

231 Outline Solutions Tutorial Sheet 1, 2 and 3.¹²

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Problem Sheet 1

1. Rewrite the integral

$$I = \int_0^1 dx \int_1^{e^x} dy \phi(x, y) \quad (1)$$

as a double integral with the opposite order of integration.

Solution: The range of y values: $1 \leq y \leq e$. For a fixed y , x has the range $\log y \leq x \leq 1$. Hence

$$I = \int_1^e dy \int_{\log y}^1 dx \phi(x, y). \quad (2)$$

2. Evaluate

$$I = \int_D dx dy x e^{xy} \quad (3)$$

where D is given by $0 < x < 1$ and $2 < y < 4$.

Solution: So rewriting as an iterated integral

$$I = \int_D dx dy x e^{xy} = \int_0^1 dx \int_2^4 dy x e^{xy} \quad (4)$$

and integrating from the middle

$$\int_0^1 dx \int_2^4 dy x e^{xy} = \int_0^1 dx \left(x \frac{1}{x} e^{xy} \right)_2^4 = \int_0^1 dx (e^{4x} - e^{2x}) = \frac{1}{4}e^4 - \frac{1}{2}e^2 + \frac{1}{4} \quad (5)$$

Here we cunningly made the integration easier by doing the y integration first, in fact it shouldn't make any difference to the answer if the integration is done in the other order, it is definitely harder thought:

$$I = \int_D dx dy x e^{xy} = \int_2^4 dy \int_0^1 dx x e^{xy} = \int_2^4 dy \left(\frac{1}{y^2} - \frac{1}{y^2} e^y + \frac{1}{y} e^y \right) \quad (6)$$

where we did the x integral using integration by parts, Now integrating by parts

$$\int_2^4 dy \frac{1}{y} e^y = \frac{1}{y} e^y \Big|_2^4 + \int_2^4 dy \frac{1}{y^2} e^y \quad (7)$$

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so, substituting this in and cancelling

$$\int_2^4 dy \left(\frac{1}{y^2} - \frac{1}{y^2} e^y + \frac{1}{y} e^y \right) = \frac{1}{y} e^y \Big|_2^4 + \int_2^4 dy \left(\frac{1}{y^2} \right) = \frac{1}{4} e^4 - \frac{1}{2} e^2 + \frac{1}{4} \quad (8)$$

as before.

3. Evaluate

$$I = \int_D dx dy (x + y) \quad (9)$$

where D is given by $0 < y < 1$ and $2y < x < 2$.

Solution: So, write as an iterated integral

$$I = \int_D dx dy (x + y) = \int_0^1 dy \int_{2y}^2 dx (x + y) \quad (10)$$

and integrate from the inside out

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 dy \int_{2y}^2 dx (x + y) &= \int_0^1 dy \left(\frac{1}{2} x^2 + xy \right)_{2y}^2 = \int_0^1 dy (2 + 2y - 4y^2) \\ &= 3 - \frac{4}{3} = \frac{5}{3} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

4. Change the order of integration of

$$I = \int_0^{1/2} dy \int_{-\sqrt{1-4y^2}}^{\sqrt{1-4y^2}} dx y \quad (12)$$

and evaluate.

Solution: So

$$x = \pm \sqrt{1 - 4y^2} \quad (13)$$

implies

$$y = \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - x^2} \quad (14)$$

and it is easy to see from drawing a picture that

$$I = \int_0^{1/2} dy \int_{-\sqrt{1-4y^2}}^{\sqrt{1-4y^2}} dx y = \int_{-1}^1 dx \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1-x^2}} dy y \quad (15)$$

Now, integrating we get

$$\int_{-1}^1 dx \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1-x^2}} dy y = \frac{1}{8} \int_{-1}^1 dx (1 - x^2) = \frac{1}{8} \left(2 - \frac{2}{3} \right) = \frac{1}{6} \quad (16)$$

Problem Sheet 2

1. Consider the integral

$$I = \int_D dV \phi \quad (17)$$

where D is the interior of the ellipsoid defined by

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1. \quad (18)$$

Write down I as an iterated triple integral.

