

Section 15.2 - Iterated Integrals

Vector Calc

★ Hard to evaluate single integrals directly from definition
Even harder for double integrals → Iterated integrals

Fix x on $R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$,

$$A(x) = \int_c^d f(x, y) dy \text{ depends on } x$$

then integrate A with respect to x :

Iterated Integral

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

★ must work from inside to outside, but each is a single integral
⇒ Can use FTC!!!

Ex. 1 Evaluate

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad & \int_0^3 \int_1^2 x^2 y dx dy \\ &= \int_0^3 \left[x^2 \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_1^2 dx \\ &= \int_0^3 \left(2x^2 - \frac{x^2}{2} \right) dx \\ &= \left. \frac{1}{2} x^3 \right|_0^3 \\ &= \boxed{27/2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad & \int_1^2 \int_0^3 x^2 y dy dx \\ &= \int_1^2 \left[x^2 \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_0^3 dx \\ &= \int_1^2 9x dx \\ &= \left. \frac{9}{2} x^2 \right|_1^2 \\ &= \boxed{27/2} \end{aligned}$$

Fubini's Theorem If f is continuous on $R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$ 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 general, f bounded on R , f discontinuous only on a finite # of smooth curves

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

★ Integrate wrt x first:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\pi \int_1^2 y \sin(xy) dx dy &= \int_0^\pi \left[-y \frac{\cos(xy)}{y} \right]_1^2 dy = \int_0^\pi (-\cos(2y) + \cos(y)) dy \\ &= \left[-\frac{\sin(2y)}{2} + \sin(y) \right]_0^\pi = \boxed{0} \end{aligned}$$

Reverse order: $\int_1^2 \int_0^\pi y \sin(xy) dy dx = \int_1^2 \left[-y \frac{\cos(xy)}{x} \right]_0^\pi + \left[\frac{1}{x} \int_0^\pi \cos(xy) dy \right] dx = \boxed{0}$

$$\iint_R g(x) \cdot h(y) dA = \int_a^b \int_c^d g(x) h(y) dy dx = \int_a^b g(x) dx \cdot \int_c^d h(y) dy$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^3 \int_1^2 x^2 y dy dx &= \int_0^3 x^2 dx \cdot \int_1^2 y dy \\ &= \left. \frac{x^3}{3} \right|_0^3 \cdot \left. \frac{y^2}{2} \right|_1^2 \\ &= 9 \cdot \frac{3}{2} = \boxed{\frac{27}{2}} \end{aligned}$$