

Lecture 15.6

Last time:

- The mass of an object can be computed by

$$\text{mass} = \text{density} \times \text{size}.$$

- When R is a region in \mathbb{R}^2 with density function $\rho(x, y)$,

$$\text{Mass}(R) = \iint_R \rho(x, y) dA.$$

- When R is a region in \mathbb{R}^3 with

density function $\rho(x, y, z)$,

$$\text{Mass}(R) = \iiint_R \rho(x, y, z) dV$$

• For $R = [a, b] \times [c, d] \times [e, f]$,

$$\iiint_R \rho(x, y, z) dV = \int_a^b \int_c^d \int_e^f \rho(x, y, z) dz dy dx.$$

Ex Let's find the mass of the region

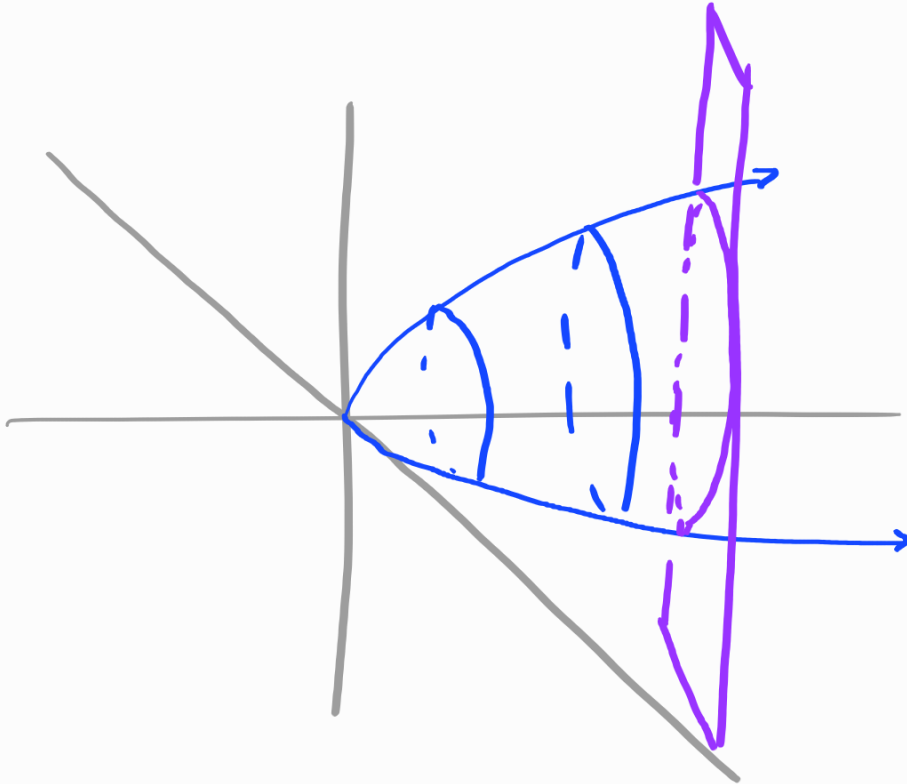
R bounded by $y = x^2 + z^2$ and $y = 4$,

with (a) constant density 1

(this computes $\text{vol}(R)$!)

(b) density $f(x, y, z) = \sqrt{x^2 + z^2}$.

Here's a sketch of R :



