

Triple Integrals and Change of Variables

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Triple Integrals in Cartesian Coordinates

1. Let B be the rectangular box $0 \leq x \leq 1$, $0 \leq y \leq 2$, $0 \leq z \leq 3$. Evaluate

$$\iiint_B (2x + yz) \, dV.$$

2. Consider the iterated integral

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^z \int_0^{y+z} 6x \, dx \, dy \, dz.$$

- a) Describe the solid of integration by a system of inequalities.
- b) Evaluate the integral.

Setting Up the Limits for a Solid Region

3. Let E be the solid in the first octant ($x \geq 0$, $y \geq 0$, $z \geq 0$) lying under the plane $2x + y + 2z = 4$.

a) Write $\iiint_E f(x, y, z) dV$ as an iterated integral in the order $dz dy dx$.

b) Use your limits to evaluate $\iiint_E x dV$.

4. The solid E is bounded by the parabolic cylinder $z = 4 - x^2$ and the planes $y = 0$, $z = 0$ and $y + z = 4$; that is, E is the set of points with $0 \leq z \leq 4 - x^2$ and $0 \leq y \leq 4 - z$.

a) Write the volume of E as an iterated integral in the order $dy \, dz \, dx$.

b) Write it again in the order $dx \, dz \, dy$.

c) Evaluate whichever of the two is easier.

Triple Integrals in Cylindrical Coordinates

5. The solid E lies inside the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 9$, above the plane $z = 0$ and below the cone $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$. Use cylindrical coordinates (r, θ, z) to evaluate

$$\iiint_E z \, dV.$$

6. Convert the integral

$$\int_{-2}^2 \int_0^{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \int_{x^2+y^2}^4 y \, dz \, dy \, dx$$

to cylindrical coordinates (r, θ, z) , stating the range of each variable, and evaluate it.

Triple Integrals in Spherical Coordinates

7. Use spherical coordinates (ρ, θ, ϕ) in which ϕ is measured from the positive z -axis ($0 \leq \phi \leq \pi$) and θ is the same angle as in cylindrical coordinates, so that $x = \rho \sin \phi \cos \theta$, $y = \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta$, $z = \rho \cos \phi$ and $dV = \rho^2 \sin \phi \, d\rho \, d\phi \, d\theta$.

Let E be the part of the shell $1 \leq x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 4$ that lies in the first octant ($x \geq 0, y \geq 0, z \geq 0$). Evaluate

$$\iiint_E (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \, dV.$$

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The solid E lies inside the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 9$, above the plane $z = 0$ and *below* the cone $z = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}(x^2 + y^2)$. Find the range of each spherical variable on E , and evaluate

$$\iiint_E z dV.$$

Volume, Mass and Centre of Mass of a Solid

9. A solid cone occupies the region $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \leq z \leq 2$, with lengths in metres. Its density at each point is numerically equal to the height of the point: $\delta(x, y, z) = z$ kg/m³. Find the mass of the cone and the coordinates of its centre of mass.

The Jacobian and Change of Variables

10. Compute the Jacobian $\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)}$ of each transformation.

a) $x = 3u - v$, $y = u + 2v$.

b) $x = \frac{u}{v}$, $y = uv$, for $u > 0$, $v > 0$. Also give its value at $(u, v) = (6, 2)$.

11. Let R be the parallelogram in the xy -plane bounded by the lines $x - y = 0$, $x - y = 2$, $x + 2y = 0$ and $x + 2y = 3$. Use the change of variables $u = x - y$, $v = x + 2y$ to evaluate

$$\iint_R (x - y)^2(x + 2y) \, dA.$$

Synthesis — drawing on several topics in this unit

12. The solid E is enclosed between the two paraboloids $z = x^2 + y^2$ and $z = 8 - x^2 - y^2$, with lengths in centimetres.

- a) Write the volume of E as an iterated integral in Cartesian coordinates, in the order $dz\,dy\,dx$. Do not evaluate it.
- b) Convert to cylindrical coordinates and find the volume.
- c) The solid has density $\delta(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2$ g/cm³. Find its mass.
- d) State the centre of mass of the solid in part c), with a reason and without further integration.

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