

# MA144 Methods of Mathematical Modelling 2, Assignment 3

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## Question 1

Consider the volume of the solid  $S$  bounded between the plane  $z = 1$  and the surface  $z = x^2 + 4y^2$ .

### Q1 (a)

Express the volume as a triple integral in Cartesian coordinates. Do this in *three* ways with different orders of integration.

$$S = \int_0^1 \int_{-\frac{\sqrt{z}}{2}}^{\frac{\sqrt{z}}{2}} \int_{-\sqrt{z-4y^2}}^{\sqrt{z-4y^2}} dx \, dy \, dz$$

$$S = \int_0^1 \int_{\sqrt{z}}^{\sqrt{z}} \int_{-\sqrt{z-x^2}}^{\sqrt{z-x^2}} dy \, dx \, dz$$

$$S = \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{-\sqrt{1-4y^2}}^{\sqrt{1-4y^2}} \int_{x^2+4y^2}^1 dz \, dx \, dy$$

**Q1 (b)**

Choose one of the triple integrals you wrote down in part (a). Calculate the volume of the solid.

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{-\sqrt{1-4y^2}}^{\sqrt{1-4y^2}} \int_{x^2+4y^2}^1 dz \, dx \, dy \\
 &= \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{-\sqrt{1-4y^2}}^{\sqrt{1-4y^2}} (1 - x^2 - 4y^2) \, dx \, dy \\
 &= \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ x - \frac{1}{3}x^3 - 4xy^2 \right]_{x=-\sqrt{1-4y^2}}^{\sqrt{1-4y^2}} dy \\
 &= \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( k - \frac{1}{3}k(1-4y^2) - 4ky^2 - \left( -k + \frac{1}{3}k(1-4y^2) + 4ky^2 \right) \right) dy \\
 &\quad \left( \text{where } k = \sqrt{1-4y^2} \right) \\
 &= \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{1-4y^2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{3}(1-4y^2) - 4y^2 + 1 - \frac{1}{3}(1-4y^2) - 4y^2 \right) dy \\
 &= \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{1-4y^2} \left( 2 - \frac{2}{3}(1-4y^2) - 8y^2 \right) dy \\
 &= \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{1-4y^2} \left( \frac{4}{3} + \frac{8}{3}y^2 - \frac{24}{3}y^2 \right) dy \\
 &= \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{1-4y^2} \left( \frac{4}{3} - \frac{16}{3}y^2 \right) dy \\
 &= \frac{4}{3} \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{1-4y^2} (1-4y^2) dy \\
 &= \frac{4}{3} \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} (1-4y^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} dy
 \end{aligned}$$

I don't know how to continue, but SageMath says this integral is  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ .

## Question 2

A thin metal plate has mass  $M$  and uniform density  $\rho$  (where density in this case equals mass per unit area). The boundary of the plate is the polar curve  $r = 1 + \sin \theta$ .

### Q2 (a)

Show that  $M = \frac{3\pi\rho}{2}$ .

$M = \iint_{\Omega} \rho \, dA$  where  $\Omega$  is the region defined by the curve  $r = 1 + \sin \theta$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 M &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{1+\sin \theta} \rho r \, dr \, d\theta \\
 &= \frac{\rho}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} [r^2]_0^{1+\sin \theta} \, d\theta \\
 &= \frac{\rho}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} (1 + 2\sin \theta + \sin^2 \theta) \, d\theta \\
 &= \frac{\rho}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \left( 1 + 2\sin \theta + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos 2\theta \right) \, d\theta \\
 &= \frac{\rho}{4} \int_0^{2\pi} (3 + 4\sin \theta - \cos 2\theta) \, d\theta \\
 &= \frac{\rho}{4} \left[ 3\theta - 4\cos \theta - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta \right]_0^{2\pi} \\
 &= \frac{\rho}{4} (6\pi - 4 + 0 - (0 - 4 - 0)) \\
 &= \frac{6\pi\rho}{4} \\
 &= \frac{3\pi\rho}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

### Q2 (b)

Locate the centre of mass  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  of the plate.

$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{M} \iint_{\Omega} x\rho \, dA$  and  $\bar{y} = \frac{1}{M} \iint_{\Omega} y\rho \, dA$ , where  $x = r \cos \theta$  and  $y = r \sin \theta$ .

