

Integrals in cylindrical, spherical coordinates (Sect. 15.7)

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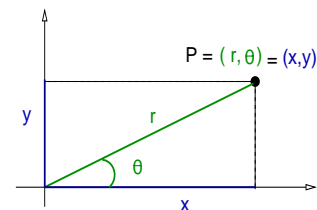
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Review: Polar coordinates in plane

Definition

The *polar coordinates* of a point $P \in \mathbb{R}^2$ is the ordered pair (r, θ) defined by the picture.



Theorem (Cartesian-polar transformations)

The Cartesian coordinates of a point $P = (r, \theta)$ are given by

$$x = r \cos(\theta), \quad y = r \sin(\theta).$$

The polar coordinates of a point $P = (x, y)$ in the first and fourth quadrant are

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}, \quad \theta = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right).$$

Recall: Polar coordinates in a plane

Example

Express in polar coordinates the integral $I = \int_0^2 \int_0^y x \, dx \, dy$.

Solution: Recall: $x = r \cos(\theta)$ and $y = r \sin(\theta)$.

More often than not helps to sketch the integration region.

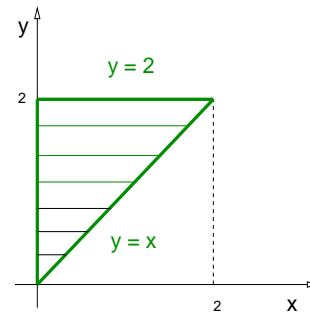
The outer integration limit: $y \in [0, 2]$.

Then, for every $y \in [0, 2]$ the x coordinate satisfies $x \in [0, y]$.

The upper limit for x is the curve $x = y$.

Now is simple to describe this domain in polar coordinates:

The line $y = x$ is $\theta_0 = \pi/4$; the line $x = 0$ is $\theta_1 = \pi/2$.



Recall: Polar coordinates in a plane

Example

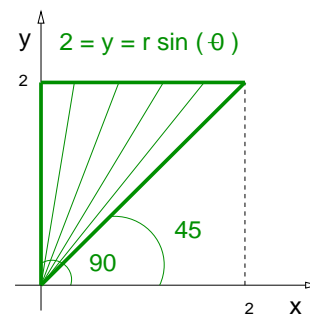
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Solution: Recall: $x = r \cos(\theta)$, $y = r \sin(\theta)$, $\theta_0 = \pi/4$, $\theta_1 = \pi/2$.

The lower integration limit in r is $r = 0$.

The upper integration limit is $y = 2$, that is, $2 = y = r \sin(\theta)$.

Hence $r = 2/\sin(\theta)$.



We conclude: $\int_0^2 \int_0^y x \, dx \, dy = \int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/2} \int_0^{2/\sin(\theta)} r \cos(\theta) (r \, dr) \, d\theta. \triangleleft$

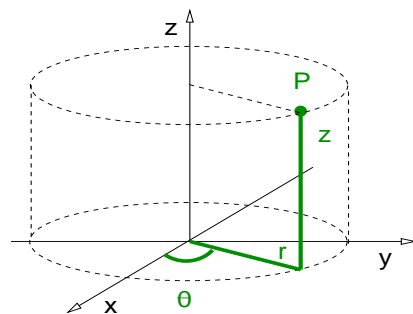
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Cylindrical coordinates in space

Definition

The *cylindrical coordinates* of a point $P \in \mathbb{R}^3$ is the ordered triple (r, θ, z) defined by the picture.



Remark: Cylindrical coordinates are just polar coordinates on the plane $z = 0$ together with the vertical coordinate z .

Theorem (Cartesian-cylindrical transformations)

The Cartesian coordinates of a point $P = (r, \theta, z)$ in the first quadrant are given by $x = r \cos(\theta)$, $y = r \sin(\theta)$, and $z = z$.

The cylindrical coordinates of a point $P = (x, y, z)$ in the first quadrant are given by $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$, $\theta = \arctan(y/x)$, and $z = z$.

Cylindrical coordinates in space

Example

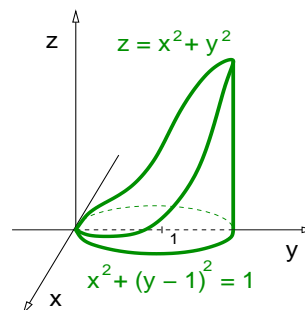
Use cylindrical coordinates to describe the region

$$R = \{(x, y, z) : x^2 + (y - 1)^2 \leq 1, 0 \leq z \leq x^2 + y^2\}.$$

Solution: We first sketch the region.

