

# Directional Derivative

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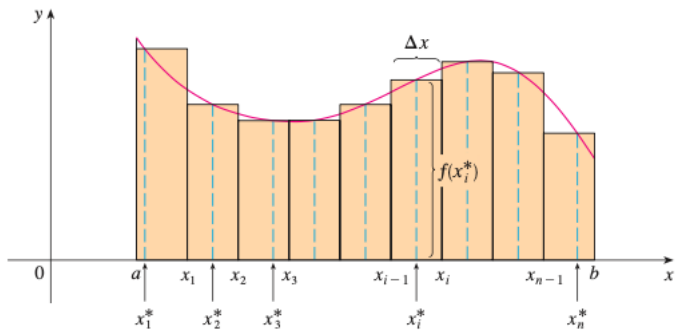
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and take the limit of such sums as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  to obtain the definite integral of  $f$  from  $a$  to  $b$ :

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$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \Delta x$$

In the special case where  $f(x) \geq 0$ , the Riemann sum can be interpreted as the sum of the areas of the approximating rectangles in Figure 1, and  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  represents the area under the curve  $y = f(x)$  from  $a$  to  $b$ .



## VOLUMES AND DOUBLE INTEGRALS

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In a similar manner we consider a function  $f$  of two variables defined on a closed rectangle

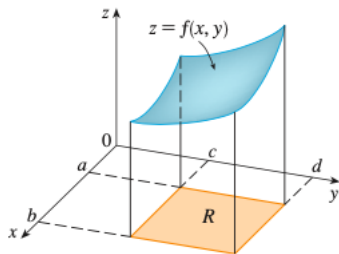
$$R = [a, b] \times [c, d] = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid a \leq x \leq b, c \leq y \leq d\}$$

and we first suppose that  $f(x, y) \geq 0$ . The graph of  $f$  is a surface with equation  $z = f(x, y)$ .

Let  $S$  be the solid that lies above  $R$  and under the graph of  $f$ , that is,

$$S = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid 0 \leq z \leq f(x, y), (x, y) \in R\}$$

(See Figure 2.) Our goal is to find the volume of  $S$ .



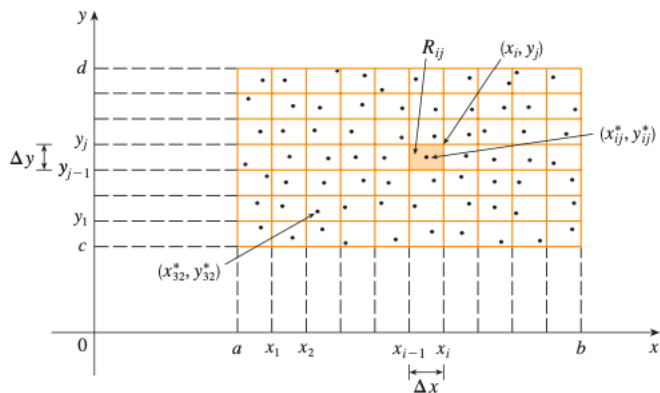
The first step is to divide the rectangle  $R$  into subrectangles. We accomplish this by dividing the interval  $[a, b]$  into  $m$  subintervals  $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$  of equal width  $\Delta x = (b - a)/m$  and dividing  $[c, d]$  into  $n$  subintervals  $[y_{j-1}, y_j]$  of equal width  $\Delta y = (d - c)/n$ . By draw-



ing lines parallel to the coordinate axes through the endpoints of these subintervals, as Figure 3, we form the subrectangles

$$R_{ij} = [x_{i-1}, x_i] \times [y_{j-1}, y_j] = \{(x, y) \mid x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i, y_{j-1} \leq y \leq y_j\}$$

each with area  $\Delta A = \Delta x \Delta y$ .



