

Take Home Quiz

Due Friday, April 1 (no joke!)

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This is an EXTRA quiz and is optional in the sense that I will only count 4 out of the total of 6 quizzes for the semester. In order to get credit for this quiz, your solution must be PERFECT. Of course, the definition of perfect is subjective - I am unlikely to fail you for small errors like a sign error, etc. However, you will receive 0/15 on the quiz if there are ANY misunderstandings about spherical coordinates or integration. Please turn your quizzes in to me in class on April 1 (or before that in my office). I will accept no late quizzes.

Choose ONE of the problems below.

1. Evaluate the iterated integral

$$\int_0^1 \int_{\sqrt{1-y^2}}^{\sqrt{8-y^2}} \int_{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}^{\sqrt{16-x^2-y^2}} x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \, dz \, dx \, dy + \int_1^{\sqrt{8}} \int_0^{\sqrt{8-y^2}} \int_{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}^{\sqrt{16-x^2-y^2}} x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \, dz \, dx \, dy$$

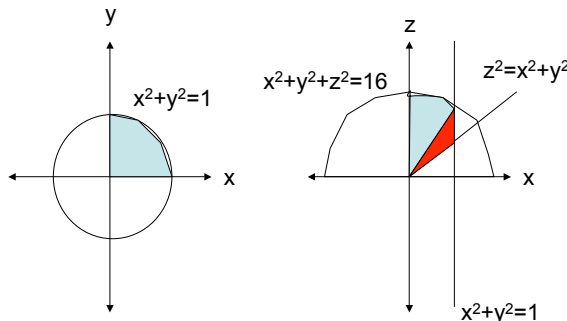
by changing to spherical coordinates.

2. Evaluate the iterated integral

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^{\sqrt{1-y^2}} \int_{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}^{\sqrt{16-x^2-y^2}} x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \, dz \, dx \, dy$$

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Most people attempted this problem. Here are the cross sections of this shape in the xy -plane and in the xz -plane (the section in the yz -plane is the same).



The first graph tells us that the domain of θ will be $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$. The second graph tells us that we need TWO integrals - since the bounds for ρ are not the same in the blue area and in the red area. In the blue area, we have $0 \leq \rho \leq 4$. In the red area we have $0 \leq \rho \leq 1/\sin(\phi)$ (this last is the spherical version of $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ - use the change of coordinates $x = \rho \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta)$ etc.). Now we have to solve for important values of ϕ . The blue area meets the red area where the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 16$ intersects the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 1$. When this happens,

$$\phi = \arctan\left(\frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{z}\right) = \arctan(1/\sqrt{15}).$$

I'm using the arctangent formula that I showed you in class, and I'm using that $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ and $z = \sqrt{16 - x^2 - y^2}$. However, if you prefer to use arcsine (since that is suggested by the diagram), it is also correct. You should get $\phi = \arcsin(1/4)$. Thus, in the blue area of the second graph we have $0 \leq \phi \leq \arctan(1/\sqrt{15})$. The next important value of ϕ occurs when the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ intersects the cone $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$. When this happens, $\phi = \arctan(1) = \pi/4$. Thus, in the red area of the graph we have $\arctan(1/\sqrt{15}) \leq \phi \leq \pi/4$. Finally, the integrand $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = \rho^2$. In spherical coordinates, the integral becomes

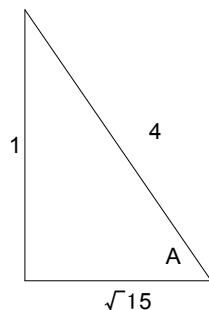
$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^A \int_0^4 \rho^4 \sin(\phi) d\rho d\phi d\theta + \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_Z^{\pi/4} \int_0^{1/\sin(\phi)} \rho^4 \sin(\phi) d\rho d\phi d\theta$$

where $A = \arctan(1/\sqrt{15})$.

The first integral in this sum is pretty easy to compute. We have

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^A (1/5)\rho^5|_0^4 \sin(\phi) d\phi d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/2} (1024/5)(\cos(A) - \cos(0)) d\theta = (512/5)\pi(1 - \cos(A)).$$

We can simplify $\cos(\arctan(1/\sqrt{15}))$ if we want to. I'll type this computation up ONCE so you can see it, but you weren't required to do this. Here is a right triangle with angle A satisfying the property that $\tan(A) = 1/\sqrt{15}$. That is, $A = \arctan(1/\sqrt{15})$.



Then $\cos(A) = \sqrt{15}/4$.

The second integral is a little bit harder, but it isn't so bad if you just use a table. We have

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \int_A^{\pi/4} (1/5)\rho^5|_0^{1/\sin(\phi)} \sin(\phi) d\phi d\theta = 1/5 \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_A^{\pi/4} \csc^4(\phi) d\phi d\theta$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 1/5 \int_0^{\pi/2} -(1/3) \csc^2(\phi) \cot(\phi) - (2/3) \cot(\phi) \Big|_A^{\pi/4} d\theta \\
&= (\pi/10)(-2/3 - 2/3 + 1/3 \csc^2(A) \cot(A) + 2/3 \cot(A)) \\
&= (\pi/10)(-4/3 + (1/3)(4^2)(\sqrt{15}) + (2/3)(\sqrt{15})) = -(2/15)\pi + (3/5)\sqrt{15}\pi
\end{aligned}$$

Adding the two of these, we get $\frac{1534\pi}{15} - 25\sqrt{15}\pi$.

I had expected you guys to learn a great deal about spherical coordinates with this problem. What I found while grading it was that you also learned a GREAT deal about "reasonable" numbers. It's true that most problems are doctored so that the answers are integers, or integer multiples of π , or 0, etc. HOWEVER, most problems that arise in nature DO NOT share this property. One word of advice ... it is SILLY to mix exact numbers like π with DECIMAL APPROXIMATIONS. One of these is correct to infinitely many significant digits, while the other is correct to only a few. Personally, I prefer to leave the decimal approximations out of the picture for this reason. It's up to you, but don't MIX!