## MATH 223: Multivariable Calculus



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# Notes on Assignment 24 Assignment 25 Improper Integrals and Probability Density Functions

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### **Announcements**

## Today: Improper Integrals Applications in Probability and Statistics

Wednesday: Line Integrals Friday: Weighted Curves and Surfaces of Revolution

# Exam 3: Wednesday, November 30

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$$
\int_{-1}^{\infty} \int_{1}^{2} f(x, y) \, dy \, dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{-1}^{b} \int_{1}^{2} f(x, y) \, dy \, dx
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I = \lim_{a \to 0^+} \int_a^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \lim_{a \to 0^+} \left[ 2\sqrt{x} \right]_a^1 = \lim_{a \to 0^+} \left[ 2 - 2\sqrt{a} \right] = 2
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=\lim_{a\to 0^+}(2\pi-2\pi a)=2\pi
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#### **Improper Integrals**

Let  $\{B_{\delta}\}\$ be a family of bounded sets  $B_{\delta}$  that expands to cover all of the set B. We say  $\int_{P} f(x) dV$  is defined as an improper integral if the limit  $\int_{B} f(\mathbf{x}) dV = \lim_{R} \int_{R} f(\mathbf{x}) dV$  is finite and independent of the family  $\{B_{\delta}\}\$ used to define it. If the limit exists (as a finite number), we say that the improper integral converges to that value. If the limit fails to exist, we say the improper integral diverges.

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## An Important Example: Exponential Probability Density Function

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\int_0^\infty e^{-x} dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_0^b e^{-x} dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} \left[ -e^{-x} \Big|_{x=0}^b \right]
$$

$$
= \lim_{b \to \infty} \left[ -e^{-b} - (-e^0) \right] = \lim_{b \to \infty} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{e^b} \right] = 1
$$







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Evaluate 
$$
1 - \int_{x=0}^{3} \int_{y=0}^{3-x} e^{-x} e^{-y} dy dx
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= 1 - \int_{0}^{3} e^{-x} \left[ -e^{-y} \Big|_{y=0}^{3-x} \right] dx
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= 1 - \int_{0}^{3} e^{-x} \left[ -e^{3-x} + 1 \right] dx
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= 1 - \int_{0}^{3} (e^{-x} - e^{-3}) dx
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= 1 - \left[ -e^{-x} - e^{-3} x \right]_{x=0}^{3}
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1 - \left[ -e^{-3} - 3e^{-3} + 1 + 0 \right] = 1 - \left[ 1 - \frac{4}{e^{3}} \right] = \frac{4}{e^{3}} \approx .199
$$

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### Probability Density Function

A real-valued function  $p$  such that  $p(\vec{x}) \ge 0$  for all  $\vec{x}$  and  $\int_S p = 1$ where  $S$  is the set of all possibilities.



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Example 2:  $p(x) = 2 - 2x$  on [0,1] More likely to choose small numbers than larger numbers  $\mathbf{y}$  ) Problem: Find the probability of picking a number less than  $1/2$ . 1/2  $\int_0^{1/2} (2 - 2x) dx = (2x - x^2)$  $=(1-\frac{1}{4}$  $(\frac{1}{4}) - (0 - 0) = \frac{3}{4}$ A probability density function on a set  $S$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a continuous non-negative real-valued function  $\rho: \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$  such that  $\int_S pdV = 1$ If an experiment is performed where  $S$  is the set of all possible

outcomes, then the probability that the outcome lies in a particular subset T is  $\int_{\mathcal{T}} p(\vec{x}) dV$ .

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Need to find 
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A = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx
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A^{2} = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^{2}}{2}} dx\right) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^{2}}{2}} dx\right)
$$

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= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^{2}-y^{2}}{2}} dy dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^{2}+y^{2}}{2}} dy dx
$$

**Switch To Polar Coordinates:** 
$$
A^2 = \int_{r=0}^{\infty} \int_{\theta=0}^{2\pi} e^{-\frac{r^2}{2}} r \, d\theta \, dr
$$

$$
A^{2} = 2\pi \int_{r=0}^{\infty} r e^{-\frac{r^{2}}{2}} dr = 2\pi \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{r=0}^{b} r e^{-\frac{r^{2}}{2}} dr
$$

$$
=2\pi \lim_{b \to \infty} \left[ -e^{-\frac{r^2}{2}} \right]_0^b = 2\pi \lim_{b \to \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{e^{b^2/2}} + \frac{1}{e^0} \right] = 2\pi \times 1 = 2\pi
$$
  
Thus  $A^2 = 2\pi$  so  $A = \sqrt{2\pi}$ 

$$
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \ dx = \sqrt{2\pi}
$$

To get a probability density, let  $p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  $\frac{1}{2\pi}e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$ 2 This density is called the **Standard Normal Density** 

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Example: Suppose two numbers  $b$  and  $c$  are chosen at random between 0 and 1. What is the probability that the quadratic equation  $x^2 + bx + c = 0$  has a real root? Solution: Choosing b and c is equivalent to choosing a point  $(b, c)$ from the unit square S with  $p(\vec{x}) = 1$  ( Uniform Density) Then  $\int_S p(\vec{x}) = \int_S 1 = \text{area}(S) = 1$ . Now  $x^2 + bx + c = 0$  has solution  $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4c}}{2}$ 2 For real root, need  $b^2-4c\geq 0$  or  $c\leq \frac{b^2}{4}$ 4 Let  $\mathcal{T} = \{(b, c) : c \leq \frac{b^2}{4}\}$  $\frac{5}{4}$ } 1  $\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \end{array} \end{array} \end{array}$  $\int_{\mathcal{T}} p(\vec{x}) = \int_{x=0}^{1} \int_{y=0}^{x^2/4} 1 \, dy \, dx = \int_{x=0}^{1}$  $x^2$  $rac{x^2}{4} dx = \frac{x^3}{12}$  $=$   $\frac{1}{12}$ 12 120  $S$  $0.5$  $0.5$  $\qquad \qquad \exists \quad \mathbf{1} \quad \math$  $OQ$ 

#### General Exponential Probability Distribution

$$
p(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \text{ for } x \ge 0, \lambda > 0
$$
  
Easy to Show:

$$
\int_0^\infty \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = 1
$$
 so it is a probability distribution

Mean 
$$
\int_0^\infty \lambda x e^{-\lambda x} dx = \frac{1}{\lambda}
$$

Prob(Bulb life  $\geq 3$ ) = 1 –  $\int_3^\infty \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = 1 + e^{-\lambda x}$ ∞ 3  $= 1 - e^{-3\lambda}$ Prob(2 lights have life  $\geq 3$ ) =  $e^{-3\lambda}(1+3\lambda)$ More than *b* hours:  $e^{-3b\lambda}(1+b\lambda)$ 

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