. By the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus,

$$\int_0^2 (x^2 + y^2) dy = \left(x^2 y + \frac{y^3}{3} \right) \Big|_{y=0}^{y=2} = \left(x^2 \cdot 2 + \frac{2^3}{3} \right) - \left(x^2 \cdot 0 + \frac{0^3}{3} \right) = 2x^2 + \frac{8}{3}.$$

The formula $2x^2 + \frac{8}{3}$ is the area $A(x)$ discussed earlier in this section.

Now compute

$$\int_0^4 A(x) dx = \int_0^4 \left(2x^2 + \frac{8}{3} \right) dx.$$

By the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus,

$$\int_0^4 \left(2x^2 + \frac{8}{3} \right) dx = \left(\frac{2x^3}{3} + \frac{8x}{3} \right) \Big|_0^4 = \frac{160}{3}.$$

Hence the two-dimensional definite integral has the value $\frac{160}{3}$. The volume of the region in Problem 1 of Sec. 16.1 is $\frac{160}{3}$ cubic inches. The mass in Problem 2 is $\frac{160}{3}$ grams. \diamond

If R is not a rectangle, the repeated integral that equals $\int_R f(P) dA$ differs from that for the case where R is a rectangle only in the intervals of integration. If R has the description

$$a \leq x \leq b \quad y_1(x) \leq y \leq y_2(x),$$

by cross sections parallel to the y axis, then

$$\int_R f(P) dA = \int_a^b \left[\int_{y_1(x)}^{y_2(x)} f(x, y) dy \right] dx.$$

Similarly, if R has the description

$$c \leq y \leq d \quad x_1(y) \leq x \leq x_2(y),$$

by cross sections parallel to the x axis, then

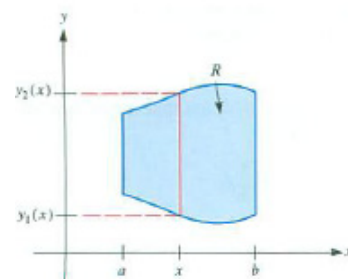


Figure 17.2.6:

$$\int_R f(P) dA = \int_c^d \left(\int_{x_1(y)}^{x_2(y)} f(x, y) dx \right) dy.$$

The intervals of integration are determined by R ; the function f influences only the integrand. (See Figure 17.2.7.)

In the next example R is the region bounded by $y = x^2$, $x = 2$, and $y = 0$; the function is $f(x, y) = 3xy$. The integral $\int_R 3xy dA$ has at least three interpretations:

1. If at each point $P = (x, y)$ in R we erect a line segment above P of length $3xy$, then the integral is the volume of the resulting solid. (See Figure 17.2.8.)
2. If the density of matter at (x, y) in R is $3xy$, then $\int_R 3xy dA$ is the total mass in R .
3. If the temperature at (x, y) in R is $3xy$ then $\int_R 3xy dA$ divided by the area of R is the average temperature in R .

EXAMPLE 6 Evaluate $\int_R 3xy dA$ over the region R shown in Figure 17.2.9.

SOLUTION If cross sections parallel to the y axis are used, then R is described by

$$0 \leq x \leq 2 \quad 0 \leq y \leq x^2.$$

Thus

$$\int_R 3xy dA = \int_0^2 \left(\int_0^{x^2} 3xy dy \right) dx,$$

which is easy to compute. First, with x fixed,

$$\int_0^{x^2} 3xy dy = \left(3x \frac{y^2}{2} \right) \Big|_{y=0}^{y=x^2} = 3x \frac{(x^2)^2}{2} - 3x \frac{0^2}{2} = \frac{3x^5}{2}.$$

Then,

$$\int_0^2 \frac{3x^5}{2} dx = \frac{3x^6}{12} \Big|_0^2 = 16.$$

Figure 17.2.10(a) shows which integration is performed first.

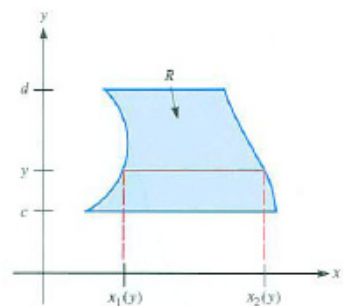


Figure 17.2.7:

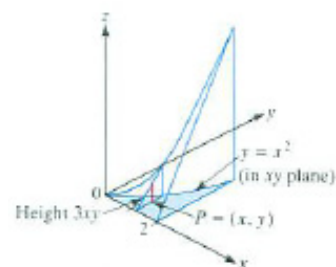


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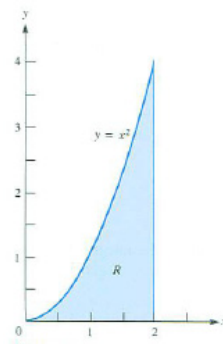


Figure 17.2.9:

This is the same R as in Examples 2 and 3.

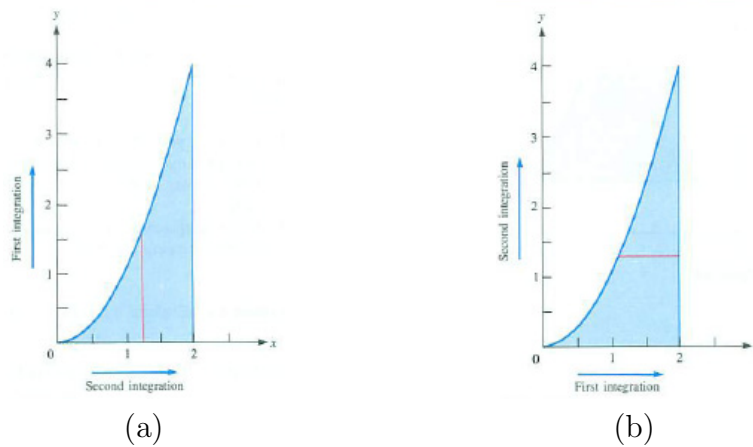


Figure 17.2.10:

The region R can also be described in terms of cross sections parallel to the x axis:

$$0 \leq y \leq 4 \quad \sqrt{y} \leq x \leq 2.$$

In this case, the double integral is evaluated as:

$$\int_R 3xy \, dA = \int_0^4 \left(\int_{\sqrt{y}}^2 3xy \, dx \right) dy,$$

which, as the reader may verify, equals 16. See Figure 17.2.10(b). \diamond

In Example 6 we could evaluate $\int_R f(P) \, dA$ by cross sections in either direction. In the next example we don't have that choice.

EXAMPLE 7 A triangular lamina is located as in Figure 17.2.11. Its density at (x, y) is e^{y^2} . Find its mass, that is $\int_R f(P) \, dA$, where $f(x, y) = e^{y^2}$.

SOLUTION The description of R by vertical cross sections is

$$0 \leq x \leq 2, \quad \frac{x}{2} \leq y \leq 1.$$

Hence

$$\int_R f(P) \, dA = \int_0^2 \left(\int_{x/2}^1 e^{y^2} \, dy \right) dx.$$

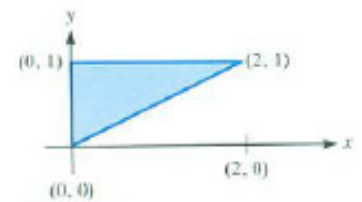


Figure 17.2.11:

Since e^{y^2} does not have an elementary antiderivative, the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus is useless in computing

$$\int_{x/2}^1 e^{y^2} dy.$$

So we try horizontal cross sections instead. The description of R is now

$$0 \leq y \leq 1, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 2y.$$

This leads to a different iterated integral, namely:

$$\int_R f(P) dA = \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^{2y} e^{y^2} dx \right) dy.$$

The first integration, $\int_0^{2y} e^{y^2} dx$, is easy, since y is fixed; the integrand is constant. Thus

Note that the integrand does not depend on x .

$$\int_0^{2y} e^{y^2} dx = e^{y^2} \int_0^{2y} 1 dx = e^{y^2} x \Big|_{x=0}^{x=2y} = e^{y^2} 2y.$$

The second definite integral in the repeated integral is thus $\int_0^1 e^{y^2} 2y dy$, which can be evaluated by the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, since $d(e^{y^2})/dy = e^{y^2} 2y$:

$$\int_0^1 e^{y^2} 2y dy = e^{y^2} \Big|_0^1 = e^{1^2} - e^{0^2} = e - 1.$$

The total mass is $e - 1$. ◇

Notice that computing a definite integral over a plane region R involves, first, a wise choice of an xy -coordinate system; second, a description of R and f relative to this coordinate system; and finally, the computation of two successive definite integrals over intervals. The order of these integrations should be considered carefully since computation may be much simpler in one than the other. This order is determined by the description of R by cross sections.

Summary

We showed that the integral of $f(P)$ over a plane region R can be evaluated by an iterated integral, where the limits of integration are determined by R

(not by f). If each line parallel to the y axis meets R in at most two points then R has the description

$$a \leq x \leq b, \quad y_1(x) \leq y \leq y_2(x)$$

and

$$\int_R f(P) \, dA = \int_a^b \left(\int_{y_1(x)}^{y_2(x)} f(x, y) \, dy \right) dx.$$

If each line parallel to the x axis meets R in at most two points, then, similarly, R can be described in the form

$$c \leq y \leq d \quad x_1(y) \leq x \leq x_2(y)$$

and

$$\int_R f(P) \, dA = \int_c^d \left(\int_{x_1(y)}^{x_2(y)} f(x, y) \, dx \right) dy.$$

A Few Words on Notation

We use the notation $\int f(P) \, dA$ or $\int_R f(P) \, dA$ for a (double) integral over a plane region, $\int f(P) \, dS$ or $\int_S f(P) \, dS$ for an integral over a surface, and $\int f(P) \, dV$ or $\int_R f(P) \, dV$ for a (triple) integral over a region in space. The symbols dA , dS , and dV indicate the type of set over which the integral is defined.

Many people traditionally use repeated integral signs to distinguish dimensions. For instance they would write $\int f(P) \, dA$ as $\iint f(P) \, dA$ or $\iint f(x, y) \, dx \, dy$. Similarly, they denote a triple integral by $\iiint f(P) \, dx \, dy \, dz$.

We use the single-integral-sign notation for all integrals for three reasons:

1. it is free of any coordinate system
2. it is compact (uses the fewest symbols): \int for “integral”, $f(P)$ or f for the integrand, and dA , dS , or dV for the set
3. it allows the symbols \iint and \iiint to be reserved for use exclusively for iterated integrals.

Iterated integrals are a completely different mathematical object. Each integral in an iterated integral is an integral over an interval. Note that this means we write dx (or dy or dz) only when we are talking about an integral over an interval.

EXERCISES for 17.2*Key:* R–routine, M–moderate, C–challenging

Exercises 1 to 12 provide practice in describing plane regions by cross sections in rectangular coordinates. In each exercise, describe the region by (a) vertical cross sections and (b) horizontal cross sections.

- 1.[R] The triangle whose vertices are $(0, 0)$, $(2, 1)$, $(0, 1)$.
- 2.[R] The triangle whose vertices are $(0, 0)$, $(2, 0)$, $(1, 1)$.
- 3.[R] The parallelogram with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(1, 0)$, $(2, 1)$, $(1, 1)$.
- 4.[R] The parallelogram with vertices $(2, 1)$, $(5, 1)$, $(3, 2)$, $(6, 2)$.
- 5.[R] The disk of radius 5 and center $(0, 0)$.
- 6.[R] The trapezoid with vertices $(1, 0)$, $(3, 2)$, $(3, 3)$, $(1, 6)$.
- 7.[R] The triangle bounded by the lines $y = x$, $x + y = 2$, and $x + 3y = 8$.
- 8.[R] The region bounded by the ellipse $4x^2 + y^2 = 4$.
- 9.[R] The triangle bounded by the lines $x = 0$, $y = 0$, and $2x + 3y = 6$.
- 10.[R] The region bounded by the curves $y = e^x$, $y = 1 - x$, and $x = 1$.
- 11.[R] The quadrilateral bounded by the lines $y = 1$, $y = 2$, $y = x$, $y = x/3$.
- 12.[R] The quadrilateral bounded by the lines $x = 1$, $x = 2$, $y = x$, $y = 5 - x$.

In Exercises 13 to 16 draw the regions and describe them by horizontal cross sections.

- 13.[R] $0 \leq x \leq 2$, $2x \leq y \leq 3x$
- 14.[R] $1 \leq x \leq 2$, $x^3 \leq y \leq 2x^2$
- 15.[R] $0 \leq x \leq \pi/4$, $0 \leq y \leq \sin x$ and $\pi/4 \leq x \leq \pi/2$, $0 \leq y \leq \cos x$
- 16.[R] $1 \leq x \leq e$, $(x - 1)/(e - 1) \leq y \leq \ln x$

In Exercises 17 to 22 evaluate the iterated integrals.

- 17.[R] $\int_0^1 \left(\int_0^x (x + 2y) dy \right) dx$
- 18.[R] $\int_1^2 \left(\int_x^{2x} dy \right) dx$
- 19.[R] $\int_0^2 \left(\int_0^{x^2} xy^2 dy \right) dx$
- 20.[R] $\int_1^2 \left(\int_0^y e^{x+y} dx \right) dy$
- 21.[R] $\int_1^2 \left(\int_0^{\sqrt{y}} yx^2 dx \right) dy$
- 22.[R] $\int_0^1 \left(\int_0^x y \sin(\pi x) dy \right) dx$

- 23.[R] Complete the calculation of the second iterated integral in Example 6.

