

Mathematics 21a Fall 2006
In class problems. Nov. 21

1. Evaluate $\iiint_V xy \, dV$, where V is the positive eighth of the unit ball.

2. Find the center of mass of a constant density pyramid with square base of side $\sqrt{2}$ and height 1. Hint: Position the pyramid in \mathbb{R}^3 such that its five vertices are $(\pm 1, 0, 0)$, $(0 \pm 1, 0)$, $(0, 0, 1)$.

3. (Bonus) Can you set up the iterated integral over the domain which is a square if looked at from the x -axis, a triangle from the y -axis and a disk from the z -axis?

1. We replace $\iiint_V xy \, dV$ by the iterated integral

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \int_0^{\sqrt{1-z^2}} \int_0^{\sqrt{1-y^2-z^2}} xy \, dx \, dy \, dz &= \int_0^1 \int_0^{\sqrt{1-z^2}} \frac{1}{2}y(1-y^2-z^2) \, dy \, dz \\ &= \int_0^1 \left. \frac{1}{4}y^2 - \frac{1}{8}y^4 - \frac{1}{4}y^2z^2 \right|_0^{\sqrt{1-z^2}} dz = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}z^2 - \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{4}z^2 - \frac{1}{8}z^4 - \frac{1}{4}z^2 + \frac{1}{4}z^4 \, dz = \frac{1}{15} \end{aligned}$$

2. Let ρ_0 be the density. By symmetry $\bar{x} = \bar{y} = 0$. To calculate \bar{z} we break the pyramid into 4 tetrahedrons.

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{z} &= \frac{\iiint_V z \rho_0 \, dV}{\iiint_V \rho_0 \, dV} = \frac{4 \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-z} \int_0^{1-y-z} \rho_0 z \, dx \, dy \, dz}{4 \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-z} \int_0^{1-y-z} \rho_0 \, dx \, dy \, dz} = \frac{\int_0^1 \int_0^{1-z} (1-y-z)z \, dy \, dz}{\int_0^1 \int_0^{1-z} (1-y-z)z \, dy \, dz} \\ &= \frac{\int_0^1 z(1-z)(1-z) - z \frac{(1-z)^2}{2} \, dz}{\int_0^1 (1-z)(1-z) - \frac{(1-z)^2}{2} \, dz} = \frac{\int_0^1 z \frac{(1-z)^2}{2} \, dz}{\int_0^1 \frac{(1-z)^2}{2} \, dz} = \frac{\int_0^1 z - 2z^2 + z^3 \, dz}{\int_0^1 1 - 2z + z^2 \, dz} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{4}}{1 - 1 + \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{1}{4}. \end{aligned}$$