

You have 20 minutes to complete this quiz. No calculator, cheat sheet or aid of any kind is allowed.

1.[5pts] Set-up (but do not evaluate) the following integral

$$\iint_R \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1-x^2}} dA.$$

Where R is the region above the x -axis and inside the circle of radius 1 centered at 0. You may use either polar or cartesian coordinates.

Solution: If we set this integral up using cartesian coordinates, the integral is actually easy to compute.

$$\iint_R \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1-x^2}} dA = \int_{-1}^1 \int_0^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1-x^2}} dy dx = 1.$$

We can also convert to polar coordinates, where the integral is not so easy

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_R \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1-x^2}} dA &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1-r^2\cos^2(\theta)}} r dr d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sin \theta} dr d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{\sin \theta} d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

In fact, the calculation in cartesian coordinates gives the following integral

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{\sin \theta} d\theta = 1.$$

2.[5pts] Evaluate the following integral

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

by changing to polar coordinates. (Hint: first determine the region of integration).

Solution: The region is just the semi-circle of radius 1 in the upper-half plane in polar coordinates, this becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^1 \int_0^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} e^{x^2+y^2} dy dx &= \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^1 e^{r^2} r dr d\theta \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} e^{r^2} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{\pi}{2} (e - 1). \end{aligned}$$