

SOLUTIONS

Worksheet: Triple integrals in cartesian and spherical coordinates

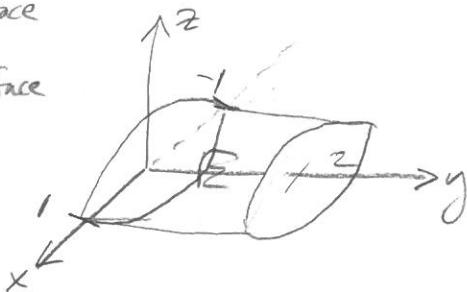
Recall $dV = dx dy dz$ in cartesian and $dV = \rho^2 \sin \phi d\rho d\phi d\theta$ in spherical coordinates.

- A. Suppose E is enclosed by the surfaces $z = x^2 - 1$, $z = 1 - x^2$, $y = 0$, and $y = 2$. Completely set up, but do not evaluate, the triple integral:

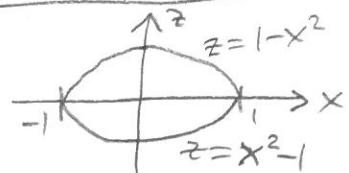
$$\iiint_E (x - y) dV = \int_{-1}^1 \int_0^2 \int_{x^2-1}^{1-x^2} x - y \, dz \, dy \, dx$$

$z = x^2 - 1$ is lower surface

$z = 1 - x^2$ is upper surface



in $x-z$ plane:



- B. Suppose E is the region between the spheres $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$ and $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 9$. Choose cartesian or spherical coordinates and then evaluate the integral:

$$\iiint_E (x^2 + y^2) dV$$

E is much easier to describe in spherical coordinates:

$$E = \{(\rho, \phi, \theta) \mid 2 \leq \rho \leq 3, 0 \leq \phi \leq \pi, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi\}$$

also:

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + y^2 &= (\rho \sin \phi \cos \theta)^2 + (\rho \sin \phi \sin \theta)^2 \\ &= \rho^2 \sin^2 \phi (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) = \rho^2 \sin^2 \phi \end{aligned}$$

So:

$$\iiint_E x^2 + y^2 dV = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_2^3 \rho^2 \sin^2 \phi \cdot \rho^2 \sin \phi \, d\rho \, d\phi \, d\theta$$

$$= \left(\int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \right) \left(\int_0^\pi \sin^3 \phi \, d\phi \right) \left(\int_2^3 \rho^4 \, d\rho \right) = 2\pi \left(\int_0^\pi (1 - \cos^2 \phi) \sin \phi \, d\phi \right) \left[\frac{\rho^5}{5} \right]_2^3$$

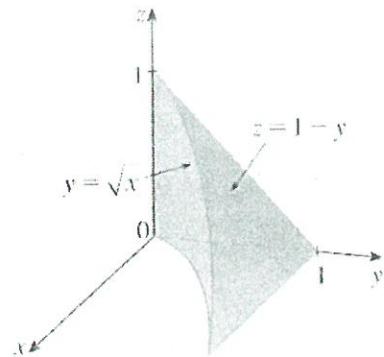
$$= [u = \cos \phi] 2\pi \left(\int_1^{-1} (1 - u^2)(-du) \right) \frac{211}{5} = \frac{2(211)\pi}{5} \int_{-1}^1 1 - u^2 \, du = \frac{1688}{15}\pi$$

- C. Suppose E is the region shown at right. Completely set up, but do not evaluate, the triple integral

$$\iiint_E f(x, y, z) dV$$

projection in $x-y$:

$$= \iiint_E \int_0^{\sqrt{y}} \int_0^{1-y} f(x, y, z) dz dy dx$$



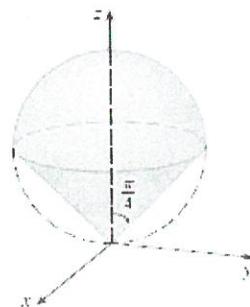
- D. The centroid $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ of a three-dimensional object E is computed by integrals for the mass and the three moments assuming constant density K :

$$m = \iiint_E K dV,$$

$$M_{yz} = \iiint_E x K dV, \quad M_{xz} = \iiint_E y K dV, \quad M_{xy} = \iiint_E z K dV$$

The centroid is given by these ratios:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{M_{yz}}{m}, \quad \bar{y} = \frac{M_{xz}}{m}, \quad \bar{z} = \frac{M_{xy}}{m}.$$



Use spherical coordinates to completely set up, but do not evaluate, the integrals needed to compute the centroid of the region E which is shown. The sphere shown is $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = z$, which is $\rho = \cos \phi$ in spherical coordinates, and the cone is $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$.

$$E = \{(\rho, \phi, \theta) \mid 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi, 0 \leq \phi \leq \frac{\pi}{4}, 0 \leq \rho \leq \cos \phi\}$$

$$m = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi/4} \int_0^{\cos \phi} K \rho^2 \sin \phi d\rho d\phi d\theta$$

$$M_{yz} = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi/4} \int_0^{\cos \phi} K \rho^3 \sin^2 \phi \cos \theta d\rho d\phi d\theta$$

$$M_{xz} = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi/4} \int_0^{\cos \phi} K \rho^3 \sin^2 \phi \sin \theta d\rho d\phi d\theta$$

$$M_{xy} = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi/4} \int_0^{\cos \phi} K \rho^3 \sin \phi \cos \theta d\rho d\phi d\theta$$