We can "see" that R is bounded by

$$x^2 + z^2 \leq y \leq 4$$

so let's put dy on the innermost

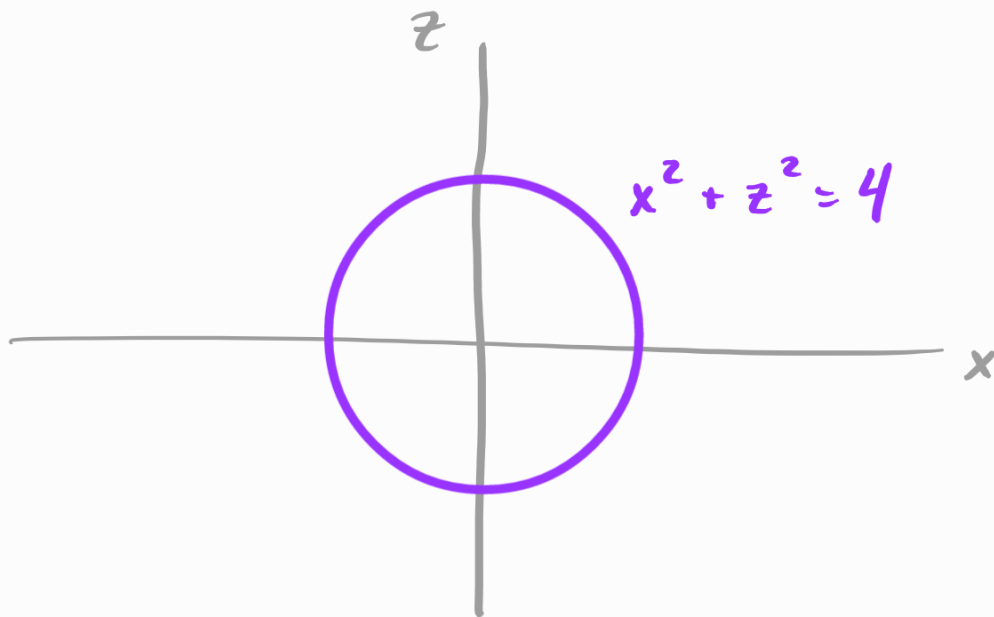
integral and draw a sketch of the

"base region" in the xz -plane.

The cross section $y = 0$ just gives

$$x^2 + z^2 = 0 \implies (x, z) = (0, 0).$$

We should instead use the "largest cross section" at $y = 4$:



This has top and bottom functions

$$z = \pm \sqrt{4 - x^2} \quad \text{so we can form}$$

our triple integrals

$$(a) \int_{-2}^2 \int_{-\sqrt{4-x^2}}^{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \int_{x^2+z^2}^4 1 \, dy \, dz \, dx$$

$$(b) \int_{-2}^2 \int_{-\sqrt{4-x^2}}^{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \int_{x^2+z^2}^4 \sqrt{x^2+z^2} \, dy \, dz \, dx$$

Exercise 1: Compute both integrals.

Hint: use polar coordinates once you're down to a double integral, or wait for cylindrical coordinates below.

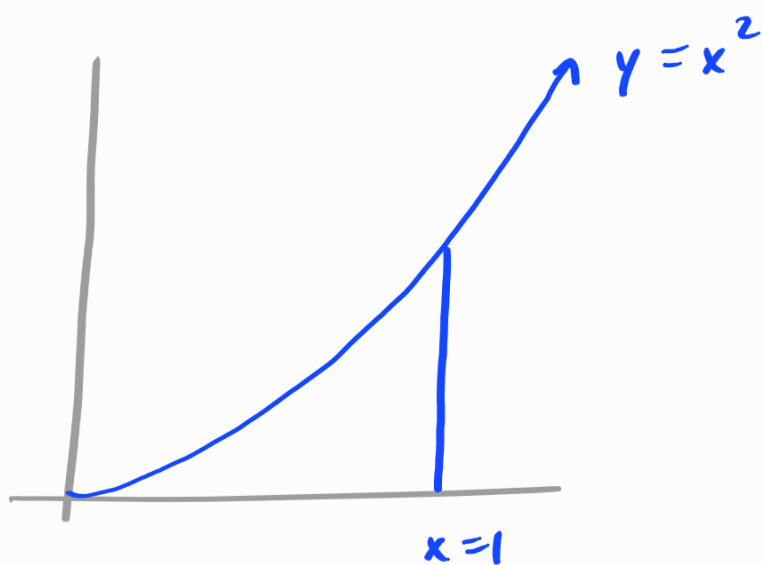
Ex How do we switch the order in

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^{x^2} \int_0^y f(x,y,z) dz dy dx ?$$

