

MATH 253 – WORKSHEET 28
TRIPLE INTEGRALS

- (1) Integrate $f(x, y, z) = xy^2z^3$ on the box $[5, 6] \times [3, 4] \times [1, 2]$.

Solution: We convert to an iterated integral, and notice that it factors:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \iiint_{[5,6] \times [3,4] \times [1,2]} xy^2z^3 \, dx \, dy \, dz &= \int_{x=5}^{x=6} dx \int_{y=3}^{y=4} dy \int_{z=1}^{z=2} dz xy^2z^3 \\
 &= \int_{x=5}^{x=6} dx x \int_{y=3}^{y=4} dy y^2 \int_{z=1}^{z=2} dz z^3 \\
 &= \left(\int_{x=5}^{x=6} dx x \right) \left(\int_{y=3}^{y=4} dy y^2 \right) \left(\int_{z=1}^{z=2} dz z^3 \right) \\
 &= \left[\frac{x^2}{2} \right]_{x=5}^{x=6} \cdot \left[\frac{y^3}{3} \right]_{y=3}^{y=4} \cdot \left[\frac{z^4}{4} \right]_{z=1}^{z=2} \\
 &= \frac{11}{2} \cdot \frac{37}{3} \cdot \frac{15}{4} = \frac{2035}{8}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Important for the factorization: not only did the *integrand* factorize ($x \cdot y^2 \cdot z^3$) but the *domain* also factors (that is, it's a box).

- (2) Calculate $\iiint_B xy e^{xz} \, dx \, dy \, dz$ where $B = [1, 2]^3$.

Solution: We convert to an iterated integral.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \iiint_B xy e^{xz} \, dx \, dy \, dz &= \int_{x=1}^{x=2} dx \int_{y=1}^{y=2} dy \int_{z=1}^{z=2} dz xy e^{xz} \\
 &\stackrel{u=xz}{=} \int_{x=1}^{x=2} dx \int_{y=1}^{y=2} dy y \int_{u=x}^{u=2x} du e^u \\
 &= \int_{x=1}^{x=2} dx \int_{y=1}^{y=2} dy y [e^{2x} - e^x] \\
 &= \left(\int_{x=1}^{x=2} (e^{2x} - e^x) dx \right) \left(\int_{y=1}^{y=2} dy y \right) \\
 &= \left[\frac{1}{2} e^{2x} - e^x \right]_{x=1}^{x=2} \cdot \left[\frac{y^2}{2} \right]_{y=1}^{y=2} \\
 &= \left[\frac{1}{2} e^4 - e^2 - \frac{1}{2} e^2 + e^1 \right] \left[\frac{4-1}{2} \right] \\
 &= \frac{3}{4} [e^4 - 3e^2 + 2e].
 \end{aligned}$$