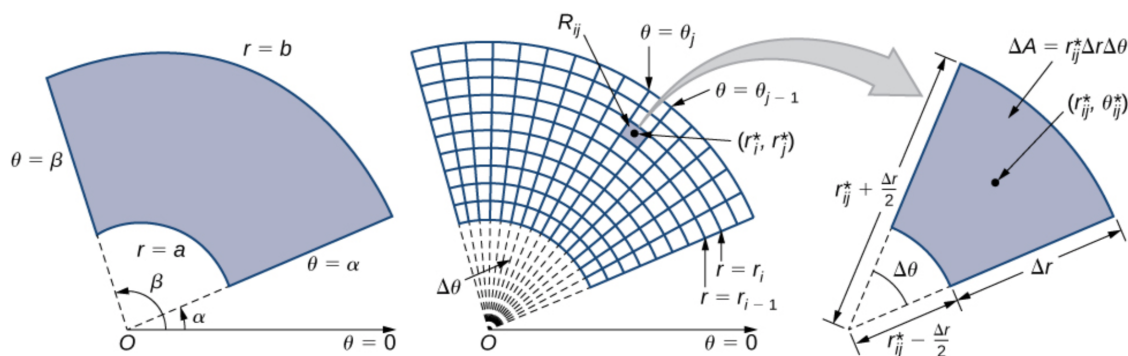


## SECTION 16.3 DOUBLE INTEGRALS USING POLAR COORDINATES

**RECALL: POLAR COORDINATES:**

$$x = r \cos(\theta), \quad y = r \sin(\theta), \quad x^2 + y^2 = r^2, \quad \tan(\theta) = \frac{y}{x}, \quad x \neq 0$$

**QUESTION:** How do we set-up an integral in polar coordinates?



**THEOREM:** Suppose  $R$  is described in polar coordinates as:  $R = \{(r, \theta) : \alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta, g(\theta) \leq r \leq h(\theta)\}$ :

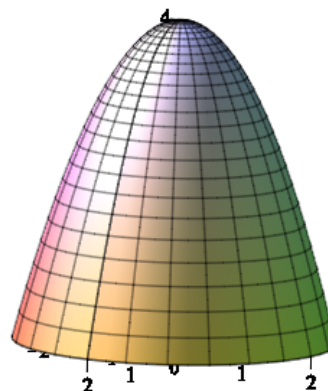
$$\iint_R f(x, y) dA = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \int_{g(\theta)}^{h(\theta)} f(r \cos(\theta), r \sin(\theta)) r dr d\theta$$

**EXAMPLE 1:** Convert the following integral from rectangular coordinates to polar coordinates to evaluate.

$$\int_0^1 \int_{x\sqrt{3}}^{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} dy dx$$

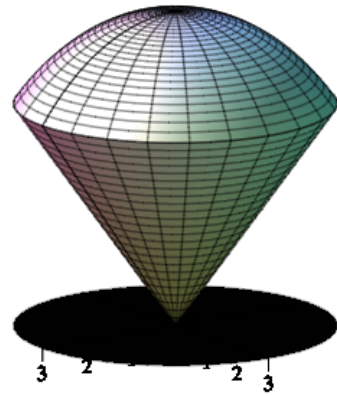
$$\text{Ans: } \int_0^1 \int_{x\sqrt{3}}^{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} dy dx = \int_{\frac{\pi}{3}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^2 r^2 dr d\theta = \frac{4\pi}{9}$$

**EXAMPLE 2:** Find the volume of the solid bounded by the paraboloid  $z = 4 - x^2 - y^2$  and the  $xy$ -plane.



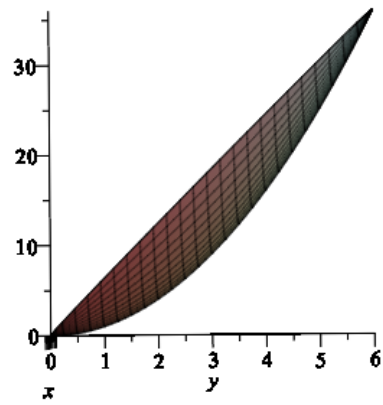
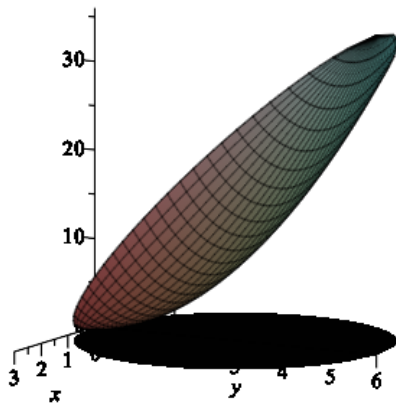
$$\text{Ans: Volume} = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 (4 - r^2) r \, dr \, d\theta = 8\pi \text{ units}^3$$

**EXAMPLE 3:** Find the volume of the solid between the surfaces  $z = \sqrt{18 - x^2 - y^2}$  and  $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ .



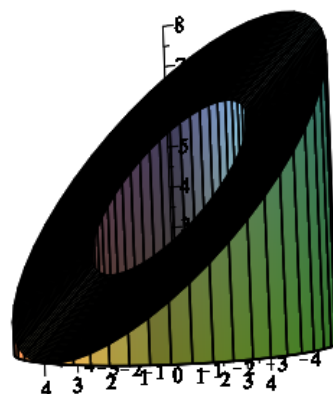
$$\text{Ans: Volume} = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^3 \left( \sqrt{18 - r^2} - r \right) r \, dr \, d\theta = 36\pi \left( \sqrt{2} - 1 \right) \text{ units}^3$$

**EXAMPLE 4:** Find the volume of the solid between the surfaces  $z = x^2 + y^2$  and  $z = 6y$ .



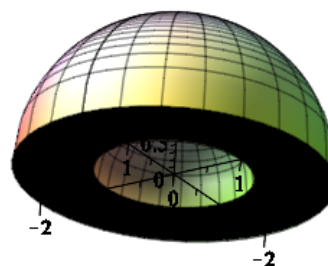
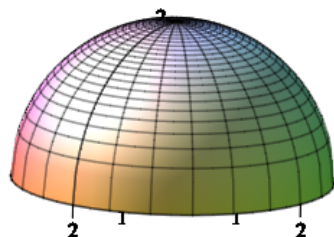
$$\text{Ans: Volume} = \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{6 \sin(\theta)} (6r \sin(\theta) - r^2) r \, dr \, d\theta = \frac{81\pi}{2} \text{ units}^3$$

**EXAMPLE 5:** Set-up an iterated integral in polar coordinates which computes the volume of the solid bounded by the cylinders  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$  and  $x^2 + y^2 = 16$  and the planes  $z = 0$  and  $x + z = 4$ .



$$\text{Ans: Volume} = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_2^4 (4 - r \cos(\theta)) r \, dr \, d\theta = 48\pi \text{ units}^3$$

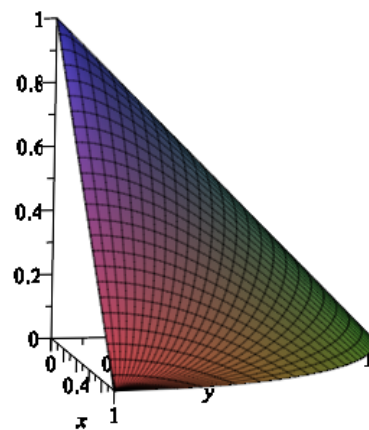
**EXAMPLE 6:** Set-up a sum of iterated integrals in polar coordinates which computes the volume of the solid between the surfaces  $z = \sqrt{4 - x^2 - y^2}$  and  $z = \sqrt{1 - x^2 - y^2}$ .



Find the volume using formulas from geometry.

$$\text{Ans: Volume} = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \left( \sqrt{4 - r^2} - \sqrt{1 - r^2} \right) r \, dr \, d\theta + \int_0^{2\pi} \int_1^2 r \sqrt{4 - r^2} \, dr \, d\theta = \frac{14\pi}{3} \text{ units}^3$$

**EXAMPLE 7:** Write a difference of iterated integrals (one in polar coordinates, one in rectangular coordinates) which computes the volume of the solid bounded by  $z = 1 - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ ,  $z = 1 - x - y$ , and  $z = 0$ .



$$\text{Ans: Volume} = \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^1 (1 - r) r \, dr \, d\theta - \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} (1 - x - y) \, dy \, dx = \frac{\pi - 2}{12} \text{ units}^3$$

**EXAMPLE 8:** Follow the steps below to find the value of  $\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$ :

1. Let  $N = \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$ . Then  $N^2 = \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx \right]^2 = \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx \right] \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx \right]$ .

2. Why does  $\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \int_0^\infty e^{-y^2} dy$ ?

3. Hence,  $N^2 = \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx \right] \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx \right] = \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx \right] \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{-y^2} dy \right]$

4. Explain the following manipulation:

$$\left[ \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx \right] \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{-y^2} dy \right] = \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{-y^2} dy \right] dx = \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} e^{-y^2} dy dx$$

5. Rewrite:

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} e^{-y^2} dy dx = \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty e^{-(x^2+y^2)} dy dx$$

Convert  $\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty e^{-(x^2+y^2)} dy dx$  to an integral in polar coordinates and evaluate.

$$\text{Ans: } \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty e^{-(x^2+y^2)} dy dx = \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^\infty e^{-r^2} r dr d\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

6. Use your answer to the previous part to determine the exact value of:  $\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$ .

**HOMEWORK:** Section 16.3: 7 - 63 every other odd