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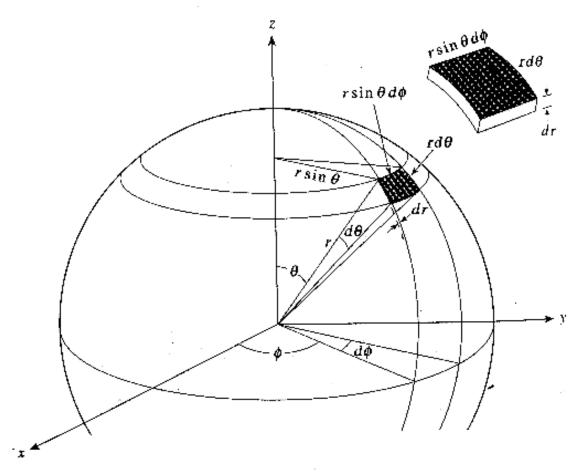


FIGURE D.2

A geometrical construction of the differential volume element in spherical coordinates.

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

$$y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{z}{r}\right)$$

$$z = r \cos \theta$$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$