

Assignment #23

Due on Wednesday, November 26, 2008

Read Section 8.1 on *Change of Variables*, pp. 211–213, in Bressoud’s book.

Background and Definitions (*The Change of Variables Formula*). Let R denote a region in the xy -plane and D a region in the uv -plane. Suppose that there is a change of coordinates function $\Phi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ that maps D onto R . Then, for any continuous function, f , defined on R ,

$$\int_R f(x, y) \, dx dy = \int_D f(\Phi(u, v)) \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| \, du dv,$$

where $\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)}$ denotes the determinant of the Jacobian matrix of Φ .

Do the following problems

- Exercise 1 on page 216 in the text.
- Let D_a be the disc of radius a in the xy -plane centered at the origin.

(a) Evaluate the integral $\int_{D_a} e^{-x^2-y^2} \, dx dy$.

(b) Compute $\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \int_{D_a} e^{-x^2-y^2} \, dx dy$.

- Use your result on part (b) of the previous problem to evaluate

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-x^2-y^2} \, dx dy.$$

Deduce the value of the improper integral

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-x^2} \, dx.$$

- Let R be the square region in the xy -plane with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(1, -1)$, $(2, 0)$ and $(1, 1)$. Use the change of variables: $u = x + y$, $v = x - y$, to evaluate the integral

$$\int_R e^{x-y} \, dx dy.$$

- Evaluate the integral $\int_R 4x \, dx dy$, where R is the triangular region in the xy -plane with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(1, 0)$ and $(1/2, 1/2)$.