

Math 350 Problem Set 6 (due Friday 10/15 by 3pm)

Part I

1. **Additivity over general regions.** Call a region $A \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ “nice” if its boundary consists of a piecewise set of differentiable curves. Let A and B be nice regions, with $B \subset A$. Let C be the set of points which are in A but not in B :

$$C = A \setminus B = \{(x, y) \mid (x, y) \in A, (x, y) \notin B\}$$

- (a) (8pts) Show that, if f is continuous (or even bounded, with a nice set of discontinuities), then

$$\iint_A f \, dA = \iint_B f \, dA + \iint_C f \, dA.$$

(Hint: Recall how $\iint_A f \, dA$ is defined: $\iint_A f \, dA = \iint_R f^* \, dA$ for an auxiliary function f^* such that $f^* = f$ on A and 0 otherwise. If f^* is such a function for A , and f^{**} is such a function for B , what is $f^* - f^{**}$?)

- (b) (7pts) Iterate this to prove that, if $A = \bigcup_{i=1}^N A_i$ is a decomposition of a nice set A into N pieces which are also nice, then

$$\iint_A f \, dA = \sum_{i=1}^N \iint_{A_i} f \, dA.$$

2. **Generalized cones.** Let R be a nice region of \mathbb{R}^2 . The cone over R , with height h , is the set of all points between $(0, 0, h)$ and $(x, y, 0)$ where $(x, y) \in R$:

$$C_h(R) = \{t(0, 0, h) + (1 - t)(x, y, 0) \mid (x, y) \in R, 0 \leq t \leq 1\}.$$

- (a) (3pts) Draw a sketch of $C_h(R)$, so you can see what’s going on.
 (b) (12pts) By setting up and evaluating a triple integral, prove that

$$\text{Vol}(C_h(R)) = \frac{1}{3}h\text{Area}(R)$$

(Hints: Think about the cross sections $z = \text{const}$. How do lengths in these cross sections scale with z ? How does the area of the cross section scale with z ? Your integral will probably be an iterated integral in dz and dA .)

Part II

1. (6pts) Sketch, and then compute the area of the region

$$R = \left\{ (x, y) \mid -\frac{1}{2}(y^2 + 1) \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2}(y^2 + 1), -\frac{1}{2}(x^2 + 1) \leq y \leq \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + 1) \right\}.$$

2. (6pts) Let D be a hemispherical region with radius 1:

$$D = \{(x, y, z) \mid z \geq 0, x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1\}$$

Suppose D has mass density given by $\delta(x, y, z) = z$. What is the total mass of D ?

You may end up doing a trig. substitution and needing to integrate $\sin^4(\theta)$. The following identity may be useful:

$$\sin^4(\theta) = \frac{1}{8} \cos(4\theta) - \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\theta) + \frac{3}{8}.$$

3. (6pts) Let D be the spatial region defined by $0 \leq x \leq 1 - y^2$, $-1 \leq y \leq 1$, and $0 \leq z \leq 1$. Find the center of mass of D , which is the point $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$, where

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{\text{Vol}(D)} \iiint_D x \, dV, \quad \bar{y} = \frac{1}{\text{Vol}(D)} \iiint_D y \, dV, \quad \bar{z} = \frac{1}{\text{Vol}(D)} \iiint_D z \, dV.$$