The base of the region is at $z = 0$,
given by the disk $x^2 + (y - 1)^2 \leq 1$.

The top of the region is the paraboloid
 $z = x^2 + y^2$.



In cylindrical coordinates: $z = x^2 + y^2 \Leftrightarrow z = r^2$, and

$$x^2 + y^2 - 2y + 1 \leq 1 \Leftrightarrow r^2 - 2r \sin(\theta) \leq 0 \Leftrightarrow r \leq 2 \sin(\theta)$$

Hence: $R = \{(r, \theta, z) : \theta \in [0, \pi], r \in [0, 2 \sin(\theta)], z \in [0, r^2]\}.$ ◁

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Triple integrals using cylindrical coordinates

Theorem

If the function $f : R \subset \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, then the triple integral of function f in the region R can be expressed in cylindrical coordinates as follows,

$$\iiint_R f \, dv = \iiint_R f(r, \theta, z) r \, dr \, d\theta \, dz.$$

Remark:

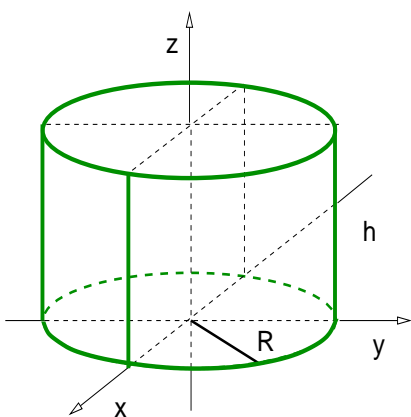
- ▶ Cylindrical coordinates are useful when the integration region R is described in a simple way using cylindrical coordinates.
- ▶ Notice the extra factor r on the right-hand side.

Triple integrals using cylindrical coordinates

Example

Find the volume of a cylinder of radius R and height h .

Solution: $R = \{(r, \theta, z) : \theta \in [0, 2\pi], r \in [0, R], z \in [0, h]\}$.



$$V = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^R \int_0^h dz (r \, dr) \, d\theta,$$

$$V = h \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^R r \, dr \, d\theta,$$

$$V = h \frac{R^2}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta,$$

$$V = h \frac{R^2}{2} 2\pi,$$

We conclude: $V = \pi R^2 h$.

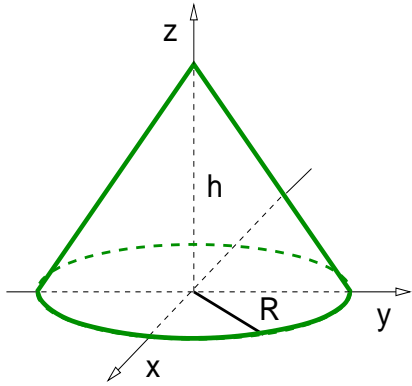


Triple integrals using cylindrical coordinates

Example

Find the volume of a cone of base radius R and height h .

Solution: $R = \left\{ \theta \in [0, 2\pi], r \in [0, R], z \in \left[0, -\frac{h}{R}r + h\right] \right\}$.



$$V = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^R \int_0^{h(1-r/R)} dz (r dr) d\theta,$$

$$V = h \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^R \left(1 - \frac{r}{R}\right) r dr d\theta,$$

$$V = h \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^R \left(r - \frac{r^2}{R}\right) dr d\theta,$$

$$V = h \left(\frac{R^2}{2} - \frac{R^3}{3R} \right) \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta = 2\pi h R^2 \frac{1}{6}.$$

We conclude: $V = \frac{1}{3}\pi R^2 h$.



Triple integrals using cylindrical coordinates

Example

Sketch the region with volume $V = \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^2 \int_0^{\sqrt{9-r^2}} rdz dr d\theta$.

Solution: The integration region is

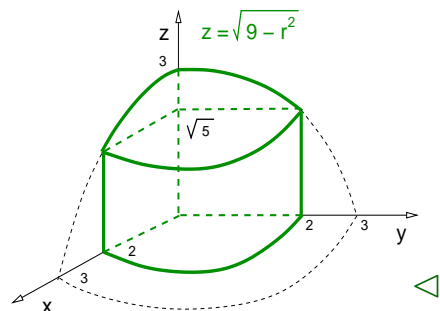
$$R = \{(r, \theta, z) : \theta \in [0, \pi/2], r \in [0, 2], z \in [0, \sqrt{9-r^2}]\}.$$

The upper boundary is a sphere,

$$z^2 = 9 - r^2 \Leftrightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 3^2.$$

