

MA-111 Calculus II (D1 & D2)

Lecture 3

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Subtleties in Fubini's theorem - II

We will give examples of two functions f, g with the following properties:

- (1) The function g may be double integrable but the one dimensional integrals $\int_C^d g(x, y) dy$ may not exist.
- (2) Both the iterated integrals of f exist and are equal, but f is not double integrable.

Example

The examples depend on dyadic rationals, so we introduce them.

Dyadic rationals: A rational number p/q in its reduced form (i.e. p and q are coprime) is called a *dyadic rational* if q is a power of 2. For example, $1/2, 3/2, 3/8$ are dyadic rationals but $1/3$ is not. The dyadic rationals are dense in \mathbb{R} . The complement of the set of dyadic rationals is also dense in \mathbb{R} .

Example continued...

Consider the functions f and g on the rectangle $R = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ defined by:

(1) For any integer $i \geq 0$, for any odd integer $j \in [0, 2^i]$, for any integer $k \geq 0$, for any odd integer $\ell \in [0, 2^k]$, define $f(j/2^i, \ell/2^k) = \delta_{ik}$ (here, δ_{ik} is the Kronecker delta, equal to one if $i = k$ and 0 if not) and $g(j/2^i, \ell/2^k) = 1/2^i$; and

(2) $\forall x, y \in [0, 1]$, if either x or y is not a dyadic rational, define $f(x, y) = 0$ and $g(x, y) = 0$.

- ▶ g is Riemann integrable on R but, for any dyadic rational $x = i/2^j \in [0, 1]$, the Riemann integral $\int_0^1 g(x, y) dy$ does not exist.
- ▶ For the function f , both the iterated integrals $\int_0^1 \int_0^1 f(x, y) dx dy$ and $\int_0^1 \int_0^1 f(x, y) dy dx$ exist and are equal to zero. However, f is not Riemann integrable over R .

Proposition.

Let R be a rectangle in \mathbb{R}^2 and let $f : R \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function. Then f is integrable on R . Moreover, both iterated integrals of f exist and are equal to the double integral of f over R .

Examples:

Example : Find the integral of $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$ on the rectangle $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ if it exists.

Solution: Since f is continuous, it is integrable. By Fubini's theorem, the double integral is equal to any of the iterated integrals. Let us now compute the integral using iterated integrals.

$$\begin{aligned} \int \int_{[0,1] \times [0,1]} x^2 + y^2 \, dx dy &\stackrel{\text{Fubini}}{=} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 x^2 + y^2 \, dx dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \left[\frac{x^3}{3} + xy^2 \right]_0^1 dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{3} + y^2 \right) dy \\ &= \left[\frac{y}{3} + \frac{y^3}{3} \right]_0^1 = \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Example (Marsden, Tromba and Weinstein page 288): Compute $\int \int_R \sin(x + y) dx dy$, where $R = [0, \pi] \times [0, 2\pi]$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \int_R \sin(x + y) dx dy &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left[\int_0^{\pi} \sin(x + y) dx \right] dy \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} [-\cos(x + y)]_{x=0}^{\pi} dy \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} [\cos y - \cos(y + \pi)] dy \\ &= [\sin y - \sin(y + \pi)]_{y=0}^{2\pi} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Example (Marsden, Tromba and Weinstein, page 289): If D is a plate defined by $1 \leq x \leq 2, 0 \leq y \leq 1$ (measured in centimeters), and the mass density $\rho(x, y) = ye^{xy}$ grams per square centimeter. Find the mass of the plate.

Solution: The total mass of the plate is got by integrating over the rectangular region covered by D :

$$\begin{aligned}\iint_D \rho(x, y) dx dy &= \int_0^1 \int_1^2 ye^{xy} dx dy = \int_0^1 (e^{xy} \big|_{x=1}^2) dy \\ &= \int_0^1 (e^{2y} - e^y) dy = \frac{e^2}{2} - e + \frac{1}{2}\end{aligned}$$

Special case Let $\phi : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $\psi : [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be Riemann integrable. Define $f(x, y) := \phi(x)\psi(y)$, for all $(x, y) \in R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$. Then f is integrable on R and

$$\iint_R f(x, y) dx dy = \left(\int_a^b \phi(x) dx \right) \left(\int_c^d \psi(y) dy \right).$$

Example Let $0 < a < b$ and $0 < c < d$ and $r \geq 0$ and $s \geq 0$. Denote $R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$. Compute $\int \int_R x^r y^s dx dy$.

