

Section 12.2/12.3: Iterated Integrals

Double Integrals over General Regions

Practice HW from Stewart Textbook (not to hand in)

p. 842 # 1-25 odd

p. 850 # 1-21, 33-43 odd

Integration of functions with more than one variable is similar to partial differentiation. We integrate with respect to one variable and treat the other as a constant.

Example 1: Evaluate $\int_x^{x^2} \frac{y}{x} dy$.

Solution:



Example 2: Evaluate $\int_{e^y}^y \frac{y^2 \ln x}{x} dx$.

Solution:



Iterated Integrals

In this section, we want to look at *iterated* integrals, which are double integrals of the form.

$$\int_a^b \int_{g_1(x)}^{g_2(x)} f(x, y) dy dx$$

or

$$\int_c^d \int_{g_1(y)}^{g_2(y)} f(x, y) dx dy$$

Notes

1. The inside variable of integration can be a function of the outside.
2. The outside integral must have constant limits of integration.

Example 3: Evaluate the iterated integral $\int_1^2 \int_0^1 (x^2 + y) dy dx$.

Solution:



Example 4: Evaluate the iterated integral $\int_0^2 \int_{3y^2-6y}^{2y-y^2} 4xy \, dx \, dy$.

Solution:



Note: Reversing the order of the integration variables will in most cases give the same results.

Example 5: Reverse the order of integration and evaluated the result for the iterated

$$\text{integral } \int_1^2 \int_0^1 (x^2 + y) dy dx .$$

Solution: If you reverse the order and the limits of integration for $\int_1^2 \int_0^1 (x^2 + y) dy dx$,

we obtain the integral $\int_0^1 \int_1^2 (x^2 + y) dx dy$. Then we have the following.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \int_1^2 (x^2 + y) dx dy &= \int_0^1 \left[\left(\frac{1}{3} x^3 + yx \right) \Big|_{x=1}^{x=2} \right] dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \left[\left[\frac{1}{3} (2)^3 + y(2) \right] - \left[\frac{1}{3} (1)^3 + y(1) \right] \right] dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \left[\frac{8}{3} + 2y - \frac{1}{3} - y \right] dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \left(\frac{7}{3} + y \right) dy \\ &= \left(\frac{7}{3} y + \frac{1}{2} y^2 \right) \Big|_{y=0}^{y=1} \\ &= \left(\frac{7}{3} (1) + \frac{1}{2} (1)^2 \right) - \left(\frac{7}{3} (0) + \frac{1}{2} (0)^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{7}{3} + \frac{1}{2} - 0 \\ &= \frac{7}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{3} \\ &= \frac{14}{6} + \frac{3}{6} \\ &= \frac{17}{6} \end{aligned}$$

Double Integrals over Regions

For integrals of one variable, the region we integrate is always an interval. For double integrals, we want to integrate over a region R in the x - y plane. We denote this double integral using the notation

$$\iint_R f(x, y) dA$$

If $R = \{(x, y) \mid a \leq x \leq b \text{ and } g_1(x) \leq y \leq g_2(x)\}$ then we write

$$\iint_R f(x, y) dA = \int_{x=a}^{x=b} \int_{y=g_1(x)}^{y=g_2(x)} f(x, y) dy dx$$

$R = \{(x, y) \mid c \leq y \leq d \text{ and } h_1(y) \leq x \leq h_2(y)\}$ then we write

$$\iint_R f(x, y) dA = \int_{y=c}^{y=d} \int_{x=h_1(y)}^{x=h_2(y)} f(x, y) dx dy$$

The variable of integration to apply first is usually chosen to be the one that makes the initial integration the easiest.

Example 6: Evaluate the double integral $\iint_R x \cos(x^2 + 2y) dA$ where $R = [0, \sqrt{\pi}] \times [0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$.

Solution:



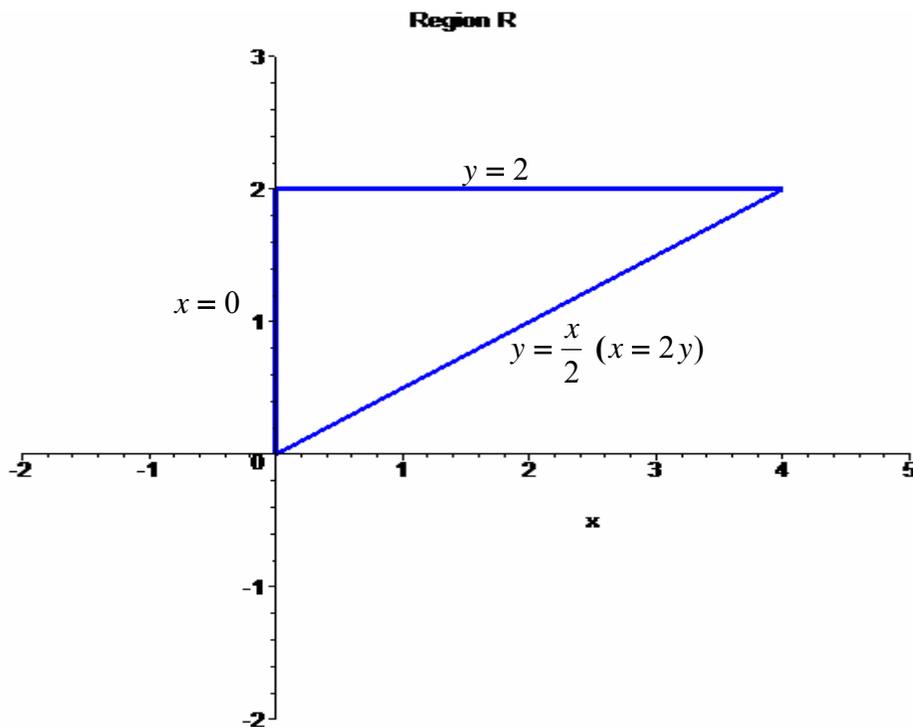
Example 7: Evaluate the double integral $\iint_R \frac{y}{1+x^2} dA$ where $R = \{(x, y) \mid 0 \leq x \leq 4 \text{ and } 0 \leq y \leq \sqrt{x}\}$

Solution:



Example 8: Evaluate the double integral $\iint_R e^{-x^2} dA$ where $R = \left\{ (x, y) \mid 0 \leq x \leq 4 \text{ and } \frac{x}{2} \leq y \leq 2 \right\}$

Solution: The following graph shows the region R outlined in blue.



