

**Practice Problems II**  
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**Problem 1.**

Evaluate the indicated double integrals.

$$(a) \iint_R xy\sqrt{1+x^2} dA; \quad R = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq \sqrt{3}, 1 \leq y \leq 2\}$$

$$(b) \int_{-2}^2 \int_{-1}^1 |x^2 y^3| dy dx,$$

$$(c) \iint_S x dA; \quad S \text{ is the region between } y = x \text{ and } y = x^3. \quad (\text{Note that } S \text{ has two parts.})$$

**Solution**

$$(a) \iint_R xy\sqrt{1+x^2} dA = \int_1^2 \int_0^{\sqrt{3}} xy\sqrt{1+x^2} dx dy = \int_1^2 \left[ \frac{1}{3}y(1+x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_{x=0}^{x=\sqrt{3}} dy = \int_1^2 \frac{7}{3}y dy = \left[ \frac{7}{6}y^2 \right]_1^2 = 3.5.$$

$$(b) \int_{-2}^2 \int_{-1}^1 |x^2 y^3| dy dx = \int_{-2}^2 \int_{-1}^0 |x^2 y^3| dy dx + \int_{-2}^2 \int_0^1 |x^2 y^3| dy dx = - \int_{-2}^2 \int_{-1}^0 x^2 y^3 dy dx + \int_{-2}^2 \int_0^1 x^2 y^3 dy dx$$

$$= - \left( \int_{-2}^2 x^2 dx \right) \left( \int_{-1}^0 y^3 dy \right) + \left( \int_{-2}^2 x^2 dx \right) \left( \int_0^1 y^3 dy \right) = 2 \left( \int_0^2 x^2 dx \right) 2 \left( \int_0^1 y^3 dy \right) = 2 \left( \frac{8}{3} \right) 2 \left( \frac{1}{4} \right) = \frac{8}{3}.$$

(c) Since  $S$  is symmetric with respect to the origin and the integrand is an odd function in  $x$ , the value of the integral is 0.

We can check it by the direct computation. Indeed,

$$\iint_S x dA = \int_{-1}^0 \left( \int_x^{x^3} x dy \right) dx + \int_0^1 \left( \int_{x^3}^x x dy \right) dx = \int_{-1}^0 x \left[ y \right]_{y=x}^{y=x^3} dx + \int_0^1 x \left[ y \right]_{y=x^3}^{y=x} dx$$

$$= \int_{-1}^0 (x^4 - x^2) dx + \int_0^1 (x^2 - x^4) dx = \left[ \frac{1}{5}x^5 - \frac{1}{3}x^3 \right]_{-1}^0 + \left[ \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{5}x^5 \right]_0^1 = \left( \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{3} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5} \right) = 0.$$

**Problem 2.**

Find the volumes of the indicated solids by an iterated integration.

(a) The tetrahedron bounded by the coordinate planes and the plane  $3x + 4y + z - 12 = 0$ .

(b) The solid bounded by the parabolic cylinder  $x^2 = 4y$  and the planes  $z = 0$  and  $5y + 9z - 45 = 0$ .

**Solution**

$$(a) \text{ Volume} = \int_0^4 \left[ \int_0^{(-3/4)x+3} (12 - 3x - 4y) dy \right] dx = 24.$$

(b)

**Solution 1**

The plane  $5y + 9z = 45$  intersects the  $xy$ -plane in the line  $y = 9$ , so the region  $E$  (in  $xy$  plane) is

$$E = \{(x, y, z) : -6 \leq x \leq 6, x^2/4 \leq y \leq 9, 0 \leq z \leq 5 - (5/9)y\}$$

and

$$\text{Volume} = \int_{-6}^6 \int_{x^2/4}^9 \int_0^{5-(5/9)y} 1 \cdot dz dy dx = \int_{-6}^6 \int_{x^2/4}^9 \left( 5 - \frac{5}{9}y \right) dy dx = 144.$$

**Solution 2**

The plane  $5y + 9z = 45$  intersects the  $xy$ -plane in the line  $y = 9$ , so the region  $E$  (in  $xy$  plane) is

$$E = \{(x, y, z) : -2\sqrt{y} \leq x \leq 2\sqrt{y}, 0 \leq y \leq 9, 0 \leq z \leq 5 - (5/9)y\}$$

and

$$\text{Volume} = \int_0^9 \int_{-2\sqrt{y}}^{2\sqrt{y}} \int_0^{5-(5/9)y} 1 \cdot dz dx dy = \int_0^9 \int_{-2\sqrt{y}}^{2\sqrt{y}} \left(5 - \frac{5}{9}y\right) dx dy = 144.$$

**Problem 3.**

$S$  is the smaller region bounded by  $\theta = \pi/6$  and  $r = 4 \sin \theta$ . Find the area of the region  $S$  by calculating

$$\iint_S r dr d\theta.$$

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= \int_0^{\pi/6} \left[ \int_0^{4 \sin \theta} r dr \right] d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/6} \left[ \frac{r^2}{2} \right]_{r=0}^{r=4 \sin \theta} d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/6} 8 \sin^2 \theta d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/6} 4(1 - \cos 2\theta) d\theta \\ &= \left[ 4\theta - 2 \sin 2\theta \right]_0^{\pi/6} = \frac{2}{3}\pi - \sqrt{3} \approx 0.3623. \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 4.**

Evaluate the following double integral by using polar coordinates

$$\iint_S \sqrt{4 - x^2 - y^2} dA,$$

where  $S$  is the first quadrant sector of the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$  between  $y = 0$  and  $y = x$ .