24.[R]

- (a) Sketch the solid region S below the plane $z = 1 + x + y$ and above the triangle R in the plane with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(1, 0)$, $(0, 2)$.
- (b) Describe R in terms of coordinates.
- (c) Set up an iterated integral for the volume of S .
- (d) Evaluate the expression in (c), and show in the manner of Figure 17.2.10(a) and 17.2.10(b) which integration you performed first.
- (e) Carry out (c) and (d) in the other order of integration.

25.[R] Let S be the solid region below the paraboloid $z = x^2 + 2y^2$ and above the rectangle in the xy plane with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(1, 0)$, $(1, 2)$, $(0, 2)$. Carry out the steps of Exercise 24 in this case.

26.[R] Let S be the solid region below the saddle $z = xy$ and above the triangle in the xy plane with vertices $(1, 1)$, $(3, 1)$, and $(1, 4)$. Carry out the steps of Exercise 24 in this case.

27.[R] Let S be the solid region below the saddle $z = xy$ and above the region in the first quadrant of the xy plane bounded by the parabolas $y = x^2$ and $y = 2x^2$ and the line $y = 2$. Carry out the steps of Exercise 24 in this case.

28.[R] Find the mass of a thin lamina occupying the finite region bounded by $y = 2x^2$ and $y = 5x - 3$ and whose density at (x, y) is xy .

29.[R] Find the mass of a thin lamina occupying the triangle whose vertices are $(0, 0)$, $(1, 0)$, $(1, 1)$ and whose density at (x, y) is $1/(1 + x^2)$.

30.[R] The temperature at (x, y) is $T(x, y) = \cos(x + 2y)$. Find the average temperature in the triangle with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(1, 0)$, $(0, 2)$.

31.[R] The temperature at (x, y) is $T(x, y) = e^{x-y}$. Find the average temperature in the region in the first quadrant bounded by the triangle with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(1, 1)$, and $(3, 1)$.

In each of Exercises 32 to 35 replace the given iterated integral by an equivalent one with the order of integration reversed. First sketch the region R of integration.

$$32.[R] \int_0^2 \left(\int_0^{x^2} x^3 y \, dy \right) dx$$

$$33.[R] \int_0^{\pi/2} \left(\int_0^{\cos x} x^2 \, dy \right) dx$$

$$34.[R] \int_0^1 \left(\int_{x/2}^x xy \, dy \right) dx + \int_1^2 \left(\int_{x/2}^1 xy \, dy \right) dx$$

$$35.[R] \int_{-1/\sqrt{2}}^0 \left(\int_{-x}^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} x^3 y \, dy \right) dx + \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} x^3 y \, dy \right) dx$$

In Exercises 36 to 39 evaluate the iterated integrals. First sketch the region of integration.

$$36.[R] \int_0^1 \left(\int_x^1 \sin(y^2) \, dy \right) dx$$

$$37.[R] \int_0^1 \left(\int_{\sqrt{x}}^1 \frac{dy}{\sqrt{1+y^3}} \right) dx$$

$$38.[R] \int_0^1 \left(\int_{\sqrt[3]{y}}^1 \sqrt{1+x^4} / dx \right) dy$$

$$39.[R] \int_1^2 \left(\int_1^y \frac{\ln x}{x} \, dx \right) dy + \int_2^4 \left(\int_{y/2}^2 \frac{\ln x}{x} \, dx \right) dy$$

40.[R] Let $f(x, y) = y^2 e^{y^2}$ and let R be the triangle bounded by $y = a$, $y = x/2$, and $y = x$. Assume that a is positive.

(a) Set up two repeated integrals for $\int_R f(P) \, dA$.

(b) Evaluate the easier one.

41.[R] Let R be the finite region bounded by the curve $y = \sqrt{x}$ and the line $y = x$. Let $f(x, y) = (\sin(y))/y$ if $y \neq 0$ and $f(x, 0) = 1$. Compute $\int_R f(P) \, dA$.

17.3 Computing $\int_R f(P) dA$ Using Polar Coordinates

This section shows how to evaluate $\int_R f(P) dA$ by using polar coordinates. This method is especially appropriate when the region R has a simple description in polar coordinates, for instance, if it is a disk or cardioid. As in Section 17.2, we first examine how to describe cross sections in polar coordinates. Then we describe the iterated integral in polar coordinates that equals $\int_R f(P) dA$.

Describing R in Polar Coordinates

In describing a region R in polar coordinates, we first determine the range of θ and then see how r varies for any fixed value of θ . (The reverse order is seldom useful.) Some examples show how to find how r varies for each θ .

EXAMPLE 1 Let R be the disk of radius a and center at the pole of a polar coordinate system. (See Figure 17.3.1.) Describe R in terms of cross sections by rays emanating from the pole.

SOLUTION To sweep out R , θ goes from 0 to 2π . Hold θ fixed and consider the behavior of r on the ray of angle θ . Clearly, r goes from 0 to a , independently of θ . (See Figure 17.3.1.) The complete description is

$$0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi, \quad 0 \leq r \leq a.$$

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EXAMPLE 2 Let R be the region between the circles $r = 2 \cos \theta$ and $r = 4 \cos \theta$. Describe R in terms of cross sections by rays from the pole. (See Figure 17.3.2.)

SOLUTION To sweep out this region, use the rays from $\theta = -\pi/2$ to $\theta = \pi/2$. For each such θ , r varies from $2 \cos \theta$ to $4 \cos \theta$. The complete description is

$$-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad 2 \cos \theta \leq r \leq 4 \cos \theta.$$

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As Examples 1 and 2 suggest, polar coordinates provide simple descriptions for regions bounded by circles. The next example shows that polar coordinates may also provide simple descriptions of regions bounded by straight lines, especially if some of the lines pass through the origin.

EXAMPLE 3 Let R be the triangular region whose vertices, in rectangular coordinates, are $(0, 0)$, $(1, 1)$, and $(0, 1)$. Describe R in polar coordinates.

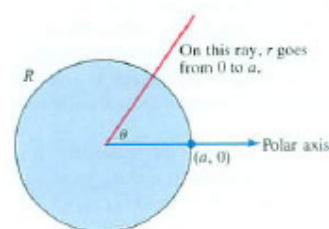


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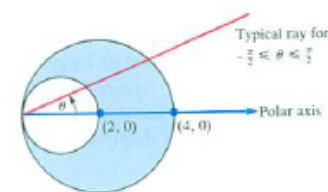


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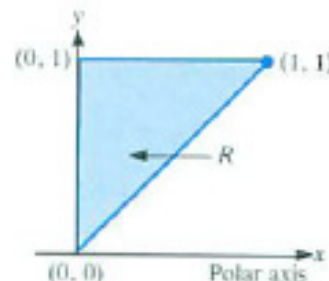


Figure 17.3.3: ARTIST: Show typical ray, as in Figure 17.3.2.

SOLUTION Inspection of R in Figure 17.3.3 shows that θ varies from $\pi/4$ to $\pi/2$. For each θ , r goes from 0 until the point (r, θ) is on the line $y = 1$, that is, on the line $r \sin(\theta) = 1$. Thus the upper limit of r for each θ is $1/\sin(\theta)$. The description of R is

$$\frac{\pi}{4} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad 0 \leq r \leq \frac{1}{\sin(\theta)}.$$

◇ In general, cross sections by rays lead to descriptions of plane regions of the form:

$$\alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta, \quad r_1(\theta) \leq r \leq r_2(\theta).$$

A Basic Difference Between Rectangular and Polar Coordinates

Before we can set up an iterated integral in polar coordinates for $\int_R f(P) dA$ we must contrast certain properties of rectangular and polar coordinates.

Consider all points (x, y) in the plane that satisfy the inequalities

$$x_0 \leq x \leq x_0 + \Delta x \quad \text{and} \quad y_0 \leq y \leq y_0 + \Delta y,$$

where x_0 , Δx , y_0 and Δy are fixed numbers with Δx and Δy positive. The set is a rectangle of sides Δx and Δy shown in Figure 17.3.4(a). The area of this rectangle is simply the product of Δx and Δy ; that is,

$$\text{Area} = \Delta x \Delta y. \quad (17.3.1)$$

This will be contrasted with the case of polar coordinates.

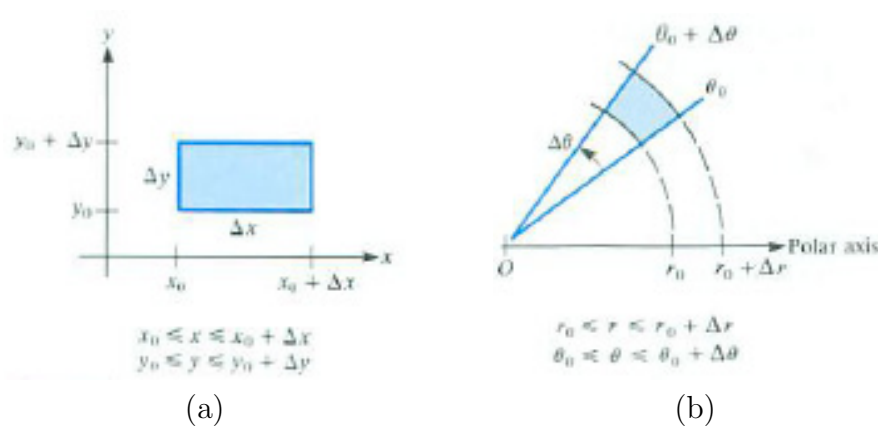


Figure 17.3.4:

Consider the set in the plane consisting of the points (r, θ) such that

$$r_0 \leq r \leq r_0 + \Delta r \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_0 \leq \theta \leq \theta_0 + \Delta\theta,$$

where r_0 , Δr , θ_0 and $\Delta\theta$ are fixed numbers, with r_0 , Δr , θ_0 and $\Delta\theta$ all positive, as shown in Figure 17.3.4(b).

When Δr and $\Delta\theta$ are small, the set is approximately a rectangle, one side of which has length Δr and the other, $r_0\Delta\theta$. So its area is approximately $r_0\Delta r\Delta\theta$. In this case,

$$\text{Area} \approx r_0\Delta r\Delta\theta. \quad (17.3.2)$$

The area is *not* the product of Δr and $\Delta\theta$. (It couldn't be since $\Delta\theta$ is in radians, a dimensionless quantity – “arc length subtended on a circle divided by length of radius” – so $\Delta r\Delta\theta$ has the dimension of length, not of area.) The presence of this extra factor r_0 will be reflected in the integrand we use when integrating in polar coordinates.

It is necessary to replace dA by $r \, dr \, d\theta$, not simply by $dr \, d\theta$.

How to Evaluate $\int_R f(P) \, dA$ by an Iterated Integral in Polar Coordinates

The method for computing $\int_R f(P) \, dA$ with polar coordinates involves an iterated integral where the dA is replaced by $r \, dr \, d\theta$. A more detailed explanation of why the r must be added is given at the end of this section.

The exact area is found in Exercise 32.

Notice the factor r in the integrand.

Evaluating $\int_R f(P) \, dA$ in Polar Coordinates

1. Express $f(P)$ in terms of r and θ : $f(r, \theta)$.
2. Describe the region R in polar coordinates:

$$\alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta, \quad r_1(\theta) \leq r \leq r_2(\theta).$$

3. Evaluate the iterated integral:

$$\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \int_{r_1(\theta)}^{r_2(\theta)} f(r, \theta) r \, dr \, d\theta.$$

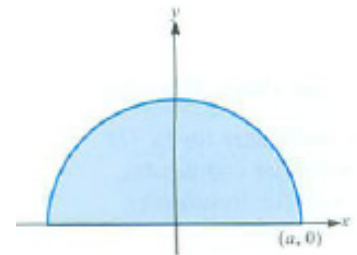


Figure 17.3.5:

EXAMPLE 4 Let R be the semicircle of radius a shown in Figure 17.3.5. Let $f(P)$ be the distance from a point P to the x axis. Evaluate $\int_R f(P) \, dA$

by an iterated integral in polar coordinates.

SOLUTION In polar coordinates, R has the description

$$0 \leq \theta \leq \pi, \quad 0 \leq r \leq a.$$

The distance from P to the x axis is, in rectangular coordinates, y . Since $y = r \sin(\theta)$, $f(P) = r \sin(\theta)$. Thus,

$$\int_R f(P) \, dA = \int_0^\pi \left(\int_0^a (r \sin(\theta)) r \, dr \right) d\theta.$$

The calculation of the iterated integral is like that for an iterated integral in rectangular coordinates. First, evaluate the inside integral:

$$\int_0^a r^2 \sin(\theta) \, dr = \sin(\theta) \int_0^a r^2 \, dr = \sin(\theta) \left(\frac{r^3}{3} \right) \Big|_0^a = \frac{a^3 \sin(\theta)}{3}.$$

The outer integral is therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\pi \frac{a^3 \sin \theta}{3} \, d\theta &= \frac{a^3}{3} \int_0^\pi \sin \theta \, d\theta = \frac{a^3}{3} (-\sin \theta) \Big|_0^\pi \\ &= \frac{a^3}{3} [(-\cos \pi) - (-\cos 0)] = \frac{a^3}{3} (1 + 1) = \frac{2a^3}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\int_R y \, dA = \frac{2a^3}{3}.$$

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Example 5 refers to a ball of radius a . Generally, we will distinguish between a **ball**, which is a solid region, and a **sphere**, which is only the surface of a ball.

