Thursday, April 19 * Solutions * Parametrizations and Integrals

1. Consider the ellipsoid with implicit equation

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

(a) Parametrize this ellipsoid.

Solution. One could use the parametrization

$$x = a\sin\phi\cos\theta$$
, $y = b\sin\phi\sin\theta$, $z = c\cos\phi$, $0 \le \phi \le \pi$, $0 \le \theta \le 2\pi$.

(b) Set up, but do not evaluate, a double integral that computes its surface area.

Solution. Since $\mathbf{r}(\phi, \theta) = \langle a \sin \phi \cos \theta, b \sin \phi \sin \theta, c \cos \phi \rangle$, one has

$$\mathbf{r}_{\phi} = \langle a\cos\phi\cos\theta, b\cos\phi\sin\theta, -c\sin\phi\rangle, \quad \mathbf{r}_{\theta} = \langle -a\sin\phi\sin\theta, b\sin\phi\cos\theta, 0\rangle,$$

so

$$\mathbf{r}_{\phi} \times \mathbf{r}_{\theta} = \langle bc\sin^2\phi\cos\theta, ac\sin^2\phi\sin\theta, ab\sin\phi\cos\theta \rangle.$$

Therefore

$$|\mathbf{r}_{\phi} \times \mathbf{r}_{\theta}| = \sqrt{b^2 c^2 \sin^4 \phi \cos^2 \theta + a^2 c^2 \sin^4 \phi \sin^2 \theta + a^2 b^2 \sin^2 \phi \cos^2 \phi},$$

and the surface area is computed by

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Area} &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} |\mathbf{r}_{\phi} \times \mathbf{r}_{\theta}| d\phi d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sqrt{b^2 c^2 \sin^4 \phi \cos^2 \theta + a^2 c^2 \sin^4 \phi \sin^2 \theta + a^2 b^2 \sin^2 \phi \cos^2 \phi} \ d\phi d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

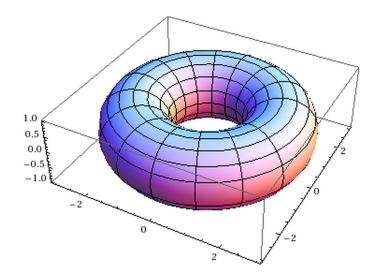
2. Let

$$\mathbf{r}(u, v) = \langle (2 + \cos u) \cos v, (2 + \cos u) \sin v, \sin u \rangle$$

where $0 \le u \le 2\pi$ and $0 \le v \le 2\pi$.

(a) Sketch the surface parametrized by this function.

Solution. The sketch of the surface is as follows.



(b) Compute its surface area.

Solution. By the parametrization, one has

$$\mathbf{r}_u = \langle -\sin u \cos v, -\sin u \sin v, \cos u \rangle,$$

$$\mathbf{r}_v = \langle -(2 + \cos u) \sin v, (2 + \cos u) \cos v, 0 \rangle,$$

and so

$$\mathbf{r}_u \times \mathbf{r}_v = \langle -(2 + \cos u) \cos u \cos v, -(2 + \cos u) \cos u \sin v, -(2 + \cos u) \sin u \rangle.$$

Therefore $|\mathbf{r}_u \times \mathbf{r}_v| = 2 + \cos u$, and the surface area is computed by

Area =
$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |\mathbf{r}_u \times \mathbf{r}_v| du dv = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (2 + \cos u) du dv = 8\pi^2$$
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3. Consider the surface integral

$$\iint_{\Sigma} z \, dS$$

where Σ is the surface with sides S_1 given by the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 1$, S_2 given by the unit disk in the xy-plane, and S_3 given by the plane z = x + 1. Evaluate this integral as follows:

(a) Parametrize S_1 using (θ, z) coordinates.

Solution. One can parametrize S_1 by

$$x = \cos \theta$$
, $y = \sin \theta$, $z = z$, $0 \le \theta \le 2\pi$, $0 \le z \le \cos \theta + 1$.

(b) Evaluate the integral over the surface S_2 without parametrizing.

Solution. Since
$$z = 0$$
 on S_2 , we know $\iint_{S_2} z \, dS = 0$.

(c) Parametrize S_3 in Cartesian coordinates and evaluate the resulting integral using polar coordinates.

Solution. One can parametrize S_3 in Cartesian coordinates

$$x = x$$
, $y = y$, $z = x + 1$, $-1 \le x \le 1$, $-\sqrt{1 - x^2} \le y \le \sqrt{1 - x^2}$.

