

Surface Integrals

1. Parametric Surfaces:

For a surface S given by $\mathbf{r}(u, v) = \langle x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v) \rangle$, $(u, v) \in D$ The integral of $f(x, y, z)$ over S is given by

$$\iint_S f(x, y, z) \, dS = \iint_D f(\mathbf{r}(u, v)) |\mathbf{r}_u \times \mathbf{r}_v| \, dA$$

2. $z = g(x, y)$

For S given by $z = g(x, y)$ with $(x, y) \in D$,

$$\iint_S f(x, y, z) \, dS = \iint_D f(x, y, g(x, y)) \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}\right)^2 + 1} \, dA$$

3. Vector Fields

If \mathbf{F} is a continuous vector field on an oriented surface S with unit normal vector \mathbf{n} then

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} &= \iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, dS \\ &= \iint_D \mathbf{F} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_u \times \mathbf{r}_v) \, dA \quad (\text{If } S \text{ is given by } \mathbf{r}(u, v)) \end{aligned}$$

1. Evaluate $\iint_S x^2 z^2 \, dS$ where S is the part of the cone $z^2 = x^2 + y^2$ that lies between the planes $z = 1$ and $z = 3$.

Solution: Since z is always positive between 1 and 3, we may rewrite the surface as

$$z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}.$$

Note that

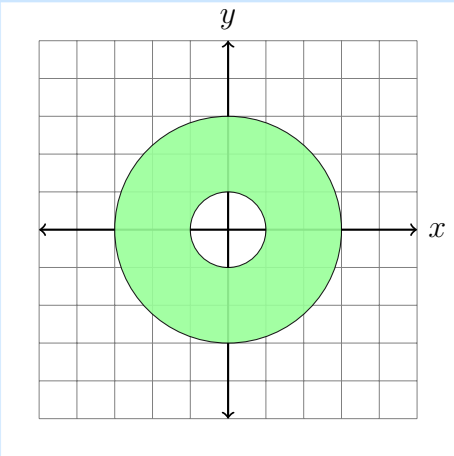
$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{\frac{\partial z^2}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z^2}{\partial y} + 1} &= \sqrt{\frac{x^2}{x^2 + y^2} + \frac{y^2}{x^2 + y^2} + 1} \\ &= \sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

So our integral becomes

$$\iint_D x^2 \left(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}\right)^2 \sqrt{2} \, dA = \iint_D$$

What is D ?

When $z = 1$ we have $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ and when $z = 3$ $x^2 + y^2 = 9$. So D is the area in the xy -plane between the circles of radius 1 and 3 both centered at the origin. Shown in green below.



2. Evaluate $\iint_S yz \, dS$ where S is the surface with parametric equations

$$x = u^2, \quad y = u \sin v, \quad z = u \cos v$$

$$0 \leq u \leq 1, \quad 0 \leq v \leq \pi/2$$

Solution:

3. Find the mass of the surface S , given by $x = 3z^2 - 4y$, $0 \leq y \leq 1$, $0 \leq z \leq 1$, if its density function is $\rho(x, y, z) = 2z$.

Solution:

Since the surface is of the form $x = g(y, z)$ we use

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_S \rho(g(y, z), y, z) \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}\right)^2 + 1} \, dS &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 2z \sqrt{17 + 36z^2} \, dz \, dy \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \left(\frac{1}{36}\right) ((17 + 36)^{3/2} - 17^{3/2}) \\ &\approx 5.84728 \end{aligned}$$

4. Evaluate $\iint_S (-xy\mathbf{i} - yz\mathbf{j} + zx\mathbf{k}) \cdot d\mathbf{S}$ where S is the part of the paraboloid $z = 1 - x^2 - y^2$ that lies above the square $0 \leq x \leq 2$, $0 \leq y \leq 4$, and has upward orientation.

Solution:

5. Evaluate $\iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S}$ where

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = xze^y\mathbf{i} + xze^y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k},$$

and S is the part of the plane $x + y + z = 1$ in the first octant and has downward orientation.

Solution: