

Solutions to Exercise Session, May 9, 2016

1. Compute the integral

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \int_0^y \frac{(y-x)e^{-x^2}}{\sin y^2} dx.$$

Solution. Define $g(y) = \int_0^y (y-x)e^{-x^2} dx$, then (recall that the upper integration extrema depends upon y)

$$g'(y) = \int_0^y e^{-x^2} dx \quad , \quad g''(y) = e^{-y^2}$$

Recall that $(\sin y^2)'' = (2y \cos y^2)' = 2 \cos y^2 - 4y^2 \sin y^2$, so that

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{g''(y)}{(\sin y^2)''} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Finally, by l'Hôpital's rule:

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \int_0^y \frac{(y-x)e^{-x^2}}{\sin y^2} dx \equiv \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(y)}{\sin y^2} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{g'(y)}{(\sin y^2)'} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

2. Let $D = [-1, 1] \times [-1, 1]$ and $f(x, y) = \max(1 - |x|, 1 - |y|)$. Calculate the volume of

$$E = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : (x, y) \in D \text{ and } 0 \leq z \leq f(x, y)\}.$$

Draw the level sets of $f(x, y)$.

Solution. By symmetry of the problem, we have

$$\text{Vol}(E) = 4 \iint_{[0,1] \times [0,1]} f(x, y) dx dy,$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Vol}(E) &= 4 \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^y (1-x) dx + \int_y^1 (1-y) dx \right) dy \\ &= 4 \int_0^1 \left(y - \frac{y^2}{2} + (1-y)^2 \right) dy \\ &= 4 \int_0^1 \left(y + \frac{y^2}{2} \right) dy \\ &= \frac{8}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

3. Calculate

$$\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{e^y}{(1+x^2+e^y)^2} dx dy.$$

Solution.

$$\begin{aligned}\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{e^y}{(1+x^2+e^y)^2} dx dy &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^y}{(1+x^2+e^y)^2} dy \right) dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\frac{-1}{1+x^2+e^y} \right]_{y=-\infty}^{y=\infty} dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx \\ &= \left[\arctan x \right]_{x=-\infty}^{x=\infty} \\ &= \pi.\end{aligned}$$

4. Let $B_R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 < R^2\}$. Calculate

$$\iint_{B_R} xy dx dy, \quad \iint_{B_R} x^2 dx dy, \quad \iint_{B_R} y^2 dx dy$$

Solution. Using polar coordinates $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$ we get

$$\begin{aligned}\iint_{B_R} xy dx dy &= \int_0^R \left(\int_0^{2\pi} r^2 \cos \theta \sin \theta d\theta \right) r dr \\ &= \int_0^R r^2 \left(\int_0^{2\pi} (\sin^2 \theta)' / 2 d\theta \right) r dr \\ &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\iint_{B_R} x^2 dx dy &= \int_0^R \left(\int_0^{2\pi} r^2 \cos^2 \theta d\theta \right) r dr \\ &= \int_0^R r^2 \left(\frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta + \theta}{2} \Big|_0^{2\pi} \right) r dr \\ &= \pi \int_0^R r^3 dr \\ &= \frac{\pi R^4}{4}.\end{aligned}$$

or by symmetry

$$\iint_{B_R} x^2 dx dy = \iint_{B_R} y^2 dx dy = \frac{1}{2} \iint_{B_R} x^2 + y^2 dx dy = \frac{\pi R^4}{4}.$$

5. Check that

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(2 \arctan(e^x) \right) = \frac{1}{\cosh x}$$

Calculate then

$$\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{1}{\cosh(x^2 + y^2)} dx dy.$$

Solution. Using polar coordinates $x = r \cos \theta, y = r \sin \theta$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{1}{\cosh(x^2 + y^2)} dx dy &= 2\pi \int_0^\infty \frac{r}{\cosh r^2} dr \\ &= 2\pi \int_0^\infty \frac{d}{dr} \left(\arctan(e^{r^2}) \right) dr \\ &= \frac{\pi^2}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

6. Calculate

$$\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-x^2 - y^2 - 2y} dx dy.$$

Solution. By completing the square for y we get

$$\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-x^2 - y^2 - 2y} dx dy = e^1 \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-x^2 - (y+1)^2} dx dy$$

and by change of variable $(x, y + 1) \longrightarrow (x, y)$ we get (invariance of \mathbb{R}^2 under translations)

$$\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-x^2 - y^2 - 2y} dx dy = e^1 \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-x^2 - y^2} dx dy = e\pi$$

following the calculation done in class.