Existence of integrals over rectangles -I

Theorem

If f is bounded and monotonic in each of two variables, then f is integrable on R .

Again the proof follows by using **Riemann condition**.

Example: Let $f(x, y) := [x + y]$, for all $(x, y) \in R$, where $[u]$ means the greatest integer less than equal to u , for any $u \in \mathbb{R}$. Since f is monotonic in each of two variables, f is integrable on R .

Existence of integrals on rectangles - II

Sets of measure zero Let $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. We say A has *measure zero* in \mathbb{R}^n if for every $\epsilon > 0$, there is a covering Q_1, Q_2, \dots of A by countably many rectangles such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \text{volume}(Q_i) < \epsilon.$$

If this inequality holds, we often say that the total volume of the rectangles Q_1, Q_2, \dots is less than ϵ .

Remark If A is closed, bounded and has measure zero, then the collection $\{Q_j\}_j$ could be chosen to be finite. We say A has *content zero*. Not all measure zero sets have content zero, for example, $[0, 1] \cap \mathbb{Q}$ has measure zero but not content zero.

- ▶ If $B \subset A$ and A has measure zero in \mathbb{R}^n , then so does B .
- ▶ Let A be the union of countable collection of sets A_1, A_2, \dots . If each A_i has measure zero in \mathbb{R}^n . In particular, every countable set has measure zero.
- ▶ If Q is a rectangle in \mathbb{R}^n , then the boundary of Q has measure zero in \mathbb{R}^n . (Q has measure zero if and only if the area of Q is zero.)
- ▶ Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. The graph of f is the subset

$$\Gamma_f = \{(x, y) : y = f(x)\}$$

of \mathbb{R}^2 . If f is continuous, then Γ_f has measure zero in \mathbb{R}^2 .

Continued...

Think about it... Let $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ be a measure zero set. Suppose $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$ and let R_θ be the rotation by angle θ i.e.
 $R_\theta(x, y) = (x \cos \theta - y \sin \theta, x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta)$. Is $R_\theta(D)$ a set of measure zero?

Theorem Let Q be a rectangle in \mathbb{R}^2 , let $f : Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a bounded function. Let D be the set of points of Q at which f fails to be continuous. Then f is integrable over Q if and only if D has measure zero in \mathbb{R}^2 .

Theorem Let Q be a rectangle in \mathbb{R}^2 , let $f : Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be integrable. Let E be the set of points of Q where f is nonzero. If E has measure zero, then $\int \int_Q f = 0$.

► **Example.** Let $R := [-1, 1] \times [-1, 1]$,

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy}{(x^2+y^2)}, & (x, y) \in R, \quad (x, y) \neq (0, 0), \\ 0, & (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$$

Since $f \leq 1/2$ and continuous on the complement of the origin, it is integrable over R .

► **Example:** Let $R = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ and

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq x < y, \quad y \in [0, 1], \\ 0, & y \leq x \leq 1, \quad y \in [0, 1]. \end{cases}$$

The set of discontinuities of f is on the diagonal line, which is of measure zero as it is the graph of the function $y = x$. Therefore f is integrable over R .

► **Bivariate Thomae function:** $f : [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x = 0, \quad y \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1], \\ \frac{1}{q}, & x, y \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1] \quad \text{and} \quad x = \frac{p}{q}, \\ & p, q \in \mathbb{N} \quad \text{are relatively prime,} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then f is continuous at (x, y) if x is irrational, so the points of discontinuities is contained in the measure zero set $\mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{R}$. This function is integrable on $R = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$, and $\int \int_R f = 0$.