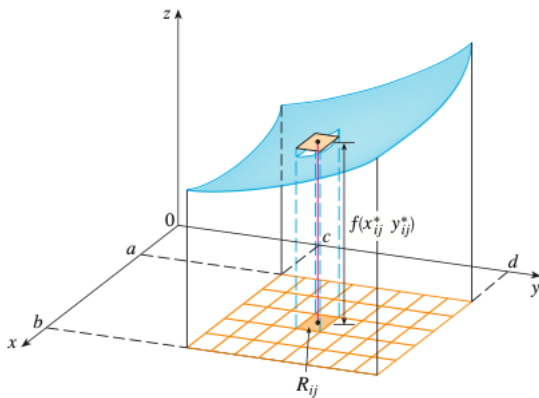
If we choose a **sample point**  $(x_{ij}^*, y_{ij}^*)$  in each  $R_{ij}$ , then we can approximate the part of  $S$  that lies above each  $R_{ij}$  by a thin rectangular box (or “column”) with base  $R_{ij}$  and height  $f(x_{ij}^*, y_{ij}^*)$  as shown in Figure 4. (Compare with Figure 1.) The volume of this box is the height of the box times the area of the base rectangle:

$$f(x_{ij}^*, y_{ij}^*) \Delta A$$

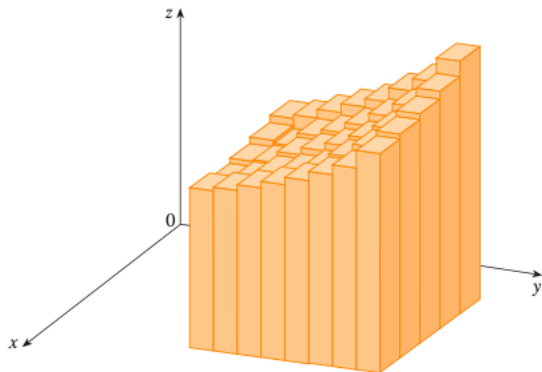
If we follow this procedure for all the rectangles and add the volumes of the corresponding boxes, we get an approximation to the total volume of  $S$ :

$$\boxed{3} \quad V \approx \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_{ij}^*, y_{ij}^*) \Delta A$$

(See Figure 5.) This double sum means that for each subrectangle we evaluate  $f$  at the chosen point and multiply by the area of the subrectangle, and then we add the results.



**FIGURE 4**



**FIGURE 5**

Our intuition tells us that the approximation given in (3) becomes better as  $m$  and  $n$  become larger and so we would expect that

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$$V = \lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_{ij}^*, y_{ij}^*) \Delta A$$

**5 DEFINITION** The **double integral** of  $f$  over the rectangle  $R$  is

$$\iint_R f(x, y) \, dA = \lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_{ij}^*, y_{ij}^*) \Delta A$$

if this limit exists.



The sample point  $(x_{ij}^*, y_{ij}^*)$  can be chosen to be any point in the subrectangle  $R_{ij}$ , but if we choose it to be the upper right-hand corner of  $R_{ij}$  [namely  $(x_i, y_j)$ ], see Figure 3], then the expression for the double integral looks simpler:

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$$\iint_R f(x, y) \, dA = \lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_i, y_j) \Delta A$$

By comparing Definitions 4 and 5, we see that a volume can be written as a double integral:

If  $f(x, y) \geq 0$ , then the volume  $V$  of the solid that lies above the rectangle  $R$  and below the surface  $z = f(x, y)$  is

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

**EXAMPLE I** Estimate the volume of the solid that lies above the square  $R = [0, 2] \times [0, 2]$  and below the elliptic paraboloid  $z = 16 - x^2 - 2y^2$ . Divide  $R$  into four equal squares and choose the sample point to be the upper right corner of each square  $R_{ij}$ . Sketch the solid and the approximating rectangular boxes.

**SOLUTION** The squares are shown in Figure 6. The paraboloid is the graph of  $f(x, y) = 16 - x^2 - 2y^2$  and the area of each square is 1. Approximating the volume by the Riemann sum with  $m = n = 2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} V &\approx \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 f(x_i, y_j) \Delta A \\ &= f(1, 1) \Delta A + f(1, 2) \Delta A + f(2, 1) \Delta A + f(2, 2) \Delta A \\ &= 13(1) + 7(1) + 10(1) + 4(1) = 34 \end{aligned}$$

This is the volume of the approximating rectangular boxes shown in Figure 7. □

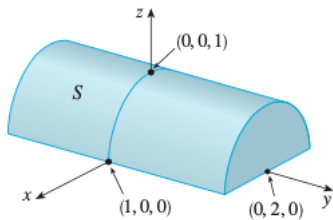
**V EXAMPLE 2** If  $R = \{(x, y) \mid -1 \leq x \leq 1, -2 \leq y \leq 2\}$ , evaluate the integral

