

## 15.7 Triple Integrals in Cylindrical Coordinates, page 1040

**Goal:** Compute triple integrals in cylindrical coordinates.

### Cylindrical Coordinates, page 1040

In the *cylindrical coordinate system* (柱坐標系), a point  $P$  in three-dimensional space is represented by the ordered triple  $(r, \theta, z)$ , where  $r$  and  $\theta$  are polar coordinates of the projection of  $P$  onto the  $xy$ -plane and  $z$  is the distance from  $P$  to the  $xy$ -plane.

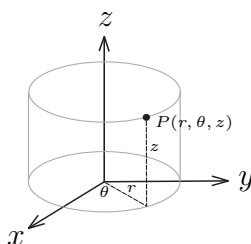


Figure 1: Cylindrical coordinate system.

- Relation from cylindrical to rectangular:  $x = r \cos \theta, y = r \sin \theta, z = z$ .
- Relation from rectangular to cylindrical:  $r^2 = x^2 + y^2, \tan \theta = \frac{y}{x}, z = z$ .

**Example 1** (page 1041).

- Find rectangular coordinates of the point with cylindrical coordinates  $(2, \frac{2}{3}\pi, 1)$ .
- Find cylindrical coordinates of the point with rectangular coordinates  $(3, -3, -7)$ .

**Solution.**

- Since  $x =$  \_\_\_\_\_,  $y =$  \_\_\_\_\_,  $z =$  \_\_\_\_\_. the point is \_\_\_\_\_ in rectangular coordinates.
- Since  $r =$  \_\_\_\_\_,  $\tan \theta =$  \_\_\_\_\_,  $z =$  \_\_\_\_, one of cylindrical coordinates is \_\_\_\_\_, and another is \_\_\_\_\_.  
As with polar coordinates, there are infinitely many choices.

**Example 2** (page 1041). Describe the surface whose equation in cylindrical coordinates is  $z = r$ .

**Solution.** Since  $z^2 = r^2 = x^2 + y^2$ , it is a \_\_\_\_\_ whose axis is the  $z$ -axis.

## Evaluating Triple Integrals with Cylindrical Coordinates, page 1042

Suppose that  $E$  is a *type z* region whose projection  $D$  onto the  $xy$ -plane is conveniently described in polar coordinates. Suppose that  $f(x, y, z)$  is continuous and

$$E = \{(x, y, z) | (x, y) \in D, u_1(x, y) \leq z \leq u_2(x, y)\},$$

where  $D$  is given in polar coordinates by  $D = \{(r, \theta) | \alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta, h_1(\theta) \leq r \leq h_2(\theta)\}$ .

We get the formula for triple integration in cylindrical coordinates:

$$\iiint_E f(x, y, z) \, dV = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \int_{r=h_1(\theta)}^{r=h_2(\theta)} \int_{z=u_1(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta)}^{z=u_2(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta)} f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, z) r \, dz \, dr \, d\theta.$$

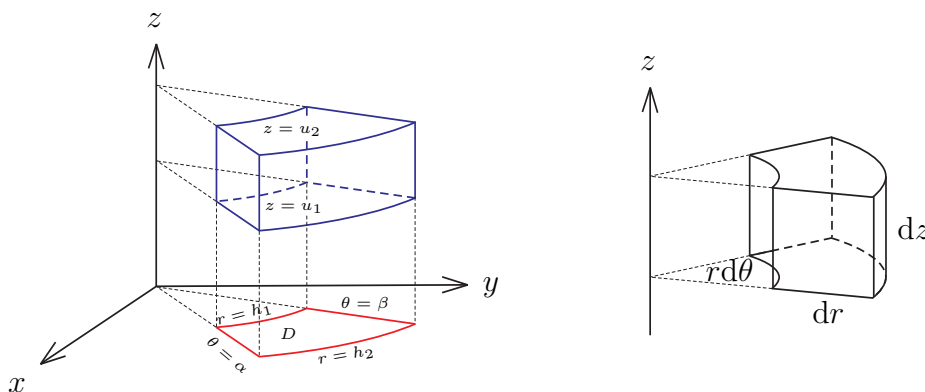


Figure 2: Cylindrical coordinate system.

**Example 3.** Evaluate  $A = \int_{-2}^2 \int_{-\sqrt{4-x^2}}^{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \int_{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}^2 (x^2 + y^2) \, dz \, dy \, dx$ .

**Solution.**

**Homework** (page 1044). Find the volume of the solid enclosed by the three cylinders  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ ,  $x^2 + z^2 = 1$ , and  $y^2 + z^2 = 1$ .

**Solution.** The volume is \_\_\_\_\_.

We leave the calculation of this integral as an Exercise.