Solution: Upper surface of ellipsoid is

$$z = +c\sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2}}. \quad (19)$$

whereas the lower surface is

$$z = -c\sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2}} \quad (20)$$

The surfaces join at $z = 0$ where $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, this provides range of x and y integrations: $y = -b\sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}}$ to $y = +b\sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}}$ and $x = -a$ to $x = a$:

$$I = \int_{-a}^a dx \int_{-b\sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}}}^{+b\sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}}} dy \int_{-c\sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2}}}^{+c\sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2}}} dz \phi(x, y, z). \quad (21)$$

2. The Gaussian integral formula

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-x^2} = \sqrt{\pi} \quad (22)$$

can be derived easily with the help of polar coordinates. The trick is to note that the *square* of the integral can be recast as a double integral over R^2 :

$$\left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-x^2} \right)^2 = \int_{R^2} dA e^{-x^2 - y^2}. \quad (23)$$

By changing to polar coordinates evaluate this integral.

Solution: After changing to polars and making sure to include the Jacobian $J = r$

$$\int_{R^2} dA e^{-x^2 - y^2} = \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \int_0^{\infty} dr r e^{-r^2} \quad (24)$$

and then do this integral by substituting $u = r^2$ so $du = 2rdr$ to give

$$I^2 = \pi \int_0^{\infty} du e^{-u} = \pi \quad (25)$$

as required.

3. Compute the Jacobian of the transformation from cartesian to parabolic cylinder coordinates

$$x = \frac{1}{2}(u^2 - v^2), \quad y = uv. \quad (26)$$

Solution: Well

$$\begin{aligned} J &= \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} u & -v \\ v & u \end{vmatrix} \\ &= u^2 + v^2. \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

4. Determine the volume of the region enclosed by the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ and the planes $y + z = 4$ and $z = 0$. *Suggestion: Use Cartesian coordinates.*

Solution: Range of integration: $z = 0$ to $z = 4 - y$, $y = -\sqrt{4 - x^2}$ to $y = +\sqrt{4 - x^2}$ and $x = -2$ to $x = 2$. Thus the volume is

$$V = \int_{-2}^2 dx \int_{-\sqrt{4-x^2}}^{+\sqrt{4-x^2}} dy \int_0^{4-y} dz \, 1 = \int_{-2}^2 dx \int_{-\sqrt{4-x^2}}^{+\sqrt{4-x^2}} dy (4 - y), \quad (28)$$

the z integral being trivial. The y integral is also straightforward:

$$V = \int_{-2}^2 dx \, 8\sqrt{4 - x^2} = 8 \cdot 2\pi = 16\pi. \quad (29)$$

The final integral can be evaluated by elementary means: either make the standard substitution ($x = 2 \sin \theta$) or simply note that the integral represents the area of a semi-circle of radius 2.

Problem Sheet 3

1. Rewrite the integral

$$I = \int_0^1 dy \int_{\tan^{-1} y}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} dx \, \phi(x, y), \quad (30)$$

as an iterated double integral with the opposite order of integration. Compute the area of the region of integration.

Solution: Here $x = \frac{1}{4}\pi$ is the right boundary and $x = \tan^{-1} y$ is the left boundary. A quick sketch shows that the left boundary is also the upper boundary which can be written $y = \tan x$. The lower boundary is $y = 0$ and $0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{4}\pi$. Thus

$$I = \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}\pi} dx \int_0^{\tan x} dy \, \phi(x, y). \quad (31)$$

Area obtained by setting $\phi(x, y) = 1$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}\pi} dx \int_0^{\tan x} dy \\
 &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}\pi} dx \tan x = -\log(\cos x) \Big|_0^{\frac{1}{4}\pi} \\
 &= -\left(\log \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \log 1\right) \\
 &= \frac{\log 2}{2}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{32}$$

2. Compute the element of area for elliptic cylinder coordinates which are defined as

$$x = a \cosh u \cos v \tag{33}$$

$$y = a \sinh u \sin v. \tag{34}$$

Solution: $\delta A = J \delta u \delta v$ with

$$\begin{aligned}
 J &= \left\| \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix} \right\| = \left\| \begin{vmatrix} a \sinh u \cos v & -a \cosh u \sin v \\ a \cosh u \sin v & a \sinh u \cos v \end{vmatrix} \right\| \\
 &= a^2 (\sinh^2 u \cos^2 v + \cosh^2 u \sin^2 v)
 \end{aligned} \tag{35}$$

