

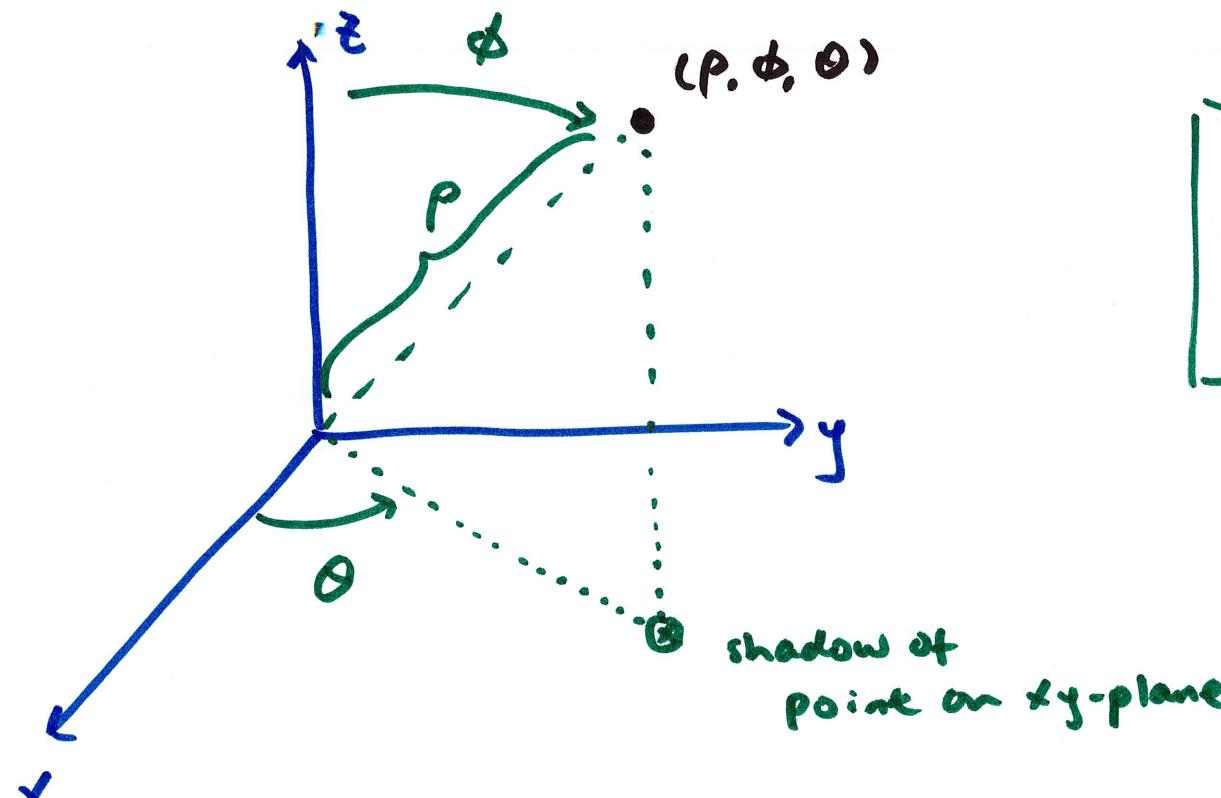
16.5 Triple Integrals in Spherical Coordinates

in spherical, point located by (ρ, ϕ, θ)