$$\iint_R \sqrt{1 - x^2} \, dA$$

**SOLUTION** It would be very difficult to evaluate this integral directly from Definition 5 but, because  $\sqrt{1 - x^2} \geq 0$ , we can compute the integral by interpreting it as a volume. If  $z = \sqrt{1 - x^2}$ , then  $x^2 + z^2 = 1$  and  $z \geq 0$ , so the given double integral represents the volume of the solid  $S$  that lies below the circular cylinder  $x^2 + z^2 = 1$  and above the rectangle  $R$ . (See Figure 9.) The volume of  $S$  is the area of a semicircle with radius 1 times the length of the cylinder. Thus

$$\iint_R \sqrt{1 - x^2} \, dA = \frac{1}{2} \pi (1)^2 \times 4 = 2\pi$$





**FIGURE 9**

### MIDPOINT RULE FOR DOUBLE INTEGRALS

$$\iint_R f(x, y) \, dA \approx \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n f(\bar{x}_i, \bar{y}_j) \Delta A$$

where  $\bar{x}_i$  is the midpoint of  $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$  and  $\bar{y}_j$  is the midpoint of  $[y_{j-1}, y_j]$ .



**EXAMPLE 3** Use the Midpoint Rule with  $m = n = 2$  to estimate the value of the integral  $\iint_R (x - 3y^2) \, dA$ , where  $R = \{(x, y) \mid 0 \leq x \leq 2, 1 \leq y \leq 2\}$ .

**SOLUTION** In using the Midpoint Rule with  $m = n = 2$ , we evaluate  $f(x, y) = x - 3y^2$  at the centers of the four subrectangles shown in Figure 10. So  $\bar{x}_1 = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\bar{x}_2 = \frac{3}{2}$ ,  $\bar{y}_1 = \frac{5}{4}$ , and  $\bar{y}_2 = \frac{7}{4}$ . The area of each subrectangle is  $\Delta A = \frac{1}{2}$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_R (x - 3y^2) dA &\approx \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 f(\bar{x}_i, \bar{y}_j) \Delta A \\ &= f(\bar{x}_1, \bar{y}_1) \Delta A + f(\bar{x}_1, \bar{y}_2) \Delta A + f(\bar{x}_2, \bar{y}_1) \Delta A + f(\bar{x}_2, \bar{y}_2) \Delta A \\ &= f\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{4}\right) \Delta A + f\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{7}{4}\right) \Delta A + f\left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{4}\right) \Delta A + f\left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{7}{4}\right) \Delta A \\ &= \left(-\frac{67}{16}\right)\frac{1}{2} + \left(-\frac{139}{16}\right)\frac{1}{2} + \left(-\frac{51}{16}\right)\frac{1}{2} + \left(-\frac{123}{16}\right)\frac{1}{2} \\ &= -\frac{95}{8} = -11.875 \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have  $\iint_R (x - 3y^2) dA \approx -11.875$

## PROPERTIES OF DOUBLE INTEGRALS

We list here three properties of double integrals that can be proved in the same manner as in Section 5.2. We assume that all of the integrals exist. Properties 7 and 8 are referred to as the *linearity* of the integral.

$$\boxed{7} \quad \iint_R [f(x, y) + g(x, y)] dA = \iint_R f(x, y) dA + \iint_R g(x, y) dA$$

$$\boxed{8} \quad \iint_R cf(x, y) dA = c \iint_R f(x, y) dA \quad \text{where } c \text{ is a constant}$$

If  $f(x, y) \geq g(x, y)$  for all  $(x, y)$  in  $R$ , then

$$\boxed{9} \quad \iint_R f(x, y) dA \geq \iint_R g(x, y) dA$$

Suppose that  $f$  is a function of two variables that is integrable on the rectangle  $R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$ . We use the notation  $\int_c^d f(x, y) dy$  to mean that  $x$  is held fixed and  $f(x, y)$  is integrated with respect to  $y$  from  $y = c$  to  $y = d$ . This procedure is called *partial integration with respect to  $y$* . (Notice its similarity to partial differentiation.) Now  $\int_c^d f(x, y) dy$  is a number that depends on the value of  $x$ , so it defines a function of  $x$ :

$$A(x) = \int_c^d f(x, y) dy$$

If we now integrate the function  $A$  with respect to  $x$  from  $x = a$  to  $x = b$ , we get

$$\boxed{\text{I}} \quad \int_a^b A(x) \, dx = \int_a^b \left[ \int_c^d f(x, y) \, dy \right] dx$$

The integral on the right side of Equation 1 is called an **iterated integral**. Usually the brackets are omitted. Thus

$$\boxed{2} \quad \int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y) \, dy \, dx = \int_a^b \left[ \int_c^d f(x, y) \, dy \right] dx$$

means that we first integrate with respect to  $y$  from  $c$  to  $d$  and then with respect to  $x$  from  $a$  to  $b$ .