7. Let $B_R(\mathbf{0}) = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq R^2\}$. Calculate

$$\begin{aligned} &\iiint_{B_R(\mathbf{0})} xy dx dy dz, \\ &\iiint_{B_R(\mathbf{0})} z^2 dx dy dz. \end{aligned}$$

Solution. By a change of variable in spherical coordinates

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_{B_R(\mathbf{0})} xy dx dy dz &= \iiint_{[0, R] \times [0, \pi] \times [0, 2\pi]} xy r^2 \sin \theta dr d\theta d\phi \\ &= \iiint_{[0, R] \times [0, \pi] \times [0, 2\pi]} r^4 \sin^3 \theta \cos \phi \sin \phi dr d\theta d\phi = 0 \end{aligned}$$

since

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \cos \phi \sin \phi d\phi = 0.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_{B_R(\mathbf{0})} z^2 dx dy dz &= \iiint_{[0, R] \times [0, \pi] \times [0, 2\pi]} z^2 r^2 \sin \theta dr d\theta d\phi \\ &= \iiint_{[0, R] \times [0, \pi] \times [0, 2\pi]} r^4 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta dr d\theta d\phi \\ &= 2\pi \iint_{[0, R] \times [0, \pi]} r^4 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta dr d\theta \\ &= 2\pi \int_0^R r^4 \left(-\frac{\cos^3 \theta}{3} \right) \Big|_0^\pi dr \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{3} \int_0^R r^4 dr = \frac{4\pi R^5}{15} \end{aligned}$$

Or quicker: by symmetry

$$\iiint_{B_R(\mathbf{0})} z^2 dx dy dz = \frac{1}{3} \iiint_{B_R(\mathbf{0})} r^2 dx dy dz = \frac{4\pi}{3} \int_0^R r^4 dr = \frac{4\pi R^5}{15}.$$

8. Compute the integral

$$I = \int_D \left(3\pi - 2 \arctan \frac{y}{x} \right) dx dy$$

where D is the portion of the first quadrant delimited by the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 16$.

Solution. By switching to polar coordinates, $D = \{(r, \theta) : 0 \leq r \leq 4, 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2\}$. Then:

$$I = \int_0^4 \int_0^{\pi/2} (3\pi - 2\theta)r d\theta dr = 10\pi^2$$

9. By means of polar coordinates, compute the integral

$$I = \int_R 4e^{-x^2-y^2} dx dy$$

where R is the region of the (x, y) -plane bounded by the graph of $x = \sqrt{4-y^2}$ and the y -axis.

Solution. In terms of polar coordinates, $R = \{(r, \theta) : 0 \leq r \leq 2, -\pi/2 \leq \theta \leq \theta/2\}$ and

$$I = 4 \int_0^2 \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} r e^{-r^2} r dr d\theta = 4\pi \int_0^2 r e^{-r^2} dr = 4\pi \int_0^2 \left(-\frac{e^{-r^2}}{2} \right)' dr = 2\pi(1 - e^{-4})$$

10. Use cylindrical coordinate to evaluate the integral

$$I = \int_W y dV$$

where W is the solid bounded by the (infinite!) cylinders $x^2 + y^2 = 4$, $x^2 + y^2 = 6$, and the planes $z = 0$, $z = x + 3$.

Solution. The integral vanishes because of symmetry. In fact, W is symmetric with respect to the (x, z) -plane, as is the integrand.