Integrals over any bounded region in \mathbb{R}^2

Let D be any bounded subset (not necessarily rectangle) of \mathbb{R}^2 . Then there exists a rectangle R in \mathbb{R}^2 containing D , i.e., $D \subset R$.

Proof: Indeed, since D is a bounded subset of \mathbb{R}^2 , there exists $a > 0$ such that any $(x, y) \in D$ satisfies $x^2 + y^2 < a^2$, i.e., $D \subset B_a = \{(x, y) \mid x^2 + y^2 \leq a^2\}$. But $B_a \subset [-a, a] \times [-a, a]$, so the rectangle $R := [-a, a] \times [-a, a]$ contains D . \square

Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function. Extend f from D to R by defining

$$f^*(x, y) := \begin{cases} f(x, y), & (x, y) \in D, \\ 0, & (x, y) \notin D. \end{cases}$$

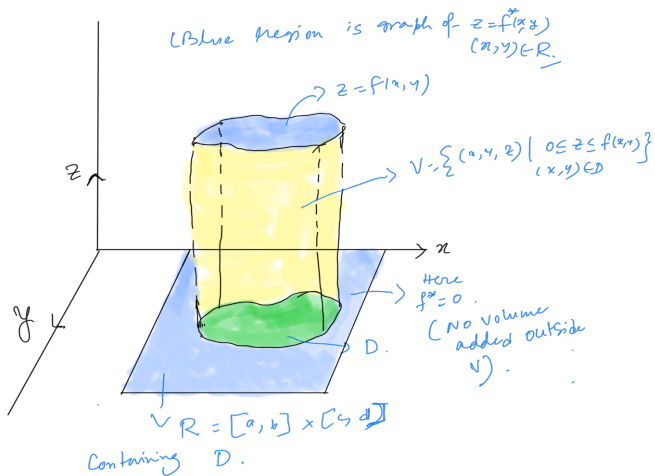
Definition

The function $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be **integrable** on bounded $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, if f^* is integrable on R and the integral of f on D is defined by

$$\int \int_D f(x, y) \, dx \, dy := \int \int_R f^*(x, y) \, dx \, dy.$$

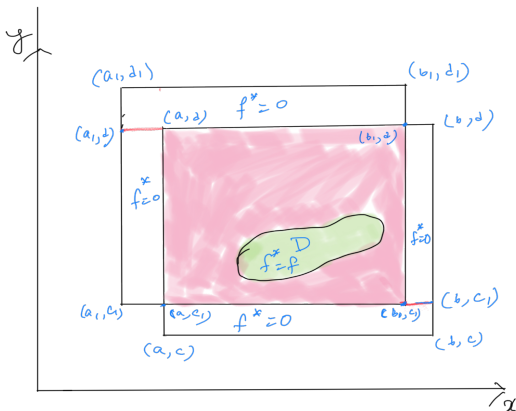
- If $f \geq 0$ on $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ and f is integrable on D , then the double integral of f on D is the volume of the solid that lies above D in the x - y plane and below the graph of the surface $z = f(x, y)$ for all $(x, y) \in D$.

$$\int \int_D f = \text{volume of } V$$



Independent of choice of rectangle

- ▶ The choice of rectangle R containing D is not unique.
- ▶ But the value of the integral of f on D does not depend on the choice of the rectangle R containing D .
- ▶ Use the additivity property of integrals on rectangle and note that only 'zero' is getting added outside D .



Properties of Integrals over bounded sets in \mathbb{R}^2

Let D be a bounded subset of \mathbb{R}^2 . Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an integrable function.

- ▶ The algebraic properties for integrals on any bounded set D in \mathbb{R}^2 hold similarly to those of the case of integrals on rectangle.

Domain additivity property: Let $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ be a bounded set. Let $D_1, D_2 \subseteq D$ such that $D = D_1 \cup D_2$. Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be a bounded function. If f is integrable over D_1 and D_2 and $D_1 \cap D_2$ has content zero then f is integrable on D and

$$\int \int_D f = \int \int_{D_1} f + \int \int_{D_2} f.$$