"rho" distance from origin

"phi" measured from positive z-axis down

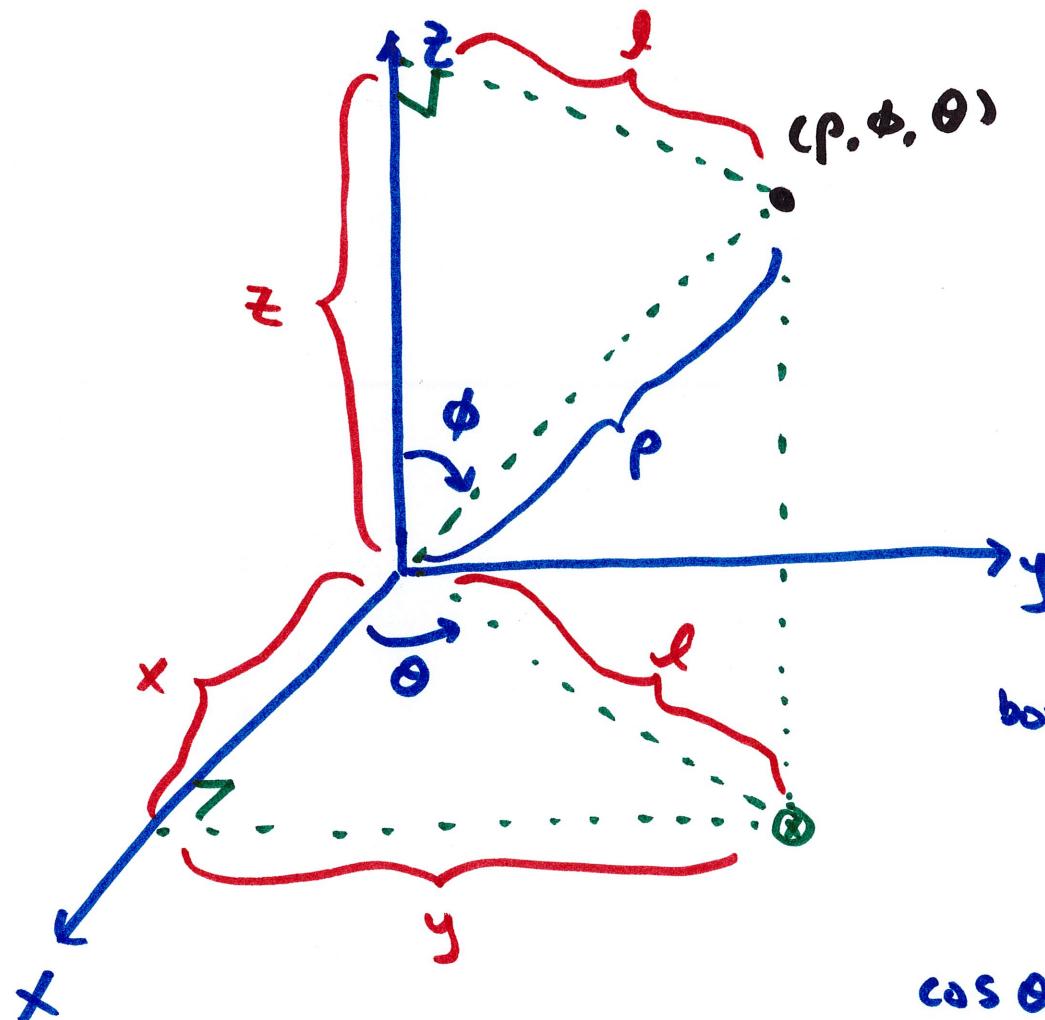
same θ as in polar/cylindrical



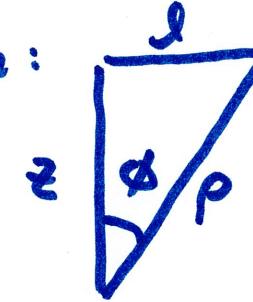
$$\begin{aligned} \rho &\geq 0 \\ 0 &\leq \theta \leq 2\pi \\ 0 &\leq \phi \leq \pi \end{aligned}$$

we don't need it to go to 2π to cover the entire space because θ allows us to spin all the way around

Converting to/from Cartesian



top triangle:



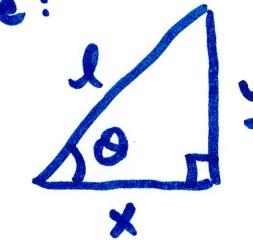
$$\cos \phi = \frac{z}{\rho}$$

$$\text{so, } z = \rho \cos \phi$$

$$\text{also, } \sin \phi = \frac{l}{\rho}$$

$$l = \rho \sin \phi$$

bottom triangle:



$$\cos \theta = \frac{x}{l} \quad x = l \cos \theta$$

$$x = \rho \sin \phi \cos \theta$$

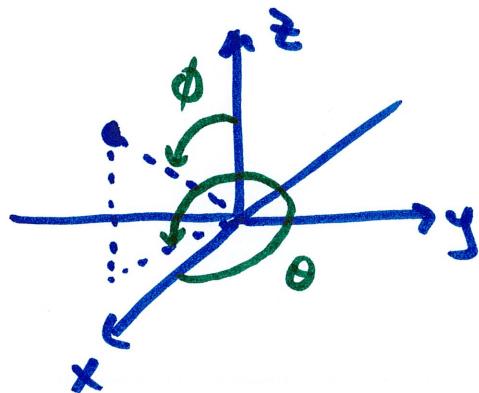
$$\sin \theta = \frac{y}{l} \quad y = l \sin \theta$$

$$y = \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta$$

note: $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = \rho^2$

Example $(x, y, z) = (1, -1, \sqrt{2})$

$(\rho, \phi, \theta) = ?$



get the quadrants right!

by inspection,

$$\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

$$0 \leq \phi \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\rho \text{ is easy: } \rho^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1 + 1 + 2 = 4$$

$$\boxed{\rho = 2}$$

$$\text{from } z = \rho \cos \theta$$

$$\sqrt{2} = 2 \cos \theta \quad \cos \theta = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$\boxed{\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}}$$

$$x = \rho \sin \theta \cos \phi$$

$$y = \rho \sin \theta \sin \phi$$

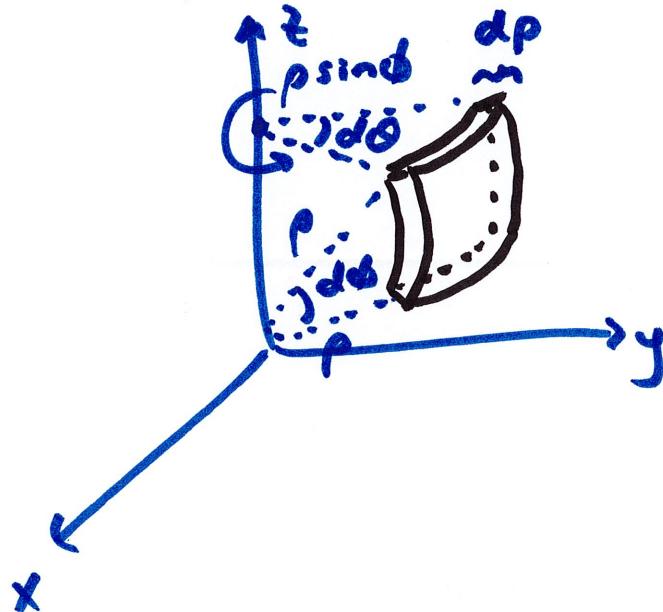
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} \frac{y}{x} = \tan \theta = \frac{-1}{1} = -1$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(-1) = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

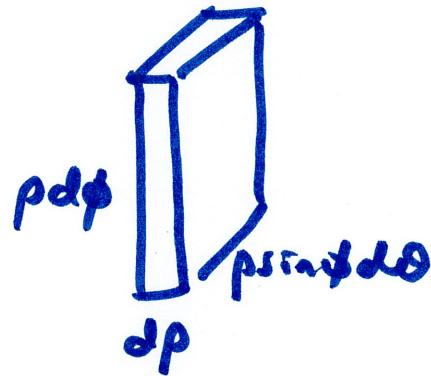
$$\boxed{\theta = \frac{3\pi}{4}}$$

dV in spherical is complicated

imagine a small piece of a spherical shell



when dp , $d\theta$, $d\phi$ are small, the shell is nearly a rectangular box



so,

$$dV = p^2 \sin\theta dp d\theta d\phi$$

example

$$\int_0^6 \int_0^{\sqrt{36-x^2}} \int_{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}^{\sqrt{72-x^2-y^2}}$$

