

Calculus III

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Outline

1 Triple Integrals

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Density and Mass

Question

Let \mathcal{R} be a region in space. Suppose we know the density of \mathcal{R} at every point. Can we find the mass of \mathcal{R} ?

- Partition the region \mathcal{R} into regions with D_1, \dots, D_k with small diameter.
- Choose a sample point P_k inside each D_k . Then $\text{mass}(D_k) \approx \rho(P_k)\text{vol}(D_k)$.
- Sum the above approximations to get an approximation for $\text{mass}\mathcal{R}$: $\text{mass}(\mathcal{R}) \approx \sum_{k=1}^N \rho(P_k)\text{vol}(D_k)$.
- Take the limit as the diameter of the partitions tends to zero:

$$\text{mass}(\mathcal{R}) = \lim_{\max_k \text{diam}(D_k) \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^N \rho(P_k)\text{vol}(D_k) .$$

Triple Integrals

Let f be a scalar or vector-valued function on region \mathcal{R} .

Definition

If the limit

$$\lim_{\max_k \text{diam}(D_k) \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^N f(P_k) \text{vol}(D_k)$$

exists and is finite, its value is called *the integral of f on \mathcal{R} with respect to volume* and is denoted by

$$\iiint_{\mathcal{R}} f(P) dV \quad .$$

- If f is a scalar function, then the value of the integral is a scalar.
- If f is a vector-valued function, then the integral is a vector.
- If f is continuous, the limit is guaranteed to exist. If f is not continuous, the limit may fail to exist.

Theoretical Examples

- The volume of a region is defined via a triple integral.

$$\text{vol}(\mathcal{R}) = \iiint_{\mathcal{R}} 1 \cdot dV$$

- The mass of a body can be computed via a triple integral.

$$\text{mass}(\mathcal{R}) = \iiint_{\mathcal{R}} \text{density}(P) \cdot dV .$$

- Average value of function f (with respect to volume) is given by:

$$\text{average value of } f = \frac{1}{\text{vol}(\mathcal{R})} \iiint_{\mathcal{R}} f(P) \cdot dV .$$

- The average value of a function f with respect to mass distribution:

$$\text{av. value of } f = \frac{1}{m(\mathcal{R})} \iiint_{\mathcal{R}} f(P) dm = \frac{1}{m(\mathcal{R})} \iiint_{\mathcal{R}} f(P) \rho(P) dV .$$

Iterated Integrals

- To compute a triple integral over \mathcal{R} one reduces to iterated integrals.
- One reduces to
 - a single integral of a double integral
 - or double integral of a single integral.
- Single integral of a double integral: decomposition into slices.
 - Project the body on an axis.
 - Look at 2D slices perpendicular to that axis (CT-scan).

$$\iiint_{\mathcal{R}} f(P) dV = \int_{\text{location of slice}} \left(\iint_{\text{slice}} f(P) dA \right) dh$$

- Double integral of a single integral: decomposition into rods.
 - Project the body on a plane.
 - Look at 1D slices perpendicular to that plane (rods).

$$\iiint_{\mathcal{R}} f(P) dV = \iint_{\text{location of rod}} \left(\int_{\text{rod}} f(P) dh \right) dA$$

Example: Moment of Inertia

- Problem: compute the moment of inertia I
 - of a rectangular box with sides $2a$, $2b$, and $2c$
 - rotating about axis L through center that is perpendicular to a face.
 - The box has constant density ρ . Therefore it's mass is $m = 8\rho abc$.
- Coord. system: rotation axis = z -axis, x , y axes along box sides.

$$I = \iiint_{\mathcal{R}} \rho \operatorname{dist}^2(P, L) dV = \iiint_{\mathcal{R}} \rho(x^2 + y^2) dx dy dz .$$

