
Multivariable Calculus

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SUMMARY Introduction to Iterated Integration

CURRENT READING Williamson & Trotter, Section 7.1

HOMEWORK #22 Williamson & Trotter, page 321: 3,4,5,6,7,11,12,16,17,21 **Extra Credit page 322: 24, 29**

Recall that $\int_a^b f(x)dx$ is a CONSTANT. Let's consider a function $f(x, y)$ such that $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined on the rectangle $a \leq x \leq b \cap c \leq y \leq d$.

Consider $\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y)dydx$ and $\int_c^d \int_a^b f(x, y)dxdy$.

Question: Are these objects constants?

Answer: No!

Thus we can evaluate iterated integral by integrating with respect to one variable and then the other, in sequence.

Fubini's Theorem

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y)dydx = \int_a^b \left[\int_c^d f(x, y)dy \right] dx = \int_a^b F(x)dx \\ &= \int_c^d \int_a^b f(x, y)dxdy = \int_c^d \left[\int_a^b f(x, y)dx \right] dy = \int_c^d G(y)dy = I \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 1

Evaluate $\int_0^1 \int_1^2 x^2 + y dx dy$ two different ways to illustrate the result above.

What happens if the region of interest is non-rectangular?

Iterated Integration Over Non-Rectangular Regions

To integrate $f(x, y)$ over a “ y -simple” region defined as $a \leq x \leq b \cap u(x) \leq y \leq v(x)$ use

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

To integrate $f(x, y)$ over a “ x -simple” region defined as $r(y) \leq x \leq s(y) \cap c \leq y \leq d$ use

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

Exercise 1

Draw an example of a y -simple region and an x -simple region in the space below.

EXAMPLE 2

Integrate $f(x, y) = xy$ over the region bounded the vertical lines $x = -1$ and $x = 2$ and by the graphs $y = 1 + x^2$ and $y = -x^2$.

GROUPWORK

Williamson & Trotter, page 321, # 18. Sketch the region defined by $x \geq 0$, $x^2 + y^2 \leq 2$ and $x^2 + y^2 \geq 1$. Write down the integral over the region in each of the two possible orders of $f(x, y) = x^2$ and evaluate them.

EXAMPLE 3

Williamson & Trotter, page 321, # 15. Evaluate $\int_0^\pi \sin x \, dx \int_0^1 dy \int_0^2 (x + y + z) \, dz$