EXAMPLE 5 A ball of radius a has its center at the pole of a polar coordinate system. Find the volume of the part of the ball that lies above the plane region R bounded by the curve $r = a \cos(\theta)$. (See Figure 17.3.6.)

SOLUTION It is necessary to describe R and f in polar coordinates, where $f(P)$ is the length of a cross section of the solid made by a vertical line through P . R is described as follows: r goes 0 to $a \cos(\theta)$ for each θ in $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$, that is,

$$-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad 0 \leq r \leq a \cos \theta.$$

To express $f(P)$ in polar coordinates, consider Figure 17.3.7, which shows the

Notice the extra r in the integrand.

From here on the calculation are like those in the preceding section.

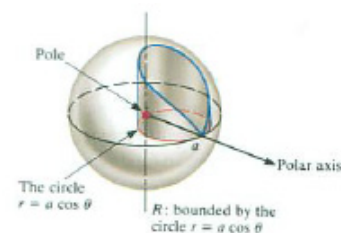


Figure 17.3.6:



Figure 17.3.7:

top half of a ball of radius a . By the Pythagorean Theorem,

$$r^2 + (f(r, \theta))^2 = a^2.$$

Thus

$$f(r, \theta) = \sqrt{a^2 - r^2}.$$

Consequently,

$$\text{Volume} = \int_R f(P) dA = \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \left(\int_0^{a \cos(\theta)} \sqrt{a^2 - r^2} r dr \right) d\theta.$$

Exploiting symmetry, compute half the volume, keeping θ in $[0, \pi/2]$, and then double the result: Remember to double.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{a \cos(\theta)} \sqrt{a^2 - r^2} r dr &= \frac{-(a^2 - r^2)^{3/2}}{3} \Big|_0^{a \cos(\theta)} = - \left(\frac{(a^2 - a^2 \cos^2(\theta))^{3/2}}{3} - \frac{(a^2)^{3/2}}{3} \right) \\ &= \frac{a^3}{3} - \frac{(a^2 - a^2 \cos^2(\theta))^{3/2}}{3} = \frac{a^3}{3} - \frac{a^3(1 - \cos^2(\theta))^{3/2}}{3} \\ &= \frac{a^3}{3} (1 - \sin^3(\theta)). \end{aligned}$$

(The trigonometric formula used above, $\sin(\theta) = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2(\theta)}$, is true when $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$ but not when $-\pi/2 \leq \theta \leq 0$.)

Then comes the second integration:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{a^3}{3} (1 - \sin^3(\theta)) d\theta &= \frac{a^3}{3} \int_0^{\pi/2} (1 - (1 - \cos^2(\theta)) \sin(\theta)) d\theta \\ &= \frac{a^3}{3} \int_0^{\pi/2} 1 - \sin(\theta) - \cos^2(\theta) \sin(\theta) d\theta \\ &= \frac{a^3}{3} \left(\theta + \cos(\theta) - \frac{\cos^3(\theta)}{3} \right) \Big|_0^{\pi/2} \\ &= \frac{a^3}{3} \left[\frac{\pi}{2} - \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} \right) \right] = a^3 \left(\frac{3\pi - 4}{18} \right). \end{aligned}$$

The total volume is twice as large:

We remembered.

$$a^3 \left(\frac{3\pi - 4}{9} \right).$$

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EXAMPLE 6 A circular disk of radius a is formed of a material which had a density at each point equal to the distance from the point to the center.

- Set up an iterated integral in rectangular coordinates for the total mass of the disk.
- Set up an iterated integral in polar coordinates for the total mass of the disk.
- Compute the easier one.

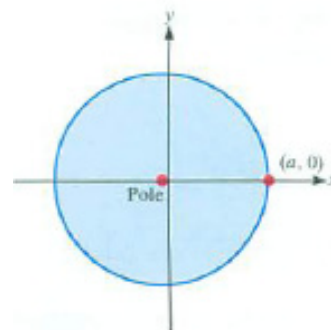


Figure 17.3.8:

SOLUTION The disk is shown in Figure 17.3.8.

- (Rectangular coordinates) The density $\sigma(P)$ at the point $(P) = (x, y)$ is $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$. The disk has the description

$$-a \leq x \leq a, \quad -\sqrt{a^2 - x^2} \leq y \leq \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}.$$

Thus

$$\text{Mass} = \int_R \sigma(P) \, dA = \int_{-a}^a \left(\int_{-\sqrt{a^2-x^2}}^{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \, dy \right) dx.$$

- (Polar coordinates) The density $\sigma(P)$ at $P = (r, \theta)$ is r . The disk has the description

$$0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi, \quad 0 \leq r \leq a.$$

Thus

$$\text{Mass} = \int_R \sigma(P) \, dA = \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\int_0^a r \cdot r \, dr \right) d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\int_0^a r^2 \, dr \right) d\theta.$$

- Even the first integration in the iterated integral in (a) would be tedious. However, the iterated integral in (b) is a delight: The first integration gives

$$\int_0^a r^2 \, dr = \frac{r^3}{3} \Big|_0^a = \frac{a^3}{3}.$$

The second integration gives

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{a^3}{3} d\theta = \frac{a^3\theta}{3} \Big|_0^{2\pi} = \frac{2\pi a^3}{3}.$$

The total mass is $2\pi a^3/3$.

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A Fuller Explanation of the Extra r in the Integrand

Consider $\int_R f(P) dA$ as the region in the plane bound by the circle $r = a$ and $r = b$ and the range $\theta = \alpha$ and $\theta = \beta$. Break it into n^2 little pieces with the aid of the partitions $r_0 = a, r_1, r_i, r_n = b$ and $\theta_0 = \alpha, \theta_1, \theta_j, \theta_n = \beta$. For convenience, assume that all $r_i - r_{i-1}$ are equal to Δr and all $\theta_j - \theta_{j-1}$ are equal to $\Delta\theta$. (See Figure 17.3.9(a).) The typical patch, shown in Figure 17.3.9(b),

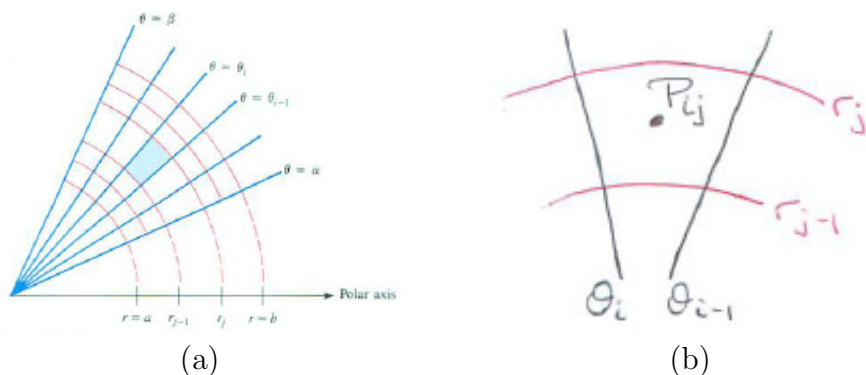


Figure 17.3.9: (b) P_{ij} is $\left(\frac{r_j+r_{j+1}}{2}, \frac{\theta_j+\theta_{i-1}}{2}\right)$

has area, exactly

$$A_{ij} = \frac{(r_j + r_{j-1})}{2} (r_j - r_{j-1}) (\theta_i - \theta_{i-1}),$$

as shown in Exercise 6.

Then the sum of the n^2 terms of the form $f(P_{ij})A_{ij}$ is an estimate of $\int_R f(P) dA$.

Let us look closely at the summand for the n patches between the rays $\theta = \theta_{i-1}$ and $\theta = \theta_i$, as shown in Figure 17.3.10.

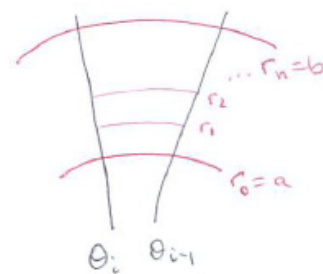


Figure 17.3.10:

The sum is

$$\sum_{j=1}^n f\left(\frac{r_j + r_{j-1}}{2}, \frac{\theta_i + \theta_{i-1}}{2}\right) \frac{r_j + r_{j+1}}{2} \Delta r \Delta \theta. \quad (17.3.3)$$

In (17.3.3), θ_i , θ_{i-1} , and $\Delta\theta$ are constants. If we define $g(r, \theta)$ to be $f(r, \theta)r$, then the sum is

$$\left(\sum_{j=1}^n g\left(\frac{r_j + r_{j+1}}{2}, \frac{\theta_i + \theta_{i-1}}{2}\right) \Delta r \right) \Delta \theta. \quad (17.3.4)$$

The sum in brackets in (17.3.4) is an estimate of

$$\int_a^b g\left(r, \frac{\theta_i + \theta_{i-1}}{2}\right) dr.$$

Thus the sum, corresponding to the region between the rays $\theta = \theta_i$ and $\theta = \theta_{i-1}$, is

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \int_a^b g\left(r, \frac{\theta_i + \theta_{i-1}}{2}\right) dr \Delta \theta. \quad (17.3.5)$$

Now let $h(\theta) = \int_a^b g(r, \theta) dr$. Then (17.3.5) equals

$$\sum_{i=1}^n h\left(\frac{\theta_i + \theta_{i-1}}{2}\right) \Delta \theta.$$

This is an estimate of $\int_a^b h(\theta) d\theta$. Hence the sum of all n^2 little terms of the form $f(P_{ij})A_{ij}$ is an approximation of

$$\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} h(\theta) d\theta = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \left(\int_a^b g(r, \theta) dr \right) d\theta = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \left(\int_a^b f(r, \theta)r dr \right) d\theta.$$

The extra factor r appears as we obtained the first integral, $\int_a^b f(r, \theta)r dr$. The sum of the n^2 terms A_{ij} , which we knew approximated the double integral $\int_R f(P) dA$, we now see approximate also the iterated integral (17.3.6). Taking limits as $n \rightarrow \infty$ show that the iterated integral equals the double integral.

Summary

We saw how to calculate an integral $\int_R f(P) dA$ by introducing polar coordinates. In this case, the plane region R can be described, in polar coordinates, as

$$\alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta, \quad r_1(\theta) \leq r \leq r_2(\theta)$$

then

$$\int_R f(P) dA = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \int_{r_1(\theta)}^{r_2(\theta)} f(r, \theta) r dr d\theta.$$

The extra r in the integrand is due to the fact that a small region corresponding to changes dr and $d\theta$ has area approximately $r dr d\theta$ (not $dr d\theta$). Polar coordinates are convenient when either the function f or the region R has a simple description in terms of r and θ .

EXERCISES for 17.3 *Key:* R–routine, M–moderate, C–challenging

In Exercises 1 to 6 draw and describe the given regions in the form $\alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta$, $r_1(\theta) \leq r \leq r_2(\theta)$.

- 1.[R] The region inside the curve $r = 3 + \cos(\theta)$.
- 2.[R] The region between the curve $r = 3 + \cos(\theta)$ and the curve $r = 1 + \sin(\theta)$.
- 3.[R] The triangle whose vertices have the rectangular coordinates $(0, 0)$, $(1, 1)$, and $(1, \sqrt{3})$.
- 4.[R] The circle bounded by the curve $r = 3 \sin(\theta)$.
- 5.[R] The region shown in Figure 17.3.11.

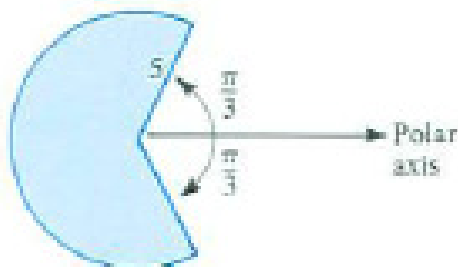


Figure 17.3.11:

- 6.[R] The region in the top of the three-leaved rose, $r = \sin(3\theta)$, that lies in the first quadrant.

7.[R]

- (a) Draw the region R bounded by the lines $y = 1$, $y = 2$, $y = x$, $y = x/\sqrt{3}$.
- (b) Describe R in terms of horizontal cross sections,
- (c) Describe R in terms of vertical cross sections,
- (d) Describe R in terms of cross sections by polar rays.

8.[R]

(a) Draw the region R whose description is given by

$$-2 \leq y \leq 2, \quad -\sqrt{4-y^2} \leq x \leq \sqrt{4-y^2}.$$

(b) Describe R by vertical cross sections.

(c) Describe R by cross sections obtained using polar rays.

9.[R] Describe in polar coordinates the square whose vertices have rectangular coordinates $(0, 0)$, $(1, 0)$, $(1, 1)$, $(0, 1)$.

10.[R] Describe the trapezoid whose vertices have rectangular coordinates $(0, 1)$, $(1, 1)$, $(2, 2)$, $(0, 2)$.

(a) in polar coordinates,

(b) by horizontal cross sections,

(c) by vertical cross sections.

In Exercises 5 to 14 draw the regions and evaluate $\int_R r^2 dA$ for the given regions R .

11.[R] $-\pi/2 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2, 0 \leq r \leq \cos(\theta)$

12.[R] $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2, 0 \leq r \leq \sin^2(\theta)$

13.[R] $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi, 0 \leq r \leq 1 + \cos(\theta)$

14.[R] $0 \leq \theta \leq 0.3, 0 \leq r \leq \sin 2(\theta)$

In Exercises 15 to 18 draw R and evaluate $\int_R y^2 dA$ for the given regions R .

