Lecture XVIII Notes

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1 Triple Integrals – 15.6

Given a region B where:

$$B = \{(x, y, z) | a \le x \le b, c \le y \le d, r \le z \le s\}$$

If this region is filled with many smaller boxes, or sub-boxes, the triple Riemann sum would look as such:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{l} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \sum_{k=1}^{n} f(x_{ijk}^*, y_{ijk}^*, z_{ijk}^*) \Delta V$$

To form an integral, this triple Riemann must approach infiinty:

$$\iiint_B f(x, y, z) dV = \lim_{(l, m, n) \to \infty} \sum_{i=1}^l \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_{ijk}^*, y_{ijk}^*, z_{ijk}^*) \Delta V$$

Furthermore, Fubini's Theorem, which was applied to double integrals, may be applied to triple integrals, if f is continuous on $B = [a, b] \times [c, d] \times [r, s]$:

$$\iiint_{R} f(x, y, z) dV = \int_{a}^{b} \int_{r}^{s} \int_{c}^{d} f(x, y, z) dy dz dx$$

Example: Evaluate the following triple integral along $B = \{(x, y, z) | 0 \le x \le 1, -1 \le y \le 2, 0 \le z \le 3\}$:

$$\iiint_B xyz^2 dV$$

$$\int_0^1 \int_{-1}^2 \int_0^3 xyz^2 dz dy dx$$

$$\int_0^1 \int_{-1}^2 3xy dy dx$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{27x}{2} \, dx$$
$$\frac{27x^2}{4} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{27}{4}$$

1.1 Triple Integrals over General Regions

A Type I general region is defined by E, where:

$$E = \{(x, y, z) | (x, y) \in D, u_1(x, y) \le z \le u_2(x, y)\}\$$

These boundaries result in the following Integral:

$$\iiint_E f(x, y, z) \, dV$$

This may be simplified, using Fubini's Theorem, to form the following:

$$\iiint_E f(x, y, z) dV = \iint_D \left[\int_{u_1(x, y)}^{u_2(x, y)} f(x, y, z) dz \right] dA$$

A more complicated region is formed when D and E are Type I regions, which means: $E = \{(x, y, z) | a \le x \le b, g_1(x) \le y \le g_2(x), u_1(x, y) \le z \le u_2(x, y)\}$ This yields the triple integral:

$$\iiint_E f(x,y,z) \, dV = \int_a^b \int_{g_1(x)}^{g_2(x)} \int_{u_1(x,u)}^{u_2(x,y)} f(x,y,z) \, dz \, dy \, dx$$

If D is a Type II region, while E is Type I, this results in:

$$\iiint_E f(x,y,z) \, dV = \int_c^d \int_{h_1(y)}^{h_2(y)} \int_{u_1(x,y)}^{u_2(x,y)} f(x,y,z) \, dz \, dx \, dy$$

Region E is a Type II region when $E = \{(x, y, z) | (y, z) \in D, u_1(y, z) \le x \le u_2(y, z)$

$$\iiint_E f(x, y, z) dV = \iint_D \left[\int_{u_1(y, z)}^{u_2(y, z)} f(x, y, z) dx \right] dA$$

Finally, region E is Type III if $E = \{(x, y, z) | (x, z) \in D, u_1(x, z) \leq y \leq u_2(x, z)\}$ This forms the integral:

$$\iiint_E f(x, y, z) dV = \iint_D \left[\int_{u_1(x, z)}^{u_2(x, z)} f(x, y, z) dy \right] dA$$

Much like in double integrals, a function's mass, moments, and center of mass may be determined through triple integration. The formulas are as follows: For mass:

$$m = \iiint_E \rho(x, y, z) \, dV$$

For the moments about the three coordinate planes:

$$M_{yz} = \iiint_E x \rho(x, y, z) dV \quad M_{xz} = \iiint_E y \rho(x, y, z) dV$$
$$M_{xy} = \iiint_E z \rho(x, y, z) dV$$

The center of mass at $(\overline{x}, \overline{y}, \overline{z})$

$$\overline{x} = \frac{M_{yz}}{m} \ \overline{y} = \frac{M_{xz}}{m} \ \overline{z} = \frac{M_{xy}}{m}$$

Finally, the moment of inertia formulas are:

$$I_x = \iiint_E (y^2 + z^2)\rho(x, y, z) dV$$
$$I_y = \iiint_E (x^2 + z^2)\rho(x, y, z) dV$$
$$I_z = \iiint_E (x^2 + y^2)\rho(x, y, z) dV$$

1.2 Change of Variables in Triple Integrals

In three dimensions, a change of variables revolves around the Jacobian. The Jacobian of a transformation where x = g(u, v) and y = h(u, v) looks as follows:

$$\frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} - \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u}$$

In a double integral, this change of variables would result in the integrand being multiplied by the Jacobian:

$$\iint_R f(x,y)\,dA = \iint_S f(x(u,v),y(u,v)) \Big| \frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} \Big| \,du\,dv$$