This can be simplified a bit:

$$\begin{aligned}
 J &= a^2 (\sinh^2 u \cos^2 v + \cosh^2 u \sin^2 v) = a^2 [\sinh^2 u (1 - \sin^2 v) + \cosh^2 u \sin^2 v] \\
 &= a^2 [\sinh^2 u + \sin^2 v (\cosh^2 u - \sinh^2 u)]
 \end{aligned} \tag{36}$$

Using $\cosh^2 u - \sinh^2 u = 1$ gives $J = a^2 (\sinh^2 u + \sin^2 v)$.

3. Compute the area and centroid of the plane region enclosed by the cardioid $r(\theta) = 1 + \cos \theta$ (r and θ are polar coordinates).

Solution: Use polar coördinates to evaluate area integral; θ ranges from 0 to 2π and r ranges from 0 to $1 + \cos \theta$ and the Jacobian is $J = r$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \int_D dV = \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \int_0^{1+\cos \theta} dr r \\
 &= \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos \theta)^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta (1 + 2 \cos \theta + \cos^2 \theta) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} (2\pi + 0 + \pi) = \frac{3}{2} \pi,
 \end{aligned} \tag{37}$$

since $\cos \theta$ integrates to zero and the average value of $\cos^2 \theta$ is $\frac{1}{2}$.

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_D x dV &= \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \int_0^{1+\cos\theta} dr r^2 \cos\theta \\
&= \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos\theta)^3 \cos\theta \\
&= \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta (\cos\theta + 3\cos^2\theta + 3\cos^3\theta + \cos^4\theta) \\
&= \frac{1}{3} \left(3\pi + 0 + \frac{3}{4}\pi \right) = \frac{5}{4}\pi,
\end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

and so $\bar{x} = 5/6$. By symmetry $\bar{y} = 0$.

4. Check that the Jacobian for the transformation from cartesian to spherical polar coordinates is

$$J = r^2 \sin\theta.$$

Consider the hemisphere defined by

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \leq 1, \quad z \geq 0.$$

Using spherical polar coordinates compute its volume and centroid.

Solution: Spherical polar coordinates are defined by

$$\begin{aligned}
x &= r \sin\theta \cos\phi, \\
y &= r \sin\theta \sin\phi, \\
z &= r \cos\theta.
\end{aligned} \tag{39}$$

The Jacobian is

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(r, \theta, \phi)} &= \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \phi} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \phi} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial \phi} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \sin\theta \cos\phi & r \cos\theta \cos\phi & -r \sin\theta \sin\phi \\ \sin\theta \sin\phi & r \cos\theta \sin\phi & r \sin\theta \cos\phi \\ \cos\theta & -r \sin\theta & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\
&= r^2 \sin^2\theta [\cos^2\theta \cos^2\phi + \cos^2\theta \sin^2\phi + \sin^2\theta \cos^2\phi + \sin^2\theta \sin^2\phi] \\
&= r^2 \sin\theta.
\end{aligned} \tag{40}$$

Volume = $\int_D dV$. Centroid $\bar{x} = \bar{y} = 0$ by symmetry and $\bar{z} = \int_D dV z / \int_D dV$. Now

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_D dV &= \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^{\pi/2} d\theta \int_0^1 dr r^2 \sin\theta = 2\pi \int_0^{\pi/2} d\theta \sin\theta \frac{1}{3} \\
&= -\frac{2}{3}\pi \cos\theta \Big|_0^{\pi/2} = 2\pi/3
\end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

as expected.

The other integral is

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_D dV \, z &= \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}\pi} d\theta \int_0^1 dr \, r^2 \sin \theta \cdot r \cos \theta = 2\pi \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}\pi} d\theta \sin \theta \cos \theta \frac{1}{4} \\
&= \frac{\pi}{2} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}\pi} d\theta \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}
\end{aligned} \tag{42}$$

and therefore $\bar{z} = 3/8$.