15.[R] The circle of radius a , center at the pole.

16.[R] The circle of radius a with center at $(a, 0)$ in polar coordinates.

17.[R] The region within the cardioid $r = 1 + \sin \theta$.

18.[R] The region within one leaf of the four-leaved rose $r = \sin 2\theta$.

In Exercises 19 and 20, use iterated integrals in polar coordinates to find the given point.

19.[R] The center of mass of the region within the cardioid $r = 1 + \cos(\theta)$.

20.[R] The center of mass of the region within the leaf $r = \cos 3(\theta)$ that lies along

the polar axis.

The average of a function $f(P)$ over a region R in the plane is defined as $\int_R f(P) dA$ divided by the area of R . In each of Exercises 21 to 24, find the average of the given function over the given region.

21.[R] $f(P)$ is the distance from P to the pole; R is one leaf of the three-leaved rose, $r = \sin(3\theta)$.

22.[R] $f(P)$ is the distance from P to the x axis; R is the region between the rays $\theta = \pi/6$, $\theta = \pi/4$, and the circles $r = 2$, $r = 3$.

23.[R] $f(P)$ is the distance from P to a fixed point on the border of a disk R of radius a . (HINT: Choose the pole wisely.)

24.[R] $f(P)$ is the distance from P to the x axis; R is the region within the cardioid $r = 1 + \cos(\theta)$.

In Exercises 25 to 28 evaluate the given iterated integrals using polar coordinates. Pay attention to the elements of each exercise that makes it appropriate for evaluation in polar coordinates.

25.[R] $\int_0^1 \left(\int_0^x \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} dy \right) dx$

26.[R] $\int_0^1 \left(\int_0^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} x^3 dy \right) dx$

27.[R] $\int_0^1 \left(\int_x^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} xy dy \right) dx$

28.[R] $\int_1^2 \left(\int_{x/\sqrt{3}}^{\sqrt{3}x} (x^2 + y^2)^{3/2} dy \right) dx$

29.[R] Evaluate the integrals over the given regions.

(a) $\int_R \cos(x^2 + y^2) dA$; R is the portion in the first quadrant of the disk of radius a centered at the origin.

(b) $\int_R \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} dA$; R is the triangle bounded by the line $y = x$, the line $x = 2$, and the x axis.

30.[R] Find the volume of the region above the paraboloid $z = x^2 + y^2$ and below the plane $z = x + y$.

31.[R] The area of a region R is equal to $\int_R 1 dA$. Use this to find the area of a disk of radius a . (Use an iterated integral in polar coordinates.)

32.[R] Find the area of the shaded region in Figure ?? as follows:

- (a) Find the area of the ring between two circles, one of radius r_0 , the other of radius $r_0 + \Delta r$.
- (b) What fraction of the area in (a) is included between two rays whose angles differ by $\Delta\theta$?
- (c) Show that the area of the shaded region in Figure ?? is precisely

$$\left(r_0 + \frac{\Delta r}{2}\right) \Delta r \Delta\theta.$$

33.[R] Evaluate the repeated integral

$$\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \left(\int_0^{a \cos(\theta)} \sqrt{a^2 - r^2} r \, dr \right) d\theta$$

directly. The result should still be $a^3(3\pi - 4)/9$. (In Example 5 we computed half the volume and doubled the result.)

Caution: Use trigonometric formulas with care.

Prior to beginning Exercise 34, consider the following two quotes:

Once when lecturing to a class he [the physicist Lord Kelvin] used the word “mathematician” and then interrupting himself asked the class: “Do you know what a mathematician is?” Stepping to his blackboard he wrote upon it: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx = \sqrt{\pi}$. Then putting his finger on what he had written, he turned to his class and said, “A mathematician is one to whom this is as obvious as that twice two makes four is to you.”

S. P. Thompson, in *Life of Lord Kelvin* (Macmillan, London, 1910).

Many things are not accessible to intuition at all, the value of $\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$ for instance.

J. E. Littlewood, “Newton and the Attraction of the Sphere”, *Mathematical Gazette*, vol. 63, 1948.

34.[M] This exercise shows that $\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$. Let R_1 , R_2 , and R_3 be the

three regions indicated in Figure 17.3.12, and $f(P) = e^{-r^2}$ where r is the distance from P to the origin. Hence, $f(r, \theta) = e^{-r^2}$ in polar coordinates and in rectangular coordinates $f(x, y) = e^{-x^2 - y^2}$. NOTE: Observe that R_1 is inside R_2 and R_2 is inside R_3 .

(a) Show that $\int_{R_1} f(P) dA = \frac{\pi}{4} (1 - e^{-a^2})$ and that $\int_{R_3} f(P) dA = \frac{\pi}{4} (1 - e^{-2a^2})$.

(b) By considering $\int_{R_2} f(P) dA$ and the results in (a), show that

$$\frac{\pi}{4} (1 - e^{-a^2}) < \left(\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx \right)^2 < \frac{\pi}{4} (1 - e^{-2a^2}).$$

(c) Show that $\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$.

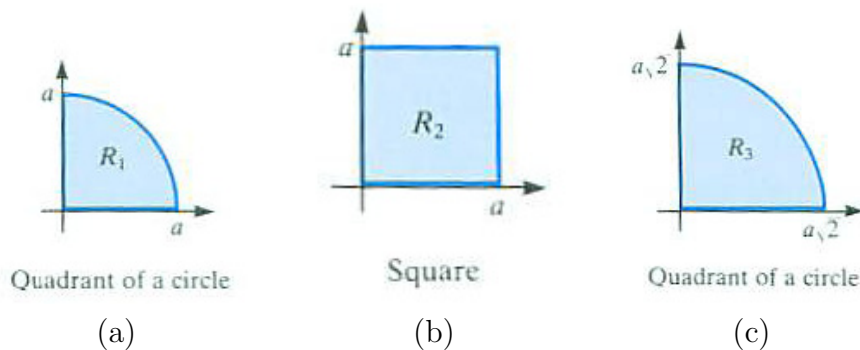


Figure 17.3.12:

35.[R] Figure 17.3.13 shows the “bell curve” or “normal curve” often used to assign grades in large classes. Using the fact established in Exercise 34 that $\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx = \sqrt{\pi}/2$, show that the area under the curve in Figure 17.3.13 is 1.

36.[R] (The spread of epidemics.) In the theory of a spreading epidemic it is

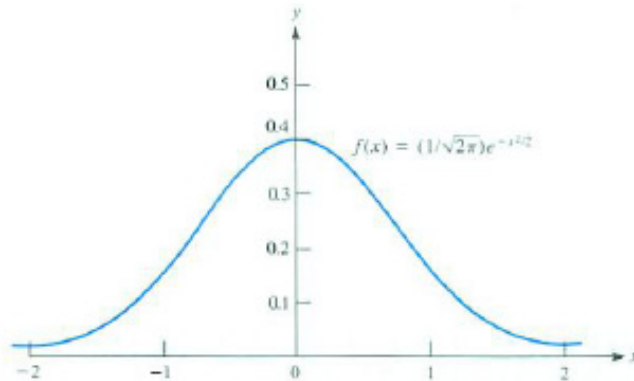


Figure 17.3.13:

assumed that the probability that a contagious individual infects an individual D miles away depends only on D . Consider a population that is uniformly distributed in a circular city whose radius is 1 mile. Assume that the probability we mentioned is proportional to $2 - D$. For a fixed point Q let $f(P) = 2 - \overline{PQ}$. Let R be the region occupied by the city.

- Why is the exposure of a person residing at Q proportional to $\int_R f(P) dA$, assuming that contagious people are uniformly distributed throughout the city?
- Compute this definite integral when Q is the center of town and when Q is on the edge of town.
- In view of (b), which is the safer place?

Transportation problems lead to integrals over plane sets, as Exercises 37 to 42 illustrate.

37.[R] Show that the average travel distance from the center of a disk of area A to points in the disk is precisely $2\sqrt{A}/(3\sqrt{\pi}) \approx 0.376\sqrt{A}$.

38.[R] Show that the average travel distance from the center of a regular hexagon of area A to points in the hexagon is

$$\frac{\sqrt{2A}}{3^{3/4}} \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{\ln 3}{4} \right) \approx 0.377\sqrt{A}.$$

39.[R] Show that the average travel distance from the center of a square of area A to points in the square is $(\sqrt{2} + \ln(\tan(3\pi/8)))\sqrt{A/6} \approx 0.383\sqrt{A}$.

40.[R] Show that the average travel distance from the centroid of an equilateral

triangle of area A to points in the triangle is

$$\frac{\sqrt{A}}{3^{9/4}} \left(2\sqrt{3} + \ln\left(\tan\left(\frac{5\pi}{12}\right)\right) \right) \approx 0.404\sqrt{A}$$

NOTE: The centroid of a triangle is its center of mass.

In Exercises 37 to 39 the distance is the ordinary straight-line distance. In cities the usual street pattern suggests that the “metropolitan” distance between the points (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) should be measured by $|x_1 - x_2| + |y_1 - y_2|$.

41.[M] Show that if in Exercise 37 metropolitan distance is used, then the average is $8\sqrt{A}/(3\pi^{3/2}) \approx 0.470\sqrt{A}$.

42.[M] Show that if in Exercise 39 metropolitan distance is used, then the average is $\sqrt{A}/2$. In most cities the metropolitan average tends to be about 25 percent larger than the direct-distance average.

43.[C]

Sam: The formula in this section for integrating in polar coordinates is wrong. I’ll get the right formula. We don’t need the factor r .

Jane: But the book’s formula gives the correct answers.

Sam: I don’t care. Let $f(r, \theta)$ be positive and I’ll show how to integrate over the set R bounded by $r = b$ and $r = a$, $b > a$, and $\theta = \beta$ and $\theta = \alpha$. We have $\int_R f(P) dA$ is the volume under the graph of f and above R . Right?

Jane: Right.

Sam: The area of the cross-section corresponds to a fixed angle θ is $\int_a^b f(r, \theta) dr$. Right?

Jane: Right.

Sam: So I, just integrate cross-sectional areas as θ goes from α to β , and the volume is therefore $\int_\alpha^\beta (\int_a^b f(r, \theta) dr) d\theta$. Perfectly straightforward. I hate to overthrow a formula that’s been around for three centuries.

What does Jane say next?

44.[C]

Jane: I won’t use a partition. Instead, look at the area under the graph of f and above the circle of radius r . I’ll draw this fence for you (see Figure 17.3.14(a)). To estimate its area I’ll cut the arc AB into n sections of equal length by angle $\theta_0 = a \dots$

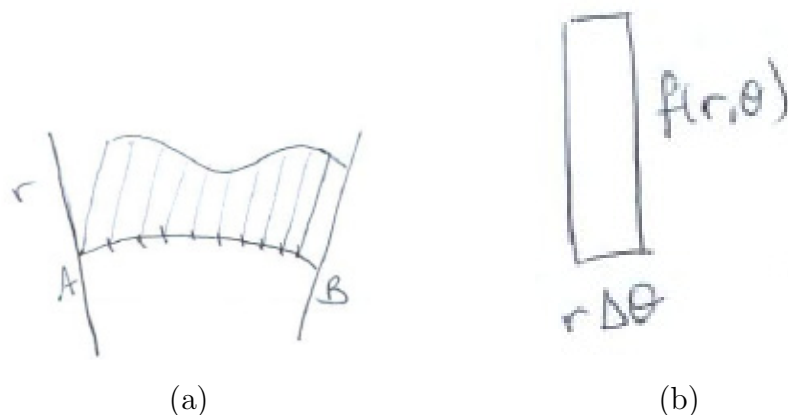


Figure 17.3.14:

Then break AB into n short area, each of length $r\Delta\theta$. (Remember, Sam, how radians are defined.) The typical small approach to the shaded area looks like Figure 17.3.14(b). That's just an estimate of $\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} f(r, \theta)r d\theta$. Here r is fixed. Then I integrate the cross-sectional area as r goes from a to b . The total volume is then $\int_a^b \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} f(r, \theta)r d\theta dr$. But $\int_R f(r, \theta) dA$ is the volume.

Sam: All right.

Jane: At least it gives the r factor.

Sam: But you had to assume f is positive.

Jane: Well, if it isn't just add a big positive number k to f , then $g = f + k$ is positive. From then on its easy. If it's so far g it's so far f .

Check that Jane is right about g and f .

17.4 The Triple Integral: Integrals Over Solid Regions

In this section we define integrals over solid regions in space and show how to compute them by iterated integrals using rectangular coordinates. Throughout we assume the regions are bounded by smooth surfaces and the functions are continuous.

The Triple Integral

Let R be a region in space bounded by some surface. For instance, R could be a ball, a cube, or a tetrahedron. Let f be a function defined at least on R .

For each positive integer n break R into n small regions R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n . Choose a point P_1 in R_1 , P_2 in R_2 , \dots , P_n in R_n . Let the volume of R_i be V_i . Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(P_i)V_i$$

exists. It is denoted

$$\int_R f(P) dV \quad (17.4.1)$$

and is called the integral of f over R or the **triple integral** of f over R .

