

Polar coordinates and triple integrals

1. Calculate the following double integrals using polar coordinates.

(a) $\int \int_D xy \, dA$ where D is the disk with center the origin and radius 3;

Solution:

$$\int \int_D xy \, dA = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^3 (r \cos \theta)(r \sin \theta) r \, dr \, d\theta = \left(\int_0^{2\pi} \sin \theta \cos \theta \, d\theta \right) \int_0^3 r^3 \, dr = 0.$$

(b) $\int \int_R (x + y) \, dA$ where R is the region that lies to the left of the y -axis between the circles $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ and $x^2 + y^2 = 4$;

Solution:

$$\int \int_R (x + y) \, dA = \int_{\pi/2}^{3\pi/2} \int_1^2 (r \cos \theta + r \sin \theta) r \, dr \, d\theta = \left(\int_{\pi/2}^{3\pi/2} (\sin \theta + \cos \theta) \, d\theta \right) \int_1^2 r^2 \, dr = -\frac{14}{3}.$$

(c) $\int \int_R \cos(x^2 + y^2) \, dA$ where R is the region that lies above the x -axis within the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 9$;

Solution:

$$\int \int_R \cos(x^2 + y^2) \, dA = \int_0^\pi \int_0^3 \cos(r^2) r \, dr \, d\theta = \left(\int_0^\pi d\theta \right) \left(\int_0^3 r \cos(r^2) \, dr \right) = \frac{\pi}{2} \sin 9.$$

(d) $\int \int_D e^{-x^2-y^2} \, dA$ where D is the region bounded by the semicircle $x = \sqrt{4 - y^2}$;

Solution:

$$\int \int_D e^{-x^2-y^2} \, dA = \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \int_0^2 e^{-r^2} r \, dr \, d\theta = \left(\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} d\theta \right) \int_0^2 e^{-r^2} r \, dr = \frac{\pi}{2} (1 - e^{-4}).$$

(e) $\int \int_D ye^x \, dA$ where D is the region in the first quadrant enclosed by the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 25$;

Solution:

$$\int \int_D ye^x \, dA = \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^5 (r \sin \theta) e^{r \cos \theta} r \, dr \, d\theta.$$

We first integrate $\int_0^{\pi/2} r^2 (\sin \theta) e^{r \cos \theta} \, d\theta$ through letting $u = r \cos \theta$, and get that it equals

$$\int_{u=r}^{u=0} (-r e^u) \, du = r e^r - r.$$

Hence, by integration-by-parts, we get

$$\int \int_D ye^x \, dA = \int_0^{\pi/2} (r e^r - r) \, dr = (r e^r - e^r - r^2/2) \Big|_0^{\pi/2} = 4e^5 - \frac{23}{2}.$$

2. Evaluate the following triple or iterated integrals.

(f) $\iiint_E (xz - y^3) dV$ where $E = \{(x, y, z) : -1 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 2, 0 \leq z \leq 1\}$;

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_E (xz - y^3) dV &= \int_{-1}^2 \int_0^2 \int_0^1 (xz - y^3) dz dy dx \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 \int_0^2 \left(\frac{xz^2}{2} - y^3 z \right) \Big|_{z=0}^{z=1} dy dx \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 \int_0^2 \left(\frac{x}{2} - y^3 \right) dy dx = \int_{-1}^1 (x - 4) dx = -8. \end{aligned}$$

(g) $\iiint_E 2x dV$ where $E = \{(x, y, z) : 0 \leq y \leq 2, 0 \leq x \leq \sqrt{4 - y^2}, 0 \leq z \leq y\}$;

Solution:

$$\iiint_E 2x dV = \int_0^2 \int_0^{\sqrt{4-y^2}} \int_0^y 2xz dx dy = \int_0^2 \int_0^{\sqrt{4-y^2}} 2xy dx dy = \int_0^2 (4 - y^2)y dy = 4.$$

(h) $\int_0^1 \int_0^z \int_0^{z+z} 6zx dy dx dz$;

Solution:

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^z \int_0^{z+z} 6zx dy dx dz = \int_0^1 \int_0^z 6sz(x + a) dx dz = \int_0^1 (2z^4 + 3z^4) dz = 1.$$

(i) $\int_0^3 \int_0^1 \int_0^{\sqrt{1-z^2}} ze^y dz dy$;

Solution:

$$\int_0^3 \int_0^1 \int_0^{\sqrt{1-z^2}} ze^y dz dy = \int_0^3 \int_0^1 ze^y \sqrt{1-z^2} dz dy = \int_0^3 \frac{dy}{3} = \frac{e^3 - 1}{3}.$$

(j) $\int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^y \int_0^x \cos(x + y + z) dz dx dy$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^y \int_0^x \cos(x + y + z) dz dx dy &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^y (\sin(2x + y) - \sin(x + y)) dx dy \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \left(-\frac{\cos 3y}{2} + \cos 2y + \frac{\cos y}{2} - \cos y \right) dy = -\frac{1}{3}. \end{aligned}$$