

Answer on Question #52635 – Math – Multivariable Calculus

- 1) Use spherical coordinates to calculate the triple integral of $f(x, y, z)$ over the given region D
- a. $f(x, y, z) = y$, $D: x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1$, $x, y, z \leq 0$
- b. $f(x, y, z) = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}}$, $D: 2 \leq x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 4$
- 2) Find a potential function for $(yz^2, xz^2, 2xyz)$

Solution:

- 1) The spherical coordinates

$$\begin{aligned}x &= r \sin \phi \cos \theta \\y &= r \sin \phi \sin \theta, \\z &= r \cos \phi\end{aligned}$$

where $r \in [0, \infty)$, $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$, $\phi \in [0, \pi]$.

The Jacobian is

$$\left| \frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(r, \theta, \phi)} \right| = r^2 \sin \phi.$$

- a. Let's express D in terms of spherical coordinates:

$$D: r \leq 1, \theta \in \left[\pi, \frac{3\pi}{2} \right], \phi \in \left[\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi \right].$$

f in spherical coordinates is given by

$$f(r, \theta, \phi) = r \sin \phi \sin \theta$$

The triple integral of f over D is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\iiint_D f(r, \theta, \phi) r^2 \sin \phi \, dr d\theta d\phi &= \\&= \iiint_D r^3 \sin^2 \phi \sin \theta \, dr d\theta d\phi = \left(\int_0^1 r^3 \, dr \right) \left(\int_{\pi}^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} \sin \theta \, d\theta \right) \left(\int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} \sin^2 \phi \, d\phi \right) = \\&= \left(\frac{r^4}{4} \Big|_0^1 \right) \left(-\cos \theta \Big|_{\pi}^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} \right) \left(\int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} \frac{1 - \cos 2\phi}{2} \, d\phi \right) = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2} \left(\phi - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\phi \right) \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} \right) =\end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2} \left(\phi - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\phi \right) \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} \right) = \frac{\pi}{16}.$$

b. Let's express D in terms of spherical coordinates:

$$D: \sqrt{2} \leq r \leq 2, \theta \in [0, 2\pi), \phi \in [0, \pi].$$

f in spherical coordinates is given by

$$f(r, \theta, \phi) = \frac{1}{r^3}$$

The triple integral of f over D is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_D f(r, \theta, \phi) r^2 \sin \phi \, dr d\theta d\phi &= \\ &= \iiint_D \frac{1}{r} \sin \phi \, dr d\theta d\phi = \left(\int_{\sqrt{2}}^2 \frac{1}{r} \, dr \right) \left(\int_0^{2\pi} 1 \, d\theta \right) \left(\int_0^{\pi} \sin \phi \, d\phi \right) = \\ &= (\ln r \Big|_{\sqrt{2}}^2) (\theta \Big|_0^{2\pi}) (-\cos \phi \Big|_0^{\pi}) = \ln(\sqrt{2}) 2\pi \cdot 2 = 2\pi \ln 2. \end{aligned}$$

2) We'll assume that $f = \nabla V$, then

$$yz^2 = \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}$$

$$xz^2 = \frac{\partial V}{\partial y}$$

$$2xyz = \frac{\partial V}{\partial z}$$

Integrating the first of these equations we obtain

$$V = xyz^2 + C(y, z)$$

Substituting this into the 2nd and 3rd equations we obtain

$$xz^2 = xz^2 + \frac{\partial C}{\partial y}$$

$$2xyz = 2xyz + \frac{\partial C}{\partial z}$$

that is,

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial z} = 0$$

$C = 0$ satisfies both of these equations. Therefore,

$$V = xyz^2$$

Answer:

1)

a. $\frac{\pi}{16}$

b. $2\pi \ln 2$

2) $V = xyz^2$