NOTE:

1. As in the preceding section, we define small. For each n let r_n be the smallest number such that each R_i in the partition fits inside a ball of radius r_n . We assume that $r_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
2. The notation $\iiint_R f(P) dV$ is commonly used, but, we stick to using one integral sign, $\int_R f(P) dV$ to emphasize that the triple integral is not a repeated integral.
3. The notation $\iiint f(x, y, z) dV$ is also used, but, again, we prefer not to refer to a particular coordinate system.

EXAMPLE 1 If $f(P) = 1$ for each point P in a solid region R , compute $\int_R f(P) dV$.

SOLUTION Each approximating sum $\sum_{i=1}^n f(P_i)V_i$ has the value

$$\sum_{i=1}^n 1 \cdot V_i = V_1 + V_2 + \dots + V_n = \text{Volume of } R.$$

Hence

$$\int_R f(P) dV = \text{Volume of } R,$$

a fact that will be useful for computing volumes. \diamond

Average of a function

The **average value** of a function f defined on a region R in space is defined as

$$\frac{\int_R 1 dV}{\text{Volume of } R}.$$

This is the analog of the definition of the average of a function over an interval (Section 6.3) or the average of a function over a plane region (Section 17.1). If f describes the density of matter in R , then the average value of f is the density of a *homogeneous* solid occupying R and having the same total mass as the given solid.

Think about it. If the number

$$\frac{\int_R f(P) dV}{\text{Volume of } R}$$

is multiplied by the volume of R , the result is

$$\int_R f(P) dV,$$

which is the total mass.

“Density” at a point is defined for lamina; with balls replacing disks. For a positive number r , let $m(r)$ be the mass in a ball with center P and radius r . Let $V(r)$ be the volume of the ball of radius r . Then the density at P is defined as

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{m(r)}{V(r)}.$$

SHERMAN: I have a feeling I’ve read this before, but didn’t find it in a quick search. Is this a repeat? If, should one be removed?

An Interpretation of $\int_R f(P) dV$.

Triple integrals appear in the study of gravitation, rotating bodies, centers of gravity, and electro-magnetic theory. The simplest way to think of them is to interpret $f(P)$ as the density at P of some disturbance of matter and, then, $\int_R f(P) dV$ is the total mass in a region R .

We can’t picture $\int_R f(P) dV$ as measuring the volume of something. We could do this for $\int_R f(P) dA$, because we could use two dimensions for describing the region of integration and then the third dimension for the values of the function, obtaining a surface in three-dimensional space. However, with

$\int_R f(P) dV$, we use up three dimensions just describing the region of integration. We need four-dimensional space to show the values of the function. But it's hard to visualize such a space, no matter how hard we squint.

A Word about Four-Dimensional Space

We can think of 2-dimensional space as the set of ordered pairs (x, y) of real numbers. The set of ordered triplets of real numbers (x, y, z) represents 3-dimensional space. The set of ordered quadruplets of real numbers (x, y, z, t) represents 4-dimensional space.

It is easy to show 4-D space is a very strange place.

In 2-dimensional space the set of points of the form $(x, 0)$, the x -axis, meets the set of points of the form $(0, y)$, the y -axis, in a point, namely the origin $(0, 0)$. Now watch what can happen in 4-space. The set of points of the form $(x, y, 0, 0)$ forms a plane congruent to our familiar xy -plane. The set of points of the form $(0, 0, z, t)$ forms another such plane. So far, no surprise. But notice what the intersection of those two planes is. Their intersection is just the point $(0, 0, 0, 0)$. Can you picture two endless planes meeting in a single point? If so, please tell us how.

Describing a Solid Region

In order to evaluate triple integrals, it is necessary to describe solid regions in terms of coordinates.

A description of a typical solid region in rectangular coordinates has the form

$$a \leq x \leq b, \quad y_1(x) \leq y \leq y_2(x), \quad z_1(x, y) \leq z \leq z_2(x, y).$$

The inequalities on x and y describe the “shadow” or projection of the region on the xy plane. The inequalities for z then tell how z varies on a line parallel to the z axis and passing through the point (x, y) in the projection. (See Figure 17.4.1.)

EXAMPLE 2 Describe in terms of x , y , and z the rectangular box shown in Figure 17.4.2(a).

SOLUTION The shadow of the box on the xy plane has a description $1 \leq x \leq 2$, $0 \leq y \leq 3$. For each point in this shadow, z varies from 0 to 2, as shown in Figure 17.4.2(b). So the description of the box is

$$1 \leq x \leq 2, \quad 0 \leq y \leq 3, \quad 0 \leq z \leq 2,$$

This is the order x, y , then z . There are six possible orders, as you may check.

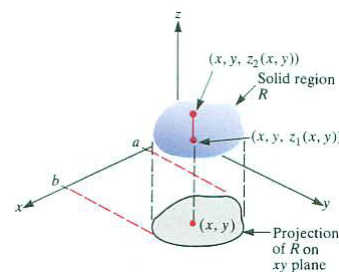


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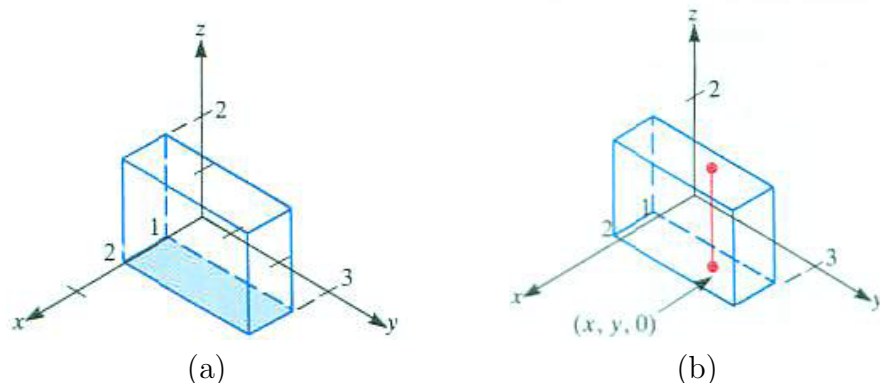


Figure 17.4.2:

which is read from left to right as “ x goes from 1 to 2; for each such x , the variable y goes from 0 to 3; for each such x and y , the variable z goes from 0 to 2.”

Of course, we could have changed the order of x and y in the description of the shadow or projected the box on one of the other two coordinate planes. (All told, there are six possible descriptions.) \diamond

EXAMPLE 3 Describe by cross sections the tetrahedron bounded by the planes $x = 0$, $y = 0$, $z = 0$, and $x + y + z = 1$, as shown in Figure 17.4.3(a).

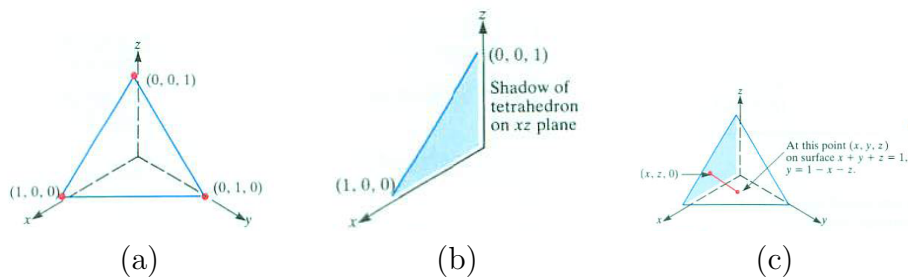


Figure 17.4.3:

SOLUTION For the sake of variety, project the tetrahedron onto the xz plane. The shadow is shown in Figure 17.4.3(b). A description of the shadow is

$$0 \leq x \leq 1, \quad 0 \leq z \leq 1 - x,$$

since the slanted edge has the equation $x + z = 1$. For each point (x, z) in this shadow, y ranges from 0 up to the value of y that satisfies the equation

$x + y + z = 1$, that is, up to $y = 1 - x - z$. (See Figure 17.4.3(c).) A description of the tetrahedron is

$$0 \leq x \leq 1, \quad 0 \leq z \leq 1 - x, \quad 0 \leq y \leq 1 - x - z.$$

That is, x goes from 0 to 1; for each x , z goes from 0 to $1 - x$; for each x and z , y goes from 0 to $1 - x - z$. \diamond

EXAMPLE 4 Describe in rectangular coordinates the ball of radius 4 whose center is at the origin.

SOLUTION The shadow of the ball on the xy plane is the disk of radius 4 and center $(0, 0)$. Its description is

$$-4 \leq x \leq 4, \quad -\sqrt{16 - x^2} \leq y \leq \sqrt{16 - x^2}.$$

Hold (x, y) fixed in the xy plane and consider the way z varies on the line parallel to the z axis that passes through the point $(x, y, 0)$. Since the sphere that bounds the ball has the equation

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 16,$$

for each appropriate (x, y) , z varies from

$$-\sqrt{16 - x^2 - y^2} \quad \text{to} \quad \sqrt{16 - x^2 - y^2}.$$

This describes the line segment shown in Figure 17.4.4.

The ball, therefore, has a description

$$-4 \leq x \leq 4, \quad -\sqrt{16 - x^2} \leq y \leq \sqrt{16 - x^2}, \quad \sqrt{16 - x^2 - y^2} \leq z \leq \sqrt{16 - x^2 - y^2}.$$

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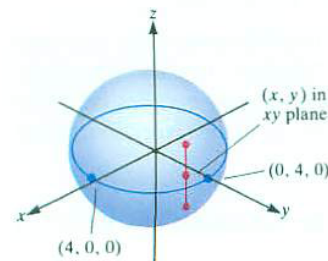


Figure 17.4.4:

Iterated Integrals for $\int_R f(P) dV$

The iterated integral in rectangular coordinates for $\int_R f(P) dV$ is similar to that for evaluating integrals over plane sets. It involves three integrations instead of two. The limits of integration are determined by the description of R in rectangular coordinates. If R has the description

$$a \leq x \leq b, \quad y_1(x) \leq y \leq y_2(x), \quad z_1(x, y) \leq z \leq z_2(x, y),$$

then

$$\int_R f(P) dV = \int_a^b \int_{y_1(x)}^{y_2(x)} \left(\int_{z_1(x,y)}^{z_2(x,y)} f(x, y, z) dz \right) dy dx.$$

An example illustrates how this formula is applied. In Exercise 31 an argument for its plausibility is presented.

EXAMPLE 5 Compute $\int_R z \, dV$, where R is the tetrahedron in Example 3.

SOLUTION A description of the tetrahedron is

$$0 \leq y \leq 1, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1 - y, \quad 0 \leq z \leq 1 - x - y.$$

Hence

$$\int_R z \, dV = \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^{1-y} \left(\int_0^{1-x-y} z \, dz \right) dx \right) dy.$$

Compute the inner integral first, treating x and y as constants. By the Fundamental Theorem,

$$\int_0^{1-x-y} z \, dz = \frac{z^2}{2} \Big|_{z=0}^{z=1-x-y} = \frac{(1-x-y)^2}{2}.$$

The next integration, where y is fixed, is

$$\int_0^{1-y} \frac{(1-x-y)^2}{2} dx = -\frac{(1-x-y)^3}{6} \Big|_{x=0}^{x=1-y} = -\frac{0^3}{6} + \frac{(1-y)^3}{6} = \frac{(1-y)^3}{6}.$$

The third integration is

$$\int_0^1 \frac{(1-y)^3}{6} dy = -\frac{(1-y)^4}{24} \Big|_0^1 = -\frac{0^4}{24} + \frac{1^4}{24} = \frac{1}{24}.$$

This completes the calculation that

$$\int_R z \, dV = \frac{1}{24}.$$

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Summary

We defined $\int_R f(P) \, dV$, where R is a region in space. The volume of a solid region R is $\int_R dV$ and, if $f(P)$ is the density of matter near P , then $\int_R f(P) \, dV$ is the total mass. We also showed how to evaluate these integrals by introducing rectangular coordinates.

There are six possible orders.

The general approach is to, first, describe R , for instance, as

$$a \leq x \leq b, \quad y_1(x) \leq y \leq y_2(x), \quad z_1(x, y) \leq z \leq z_2(x, y).$$

Then

$$\int_R f(P) \, dV = \int_a^b \left(\int_{y_1(x)}^{y_2(x)} \left(\int_{z_1(x,y)}^{z_2(x,y)} f(x, y, z) \, dx \right) dy \right) dx.$$

EXERCISES for 17.4 *Key:* R–routine, M–moderate, C–challenging

Exercises 1 to 4 concern the definition of $\int_R f(P) dV$.

1.[R] A cube of side 4 centimeters is made of a material of varying density. Near one corner A it is very light; at the opposite corner it is very dense. In fact, the density $f(P)$ (in grams per cubic centimeter) at any point P in the cube is the square of the distance from A to P (in centimeters). See Figure 17.4.5.

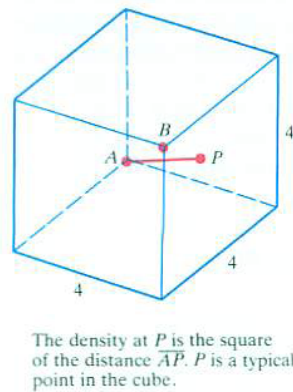


Figure 17.4.5:

- (a) Find upper and lower estimates for the mass of the cube by partitioning it into eight cubes.
 - (b) Using the same partition as in (a), estimate the mass of the cube, but select as the P_i 's the centers of the four rectangular boxes.
 - (c) Estimate the mass of the cube described in the opening problem by cutting it into eight congruent cubes and using their centers as the P_i 's.
 - (d) What does (c) say about the average density in the cube?
- 2.[R] How would you define the average distance from points of a certain set in space to a fixed point P_0 ?
- 3.[R] If R is a ball of radius r and $f(P) = 5$ for each point in R , compute $\int_R f(P) dV$ by examining approximating sums. Recall that the ball has volume $4/3\pi r^3$.
- 4.[R] If R is a three-dimensional set and $f(P)$ is never more than 8 for all P in R .
- (a) what can we say about the maximum possible value of $\int_R f(P) dV$?
 - (b) what can we say about the average of f over R ?