Similarly, the iterated integral

$$\boxed{3} \quad \int_c^d \int_a^b f(x, y) \, dx \, dy = \int_c^d \left[ \int_a^b f(x, y) \, dx \right] dy$$

means that we first integrate with respect to  $x$  (holding  $y$  fixed) from  $x = a$  to  $x = b$  and then we integrate the resulting function of  $y$  with respect to  $y$  from  $y = c$  to  $y = d$ . Notice that in both Equations 2 and 3 we work *from the inside out*.

**EXAMPLE I** Evaluate the iterated integrals.

(a)  $\int_0^3 \int_1^2 x^2 y \, dy \, dx$

(b)  $\int_1^2 \int_0^3 x^2 y \, dx \, dy$



### SOLUTION

(a) Regarding  $x$  as a constant, we obtain

$$\int_1^2 x^2 y \, dy = \left[ x^2 \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_{y=1}^{y=2} = x^2 \left( \frac{2^2}{2} \right) - x^2 \left( \frac{1^2}{2} \right) = \frac{3}{2} x^2$$

Thus the function  $A$  in the preceding discussion is given by  $A(x) = \frac{3}{2}x^2$  in this example. We now integrate this function of  $x$  from 0 to 3:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^3 \int_1^2 x^2 y \, dy \, dx &= \int_0^3 \left[ \int_1^2 x^2 y \, dy \right] dx \\ &= \int_0^3 \frac{3}{2} x^2 \, dx = \left[ \frac{x^3}{2} \right]_0^3 = \frac{27}{2} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Here we first integrate with respect to  $x$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\int_1^2 \int_0^3 x^2 y \, dx \, dy &= \int_1^2 \left[ \int_0^3 x^2 y \, dx \right] dy = \int_1^2 \left[ \frac{x^3}{3} y \right]_{x=0}^{x=3} dy \\ &= \int_1^2 9y \, dy = 9 \left[ \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_1^2 = \frac{27}{2}\end{aligned}$$

**4 FUBINI'S THEOREM** If  $f$  is continuous on the rectangle  $R = \{(x, y) \mid a \leq x \leq b, c \leq y \leq d\}$ , then

$$\iint_R f(x, y) \, dA = \int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y) \, dy \, dx = \int_c^d \int_a^b f(x, y) \, dx \, dy$$

More generally, this is true if we assume that  $f$  is bounded on  $R$ ,  $f$  is discontinuous only on a finite number of smooth curves, and the iterated integrals exist.

**EXAMPLE 2** Evaluate the double integral  $\iint_R (x - 3y^2) dA$ , where  $R = \{(x, y) \mid 0 \leq x \leq 2, 1 \leq y \leq 2\}$ . (Compare with Example 3 in Section 16.1.)

**SOLUTION** | Fubini's Theorem gives

$$\begin{aligned}\iint_R (x - 3y^2) dA &= \int_0^2 \int_1^2 (x - 3y^2) dy dx = \int_0^2 [xy - y^3]_{y=1}^{y=2} dx \\ &= \int_0^2 (x - 7) dx = \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} - 7x \right]_0^2 = -12\end{aligned}$$

**SOLUTION 2** Again applying Fubini's Theorem, but this time integrating with respect to  $x$  first, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\iint_R (x - 3y^2) dA &= \int_1^2 \int_0^2 (x - 3y^2) dx dy \\&= \int_1^2 \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} - 3xy^2 \right]_{x=0}^{x=2} dy \\&= \int_1^2 (2 - 6y^2) dy = 2y - 2y^3 \Big|_1^2 = -12\end{aligned}$$



**EXAMPLE 3** Evaluate  $\iint_R y \sin(xy) \, dA$ , where  $R = [1, 2] \times [0, \pi]$ .

**SOLUTION** If we first integrate with respect to  $x$  we get

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$$\begin{aligned}\iint_R y \sin(xy) \, dA &= \int_0^\pi \int_1^2 y \sin(xy) \, dx \, dy = \int_0^\pi \left[ -\cos(xy) \right]_{x=1}^{x=2} dy \\&= \int_0^\pi (-\cos 2y + \cos y) \, dy \\&= -\frac{1}{2} \sin 2y + \sin y \Big|_0^\pi = 0\end{aligned}$$