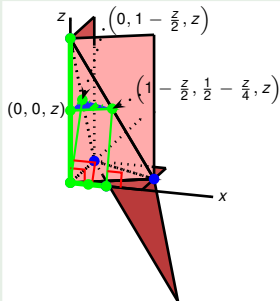
- Decompose into slices as follows.
 - Project \mathcal{R} onto the z -axis to get segment from $z = -c$ to $z = c$.

$$\iiint_{\mathcal{R}} \rho(x^2 + y^2) dx dy dz = \int_{z=-c}^{z=c} \left(\iint_{S_z} \rho(x^2 + y^2) dx dy \right) dz$$

- For a fixed z , the slice S_z is: $-a \leq x \leq a$, $-b \leq y \leq b$.

$$I_L = \int_{z=-c}^{z=c} \left(\int_{x=-a}^{x=a} \left(\int_{y=-b}^{y=b} \rho(x^2 + y^2) dy \right) dx \right) dz = \frac{m(a^2 + b^2)}{3} .$$

Example (Decomposition into slices)



Compute the volume of the region \mathcal{R} bounded by $x + 2y + z = 2$, $x = 2y$, $x = 0$, $z = 0$.

$$\text{vol}(\mathcal{R}) = \iiint_{\mathcal{R}} 1 \cdot dV.$$

\mathcal{R} is ? a tetrahedron with vertices at $(0, 0, 0)$, $(0, 1, 0)$, $(0, 0, 2)$, and $(1, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$.

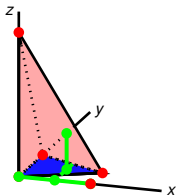
Project \mathcal{R} onto the z -axis to get segment from $z = 0$ to $z = 2$. Fix a value for z to get the slice S_z shown in the picture.

$$\text{vol}(\mathcal{R}) = \iiint_{\mathcal{R}} 1 \cdot dV = \int_{z=0}^{z=2} \left(\iint_{S_z} 1 \cdot dx dy \right) dz$$

Project S_z onto x -axis to get segment from $x = 0$ to $x = 1 - \frac{z}{2}$. Fix $x \in [0, 1 - \frac{z}{2}]$. Vertical slice: segment from $y = \frac{x}{2}$ to $y = 1 - \frac{z}{2} - \frac{x}{2}$.

$$\text{vol}(\mathcal{R}) = \iiint_{\mathcal{R}} 1 \cdot dV = \int_{z=0}^{z=2} \left(\int_{x=0}^{x=1-\frac{z}{2}} \left(\int_{y=\frac{x}{2}}^{y=1-\frac{z}{2}-\frac{x}{2}} 1 \cdot dy \right) dx \right) dz$$

Example (Decomposition into rods)



Compute the volume of the region \mathcal{R} bounded by $x + 2y + z = 2$, $x = 2y$, $x = 0$, $z = 0$.

$$\text{vol}(\mathcal{R}) = \iiint_{\mathcal{R}} 1 \cdot dV$$

\mathcal{R} is a tetrahedron with vertices at $(0, 0, 0)$, $(0, 1, 0)$, $(0, 0, 2)$, and $(1, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{vol}(\mathcal{R}) &= \iiint_{\mathcal{R}} 1 \cdot dV = \iint_D \left(\int_{z=0}^{z=2-x-2y} 1 \cdot dz \right) dx dy \\ &= \iint_D (2 - x - 2y) dx dy = \int_{x=0}^{x=1} \left(\int_{y=\frac{x}{2}}^{y=1-\frac{x}{2}} (2 - x - 2y) dy \right) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \left(\left[(2-x)y - y^2 \right]_{y=\frac{x}{2}}^{y=1-\frac{x}{2}} \right) dx = ? \int_0^1 (x^2 - 2x + 1) dx = \frac{1}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Project the region onto the xy -plane to get triangle D with vertices $(0, 0, 0)$, $(0, 1, 0)$ and $(1, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$. Fix $(x, y) \in D$; the vertical rod is segment with endpoints $z = 0$ and $z = 2 - x - 2y$. Project D on the x -axis to get segment from $x = 0$ to $x = 1$. Fix x in that range; the