$dz dy dx$

terrible in Cartesian

z 's upper bound is part of a sphere \rightarrow clue to go to spherical

"floor": $0 \leq x \leq 6$

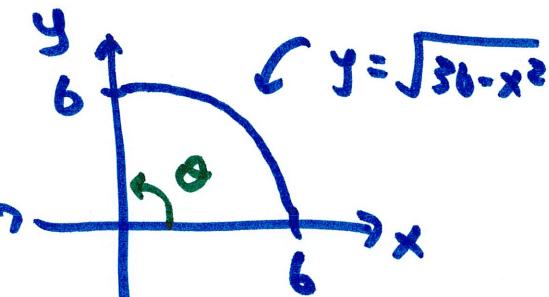
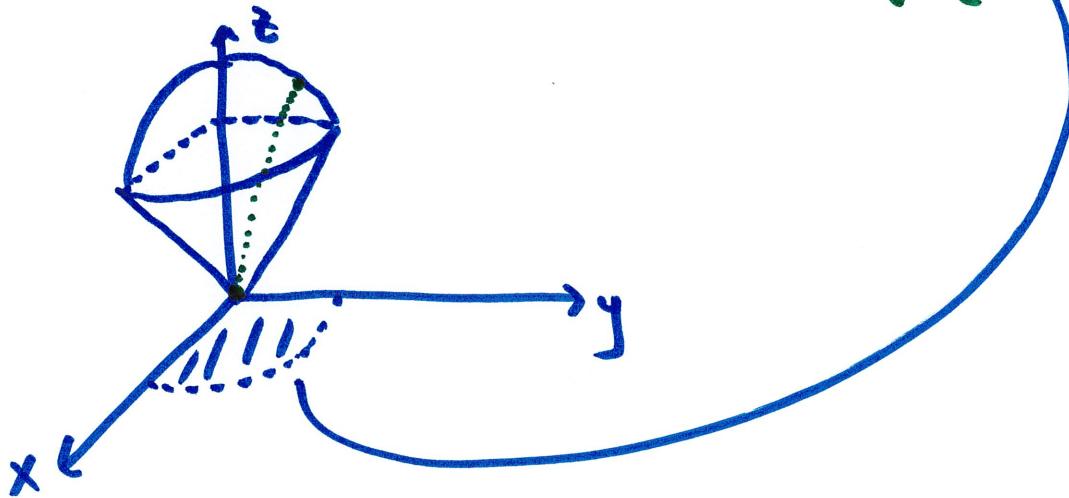
$$0 \leq y \leq \sqrt{36-x^2}$$

$$\underbrace{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}_{\text{cone}} \leq z \leq \underbrace{\sqrt{72-x^2-y^2}}_{\text{Sphere radius } \sqrt{72}}$$

cone

cone

Sphere radius $\sqrt{72}$



so we see

$$0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

draw a line from origin to edge of volume to see ρ bounds

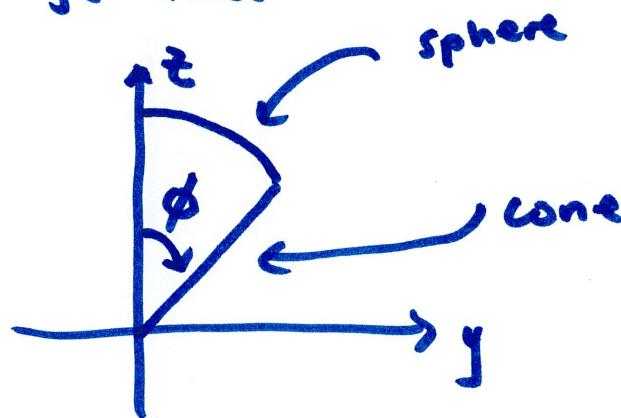
ρ is from origin to sphere of radius $\sqrt{72}$