In Exercises 5 to 10 draw the solids described.

5.[R] $1 \leq x \leq 3, 0 \leq y \leq 2, 0 \leq z \leq x$

6.[R] $0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1, 1 \leq z \leq 1 + x + y$

7.[R] $0 \leq y \leq 1, 0 \leq x \leq y^2, y \leq z \leq 2y$

8.[R] $0 \leq y \leq 1, y^2 \leq x \leq y, 0 \leq z \leq x + y$

9.[R] $-1 \leq z \leq 1, -\sqrt{1-z^2} \leq x \leq \sqrt{1-z^2}, -\frac{1}{2} \leq y \leq \sqrt{1-x^2-z^2}$

10.[R] $0 \leq z \leq 3, 0 \leq y \leq \sqrt{9-z^2}, 0 \leq x \leq \sqrt{9-y^2-z^2}$

In Exercises 11 to 14 evaluate the iterated integrals.

11.[R] $\int_0^1 \left(\int_0^2 \left(\int_0^x z \, dz \right) dy \right) dx.$

12.[R] $\int_0^1 \left(\int_{x^2}^{x^2} \left(\int_0^{x+y} z \, dz \right) dy \right) dx.$

13.[R] $\int_2^3 \left(\int_x^{2x} \left(\int_0^1 (x+z) \, dz \right) dy \right) dx.$

14.[R] $\int_0^1 \left(\int_0^x \left(\int_0^3 (x^2 + y^2) \, dz \right) dy \right) dx.$

15.[R] Describe the solid cylinder of radius a and height h shown in Figure 17.4.6(a) in rectangular coordinates

(a) in the order first x , then y , then z ,

(b) in the order first x , then z , then y .

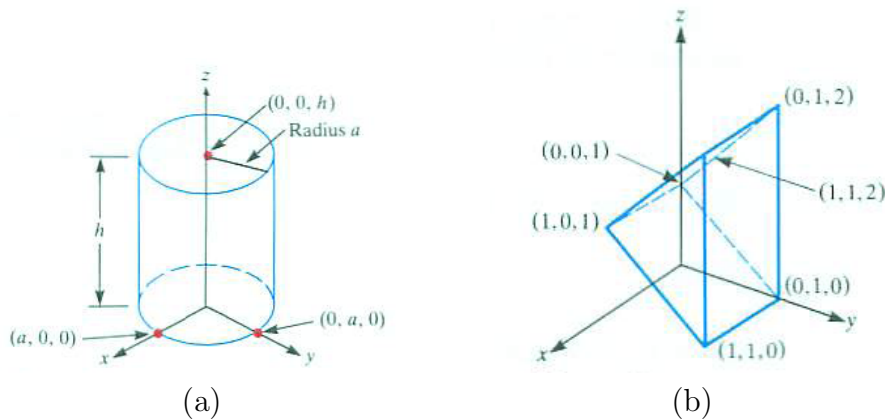


Figure 17.4.6:

16.[R] Describe the prism shown in Figure 17.4.6(b) in rectangular coordinates, in two ways:

- First project it onto the xy plane.
- First project it onto the xz plane.

17.[R] Describe the tetrahedron shown in Figure 17.4.7(a) in rectangular coordinates in two ways:

- First project it onto the xy plane.
- First project it onto the xz plane.

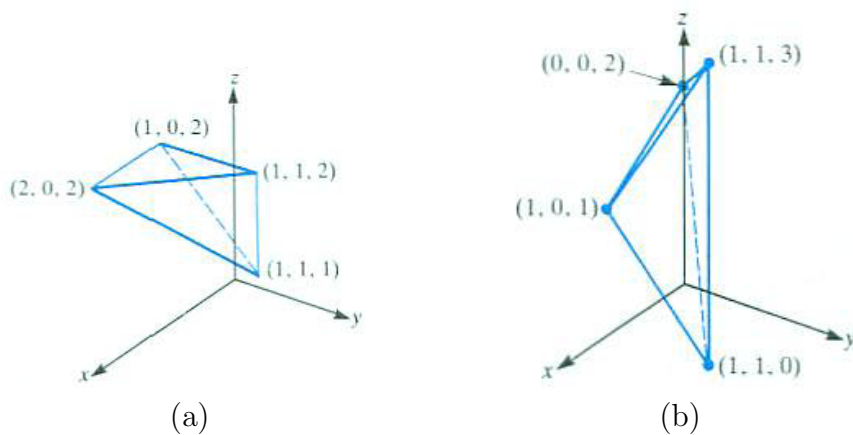


Figure 17.4.7:

18.[R] Describe the tetrahedron whose vertices are given in Figure 17.4.7(b) in rectangular coordinates as follows:

- Draw its shadow on the xy plane.
- Obtain equations of its top and bottom planes.
- Give a parametric description of the tetrahedron.

19.[R] Let R be the tetrahedron whose vertices are $(0, 0, 0)$, $(a, 0, 0)$, $(0, b, 0)$, and

$(0, 0, c)$, where a , b , and c are positive.

- (a) Sketch the tetrahedron.
- (b) Find the equation of its top surface.
- (c) Compute $\int_R z \, dV$.

20.[R] Compute $\int_R z \, dV$, where R is the region above the rectangle whose vertices are $(0, 0, 0)$, $(2, 0, 0)$, $(2, 3, 0)$, and $(0, 3, 0)$ and below the plane $z = x + 2y$.

21.[R] Find the mass of the cube in Exercise 1. (See Figure 17.4.1.)

22.[R] Find the average value of the square of the distance from a corner of a cube of side a to points in the cube.

23.[R] Find the average of the square of the distance from a point P in a cube of side a to the center of the cube.

24.[R] A solid consists of all points below the surface $z = xy$ that are above the triangle whose vertices are $(0, 0, 0)$, $(1, 0, 0)$, and $(0, 2, 0)$. If the density at (x, y, z) is $x + y$, find the total mass.

25.[R] Compute $\int_R xy \, dV$ for the tetrahedron of Example 3.

26.[R]

- (a) Describe in rectangular coordinates the right circular cone of radius r and height h if its axis is on the positive z axis and its vertex is at the origin. Draw the cross sections for fixed x and fixed x and y .
- (b) Find the z coordinate of its centroid.

27.[R] The temperature at the point (x, y, z) is e^{-x-y-z} . Find the average temperature in the tetrahedron whose vertices are $(0, 0, 0)$, $(1, 1, 0)$, $(0, 0, 2)$, and $(1, 0, 0)$.

28.[R] The temperature at the point (x, y, z) , $y > 0$, is e^{-x}/\sqrt{y} . Find the average temperature in the region bounded by the cylinder $y = x^2$, the plane $y = 1$, and the plane $z = 2y$.

29.[R] Without using a repeated integral, evaluate $\int_R x \, dV$, where R is a spherical ball whose center is $(0, 0, 0)$ and whose radius is a .

30.[R] The work done in lifting a weight of w pounds a vertical distance of x feet is wx foot-pounds. Imagine that through geological activity a mountain is formed consisting of material originally at sea level. Let the density of the material near point P in the mountain be $g(P)$ pounds per cubic foot and the height of P be $h(P)$ feet. What definite integral represents the total work expended in forming the mountain? This type of problem is important in the geological theory of mountain formation.

31.[R] In Section 17.2 an intuitive argument was presented for the equality

$$\int_R f(P) \, dA = \int_a^b \left(\int_{y_1(x)}^{y_2(x)} f(x, y) \, dy \right) dx.$$

Here is an intuitive argument for the equality

$$\int_R f(P) \, dV = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \left(\int_{y_1(x)}^{y_2(x)} \left(\int_{x_1(x,y)}^{x_2(x,y)} f(x, y, z) \, dz \right) dy \right) dx.$$

To start, interpret $f(P)$ as “density.”

- (a) Let $R(x)$ be the plane cross section consisting of all points in R with abscissa x . Show that the average density in $R(x)$ is

$$\frac{\int_{y_1(x)}^{y_2(x)} \left[\int_{z_1(x,y)}^{z_2(x,y)} f(x, y, z) \, dz \right] dy}{\text{Area of } R(x)}$$

- (b) Show that the mass of R between the plane sections $R(x)$ and $R(x + \Delta x)$ is approximately

$$\int_{y_1(x)}^{y_2(x)} \left(\int_{z_1(x,y)}^{z_2(x,y)} f(x, y, z) \, dz \right) dy \, \Delta x.$$

- (c) From (b) obtain a repeated integral in rectangular coordinates for $\int_R f(P) \, dV$.

17.5 Integrals Over Surfaces

In this section we define an integral over a surface and then show how to compute it by an iterated integral.

Definition of a Surface Integral

Consider a surface \mathcal{S} such as the surface of a ball or part of the saddle $z = xy$. If f is a numerical function defined at least on \mathcal{S} , we will define the integral $\int_{\mathcal{S}} f(P) dS$. The definition is practically identical with the definition of the double integral, which is the special case when the surface is a plane.

We assume that the surfaces we deal with are smooth, or composed of a finite number of smooth pieces, and that the integrals we define exist.

DEFINITION (*Definite integral of a function f over a surface \mathcal{S} .*) Let f be a function that assigns to each point P in a surface \mathcal{S} a number $f(P)$. Consider the typical sum

$$f(P_1)S_1 + f(P_2)S_2 + \cdots + f(P_n)S_n,$$

formed from a partition of \mathcal{S} , where S_i is the area of the i th region in the partition and P_i is a point in the i th region. (See Figure 17.5.1.) If these sums approach a certain number as the S_i are chosen smaller and smaller, the number is called the **integral of f over \mathcal{S}** and is written

$$\int_{\mathcal{S}} f(P) dS.$$

If $f(P)$ is 1 for each point P in \mathcal{S} then $\int_{\mathcal{S}} f(P) dS$ is the area of \mathcal{S} . If \mathcal{S} is occupied by material of density $\sigma(P)$ at P then $\int_{\mathcal{S}} \sigma(P) dS$ is the total mass of \mathcal{S} .

First we show how to integrate over a sphere.

Integrating over a Sphere

If \mathcal{S} is a sphere or part of a sphere, it is often convenient to evaluate an integral over it with the aid of spherical coordinates.

If the center of a spherical coordinate system (ρ, θ, ϕ) is at the center of a sphere of radius a , then ρ is constant on the sphere $\rho = a$. As Figure 17.5.2 suggests, the area of the small region on the sphere corresponding to slight changes $d\theta$ and $d\phi$ is approximately

$$(a d\phi) (a \sin(\phi) d\theta) = a^2 \sin(\phi) d\theta d\phi.$$

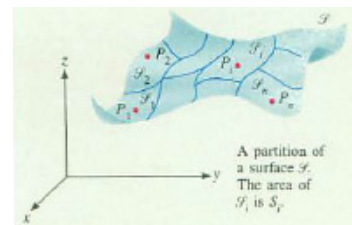


Figure 17.5.1:

Surface integrals are also denoted $\iint_{\mathcal{S}} f(P) dS$.

See Section ?? for a similar argument, where ρ was not constant.

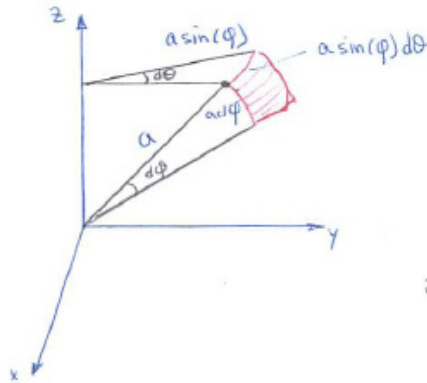


Figure 17.5.2:

Thus we may write

$$dS = a^2 \sin(\phi) d\theta d\phi$$

and evaluate

$$\int_S f(P) dS$$

in terms of a repeated integral in ϕ and θ . Example 1 illustrates this technique.

EXAMPLE 1 Let S be the top half of the sphere with radius a . Evaluate $\int_S z dS$.

SOLUTION Since the sphere has radius a , $\rho = a$. The top half of the sphere is described by $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ and $0 \leq \phi \leq \pi/2$. And, in spherical coordinates, $z = \rho \cos(\phi) = a \cos(\phi)$. Thus

$$\int_S z dS = \int_S (a \cos(\phi)) dS = \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\int_0^{\pi/2} (a \cos(\phi)) a^2 \sin(\phi) d\phi \right) d\theta.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\pi/2} (a \cos(\phi)) a^2 \sin(\phi) d\phi &= a^3 \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos(\phi) \sin(\phi) d\phi = a^3 \frac{(-\cos^2(\phi))}{2} \Big|_0^{\pi/2} \\ &= \frac{a^3}{2} [-0 - (-1)] = \frac{a^3}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\int_S z dS = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{a^3}{2} d\theta = \pi a^3.$$

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We can interpret the result in Example 1 in terms of average value. The **average value** of $f(P)$ over a surface \mathcal{S} is defined as

$$\frac{\int_{\mathcal{S}} f(P) dS}{\text{Area of } \mathcal{S}}.$$

Example 1 shows that the average value of z over the given hemisphere is

$$\frac{\int_{\mathcal{S}} z dS}{\text{Area of } \mathcal{S}} = \frac{\pi a^3}{2\pi a^2} = \frac{a}{2}.$$

“The average height above the equator is exactly half the radius.”