**SOLUTION 2** If we reverse the order of integration, we get

$$\iint_R y \sin(xy) \, dA = \int_1^2 \int_0^\pi y \sin(xy) \, dy \, dx$$

To evaluate the inner integral, we use integration by parts with

$$u = y \qquad dv = \sin(xy) \, dy$$

$$du = dy \qquad v = -\frac{\cos(xy)}{x}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\pi y \sin(xy) \, dy &= -\frac{y \cos(xy)}{x} \Bigg|_{y=0}^{y=\pi} + \frac{1}{x} \int_0^\pi \cos(xy) \, dy \\ &= -\frac{\pi \cos \pi x}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2} [\sin(xy)]_{y=0}^{y=\pi} \\ &= -\frac{\pi \cos \pi x}{x} + \frac{\sin \pi x}{x^2} \end{aligned}$$

If we now integrate the first term by parts with  $u = -1/x$  and  $dv = \pi \cos \pi x \, dx$ , we get  $du = dx/x^2$ ,  $v = \sin \pi x$ , and

$$\int \left( -\frac{\pi \cos \pi x}{x} \right) dx = -\frac{\sin \pi x}{x} - \int \frac{\sin \pi x}{x^2} dx$$

Therefore 
$$\int \left( -\frac{\pi \cos \pi x}{x} + \frac{\sin \pi x}{x^2} \right) dx = -\frac{\sin \pi x}{x}$$

and so 
$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^2 \int_0^\pi y \sin(xy) \, dy \, dx &= \left[ -\frac{\sin \pi x}{x} \right]_1^2 \\ &= -\frac{\sin 2\pi}{2} + \sin \pi = 0 \end{aligned}$$

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**EXAMPLE 4** Find the volume of the solid  $S$  that is bounded by the elliptic paraboloid  $x^2 + 2y^2 + z = 16$ , the planes  $x = 2$  and  $y = 2$ , and the three coordinate planes.

**SOLUTION** We first observe that  $S$  is the solid that lies under the surface  $z = 16 - x^2 - 2y^2$  and above the square  $R = [0, 2] \times [0, 2]$ . (See Figure 5.) This solid was considered in Example 1 in Section 16.1, but we are now in a position to evaluate the double integral using Fubini's Theorem. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \iint_R (16 - x^2 - 2y^2) dA = \int_0^2 \int_0^2 (16 - x^2 - 2y^2) dx dy \\ &= \int_0^2 \left[ 16x - \frac{1}{3}x^3 - 2y^2x \right]_{x=0}^{x=2} dy \\ &= \int_0^2 \left( \frac{88}{3} - 4y^2 \right) dy = \left[ \frac{88}{3}y - \frac{4}{3}y^3 \right]_0^2 = 48 \end{aligned}$$



In the special case where  $f(x, y)$  can be factored as the product of a function of  $x$  only and a function of  $y$  only, the double integral of  $f$  can be written in a particularly simple form. To be specific, suppose that  $f(x, y) = g(x)h(y)$  and  $R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$ . Then Fubini's Theorem gives

$$\iint_R f(x, y) \, dA = \int_c^d \int_a^b g(x)h(y) \, dx \, dy = \int_c^d \left[ \int_a^b g(x)h(y) \, dx \right] dy$$

In the inner integral,  $y$  is a constant, so  $h(y)$  is a constant and we can write

$$\int_c^d \left[ \int_a^b g(x)h(y) \, dx \right] dy = \int_c^d \left[ h(y) \left( \int_a^b g(x) \, dx \right) \right] dy = \int_a^b g(x) \, dx \int_c^d h(y) \, dy$$

since  $\int_a^b g(x) \, dx$  is a constant. Therefore, in this case, the double integral of  $f$  can be written as the product of two single integrals:

$$\boxed{5} \quad \iint_R g(x) h(y) dA = \int_a^b g(x) dx \int_c^d h(y) dy \quad \text{where } R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$$

**EXAMPLE 5** If  $R = [0, \pi/2] \times [0, \pi/2]$ , then, by Equation 5,

$$\begin{aligned}\iint_R \sin x \cos y \, dA &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin x \, dx \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos y \, dy \\ &= [-\cos x]_0^{\pi/2} [\sin y]_0^{\pi/2} = 1 \cdot 1 = 1\end{aligned}$$