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x} &= \frac{2}{3\pi\rho} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{1+\sin\theta} \rho r^2 \cos\theta \, dr \, d\theta \\&= \frac{2}{9\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \cos\theta [r^3]_0^{1+\sin\theta} \, d\theta \\&= \frac{2}{9\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \cos\theta (1 + 3\sin\theta + 3\sin^2\theta + \sin^3\theta) \, d\theta \\&= \frac{2}{9\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (\cos\theta + 3\sin\theta \cos\theta + 3\sin^2\theta \cos\theta + \sin^3\theta \cos\theta) \, d\theta \\&= \frac{2}{9\pi} \left[ \sin\theta + \frac{3}{2} \sin^2\theta + \sin^3\theta + \frac{1}{4} \sin^4\theta \right]_0^{2\pi} \\&= \frac{2}{9\pi} \times 0 \\&= 0\end{aligned}$$

And

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{y} &= \frac{2}{3\pi\rho} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{1+\sin\theta} \rho r^2 \sin\theta \, dr \, d\theta \\
 &= \frac{2}{9\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin\theta [r^3]_0^{1+\sin\theta} \, d\theta \\
 &= \frac{2}{9\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin\theta (1 + 3\sin\theta + 3\sin^2\theta + \sin^3\theta) \, d\theta \\
 &= \frac{2}{9\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (\sin\theta + 3\sin^2\theta + 3\sin^3\theta + \sin^4\theta) \, d\theta \\
 &= \frac{2}{9\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \sin\theta + \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2}\cos 2\theta + 3\sin\theta(1 - \cos^2\theta) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\cos 2\theta\right)^2 \right) d\theta \\
 &= \frac{2}{9\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left( 4\sin\theta + \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2}\cos 2\theta - 3\sin\theta\cos^2\theta + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2}\cos 2\theta + \frac{1}{4}\cos^2 2\theta \right) d\theta \\
 &= \frac{2}{9\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left( 4\sin\theta + \frac{7}{4} - 2\cos 2\theta - 3\sin\theta\cos^2\theta + \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\cos 4\theta \right) \right) d\theta \\
 &= \frac{2}{9\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left( 4\sin\theta + \frac{7}{4} - 2\cos 2\theta - 3\sin\theta\cos^2\theta + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8}\cos 4\theta \right) d\theta \\
 &= \frac{2}{9\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left( 4\sin\theta + \frac{15}{8} - 2\cos 2\theta - 3\sin\theta\cos^2\theta + \frac{1}{8}\cos 4\theta \right) d\theta \\
 &= \frac{2}{9\pi} \left[ -4\cos\theta + \frac{15}{8}\theta - \sin^3\theta + \frac{1}{32}\sin 4\theta \right]_0^{2\pi} \\
 &= \frac{2}{9\pi} \left( -4 + \frac{15\pi}{4} + 0 - (-4 + 0) \right) \\
 &= \frac{2}{9\pi} \frac{15\pi}{4} \\
 &= \frac{5}{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

### Question 3

#### Q3 (a)

The triple integral below represents the volume of a solid in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \int_{r^2}^{3-2r} r \, dz \, dr \, d\theta.$$

Sketch the solid and evaluate the triple integral.

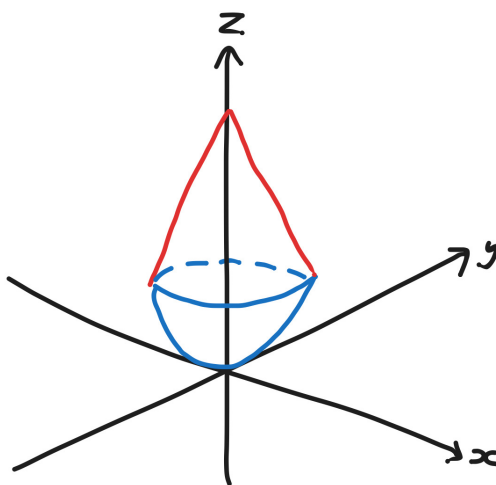


Figure 1: A sketch of the solid

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \int_{r^2}^{3-2r} r \, dz \, dr \, d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 [rz]_{z=r^2}^{3-2r} \, dr \, d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 r(3-2r-r^2) \, dr \, d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 (3r-2r^2-r^3) \, dr \, d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left[ \frac{3}{2}r^2 - \frac{2}{3}r^3 - \frac{1}{4}r^4 \right]_0^1 \, d\theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \frac{3}{2} - \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \right) d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \frac{18}{12} - \frac{8}{12} - \frac{3}{12} \right) d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{7}{12} d\theta \\ &= \frac{7\pi}{6} \end{aligned}$$

**Q3 (b)**

Evaluate the integral numerically using SciPy's `tplquad` function. How accurate is Python's answer? (i.e. to how many decimal places?)

SciPy gives 3.6651914291880914 with an estimated error of approximately  $4.07 \times 10^{-14}$ . The actual answer is  $\frac{7\pi}{6} = 3.665191429188092$ , so SciPy is correct to 14 decimal places, which also matches the estimated error.

```
1  #!/usr/bin/env python3
2
3  from math import pi
4
5  from scipy.integrate import tplquad
6
7  print(
8      "SciPy gives:",
9      tplquad(
10         lambda _z, r, _t: r,
11         0,
12         2 * pi,
13         0,
14         1,
15         lambda _t, r: r * r,
16         lambda _t, r: 3 - 2 * r,
17     ),
18 )
19
20 print("Actual answer:", 7 * pi / 6)
```

Figure 2: The Python code used to generate this answer