Geometric interpretation

A General Technique

When we faced an integral over a curve, $\int_C f ds$, we evaluated it by replacing it with $\int_a^b f \frac{ds}{dt} dt$, an integral over an interval $[a, b]$.

We will do something similar for an integral over a surface: We will replace an surface integral by a double integral over a set in a coordinate plane.

The basic idea is to replace a small patch on the surface \mathcal{S} by its projection (shadow) or, say, the xy -coordinate plane. The area of the shadow is not the same as the area of the patch. With the aid of Figure 17.5.3 we will express the area of the shadow in terms of the tilt of the patch.

The unit normal vector to the patch is \mathbf{n} . The angle between \mathbf{n} and \mathbf{k} is γ . Call the area of the patch, dS , and the area of its projection, dA . Then

$$dA \approx |\cos(\gamma)| dS.$$

Notice that the angle γ is one of the direction angles of the unit normal vector, \mathbf{k} .

For instance, if $\gamma = 0$, then $dA = dS$. If $\gamma = \pi/2$, then $dA = 0$. We use the absolute value of $\cos(\gamma)$, since γ could be larger than $\pi/2$.

It follows, if $\cos(\gamma)$ is not 0, that

$$dS = \frac{dA}{|\cos(\gamma)|} \quad (17.5.1)$$

With the aid of (17.5.1), we replace an integral over \mathcal{S} with an integral over its shadow in the xy plane.

The replacement is visible in the approximating sums involved in the integral over a surface.

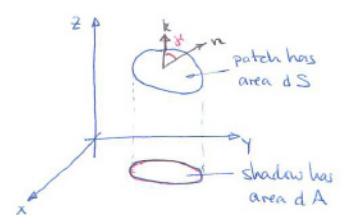


Figure 17.5.3:

Recall the discussion of direction angles and direction cosines in Section 14.4.

Let \mathcal{S} be a surface that meets each line parallel to the z axis at most once. Let f be a function whose domain includes \mathcal{S} .

Consider an approximating sum for $\int_{\mathcal{S}} f(P) dS$, namely $\sum_{i=1}^n f(p_i) \Delta S_i$. The partition is shown in Figure 17.5.4.

Let R be the projection of \mathcal{S} in the xy plane. The patch \mathcal{S}_i with area S_i , projects down to R_i , of area A_i , and the point P_i on \mathcal{S}_i points down to Q_i in R_i . Let γ_i be the angle between the normal at P_i and \mathbf{k} .

Then $f(P)S_i$ is approximately $\frac{f(P_i)}{|\cos(\gamma_i)|} A_i$. Thus an approximation of $\int_{\mathcal{S}} f(P) dS$ is

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{f(P_i)}{|\cos \gamma_i|} A_i. \quad (17.5.2)$$

Theorem 17.5.1. *Let \mathcal{S} be a surface and let \mathcal{A} be its projection on the xy plane. Assume that for each point Q on \mathcal{A} the line through Q parallel to the z axis meets \mathcal{S} in exactly one point P . Let f be a function defined on \mathcal{S} . Define a function h on \mathcal{A} by*

$$h(Q) = f(P).$$

Then

$$\int_{\mathcal{S}} f(P) dS = \int_{\mathcal{A}} \frac{h(Q)}{|\cos(\gamma)|} dA.$$

In this equation γ denotes the angle between \mathbf{k} and a vector normal to the surface of \mathcal{S} at P . (See Figure 17.5.5.)

In order to apply this result, we need to be able to compute $\cos(\gamma)$.

Computing $\cos(\gamma)$

We find a vector perpendicular to the surface in order to compute $\cos(\gamma)$. If \mathcal{S} is the level surface of $g(x, y, z)$, that is $g(x, y, z) = c$, for some constant c , then the gradient ∇g is such a vector.

If the surface \mathcal{S} is given in the form $z = f(x, y)$, rewrite it as $z - f(x, y) = 0$. That means that \mathcal{S} is a level surface of $g(x, y, z) = z - f(x, y)$, Theorem 17.5.2 shows what the formulas for $\cos(\gamma)$ look like. However, it is unnecessary, even distracting, to memorize them. Just remember that a *gradient provides a normal* to a level surface.

Theorem 17.5.2. (a) *If the surface \mathcal{S} is part of the level surface $g(x, y, z) = c$, then*

$$|\cos(\gamma)| = \frac{\left| \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \right|}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \right)^2}}.$$

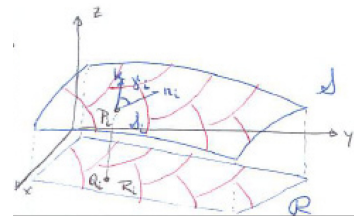


Figure 17.5.4:

Replacing an integral over a surface with an integral over a planar region.

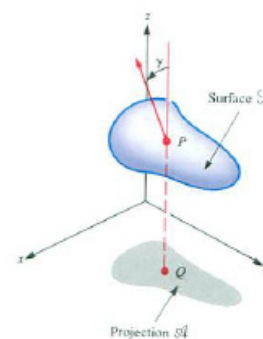


Figure 17.5.5:

(b) If the surface \mathcal{S} is given in the form $z = f(x, y)$, then

$$|\cos(\gamma)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)^2 + 1}}.$$

Proof

(a) A normal vector to \mathcal{S} at a given point is provided by the gradient

$$\nabla g = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \mathbf{i} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \mathbf{j} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \mathbf{k}.$$

The cosine of the angle between \mathbf{k} and ∇g is

$$\frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \nabla g}{\|\mathbf{k}\| \|\nabla g\|} = \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \mathbf{i} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \mathbf{j} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \mathbf{k}\right)}{(1) \left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial y}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial z}\right)^2}\right)};$$

hence

$$|\cos(\gamma)| = \frac{\left|\frac{\partial g}{\partial z}\right|}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial y}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial z}\right)^2}}.$$

(b) Rewrite $z = f(x, y)$ as $z - f(x, y) = 0$. The surface $z = f(x, y)$ is thus the level surface $g(x, y, z) = 0$ of the function $g(x, y, z) = z - f(x, y)$. Note that

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \quad \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} = 1.$$

By the formula in (a),

$$|\cos(\gamma)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)^2 + 1}}$$

Theorem 17.5.2 is stated for projections on the xy plane. Similar theorems hold for projections on the xz or yz plane. The direction angle γ is then replaced by the corresponding direction angle, β or α , and the normal vector is dotted into \mathbf{j} or \mathbf{i} . Just draw a picture in each case; there is no point in trying to memorize formulas for each situation. •

EXAMPLE 2 Find the area of the part of the saddle $z = xy$ inside the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = a^2$.

SOLUTION Let \mathcal{S} be the part of the surface $z = xy$ inside $x^2 + y^2 = a^2$. Then

$$\text{Area of } \mathcal{S} = \int_{\mathcal{S}} 1 \, dS.$$

The projection of \mathcal{S} on the xy plane is a disk of radius a and center $(0, 0)$. Call it \mathcal{A} , as in Figure 17.5.6. Then

$$\text{Area of } \mathcal{S} = \int_{\mathcal{S}} 1 \, dS = \int_{\mathcal{A}} \frac{1}{|\cos(\gamma)|} \, dA. \quad (17.5.3)$$

To find the normal to \mathcal{S} rewrite $z = xy$ as $z - xy = 0$. Thus \mathcal{S} is a level surface of the function $g(x, y, z) = z - xy$. A normal to \mathcal{S} is therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla g &= \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \mathbf{i} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \mathbf{j} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \mathbf{k} \\ &= -y \mathbf{i} - x \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\cos(\gamma) = \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \nabla g}{\|\mathbf{k}\| \|\nabla g\|} = \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot (-y \mathbf{i} - x \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k})}{\sqrt{y^2 + x^2 + 1}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{y^2 + x^2 + 1}}.$$

By (17.5.3),

$$\text{Area of } \mathcal{S} = \int_{\mathcal{A}} \sqrt{y^2 + x^2 + 1} \, dA. \quad (17.5.4)$$

Use polar coordinates to evaluate the integral in (17.5.4):

$$\int_{\mathcal{A}} \sqrt{y^2 + x^2 + 1} \, dA = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^a \sqrt{r^2 + 1} r \, dr \, d\theta.$$

The inner integration gives

$$\int_0^a \sqrt{r^2 + 1} r \, dr = \left. \frac{(r^2 + 1)^{3/2}}{3} \right|_0^a = \frac{(1 + a^2)^{3/2} - 1}{3}.$$

The second integration gives

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(1 + a^2)^{3/2} - 1}{3} \, d\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3} ((1 + a^2)^{3/2} - 1).$$

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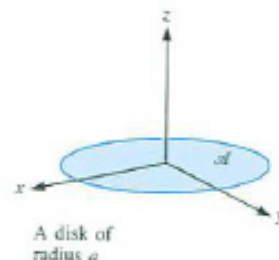


Figure 17.5.6:

The area of \mathcal{S} is $\int_{\mathcal{A}} \sqrt{(\partial f/\partial x)^2 + (\partial f/\partial y)^2 + 1} \, dA$.

Summary

After defining $\int_{\mathcal{S}} f(P) dS$, an integral over a surface, we showed how to compute it when the surface is part of a sphere.

If each line parallel to the z axis meets the surface \mathcal{S} in at most one point, an integral over \mathcal{S} can be replaced by an integral over \mathcal{A} , the projection of \mathcal{S} on the xy plane:

$$\int_{\mathcal{S}} f(P) dS = \int_{\mathcal{A}} \frac{h(Q)}{|\cos(\gamma)|} dA.$$

To find $\cos(\gamma)$, use a gradient. If the surface is a level surface of, $g(x, y, z) = c$, use ∇g . If it has the equation $z = f(x, y)$, rewrite the equation as $z - f(x, y) = 0$. As a special case, if \mathcal{S} is the graph of $z = f(x, y)$, then the area of \mathcal{S}

$$\text{Area of } \mathcal{S} = \int_{\mathcal{S}} dS = \int_{\mathcal{A}} \sqrt{(\partial f/\partial x)^2 + (\partial f/\partial y)^2 + 1} dA.$$

Replace dS by $a^2 \sin(\phi) d\phi d\theta$, where a is the radius of the sphere.

EXERCISES for 17.5 *Key:* R–routine, M–moderate, C–challenging

1.[R] A small patch of a surface makes an angle of $\pi/4$ with the xy plane. Its projection on that plane has area 0.05. Estimate the area of the patch.

2.[R] A small patch of a surface makes an angle of 25° with the yz plane. Its projection on that plane has area 0.03. Estimate the area of the patch.

3.[R]

(a) Draw a diagram of the part of the plane $x + 2y + 3z = 12$ that lies inside the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 9$.

(b) Find as simply as possible the area of the part of the plane $x + 2y + 3z = 12$ that lies inside the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 9$.

4.[R]

(a) Draw a diagram of the part of the plane $z = x + 3y$ that lies inside the cylinder $r = 1 + \cos \theta$.

(b) Find as simply as possible the area of the part of the plane $z = x + 3y$ that lies inside the cylinder $r = 1 + \cos \theta$.

5.[R] Let $f(P)$ be the square of the distance from P to a fixed diameter of a sphere of radius a . Find the average value of $f(P)$ for points on the sphere.

6.[R] Find the area of that part of the sphere of radius a that lies within a cone of half-vertex angle $\pi/4$ and vertex at the center of the sphere, as in Figure 17.5.7.

In Exercises 7 and 8 evaluate $\int_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, dS$ for the given spheres and vectors fields (\mathbf{n} is the outward unit normal.)

7.[R] The sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 9$ and $\mathbf{F} = x^2\mathbf{i} + y^2v\mathbf{j} + z^2\mathbf{k}$.

8.[R] The sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ and $\mathbf{F} = x^3\mathbf{i} + y^2\mathbf{j}$.

9.[R] Find the area of the part of the spherical surface $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ that lies within the vertical cylinder erected on the circle $r = \cos \theta$ and above the xy plane.

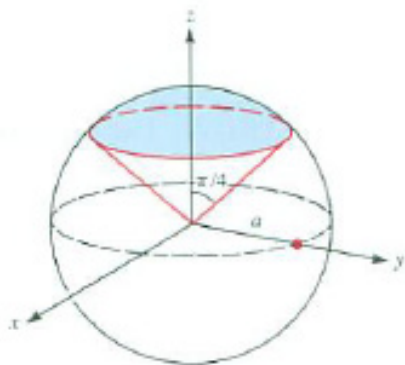


Figure 17.5.7:

10.[R] Find the area of that portion of the parabolic cylinder $z = \frac{1}{2}x^2$ between the three planes $y = 0$, $y = x$, and $x = 2$.

11.[R] Evaluate $\int_{\mathcal{S}} x^2 y \, dS$, where \mathcal{S} is the portion in the first octant of a sphere with radius a and center at the origin, in the following way:

- Set up an integral using x and y as parameters.
- Set up an integral using ϕ and θ as parameters.
- Evaluate the easier of (a) and (b).