If we integrate with respect to y first and then with respect to x , the double integral would be evaluated as

$$\iint_R e^{-x^2} dA = \int_{x=0}^{x=4} \int_{y=\frac{x}{2}}^{y=2} e^{-y^2} dy dx$$

There is no formula or method that allows one to integrate e^{-y^2} with respect to y . However, if we switch the order of integration and integrate with respect to x first, we can evaluate the integral. Since limits involving variables can only occur for the inside integral, we must use the region R to change the limits of integration. With respect to x , the region R changes from $x=0$ to $x=2y$. With respect to y , the region changes from $y=0$ to $y=2$. Thus, the double integral can be evaluated by computing the following iterated integral:

$$\iint_R e^{-x^2} dA = \int_{y=0}^{y=2} \int_{x=0}^{x=2y} e^{-x^2} dx dy$$

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We compute this double integral as follows.

$$\iint_R e^{-x^2} dA = \int_{y=0}^{y=2} \int_{x=0}^{x=2y} e^{-y^2} dx dy$$

$$= \int_{y=0}^{y=2} \left[e^{-y^2} x \Big|_{x=0}^{x=2y} \right] dy \quad (\text{With respect to } x, e^{-y^2} \text{ is treated as a constant})$$

$$= \int_{y=0}^{y=2} \left[e^{-y^2} (2y) - e^{-y^2} (0) \right] dy \quad (\text{Substitute in inner integration limits})$$

$$= \int_{y=0}^{y=2} 2ye^{-y^2} dy \quad (\text{Simplify})$$

$$= -e^{-y^2} \Big|_{y=0}^{y=2}$$

Note we use $u - du$ substitution to integrate $\int 2ye^{-y^2} dy$

Let $u = -y^2, du = -2ydy$ or $-du = ydy$

Then $\int 2ye^{-y^2} dy = \int e^u (-du) = -e^u + C = -e^{-y^2} + C$

$$= -e^{-(2)^2} - -e^{-(0)^2} \quad (\text{Substitute in outer integration limits})$$

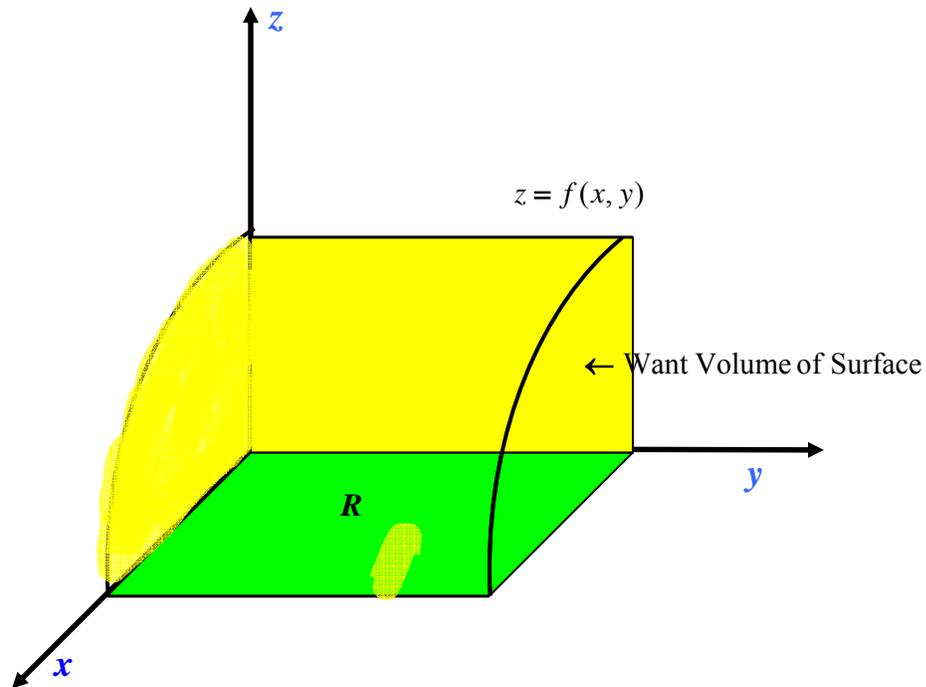
$$= -e^{-4} + 1 \quad (\text{Simplify})$$

$$\boxed{= 1 - e^{-4}}$$



Finding Volume Under a Surface

We want a method for finding the volume between a surface $z = f(x, y)$ and the x - y plane, defined by the region R .



If $f(x, y) \geq 0$, the volume can be found using a double integral, which is described as follows.

Volume under a Surface

For a function of the two variables $z = f(x, y) \geq 0$ defined over a region R , the volume above R and under $z = f(x, y)$ is defined by the double integral

$$\text{Volume under } R = \iint_R f(x, y) dA$$

Example 9: Find the volume under the surface $z = 2x + y^2$ and above the region bounded by $x = y^2$ and $x = y^3$.

Solution:

