

### 13.9-13.10: Part I

Triple integrals in spherical coordinates

- Spherical coordinates of  $P$  is the ordered triple  $(\rho, \theta, \phi)$  where  $|OP| = \rho, \rho \geq 0, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi, 0 \leq \phi \leq \pi.$

$$|OP_1| = \rho \sin \varphi$$

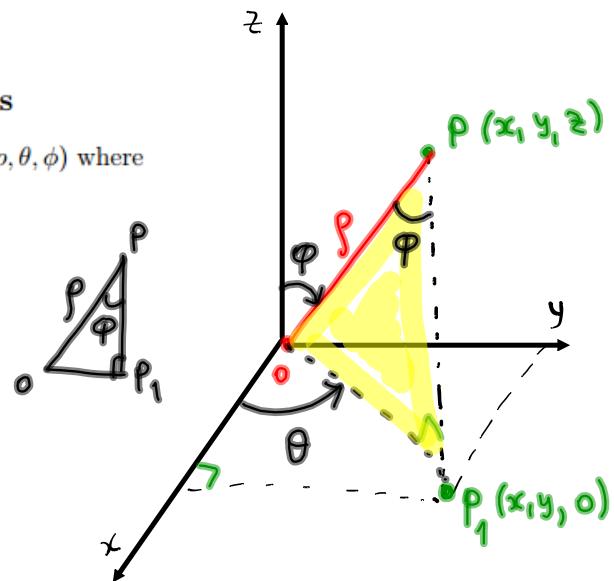
$$x = |OP_1| \cos \theta = \rho \sin \varphi \cos \theta$$

$$y = |OP_1| \sin \theta = \rho \sin \varphi \sin \theta$$

$$z = |PP_1| = \rho \cos \varphi$$

We have

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} x &= \rho \sin \varphi \cos \theta \\ y &= \rho \sin \varphi \sin \theta \\ z &= \rho \cos \varphi \end{aligned}}$$



$$(x_1, y_1, z) \rightarrow (\rho, \theta, \varphi)$$

REMARK 1. The spherical coordinates

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \rho \sin \phi \cos \theta \\y &= \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta \\z &= \rho \cos \phi \\\rho &\geq 0, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi, \quad 0 \leq \phi \leq \pi\end{aligned}$$

are especially useful in problems where there is *symmetry about the origin*.

Note that

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 + y^2 + z^2 &= \rho^2 \sin^2 \phi \cos^2 \theta + \rho^2 \sin^2 \phi \sin^2 \theta + \rho^2 \cos^2 \phi \\&= \rho^2 \left\{ \sin^2 \phi \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \phi \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \phi \right\} \\&= \rho^2 \left\{ \sin^2 \phi (\underbrace{\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta}_{1}) + \cos^2 \phi \right\} \\&= \rho^2 (\underbrace{\sin^2 \phi + \cos^2 \phi}_{1}) = \rho^2\end{aligned}$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = \rho^2$$

EXAMPLE 2. Find equation in spherical coordinates for the following surfaces.

(a)  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 16$

$$\overbrace{p^2 = 16} \Rightarrow \boxed{p = 4}$$

(b)  $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

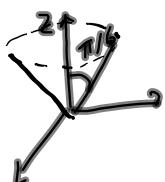
$$p \cos \varphi = \sqrt{p^2 (\sin^2 \varphi \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \varphi \sin^2 \theta)}$$

$$p \cos \varphi = p \sqrt{\sin^2 \varphi (\underbrace{\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta}_1)}$$

$$p \cos \varphi = p \sin \varphi \Rightarrow \tan \varphi = 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{\varphi = \frac{\pi}{4}}$$

$$(c) z = \sqrt{3x^2 + 3y^2} \Rightarrow z = \sqrt{3} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \quad \text{see part (b)}$$

cone

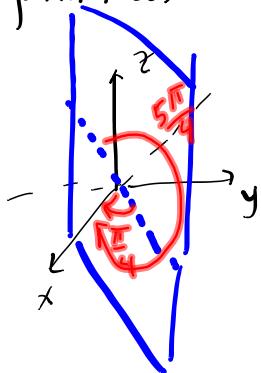


$$\rho \cos \varphi = \sqrt{3} \rho \sin \varphi$$

$$\tan \varphi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \Rightarrow \boxed{\varphi = \frac{\pi}{6}}$$

$$(d) x = y$$

$$\rho \sin \varphi \cos \theta = \rho \sin \varphi \sin \theta \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \sin \theta \Rightarrow \tan \theta = 1$$



$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}$$

$$\boxed{\theta = \frac{\pi}{4} \cup \theta = \frac{5\pi}{4}}$$

• Triple integrals in spherical coordinates

Diagram illustrating the mapping between Cartesian, cylindrical, and spherical coordinates:

- Cartesian to Cylindrical:**  $(x, y, z) \rightarrow (r, \theta, z)$
- Cylindrical to Spherical:**  $(r, \theta, z) \rightarrow (\rho, \theta, \phi)$

Conversion formulas:

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \rho \sin \phi \cos \theta \\ y &= \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta \\ z &= \rho \cos \phi \\ r &\geq 0, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi, \quad 0 \leq \phi \leq \pi \end{aligned}$$

**cylindrical coord.**

**Spherical coordinates:**

$$\begin{aligned} x &= r \cos \theta \\ y &= r \sin \theta \\ z &= z \end{aligned}$$

**Volume element:**

$$dV = dx dy dz = r dr d\theta dz = r \rho d\rho d\theta d\phi = \rho^2 \sin \phi d\rho d\theta d\phi$$

**Region E:** A dashed ellipsoid in the first octant of a 3D Cartesian coordinate system.

**Volume element in Spherical:**  $dV = \rho^2 \sin \phi d\rho d\theta d\phi$

**Condition:**  $0 \leq \phi \leq \pi \Rightarrow \sin \phi \geq 0 \Rightarrow dV \geq 0$

**THEOREM 3.** Let  $f(x, y, z)$  be a continuous function over a solid  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ . Let  $E^*$  be its image in spherical coordinates. Then

$$\iiint_E f(x, y, z) dV = \iiint_{E^*} f(\rho \sin \phi \cos \theta, \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta, \rho \cos \phi) \rho^2 \sin \phi d\rho d\theta d\phi.$$

**EXAMPLE 4.** Evaluate  $I = \iiint_E e^{\sqrt{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^3}} dV$  where  $E = \{(x, y, z) : 9 \leq x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 16\}$

$$E^* = \left\{ (\rho, \theta, \varphi) : 3 \leq \rho \leq 4, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi, 0 \leq \varphi \leq \pi \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \iiint_{E^*} e^{\sqrt{(\rho^2)^3}} \rho^2 \sin \varphi d\rho d\theta d\varphi \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_3^4 e^{\rho^3} \rho^2 \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta \\ &= \left( \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \right) \left( \int_0^\pi \sin \varphi d\varphi \right) \left( \int_3^4 e^{\rho^3} \rho^2 d\rho \right) \\ &= 2\pi (-\cos \varphi) \Big|_0^\pi \frac{1}{3} e^{\rho^3} \Big|_3^4 \\ &= 2\pi \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{1}{3} (e^{64} - e^{27}) = \frac{4\pi}{3} (e^{64} - e^{27}) \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 5. Write the integral  $\iiint_E f(x, y, z) dV$  in spherical coordinates where

(a)  $E = \{(x, y, z) : \underline{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1}, y \geq 0, z \geq 0\}$ .

$$E^* = \left\{ (\rho, \theta, \varphi) : 0 \leq \rho \leq 1, 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi, 0 \leq \varphi \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \right\}$$

$$\iiint_E f(x, y, z) dV = \iiint_{E^*} f(\rho \sin \varphi \cos \theta, \rho \sin \varphi \sin \theta, \rho \cos \varphi) \rho^2 \sin \varphi d\rho d\theta d\varphi$$

(b)  $E$  is the icecream cone-shaped solid, which is cut from the sphere of radius 5 by the cone  $\phi = \pi/6$ .

$$E^* = \left\{ (\rho, \theta, \varphi) : 0 \leq \rho \leq 5, 0 \leq \varphi \leq \frac{\pi}{6}, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi \right\}$$

$$I = \iiint_E f(x, y, z) dV = \iiint_{E^*} f(\rho \sin \varphi \cos \theta, \rho \sin \varphi \sin \theta, \rho \cos \varphi) \rho^2 \sin \varphi d\rho d\theta d\varphi$$

EXAMPLE 6. Evaluate the integral by changing to spherical coordinates:

$$I = \int_0^3 \int_0^{\sqrt{9-y^2}} \left[ \int_{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}^{\sqrt{18-x^2-y^2}} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) dz \right] dx dy.$$

iterated integral ||

$\iint_D \dots dA$  projection of  $E$  onto the  $xy$ -plane

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

Solid is bounded by two surfaces  
 $\varphi = \frac{\pi}{4}$  and  $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  and  $z = \sqrt{18 - x^2 - y^2} \Rightarrow \rho = 3\sqrt{2}$   
 upper half sphere with radius  $\sqrt{18} = 3\sqrt{2}$   $0 \leq \varphi \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

And projection of  $E$  onto the  $xy$ -plane is the region

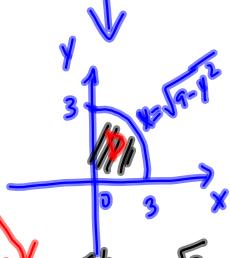
$$D = \{ 0 \leq y \leq 3, 0 \leq x \leq \sqrt{9-y^2} \}$$

$0 \leq \varphi \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$

$0 \leq \rho \leq 3\sqrt{2}$

To determine bounds for  $\theta$  look at  $D$  (projection)

$$0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$



$$I = \int_0^3 \int_0^{\sqrt{9-y^2}} \int_0^{\sqrt{18-x^2-y^2}} \rho^2 \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta$$