MATH 280

Multivariate Calculus

Integration over a surface problems

1. Compute the surface area of a sphere of radius R

Answer: $A = 4\pi R^2$

2. Compute the surface area of the lateral side of a right circular cone of height H and radius R.

Answer:
$$A = \pi R \sqrt{R^2 + H^2}$$

3. A torus is the doughnut-shaped surface formed by bending and gluing a right circular cylinder section so that the central axis forms a circle. (You can also think about a torus as generated by revolving circle around a fixed axis that does not intersect the circle.) Let R be the radius of the cylinder and B be the height of the cylinder. (Equivalently, R is the radius of the circle and B is the distance from the circle center to the rotation axis.) The cartesian coordinates of points on a torus can be described by the equations

$$x = (B + R\sin\phi)\cos\theta, \quad y = (B + R\sin\phi)\sin\theta, \quad \text{and} \quad z = R\cos\phi.$$

for $0 \le \phi \le 2\pi$ and $0 \le \theta \le 2\pi$. Note that we need B > R to have a true torus. If B < R, the surface is a "sphere with dimples at the north and south pole". If B = 0, then these formulas describe a sphere of radius R (covered *twice* since $0 \le \phi \le 2\pi$).

Compute the surface area of a torus with dimensions B and R with B > R.

Answer:
$$A = 4\pi^2 BR$$



4. Charge is distributed on a hemisphere of radius R so that the area charge density is proportional to the distance from the equatorial plane. Compute the total charge in terms of R and the maximum density σ_0 .