so,

$$0 \leq \rho \leq \sqrt{72}$$

now ϕ bounds

look at yz -trace



Cone equation: $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

on yz -plane, $z = \sqrt{y^2} = y$

slope is 1, so angle is $\frac{\pi}{4}$

$$0 \leq \phi \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$$

now the new integral:

$$\int_0^{\pi/4} \int_0^{\pi/4} \int_0^{\sqrt{72}} \rho^2 \sin\phi \, d\rho \, d\phi \, d\theta = \dots = 12\sqrt{72}\pi \left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

example Find volume of the solid outside $\rho=1$ and inside $\rho=2\cos\phi$

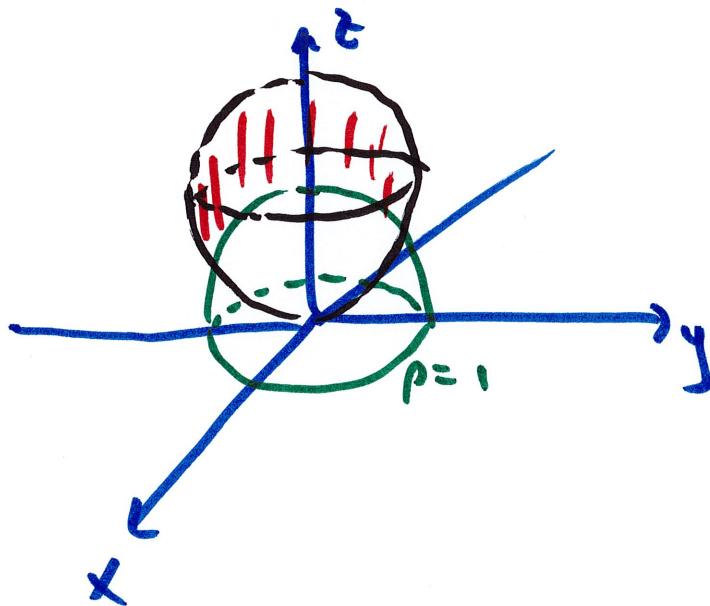
Sphere radius 1
centered at $(0,0,0)$

Sphere radius 1
centered at $(0,0,1)$

$$\rho = 2\cos\phi$$

$$\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2} = \frac{2\rho\cos\phi}{\rho} = \frac{2z}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2}}$$