The upper limit for r is $r = 2$, so

$$z = \sqrt{9 - 2^2} \Rightarrow z = \sqrt{5}.$$



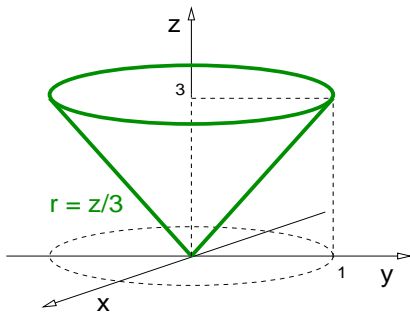
Triple integrals using cylindrical coordinates

Example

Change the integration order and compute the integral

$$I = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^3 \int_0^{z/3} r^3 dr dz d\theta.$$

Solution: First, sketch the integration region. Start from the outer limits to the inner limits.



So, $I = 6\pi \frac{1}{20}$, that is, $I = \frac{3\pi}{10}$.

$$I = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \int_{3r}^3 dz r^3 dr d\theta$$

$$V = 2\pi \int_0^1 \left(z \Big|_{3r}^3 \right) r^3 dr$$

$$V = 2\pi \int_0^1 3(r^3 - r^4) dr$$

$$V = 6\pi \left(\frac{r^4}{4} - \frac{r^5}{5} \right) \Big|_0^1.$$

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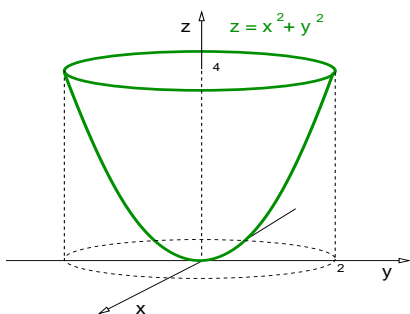
Triple integrals using cylindrical coordinates

Example

Find the centroid vector $\bar{\mathbf{r}} = \langle \bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z} \rangle$ of the region in space

$$R = \{(x, y, z) : x^2 + y^2 \leq 2^2, x^2 + y^2 \leq z \leq 4\}.$$

Solution:



The symmetry of the region implies $\bar{x} = 0$ and $\bar{y} = 0$. (We verify this result later on.) We only need to compute \bar{z} .

Since $\bar{z} = \frac{1}{V} \iiint_R z dv$, we start computing the total volume V .

We use cylindrical coordinates.

$$V = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 \int_{r^2}^4 dz r dr d\theta = 2\pi \int_0^2 \left(z \Big|_{r^2}^4 \right) r dr = 2\pi \int_0^2 (4r - r^3) dr.$$

Triple integrals using cylindrical coordinates

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Find the centroid vector $\bar{\mathbf{r}} = \langle \bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z} \rangle$ of the region in space $R = \{(x, y, z) : x^2 + y^2 \leq 2^2, x^2 + y^2 \leq z \leq 4\}$.

$$\text{Solution: } V = 2\pi \int_0^2 (4r - r^3) dr = 2\pi \left[4 \left(\frac{r^2}{2} \Big|_0^2 \right) - \left(\frac{r^4}{4} \Big|_0^2 \right) \right].$$

Hence $V = 2\pi(8 - 4)$, so $V = 8\pi$. Then, \bar{z} is given by,

$$\bar{z} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 \int_{r^2}^4 z dz r dr d\theta = \frac{2\pi}{8\pi} \int_0^2 \left(\frac{z^2}{2} \Big|_{r^2}^4 \right) r dr;$$

$$\bar{z} = \frac{1}{8} \int_0^2 (16r - r^5) dr = \frac{1}{8} \left[16 \left(\frac{r^2}{2} \Big|_0^2 \right) - \left(\frac{r^6}{6} \Big|_0^2 \right) \right];$$

$$\bar{z} = \frac{1}{8} \left(32 - \frac{64}{6} \right) = 4 - \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow \bar{z} = \frac{8}{3}.$$

Triple integrals using cylindrical coordinates

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Solution: We obtained $\bar{z} = \frac{8}{3}$.

It is simple to see that $\bar{x} = 0$ and $\bar{y} = 0$. For example,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{x} &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 \int_{r^2}^4 [r \cos(\theta)] dz r dr d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \left[\int_0^{2\pi} \cos(\theta) d\theta \right] \left[\int_0^2 \int_{r^2}^4 dz r^2 dr \right]. \end{aligned}$$

But $\int_0^{2\pi} \cos(\theta) d\theta = \sin(2\pi) - \sin(0) = 0$, so $\bar{x} = 0$.

A similar calculation shows $\bar{y} = 0$. Hence $\bar{\mathbf{r}} = \langle 0, 0, 8/3 \rangle$. \triangleleft