Starting with the two outer integrals

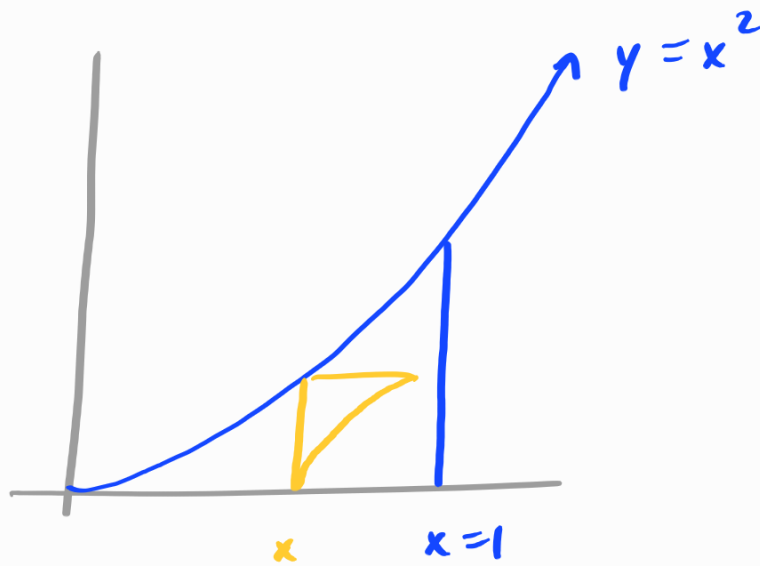
$$\int_0^1 \int_0^{x^2} V(x,y) dy dx$$

we can sketch this region in the xy -plane:

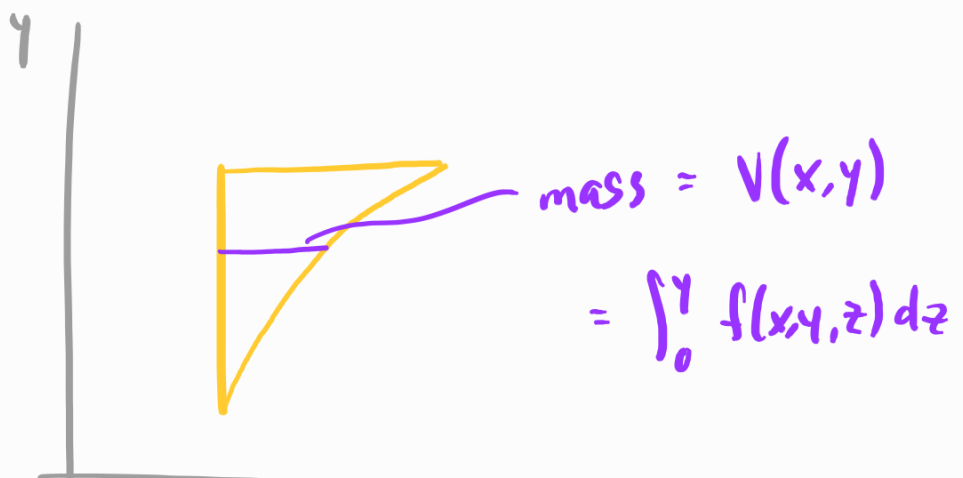


In the triple integral, we are first scanning

in the x -direction and picking out a cross section in the y -direction, which looks like



But for each $0 \leq y \leq x^2$, we're further integrating a cross section (to get a mass):



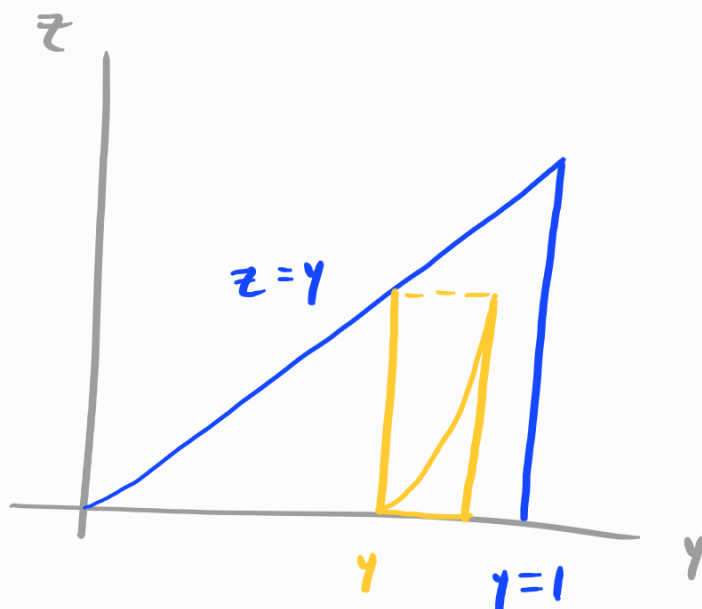
Let's change the order to $dx dz dy$.

