

Multiple Integration
Iteration of Double Integrals

Question

Find the volume for the solid defined by

The space over the xy -plane and below the surface $z = 1 - x^2 - 2y^2$.

Answer

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Vol} &= \iint_E (1 - x^2 - 2y^2) dA \\ &= 4 \int_0^1 dx \int_0^{\sqrt{(1-x^2)/2}} (1 - x^2 - 2y^2) dy \\ &= 4 \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{2}{3} \frac{(1-x^2)^{3/2}}{2\sqrt{2}} \right) dx \\ &= \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{3} \int_0^1 (1-x^2)^{3/2} dx\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } x = \sin \theta$$

$$du = \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow V &= \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{3} \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos^4 \theta \\ &= \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{3} \int_0^{\pi/2} \left(\frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2} \right)^2 d\theta \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \int_0^{\pi/2} \left(1 + 2\cos \theta + \frac{1 + \cos \theta}{2} \right) d\theta \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \left[\frac{3\theta}{2} + \sin \theta + \frac{1}{8} \sin 4\theta \right] \Big|_0^{\pi/2} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}} \text{cu. units}\end{aligned}$$