Now we move to evaluate the integral $\iint_{\Sigma} z \, dS$. Obviously

$$\iint_{\Sigma} z \, dS = \iint_{S_1} z \, dS + \iint_{S_2} z \, dS + \iint_{S_3} z \, dS := I_1 + I_2 + I_3.$$

To estimate I_1 , using the parametrization in (a), one has

$$\mathbf{r}(\theta, z) = \langle \cos \theta, \sin \theta, z \rangle.$$

Then

$$\mathbf{r}_{\theta} = \langle -\sin\theta, \cos\theta, 0 \rangle, \quad \mathbf{r}_{z} = \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle,$$

and

$$\mathbf{r}_{\theta} \times \mathbf{r}_{z} = \langle \cos \theta, \sin \theta, 0 \rangle.$$

So $|\mathbf{r}_{\theta} \times \mathbf{r}_{z}| = 1$, and

$$I_{1} = \int_{0}^{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\cos\theta + 1} z \, dz d\theta = \int_{0}^{2\pi} \frac{(\cos\theta + 1)^{2}}{2} \, d\theta$$
$$= \int_{0}^{2\pi} \frac{\cos^{2}\theta + 2\cos\theta + 1}{2} \, d\theta = \frac{3\pi}{2}.$$

In (b) we know $I_2 = 0$. To evaluate I_3 , by the parametrization in (c), one has

$$\mathbf{r}(x, y) = \langle x, y, x+1 \rangle, -1 \le x \le 1, -\sqrt{1-x^2} \le y \le \sqrt{1-x^2},$$

and so

$$\mathbf{r}_{x} = \langle 1, 0, 1 \rangle, \quad \mathbf{r}_{y} = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle, \quad \mathbf{r}_{x} \times \mathbf{r}_{y} = \langle -1, 0, 1 \rangle.$$

Thus $|\mathbf{r}_x \times \mathbf{r}_y| = \sqrt{2}$, and the surface integral is

$$I_3 = \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-\sqrt{1-x^2}}^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} (x+1)\sqrt{2} \, dy dx = \iint_{x^2+y^2 \le 1} (x+1)\sqrt{2} \, dy dx.$$

To evaluate this integral, one can use the polar coordinates

$$x = r \cos \theta$$
, $y = r \sin \theta$, $0 \le r \le 1$, $0 \le \theta \le 2\pi$.

Therefore,

$$I_3 = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 (r\cos\theta + 1)\sqrt{2} \, r dr d\theta = \sqrt{2}\pi.$$

Adding up all three integrals, one gets

$$\iint_{\Sigma} z \, dS = I_1 + I_2 + I_3 = \frac{3\pi}{2} + \sqrt{2}\pi.$$

- 4. Let *C* be the circle in the plane with equation $x^2 + y^2 2x = 0$.
 - (a) Parametrize C as follows. For each choice of a slope t, consider the line L_t whose equation is y = tx. Then the intersection $L_t \cap C$ of L_t and C contains two points, one of which is (0,0). Find the other point of intersection, and call its x- and y-coordinates x(t) and y(t). Compute a formula for $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle$. Check your answer with your TA.

Solution. Bring y = tx into $x^2 + y^2 - 2x = 0$, then one has $x^2 + t^2x^2 - 2x = 0$, and it is easy to get $x = \frac{2}{1+t^2}$, and then $y = \frac{2t}{1+t^2}$. Thus $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle \frac{2}{1+t^2} \rangle$.

(b) Suppose that $t = \frac{p}{q}$ is a rational number. Show that x(p/q) and y(p/q) are also rational numbers. Explain how, by clearing denominators in x(p/q) - 1 and y(p/q), you can find a a triple of integers U, V, and W for which $U^2 + V^2 = W^2$.

Solution. Plug $t = \frac{p}{q}$ into the parametrization, one gets

$$x(p/q) = \frac{2q^2}{p^2 + q^2}, \quad y(p/q) = \frac{2pq}{p^2 + q^2},$$

and both of them are rational numbers. Since $(x-1)^2 + y^2 = 1$, and $x(p/q) - 1 = \frac{q^2 - p^2}{p^2 + q^2}$, then one has

$$\left(\frac{q^2 - p^2}{p^2 + q^2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2pq}{p^2 + q^2}\right)^2 = 1.$$

By setting

$$U = q^2 - p^2$$
, $V = 2pq$, $W = p^2 + q^2$,

one has $U^2 + V^2 = W^2$.

(c) Compute $\int_C \frac{1}{2} \langle -y, x \rangle \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ using your parametrization above.

Solution. Since $\mathbf{r} = \langle \frac{2}{1+t^2}, \frac{2t}{1+t^2} \rangle$, one has $\mathbf{r}' = \langle -\frac{4t}{(1+t^2)^2}, \frac{2-2t^2}{(1+t^2)^2} \rangle$. Then

$$\int_{C} \frac{1}{2} \langle -y, x \rangle \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \langle -\frac{2t}{1+t^{2}}, \frac{2}{1+t^{2}} \rangle \cdot \langle -\frac{4t}{(1+t^{2})^{2}}, \frac{2-2t^{2}}{(1+t^{2})^{2}} \rangle dt$$
$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{2}{(1+t^{2})^{2}} dt = \pi.$$