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\pi/4} \left[ \int_0^2 (4 - r^2)^{1/2} r dr \right] d\theta &= \int_0^{\pi/4} \left[ -\frac{(4 - r^2)^{3/2}}{3} \right]_{r=0}^{r=2} d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/4} \frac{8}{3} d\theta = \left[ \frac{8\theta}{3} \right]_0^{\pi/4} = \frac{2\pi}{3} \approx 2.0944. \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 5.**

Find the volume of the solid lying under the graph of  $z = f(x, y) = x^3 + 4y$  and above the region  $R$  in the  $xy$ -plane bounded by the line  $y = 2x$  and the parabola  $y = x^2$ .

**Solution**

The region  $R$  is

$$R = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq 2, x^2 \leq y \leq 2x\}.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \iint_R f(x, y) dA = \int_0^2 \int_{x^2}^{2x} (x^3 + 4y) dy dx = \int_0^2 [x^3 y + 2y^2]_{y=x^2}^{y=2x} dx = \int_0^2 [(2x^4 + 8x^2) - (x^5 + 2x^4)] dx \\ &= \int_0^2 (8x^2 - x^5) dx = \left[ \frac{8}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{6}x^5 \right]_0^2 = \frac{32}{3} \end{aligned}$$

### Alternative Solution

One can also look at the region  $R$  as:

$$R = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq y \leq 4, \frac{y}{2} \leq x \leq \sqrt{y}\}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \iint_R f(x, y) dA = \int_0^4 \int_{y/2}^{\sqrt{y}} (x^3 + 4y) dx dy = \int_0^4 \left[ \frac{1}{4}x^4 + 4xy \right]_{x=y/2}^{x=\sqrt{y}} dy \\ &= \int_0^4 \left[ \left( \frac{1}{4}y^2 + 4y^{3/2} \right) - \left( \frac{1}{64}y^4 + 2y^2 + 2x^4 \right) \right] dx \\ &= \int_0^4 \left( -\frac{7}{4}y^2 + 4y^{3/2} - \frac{1}{64}y^4 \right) dy = \left[ -\frac{7}{12}y^3 + \frac{8}{5}y^{5/2} - \frac{1}{320}y^5 \right]_0^4 = \frac{32}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

### Problem 6.

Evaluate  $\iint_R (2x - y) dA$ , when  $R$  is the region bounded by the parabola  $x = y^2$  and the line  $x - y = 2$ .

### Solution

The region  $R$  is

$$R = \{(x, y) : -1 \leq y \leq 2, y^2 \leq x \leq y + 2\}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_R (2x - y) dA &= \int_{-1}^2 \int_{y^2}^{y+2} (2x - y) dx dy = \int_{-1}^2 [x^2 - xy]_{x=y^2}^{x=y+2} dy = \int_{-1}^2 [(y+2)^2 - y(y+2)] - [y^4 - y^3] dx \\ &= \int_{-1}^2 (4 + 2y + y^3 - y^4) dy = \left[ 4y + y^2 + \frac{1}{4}y^4 - \frac{1}{5}y^5 \right]_{-1}^2 = \frac{233}{20}. \end{aligned}$$

### Alternative Solution

We can also write

$$\iint_R (2x - y) dA = \int_0^1 \int_{-\sqrt{x}}^{\sqrt{x}} (2x - y) dy dx + \int_1^4 \int_{x-2}^{\sqrt{x}} (2x - y) dy dx.$$

### Problem 7.

Evaluate

$$\int_0^1 \int_y^1 \frac{\sin x}{x} dx dy.$$

### Solution

The integral

$$\int \frac{\sin x}{x} dx$$

cannot be evaluated in terms of elementary functions. We attempt to evaluate the original integral by reversing the order of integration. We have

$$\int_0^1 \int_y^1 \frac{\sin x}{x} dx dy = \iint_R \frac{\sin x}{x} dA,$$

where

$$R = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq y \leq 1, y \leq x \leq 1\}.$$

However, by viewing the region  $R$  as

$$R = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq x\},$$

we have

$$\int_0^1 \int_y^1 \frac{\sin x}{x} dx dy = \iint_R \frac{\sin x}{x} dA = \int_0^1 \int_0^x \frac{\sin x}{x} dy dx = \int_0^1 \left[ \frac{y \sin x}{x} \right]_{y=0}^{y=x} dx = \int_0^1 \sin x dx = [-\cos x]_0^1 = -\cos 1 + 1.$$