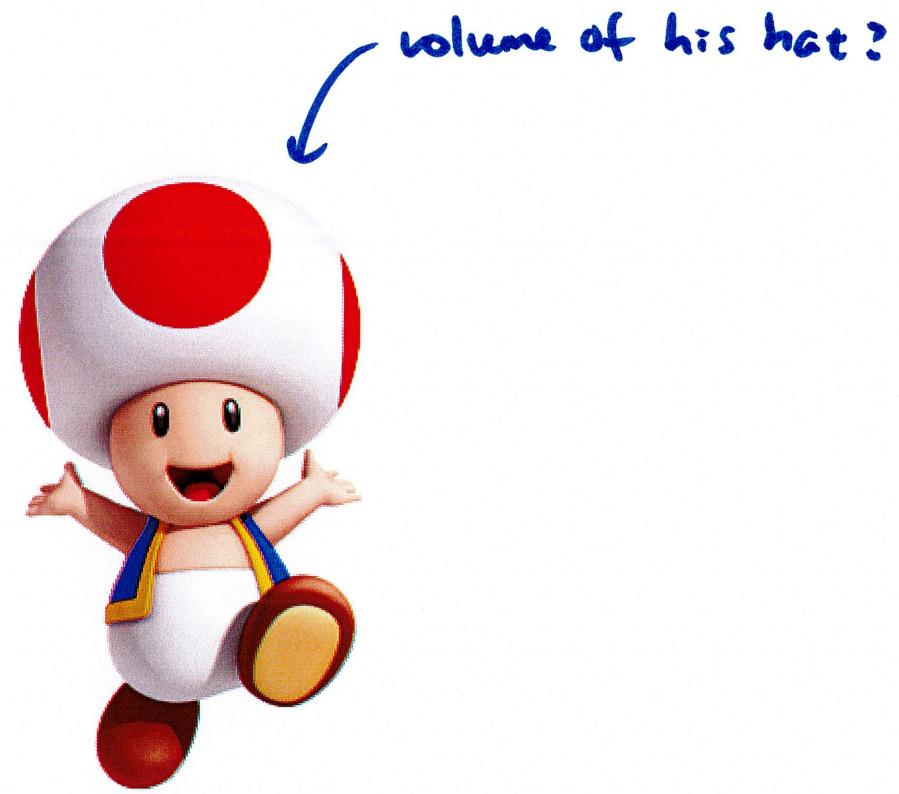
$$x^2+y^2+z^2 = 2z \dots \rightarrow x^2+y^2+(z-1)^2 = 1$$



volume of space in between (like Toad's hat)

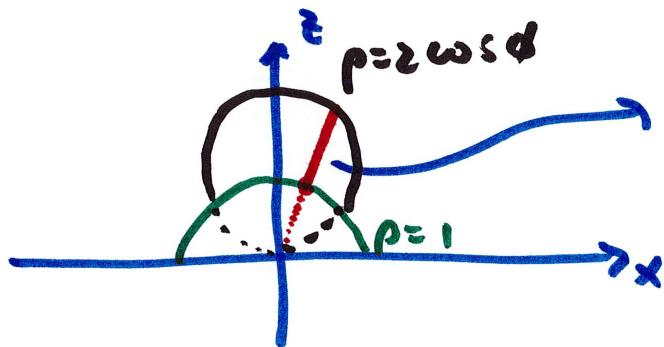
by inspection,

$$0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$



volume of his hat?

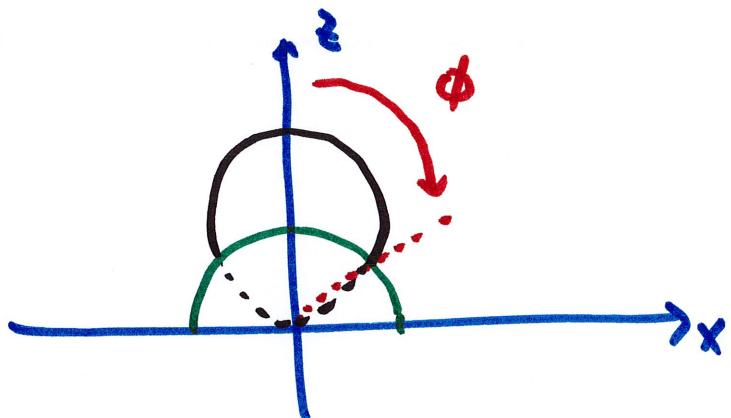
ρ bounds:



ρ starts at lower circle/sphere
ends at upper one

$$1 \leq \rho \leq 2 \cos \phi$$

ϕ bounds:



intersection of spheres

$$\rho = 1$$

$$\rho = 2 \cos \phi$$

$$1 = 2 \cos \phi \rightarrow \phi = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

so

$$0 \leq \phi \leq \frac{\pi}{3}$$

volume:

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi/3} \int_1^{2 \cos \phi} \rho^2 \sin \phi \, d\rho \, d\phi \, d\theta = \dots \approx \boxed{\frac{11\pi}{12}}$$

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