12.[R] A triangle in the plane $z = x + y$ is directly above the triangle in the xy plane whose vertices are $(1, 2)$, $(3, 4)$, and $(2, 5)$. Find the area of

- the triangle in the xy plane,
- the triangle in the plane $z = x + y$.

13.[R] Let \mathcal{S} be the triangle with vertices $(1, 1, 1)$, $(2, 3, 4)$, and $(3, 4, 5)$.

- Using vectors, find the area of \mathcal{S} .
- Using the formula

$$\text{Area of } \mathcal{S} = \int_{\mathcal{S}} 1 \, dS,$$

find the area of \mathcal{S} .

14.[R] Find the area of the portion of the cone $z^2 = x^2 + y^2$ that lies above one loop of the curve $r = \sqrt{\cos 2(\theta)}$.

15.[R] Let \mathcal{S} be the triangle whose vertices are $(1, 0, 0)$, $(0, 2, 0)$, and $(0, 0, 3)$. Let $f(x, y, z) = 3x + 2y + 2z$. Evaluate $\int_{\mathcal{S}} f(P) dS$.

In Exercises 16 and 17 let \mathcal{S} be a sphere of radius a with center at the origin of a rectangular coordinate system.

16.[R] Evaluate each of these integrals with a minimum amount of labor.

(a) $\int_{\mathcal{S}} x dS$

(b) $\int_{\mathcal{S}} x^3 dS$

(c) $\int_{\mathcal{S}} \frac{2x+4y^5}{\sqrt{2+x^2+3y^2}} dS$

17.[R]

(a) Why is $\int_{\mathcal{S}} x^2 dS = \int_{\mathcal{S}} y^2 dS$?

(b) Evaluate $\int_{\mathcal{S}} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) dS$ with a minimum amount of labor.

(c) In view of (a) and (b), evaluate $\int_{\mathcal{S}} x^2 dS$.

(d) Evaluate $\int_{\mathcal{S}} (2x^2 + 3y^3) dS$.

18.[R] An electric field radiates power at the rate of $k(\sin^2(\phi))/\rho^2$ units per square meter to the point $P = (\rho, \theta, \phi)$. Find the total power radiated to the sphere $\rho = a$.

19.[R] A sphere of radius $2a$ has its center at the origin of a rectangular coordinate system. A circular cylinder of radius a has its axis parallel to the z axis and passes through the z axis. Find the area of that part of the sphere that lies within the cylinder and is above the xy plane.

Consider a distribution of mass on the surface \mathcal{S} . Let its density at P be $\sigma(P)$. The **moment of inertia** of the mass around the z axis is defined as $\int_{\mathcal{S}} (x^2 + y^2)\sigma(P) dS$. Exercises 20 and 21 concern this integral.

20.[R] Find the moment of inertia of a homogeneous distribution of mass on the surface of a ball of radius a around a diameter. Let the total mass be M .

21.[R] Find the moment of inertia about the z axis of a homogeneous distribution of mass on the triangle whose vertices are $(a, 0, 0)$, $(0, b, 0)$, and $(0, 0, c)$. Take $a, b,$

and c to be positive. Let the total mass be M .

22.[R] Let \mathcal{S} be a sphere of radius a . Let A be a point at distance $b > a$ from the center of \mathcal{S} . For P in \mathcal{S} let $\delta(P)$ be $1/q$, where q is the distance from P to A . Show that the average of $\delta(P)$ over \mathcal{S} is $1/b$.

23.[R] The data are the same as in Exercise 22 but $b < a$. Show that in this case the average of $1/q$ is $1/a$. (The average does *not* depend on b in this case.)

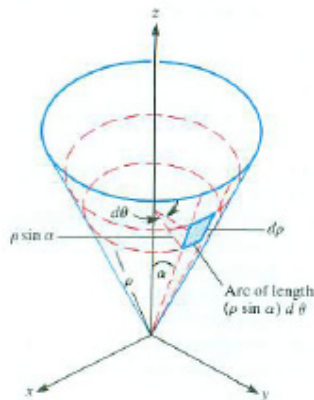
Exercises 24 to 26 concern integration over the curved surface of a cone. Spherical coordinates are also useful for integrating over a right circular cone. Place the origin at the vertex of the cone and the “ $\phi = 0$ ” ray along the axis of the cone, as shown in Figure 17.5.8(a). Let α be the half-vertex angle of the cone.

On the surface of the cone ϕ is constant, $\phi = \alpha$, but ρ and θ vary. A small “rectangular” patch on the surface of the cone corresponding to slight changes $d\theta$ and $d\rho$ has area approximately

$$(\rho \sin(\alpha) d\theta) d\rho = \rho \sin(\alpha) d\rho d\theta.$$

(See Figure 17.5.8.) So we may write

$$dS = \rho \sin \alpha d\rho d\theta.$$



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Figure 17.5.8:

24.[R] Find the average distance from points on the curved surface of a cone of radius a and height h to its axis.

25.[R] Evaluate $\int_{\mathcal{S}} z^2 dS$, where \mathcal{S} is the *entire* surface of the cone shown in Figure 17.5.8(b), including its base.

26.[R] Evaluate $\int_{\mathcal{S}} x^2 dS$, where \mathcal{S} is the curved surface of the right circular cone of radius 1 and height 1 with axis along the z axis.

Integration over the curved surface of a right circular cylinder is easiest in cylindrical coordinates. Consider such a cylinder of radius a and axis on the z axis. A small patch on the cylinder corresponding to dz and $d\theta$ has area approximately $dS = a dz d\theta$. (Why?) Exercises 27 and 28 illustrate the use of these coordinates.

27.[R] Let \mathcal{S} be the *entire* surface of a solid cylinder of radius a and height h . For P in \mathcal{S} let $f(P)$ be the square of the distance from P to one base. Find $\int_{\mathcal{S}} f(P) dS$. Be sure to include the two bases in the integration.

28.[R] Let \mathcal{S} be the curved part of the cylinder in Exercise 27. Let $f(P)$ be the square of the distance from P to a fixed diameter in a base. Find the average value of $f(P)$ for points in \mathcal{S} .

29.[R] The areas of the projections of a small flat surface patch on the three coordinate planes are 0.01, 0.02, and 0.03. Is that enough information to find the area of the patch? If so, find the area. If not, explain why not.

30.[R] Let \mathbf{F} describe the flow of a fluid in space. (See Section 16.3 for fluid flow in a planar region.) $\mathbf{F}(P) = \delta(P)\mathbf{v}(P)$, where $\delta(P)$ is the density of the fluid at P and $\mathbf{v}(P)$ is the velocity of the fluid at P . Making clear, large diagrams, explain why the rate at which the fluid is leaving the solid region enclosed by a surface \mathcal{S} is $\int_{\mathcal{S}} \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS$, where \mathbf{n} denotes the unit outward normal to \mathcal{S} .

31.[R] Let \mathcal{S} be the smooth surface of a convex body. Show that $\int_{\mathcal{S}} z \cos(\gamma) dS$ is equal to the volume of the solid bounded by \mathcal{S} . HINT: Break \mathcal{S} into two parts. In one part $\cos(\gamma)$ is positive; and the other it negative.

32.[M] Let $R(x, y, z)$ be a scalar function defined over a closed surface \mathcal{S} . (See

Figure 17.5.9.)

(a) Show that

$$\int_{\mathcal{S}} R(x, y, z) \cos(\gamma) \, dS = \int_{\mathcal{A}} (P(x, y, z_2) - P(x, y, z_1)) \, dA,$$

where \mathcal{A} is the projection of \mathcal{S} on the xy plane and the line through $(x, y, 0)$ parallel to the z axis meets \mathcal{S} at (x, y, z_1) and (x, y, z_2) , with $z_1 \leq z_2$.

(b) Let \mathcal{S} be a surface of the type in (a). Evaluate $\int_{\mathcal{S}} x \cos \gamma \, dS$.

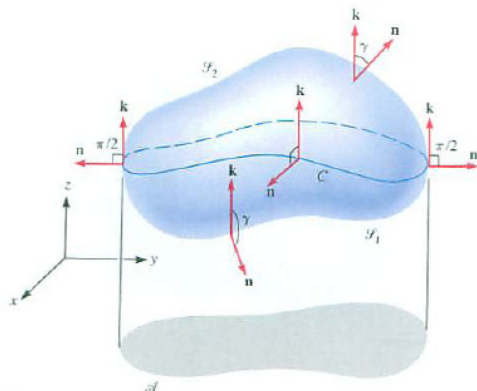


Figure 17.5.9:

17.6 Chapter Summary

This chapter generalizes the notion of a definite integral over an interval to integrals over plane sets, surfaces, and solids. These definitions are almost the same, the integral of $f(P)$ over a set being the limit of sums of the form $\sum f(P_i) \Delta A_i$, $\sum f(P_i) \Delta S_i$, or $\sum f(P_i) \Delta V_i$ for integrals over plane sets, surfaces, or solids, respectively.

If $f(P)$ denotes the density at P , then in each case, the integrals give the total mass.

The average value concept extends easily to functions of several variables. For instance, if $f(P)$ is defined on some plane region R , its average value over R is defined as

$$\frac{1}{\text{area}(R)} \int_R f(P) dA.$$

Sometimes these “multiple integrals” (also known as “double” or “triple” integrals) can be calculated by repeated integrations over intervals, that is, as “iterated integrals.” This requires a description of the region in an appropriate coordinate system and replaces dA or dV by an expression based on the area or volume of a small patch swept out by small changes in the coordinates, as recorded in Table 17.6.1.

Coordinate System	Substitution
Rectangular (2-d)	$dA = dx dy$
Rectangular (3-3)	$dV = dx dy dz$
Polar	$dA = r dr d\theta$
Cylindrical	$dV = r dr d\theta dz$
Cylindrical (surface)	$dS = r d\theta dz$
Spherical	$dV = \rho^2 \sin(\phi) d\phi d\rho d\theta$
Spherical (surface)	$dS = \rho^2 \sin(\phi) d\phi d\theta$

Table 17.6.1:

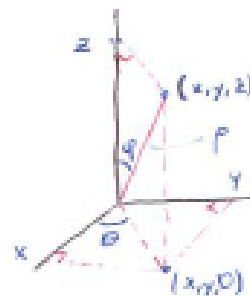
An integral over a surface S , $\int_S f(P) dS$, can often be replaced by an integral over the projection of S onto a plane R , replacing dS by $dA \cos(\gamma)$, where γ is the angle between a normal to S and a normal to R .

EXERCISES for 17.S *Key:* R–routine, M–moderate, C–challenging

1.[R] The temperature at the point (x, y) at time t is $T(x, y, t) = e^{-tx} \sin(x + 3y)$. Let $f(t)$ be the average temperature in the rectangle $0 \leq x \leq \pi$, $0 \leq y \leq \pi/2$ at time t . Find df/dt .

2.[R] Let f be a function such that $f(-x, y) = -f(x, y)$.

If density is 1, the center of mass is called the **centroid**.



Key Facts

Formula	Signif
$\int_R 1 \, dA$	Area
$\int_R 1 \, dV$	Volum
$\frac{1}{A} \int_R f(P) \, dA$ Area of R or $\frac{1}{V} \int_R f(P) \, dV$ Volume of R	Avera
$\int_R \sigma(P) \, dA$ or $\int_R \delta(P) \, dV$	Total
	δ den
$\int_R y\sigma(P) \, dA, \int_R x\sigma(P) \, dA$	Mome
	x and
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$\int_R y\delta(P) \, dV$	Mome
$\int_R x\delta(P) \, dV$	Mome
$\left(\frac{M_{yz}}{M}, \frac{M_{xz}}{M}, \frac{M_{xy}}{M}\right)$	Cente
	$(\bar{x}, \bar{y},$

Table 17.6.2:

Relations Between Rectangular Coordinates and Spherical or Cylindrical Coordinates

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= \rho \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta) & x &= r \cos(\theta) \\
 y &= \rho \sin(\phi) \sin(\theta) & y &= r \sin(\theta) \\
 z &= \rho \cos(\phi) & z &= z
 \end{aligned}$$

Table 17.6.3:

- (a) Give some examples of such functions.
- (b) For what type regions R in the xy plane is $\int_R f(x, y) dA$ certainly equal to 0?
- 3.[R]** Find $\int_R (2x^3y^2 + 7) dA$ where R is the square with vertices $(1, 1)$, $(-1, 1)$, $(-1, -1)$, and $(1, -1)$. Do this with as little work as possible.
- 4.[R]** Let $f(x, y)$ be a continuous function. Define $g(x)$ to be $\int_R f(P) dA$, where R is the rectangle with vertices $(3, 0)$, $(3, 5)$, $(x, 0)$, and $(x, 5)$, $x > 3$. Express dg/dx as a suitable integral.
- 5.[R]** Let R be a plane lamina in the shape of the region bounded by the graph of the equation $r = 2a \sin(\theta)$ ($a > 0$). If the variable density of the lamina is given by $\sigma(r, \theta) = \sin(\theta)$, find the center of mass R .
- In Exercises 6 to 9 find the moment of inertia of a homogeneous lamina of mass M of the given shape, around the given line.
- 6.[R]** A disk of radius a , about the line perpendicular to it through its center.
- 7.[R]** A disk of radius a , about a line perpendicular to it through a point on the circumference.
- 8.[R]** A disk of radius a , about a diameter.
- 9.[R]** A disk of radius a , about a tangent.