### Problem 8.

Evaluate

$$\int_0^1 \int_x^1 \sin(y^2) dy dx.$$

### Solution

The integral

$$\int \sin(y^2) dy$$

cannot be evaluated in terms of elementary functions. We attempt to evaluate the original integral by reversing the order of integration. We have

$$\int_0^1 \int_x^1 \sin(y^2) dy dx = \iint_R \sin(y^2) dA,$$

where

$$R = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq 1, x \leq y \leq 1\}.$$

However, by viewing the region  $R$  as

$$R = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq y \leq 1, 0 \leq x \leq y\},$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \int_x^1 \sin(y^2) dy dx &= \iint_R \sin(y^2) dA = \int_0^1 \int_0^y \sin(y^2) dx dy = \int_0^1 [x \sin(y^2)]_{x=0}^{x=y} dy \\ &= \int_0^1 y \sin(y^2) dy = \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \cos(y^2) \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 1). \end{aligned}$$

### Problem 9.

Evaluate  $\iint_R (2x + 3y) dA$ , where  $R$  is the region in the first quadrant bounded by  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  and  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ .

### Solution

the region  $R$  is a polar rectangular

$$R = \{(r, \theta) : 1 \leq r \leq 2, 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2\}.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_R (2x + 3y) dA &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_1^2 (2r \cos \theta + 3r \sin \theta) r dr d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/2} \left[ \frac{2}{3} r^3 \cos \theta + r^3 \sin \theta \right]_{r=1}^{r=2} d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/2} \left( \frac{14}{3} \cos \theta + 7 \sin \theta \right) d\theta \\ &= \left[ \frac{14}{3} \sin \theta - 7 \cos \theta \right]_0^{\pi/2} = \frac{35}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 10.**

Use a double integral to find the area enclosed by one loop of the three-leaved rose  $r = \sin(3\theta)$ .

**Solution**

A loop of the rose is described by the region

$$R = \{(r, \theta) : 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/3, 0 \leq r \leq \sin(3\theta)\}.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \iint_R 1 \, dA = \int_0^{\pi/3} \int_0^{\sin(3\theta)} r \, dr \, d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/3} \left[ \frac{1}{2} r^2 \right]_{r=0}^{r=\sin(3\theta)} d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi/3} \sin^2(3\theta) \, d\theta = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\pi/3} (1 - \cos(6\theta)) \, d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[ \theta - \frac{1}{6} \sin(6\theta) \right]_{\theta=0}^{\theta=\pi/3} = \frac{\pi}{12}. \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 11.**

Evaluate the integral

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-x^2) \, dx.$$

The integral

$$\int \exp(-x^2) \, dx$$

cannot be evaluated in terms of elementary functions. Switching to the polar coordinates will help. First, we notice that if  $A = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-x^2) \, dx$  then

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-x^2 - y^2) \, dx \, dy = A^2. \quad (\text{Do you know why?})$$

Next,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-x^2 - y^2) \, dx \, dy &= \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^a \int_0^{2\pi} \exp(-r^2) r \, dr \, d\theta = \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} 2\pi \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \exp(-r^2) \right]_{r=0}^{r=a} = 2\pi \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \exp(-a^2) + \frac{1}{2} \right] \\ &= 2\pi \frac{1}{2} = \pi. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-x^2) \, dx = \sqrt{\pi}.$$

**Problem 12.**

Evaluate  $\iiint_E yz \, dV$ , where  $E$  is the solid tetrahedron bounded by the four planes  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $z = 0$ ,  $x + y + z = 1$ .

**Solution**

The lower boundary of the tetrahedron is the plane  $z = 0$  and the upper boundary is the plane  $x + y + z = 1$ , or  $z = 1 - x - y$ . Next, we observe that the planes  $x + y + z = 1$  and  $z = 0$  intersect in the line  $x + y = 1$  (or  $y = 1 - x$ ) in the  $xy$ -plane. So the projection of  $E$  onto  $xy$ -plane is the region  $R$

$$R = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 - x\}.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 \iiint_E yz \, dV &= \iint_R \left[ \int_0^{1-x-y} yz \, dz \right] dA = \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} \int_0^{1-x-y} yz \, dz \, dy \, dx = \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} \left[ \frac{1}{2} yz^2 \right]_{z=0}^{z=1-x-y} dy \, dx \\
 &= \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} \frac{1}{2} y(1-x-y)^2 \, dy \, dx = \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} \left( \frac{1}{2} x^2 y + xy^2 + \frac{1}{2} y^3 - xy - y^2 + \frac{1}{2} y \right) dy \, dx \\
 &= \int_0^1 \left[ -\frac{5}{24} (1-x)^4 + (1-x)^2 \left( \frac{1}{4} x^2 - \frac{1}{2} x + \frac{1}{4} \right) \right] dx = \frac{1}{120}.
 \end{aligned}$$