In the yz -plane, y is now bounded

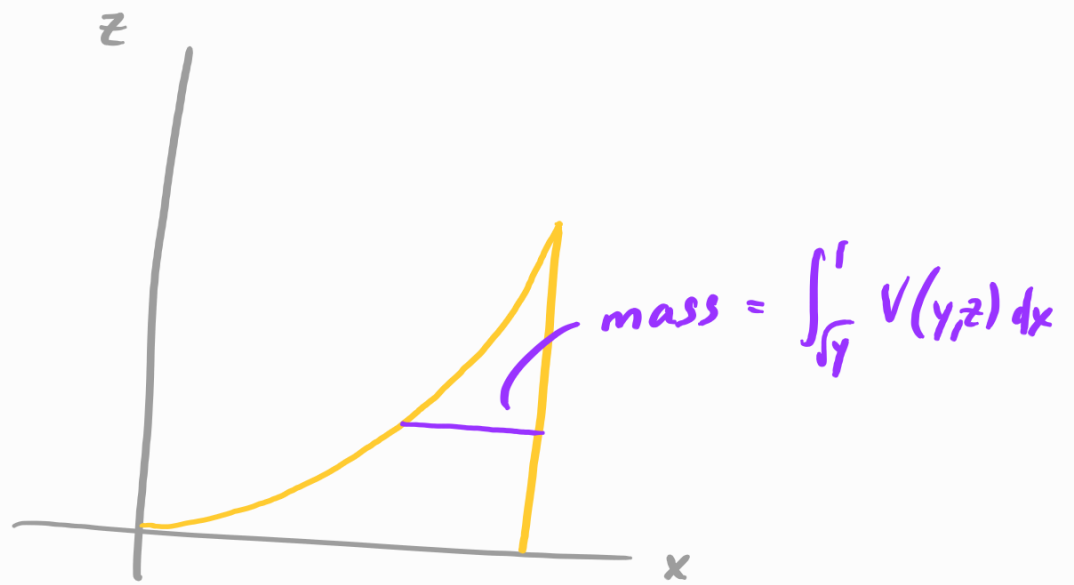
between 0 and 1, and z is between

look at the
 xy -plane figure

0 and y :



One cross section at y looks like



Then the triple integral can be written:

$$\iiint_R f(x, y, z) dV = \int_0^1 \int_0^y \int_{\sqrt{y}}^1 f(x, y, z) dx dz dy.$$

Ex Let's find the volume of the

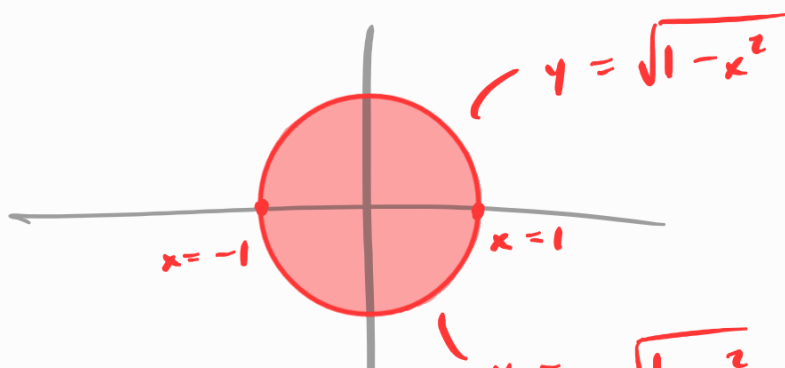
region R enclosed by $x^2 + y^2 = 1$, below

$z = 4$ and above $z = 1 - x^2 - y^2$ using

$$\iiint_R 1 dV.$$

Since $1 - x^2 - y^2 \leq z \leq 4$ gives natural z -bounds, let's integrate z on the inside,

This leaves x and y to handle, but the image of $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$ (a cylinder) in the xy -plane is just the unit circle:



So the triple integral is

$$\text{vol}(R) = \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-\sqrt{1-x^2}}^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \int_{1-x^2-y^2}^4 1 \, dz \, dy \, dx$$

which doesn't look particularly nice.

As we did with polar coordinates

in \mathbb{R}^2 , there's an alternative

coordinate in \mathbb{R}^3 we can use to

reduce the complexity of this integral.

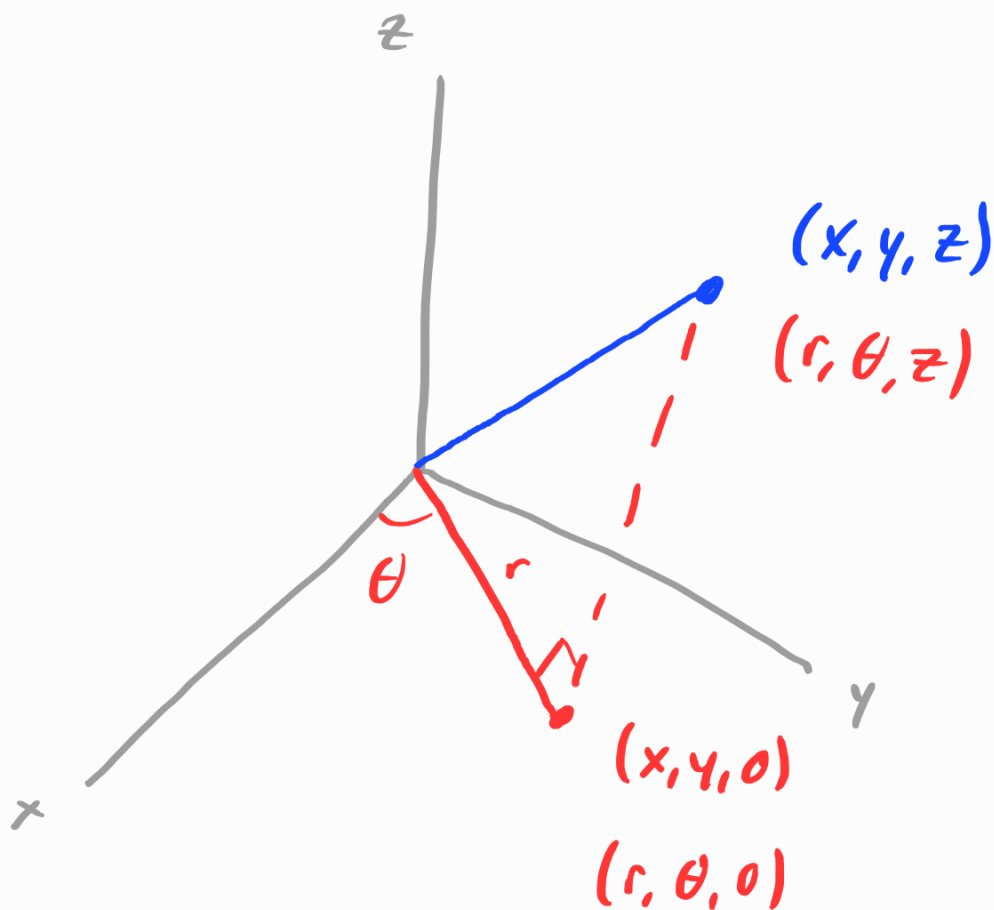
Def The cylindrical coordinate system

in \mathbb{R}^3 has coordinates (r, θ, z)

where $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

$$\theta = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$$z = z,$$



In words, cylindrical coordinates are

"polar coordinates plus height".

To integrate in cylindrical coordinates,
use the substitution

$$dV = r \, dz \, dr \, d\theta$$

In our example, the x - and y -bounds can be rewritten in polar coordinates:

$$0 \leq r \leq 1, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

while $z = 1 - x^2 - y^2$ becomes

$$z = 1 - r^2$$

Then

$$\int_{-1}^1 \int_{-\sqrt{1-x^2}}^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \int_{1-x^2-y^2}^4 I \, dz \, dy \, dx$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \int_{1-r^2}^4 r \, dz \, dr \, d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 [rz]_{z=1-r^2}^{z=4} \, dr \, d\theta$$

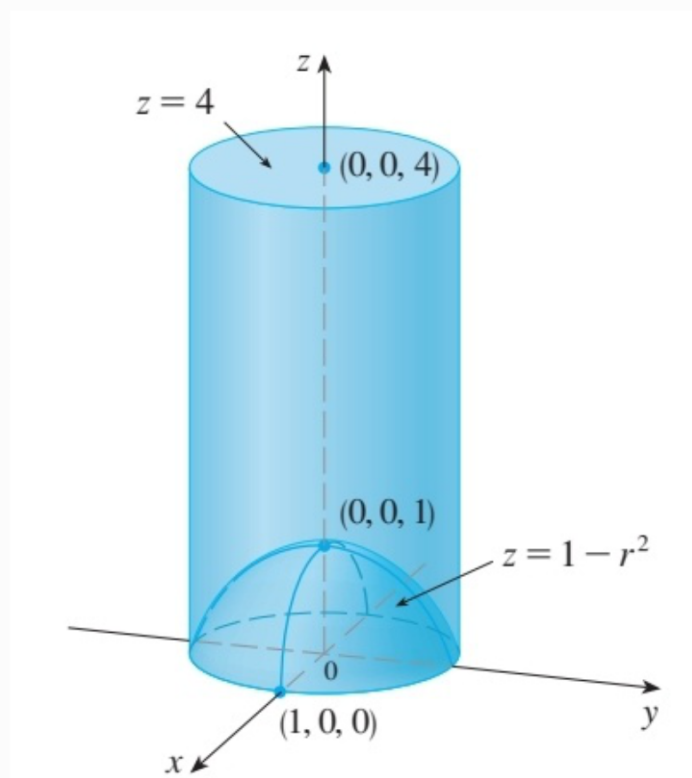
$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 (4r - r^2 + r^3) \, dr \, d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \left[2r^2 - \frac{1}{3}r^3 + \frac{1}{4}r^4 \right]_{r=0}^{r=1} \, d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \left(2 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \right) \, d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{23}{24} \, d\theta$$

$$= \frac{23}{24} \theta \Big|_0^{2\pi} = \frac{23\pi}{12}.$$

Here's a graph of the region whose volume we just computed:

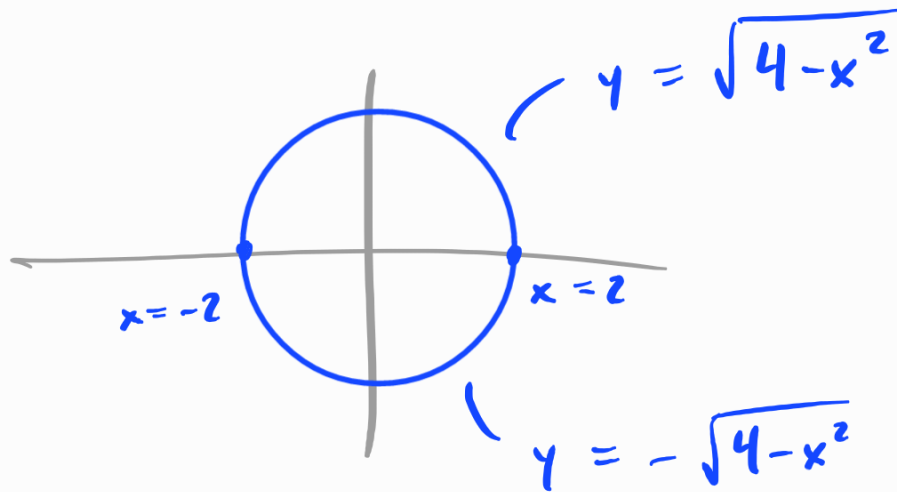


Ex Let's compute

$$\int_{-2}^2 \int_{-\sqrt{4-x^2}}^{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \int_{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}^2 (x^2+y^2) dz dy dx$$

using cylindrical coordinates.

On the outside, we have



This is captured by

$$0 \leq r \leq 2, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

while

$$z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = r$$

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 = r^2.$$

Then the integral becomes

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 \int_r^4 r^2 \cdot r \, dz \, dr \, d\theta.$$

Exercise 2: Finish this problem by computing the triple integral.

Exercise 3: Compute each of the following regions' volumes or, if there's a density function $f(x, y, z)$ given, their masses.

(a) R is enclosed by $y = 4x^2 + z^2$
and $y = 4$.

(b) R is enclosed by $y = \sqrt{25 - x^2}$,
 $z = 6 - y$ and $z = \sqrt{y}$.

(c) $R = [0, 10] \times [0, 10] \times [0, 10]$,

$$f(x, y, z) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{V}, & (x, y, z) \text{ is in } R \\ 0, & (x, y, z) \text{ is outside } R \end{cases}$$

where $V = \text{vol}(R)$.

(d) R is above the xy -plane, below

the cylinder $x^2 + z^2 = 16$ and between
 $y = 0$ and $y = 3$; $f(x, y, z) = 4yz$.

Note: Another useful coordinate system
in \mathbb{R}^3 is the spherical coordinate
system:

$(x, y, z) \rightsquigarrow (r, \theta, \phi)$ where

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$\theta = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$$\phi = \arccos\left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}\right)$$

$$(x, y, z) \longleftarrow (r, \theta, \phi)$$

where

$$x = r \cos \theta \sin \phi$$

$$y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi$$

$$z = r \cos \phi$$

The differential changes by

$$dV = r^2 \sin \phi \, dr \, d\theta \, d\phi$$

Exercise 4: Compute

$$\iiint_R e^{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} \, dV$$

where R is the region enclosed

$$\text{by } x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1.$$

Next time: surface area.

