

Math 335

Types of Integrals

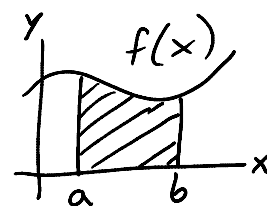


In calculus, there are 5 basic types of integrals.

1.) (Single) Integral: $\int_a^b f(x) dx$

An integral sums the values of $f(x)$ along the x-axis for $a \leq x \leq b$.

Application: Geometrically, $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ is area under $y=f(x)$.



2.) Double Integral: $\iint_R f(x,y) dA$

A double integral sums the values of $f(x,y)$ over the 2D region R .

Application: If $f(x,y) = 1$, then $\iint_R dA$ is area of R .

If $f(x,y)$ is the density, then $\iint_R f(x,y) dA$ is mass of R .

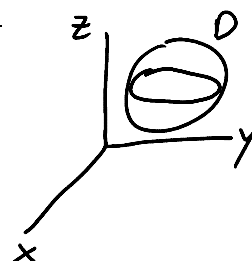


3.) Triple Integral: $\iiint_D f(x,y,z) dV$

A triple integral sums the values of $f(x,y,z)$ over the 3D volume D .

Application: If $f(x,y,z) = 1$, then $\iiint_D dV$ is volume of D .

If $f(x,y,z)$ is the density, then $\iiint_D f(x,y,z) dV$ is mass of D .



4.) Line Integral: $\int_C f(x,y,z) ds$

A line integral sums the values of $f(x,y,z)$ along the curve C .

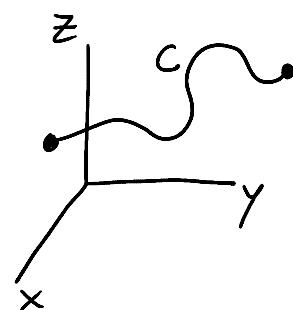
Application: If $f(x,y,z) = 1$, then $\int_C ds$ is arc length of C .

If $f(x,y,z)$ is the density, then $\int_C f(x,y,z) ds$ is mass of C .

If $f(x,y,z) = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T}$ for a force \vec{F} , then $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds$ is work.

If $f(x,y,z) = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T}$ for a velocity field \vec{F} , then $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds$ is flow.

If $f(x,y,z) = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n}$ for a velocity field \vec{F} , then $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} ds$ is flux.



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5.) Surface Integral: $\iint_S f(x,y,z) dS$

A surface integral sums the values of $f(x,y,z)$ over the surface S .

Application: If $f(x,y,z) = 1$, then $\iint_S dS$ is surface area.

If $f(x,y,z)$ is the density, then $\iint_S f(x,y,z) dS$ is mass of S .

If $f(x,y,z) = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n}$ for a velocity field \vec{F} , then $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} dS$ is flux.

If $f(x,y,z) = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n}$ for an electric field \vec{F} , then $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} dS$ is electric flux.

