

Problem: Let S be the region below the cone $\varphi = \pi/6$ and inside the sphere $\rho = \cos \varphi$. If S has a uniform density of 1, then its total mass is $3\pi/16$. Find its center of mass. (Hint: you already know \bar{x} and \bar{y} .)

Solution: We only need to find \bar{z} :

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{z} &= \frac{16}{3\pi} \iiint_S z \, dV \\
 &= \frac{16}{3\pi} \int_{\varphi=\pi/6}^{\pi/2} \int_{\rho=0}^{\cos \varphi} \int_{\theta=0}^{2\pi} \rho \cos \varphi \cdot \rho^2 \sin \varphi \, d\theta \, d\rho \, d\varphi \\
 &= \frac{16}{3\pi} 2\pi \int_{\varphi=\pi/6}^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{4} \cos^5 \varphi \sin \varphi \, d\varphi \\
 &= \frac{-8}{3} \int_{u=\sqrt{3}/2}^0 u^5 \, du \qquad \left(\begin{array}{l} u = \cos \varphi \\ du = -\sin \varphi \, d\varphi \end{array} \right) \\
 &= \frac{8}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{27}{64} = \frac{3}{16}.
 \end{aligned}$$

So the center of mass is at $(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 3/16)$.