Exercise answers: EOS 250

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2. (Notes on volume integrals) The tetrahedron is bounded by 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < xand 0 < z < 1 - x (draw the tetrahedron to see this, or go through the lecture note procedure for calculating formulas for the planes that define the faces of the tetrahedron). So

$$\begin{split} \int_{V} \rho \, \mathrm{d}V &= \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{x} \int_{0}^{1-x} 1 + xy + z \, \mathrm{d}z \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &= \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{x} (1-x)(1+xy) + (1-x)^{2}/2 \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &= \int_{0}^{1} (1-x)x + (1-x)x^{3}/2 + x(1-x)^{2}/2 \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &= \left[x^{2}/2 - x^{3}/3 + x^{4}/8 - x^{5}/10 - x(1-x)^{3}/6 - (1-x)^{4}/24 \right]_{0}^{1} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{24} \\ &\frac{7}{30} \end{split}$$

3. (Notes on volume integrals) From $\int \rho \, dV = \sum \rho \Delta V$, we get $\int 1 \, dV = \sum \Delta V =$ the volume V (you're chopping the volume V, chopping it into little rectangular prisms, calculating the volume of each prism, and adding). For the tetrahedron in the previous example, base area = 1/2, height = 1, so volume = 1/6. Computing the

integral,

$$\int_{V} 1 \, \mathrm{d}V = \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{x} \int_{0}^{1-x} 1 \, \mathrm{d}z \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}x$$
$$= \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{x} 1 - x \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}x$$
$$= \int_{0}^{1} x(1-x) \, \mathrm{d}x$$
$$= \left[x^{2}/2 - x^{3}/3 \right]_{0}^{1}$$
$$= \frac{1}{6}$$

as required.

Also $\int_{V} \rho_0 dV = \rho_0 \int_{V} 1 dV = \rho_0 V$. This is the high school formula for mass — which is therefore just a special case of the non-high school formula.

6. (Notes on surface integrals) We have $\mathbf{q} = y\mathbf{i} - x\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}$ and the surface given by $z = h(x, y) = \cos(x)\cos(y)$, its projection bounded by $0 < x < \pi/2$, $0, y < \pi/2$. We therefore get

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} = -\sin(x)\cos(y), \qquad \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} = -\cos(x)\sin(y).$$

while

$$q_x(x, y, h(x, y)) = y,$$
 $q_y(x, y, h(x, y)) = -x,$ $q_z(x, y, h(x, y)) = z = \cos(x)\cos(y)$

For reference, note that by integration by parts

$$\int u \cos(u) \, du = u \sin(u) - \int \sin(u) \, du$$
$$= u \sin(u) + \cos(u)$$

Hence the surface integral is

$$\begin{split} \int_{S} \mathbf{q} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} \, \mathrm{d}S &= \int_{0}^{\pi/2} \int_{0}^{\pi/2} \cos(x) \cos(y) + y \sin(x) \cos(y) - x \cos(x) \sin(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &= \int_{0}^{\pi/2} \left[\cos(x) \sin(y) + \sin(x) y \sin(y) + \sin(x) \cos(y) + x \cos(x) \cos(y) \right]_{y=0}^{y=\pi/2} \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &= \int_{0}^{\pi/2} \cos(x) + \frac{\pi}{2} \sin(x) - \sin(x) - x \cos(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &= \left[\sin(x) - \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - 1\right) \cos(x) - x \sin(x) - \cos(x) \right]_{x=0}^{x=\pi/2} \\ &= 1 + \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - 1\right) - \frac{\pi}{2} + 1 \\ &= 1 \end{split}$$

(Note that this could have been done more easily, by symmetry under exchanging \boldsymbol{x} and \boldsymbol{y} you can tell that

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin(x) y \cos(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^{\pi/2} x \cos(x) \sin(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}x$$

and therefore the integral is more simply

$$\int_{S} \mathbf{q} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} \, \mathrm{d}S = \int_{0}^{\pi/2} \int_{0}^{\pi/2} \cos(x) \cos(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}x = 1.$$