

Lab 5: Volume Integration

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In this lab, we'll use *Mathematica's* Integrate command to compute double and triple integrals. Note that the "outer" integral bounds in double integration are listed first as follows:

$$\int_c^d \int_a^b f(x, y) \, dx \, dy \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \text{Integrate}[f[x, y], \{y, c, d\}, \{x, a, b\}]$$

Exercise 1

Let Ω be the region inside the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 1$. We calculated the volume integral $\iint_{\Omega} (x^2 + y^2)^{3/2} \, dA$ using polar coordinates. Calculate it in Cartesian coordinates using *Mathematica's* Integrate command. Compare the answers.

Exercise 2 (Cautionary Example 1)

Let Ω be the interior of the triangle with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(1, 1)$ and $(0, 1)$. Express the volume integral $\iint_{\Omega} e^{y^2} \, dA$ as a Cartesian double integral in two different ways. Calculate whichever of the two you can do by hand, and (try to) calculate the other with *Mathematica's* Integrate command. Compare the answers.

Exercise 3 (Cautionary Example 2)

Let Ω be the interior of the square with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(1, 0)$, $(1, -1)$, and $(0, -1)$. Use *Mathematica's* Plot3D command to draw the graph of

$$f(x, y) = \frac{x + y}{(x - y)^3}$$

and estimate (without calculation) $\iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) \, dA$, the (signed) volume between the graph of $\frac{x+y}{(x-y)^3}$ and the xy -plane over Ω . HINT: use symmetry.

Now express the volume integral $\iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) \, dA$ as a Cartesian double integral in two different ways, and use *Mathematica* to compute each. Did you find anything surprising? Can you explain what's going on?

Exercise 4

We can also calculate volume using triple integrals as follows. Consider the space region T bounded below by the surface $z = f_{\text{bottom}}(x, y)$ and above by the surface $z = f_{\text{top}}(x, y)$, and whose 'shadow' (i.e. projection) in the XY -plane is a region R . Then the volume of T is

$$\iiint_T dV = \iint_R [f_{\text{top}}(x, y) - f_{\text{bottom}}(x, y)] \, dA = \iint_R \left(\int_{f_{\text{bottom}}(x, y)}^{f_{\text{top}}(x, y)} dz \right) \, dA$$

Depending on the region, it might be easier to use one form over other.

For the following problems consider the region T bounded by the surfaces $z = x^2$, $y + z = 10$, and $y = 0$. Type the following in *Mathematica* to see the three surfaces. You might need to adjust the x -, y -, and z -ranges to see everything.

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ContourPlot3D[{z == x^2, y + z == 10, y == 0}, {x, -5, 5}, {y, -1, 11}, {z, -1, 11},
  ContourStyle -> Opacity[0.5], AxesLabel -> Automatic]
```

- What are the 'vertical' walls of this region?
- What is the equation of f_{top} ? What is the equation of f_{bottom} ?
- Type the `RegionPlot3D` command and plug in the equations with correct inequalities to see T .

```
RegionPlot3D[y >= 0 && y + z <= 10 && z >= x^2,
  {x, -4, 4}, {y, -1, 11}, {z, -1, 11},
  AxesLabel -> Automatic, PlotPoints -> 50, PlotStyle -> Opacity[0.5]]
```

- Set f_{top} equal to f_{bottom} to find the intersection curve of those two surfaces.
- Type the following command to see the intersection curves that bound the "shadow in the xy -plane", the region R .

```
ContourPlot[{y == 0, x^2 + y == 10}, {x, -4, 4}, {y, -1, 11}]
```

- Type the `RegionPlot` command and plug in above equations with the correct inequalities to see R .

```
RegionPlot[y >= 0 && x^2 + y <= 10, {x, -4, 4}, {y, -1, 11}]
```

- Set up the triple integral giving the volume of T .

Exercise 5

Follow the same steps as in Exercise 4 to set up the triple integral giving the volume of the solid bounded by the following surfaces. Use *Mathematica* to visualize if you need to. Note that you can change the order of integration while setting it up, so that the 'height' is along X - or Y -axis, and the base is in YZ or XZ -plane if required.

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| a) $x^2 + z^2 = 4$, $y = -1$, $y = 1$ | b) $x = y^2$, $z = 0$, $x + z = 1$ |
| c) $x = 0$, $x + z = 1$, $3 + z = y^2$ | d) $x = 0$, $y = 0$, $z = 4$, $x + y - z = 0$ |

Exercise 6

One physical interpretation of triple integrals is as follows. Consider a solid T with variable density $\rho(x, y, z)$ at the point $(x, y, z) \in T$. Then the mass of T is given by $\iiint_T \rho \, dV$. Note that with this interpretation, the volume of T is numerically equal to its mass if it has a constant density 1 everywhere. This is why the statements in Exercise 4 make sense.

Consider a cylindrical solid T bounded by $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ and the planes $z = \pm 2$, whose density at a point (x, y, z) is given by the function $\rho(x, y, z) = 4 + 5x^2yz^2$.

- Set up the triple integral that gives the mass of T .
- Evaluate it using only geometric interpretation and symmetry.