

## Section 15.8

**Spherical Coordinates:** The spherical coordinates of a point  $P$  are  $(\rho, \theta, \phi)$ , where  $\rho = |OP|$  is the distance from the origin to  $P$ ,  $\theta$  is the same angle as in cylindrical coordinates, and  $\phi$  is the angle between the positive  $z$ -axis and the line segment  $OP$ .

**Exercise 1.** Plot the point  $(4, \pi/3, \pi/6)$ .

**Class Exercise 1.** Plot the points whose spherical coordinates are given. (#2)

(a)  $(2, \pi/2, \pi/2)$       (b)  $(4, -\pi/4, \pi/3)$

**Conversion From Spherical to Rectangular Coordinates:**

$$x = \rho \sin \phi \cos \theta \quad y = \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta \quad z = \rho \cos \phi$$

**Conversion From Rectangular to Spherical Coordinates:**

$$\rho^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$$

**Exercise 2.** If a point  $P$  has spherical coordinates  $(4, \pi/3, \pi/6)$ , find rectangular points for  $P$ . (Swok Sec 17.8 Ex 1)

**Class Exercise 2.** Find the rectangular coordinates of the point whose spherical coordinates are given. (a)  $(2, \pi/2, \pi/2)$       (b)  $(4, -\pi/4, \pi/3)$  (#2)

**Class Exercise 3.** Change from rectangular to spherical coordinates. (#4)

(a)  $(1, 0, \sqrt{3})$       (b)  $(\sqrt{3}, -1, 2\sqrt{3})$

**Class Exercise 4.** Describe in words the surface whose equation is given:  $\rho = 3$ . (#6)

**Exercise 3.** Change the equation  $\rho = 2 \sin \phi \cos \theta$  to rectangular coordinates, and describe its graph. (Swok Sec 17.8 Ex 3)

**Class Exercise 5.** Identify the surface whose equation is given:

$$\rho^2(\sin^2 \phi \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \phi) = 9 \quad (\#8)$$

**Exercise 4.** Find an equation in spherical coordinates whose graph is the paraboloid:  $z = x^2 + y^2$ . (Swok Sec 17.8 Ex 2)

**Exercise 5.** Find a spherical coordinate equation for the sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + (z - 1)^2 = 1$  (Hass Sec 15.7 Ex 3)

**Class Exercise 6.** Write the equation in spherical coordinates:

(a)  $x^2 - 2x + y^2 + z^2 = 0$       (b)  $x + 2y + 3z = 1$ . (#10)

**Class Exercise 7.** Sketch the solid described by the given inequalities. (#12,14)

(a)  $1 \leq \rho \leq 2, 0 \leq \phi \leq \pi/2, \pi/2 \leq \theta \leq 3\pi/2$       (b)  $\rho \leq 2, \rho \leq \csc \phi$

**Definition:** In the spherical coordinate system the counterpart of a rectangular box is a **spherical wedge**

$$E = \{ (\rho, \theta, \phi) \mid a \leq \rho \leq b, \alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta, c \leq \phi \leq d \},$$

where  $\alpha \geq 0$  and  $\beta - \alpha \leq 2\pi$ , and  $d - c \leq \pi$ .

**Formula for Triple Integration in Spherical Coordinates:**

$$\iiint_E f(x, y, z) \, dV = \int_c^d \int_\alpha^\beta \int_a^b f(\rho \sin \phi \cos \theta, \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta, \rho \cos \phi) \rho^2 \sin \phi \, d\rho \, d\theta \, d\phi,$$

where  $E$  is a spherical wedge given by

$$E = \{ (\rho, \theta, \phi) \mid a \leq \rho \leq b, \alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta, c \leq \phi \leq d \}.$$

**Exercise 6.** Evaluate  $\iiint_D (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-3/2} dV$ , where  $D$  is the region in the first octant between two spheres of radius 1 and 2 centered at the origin. (Briggs Sec 13.5 Ex 6)

**Class Exercise 8.** Use spherical coordinates. (#22-26 even)

- (a)  $\iiint_H (9 - x^2 - y^2) dV$ , where  $H$  is the solid hemisphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 9$ ,  $z \geq 0$ .
- (b)  $\iiint_E y^2 dV$ , where  $E$  is the solid hemisphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 9$ ,  $y \geq 0$
- (c)  $\iiint_E xyz dV$ , where  $E$  lies between the spheres  $\rho = 2$  and  $\rho = 4$  and above the cone  $\phi = \pi/3$ .

**Exercise 7.** A solid  $Q$  is bounded by the cone  $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  and the plane  $z = 2$ . The density at  $P(x, y, z)$  is directly proportional to the square of the distance from the origin to  $P$ . Find its mass. (Swok Sec 17.8 Ex 5)

**Class Exercise 9.** Use spherical coordinates. (#28-34 even)

- (a) Find the average distance from a point in a ball of radius  $a$  to its center.
- (b) Find the volume of the solid that lies within the sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$ , above the  $xy$ -plane, and below the cone  $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ .
- (c) Let  $H$  be a solid hemisphere of radius  $a$  whose density at any point is proportional to its distance from the center of the base.
  - (i) Find the mass of  $H$ .
  - (ii) Find the center of mass of  $H$ .
  - (iii) Find the moment of inertia of  $H$  about its axis.
- (d) Find the mass and center of mass of a solid hemisphere of radius  $a$  if the density at any point is proportional to its distance from the base.

**Class Exercise 10.** Find the volume of the smaller wedge cut from a sphere of radius  $a$  by two planes that intersect along a diameter at an angle of  $\pi/6$ . (#36)

**Class Exercise 11.** Evaluate the integral by changing to spherical coordinates:

$$\int_{-a}^a \int_{-\sqrt{a^2-y^2}}^{\sqrt{a^2-y^2}} \int_{-\sqrt{a^2-x^2-y^2}}^{\sqrt{a^2-x^2-y^2}} (x^2z + y^2z + z^3) dz dx dy. \quad (\#40)$$

Homework: 1-13 ODD, 17, 19, 23, 25, 27, 31(a), 43