

## 15.1. Double integrals over rectangles

Recall: For a function  $f(x)$  defined on  $[a,b]$ , the integral

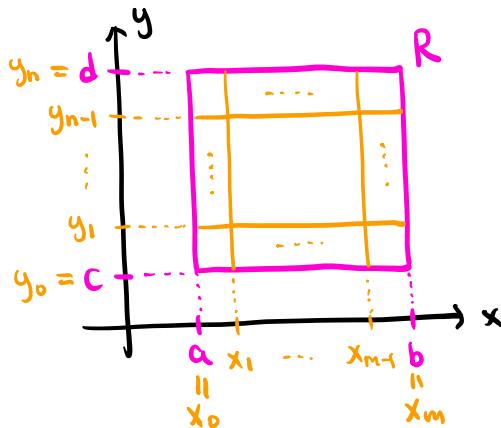
$\int_a^b f(x) dx$  is defined as the limit of Riemann sums.

Def Let  $f(x,y)$  be a function defined on a rectangle

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

(1) If  $R$  is divided into equal subrectangles  $R_{ij}$

each with area  $\Delta A$  and a sample point  $(x_i^*, y_j^*)$ ,



$$R_{ij} = [x_{i-1}, x_i] \times [y_{j-1}, y_j]$$

$$\Delta A = \frac{1}{mn} (b-a)(d-c).$$

the sum  $\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_i^*, y_j^*) \Delta A$  is called a Riemann sum.

(2) The integral of  $f(x,y)$  on  $R$  is given by

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

Thm (Fubini's theorem)

If  $f(x,y)$  is a continuous function on  $R = [a,b] \times [c,d]$ ,

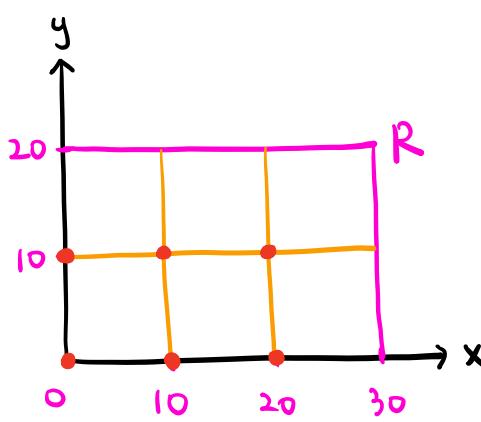
$$\iint_R f(x,y) dA = \int_a^b \int_c^d f(x,y) dy dx = \int_c^d \int_a^b f(x,y) dx dy.$$

Ex A 20-feet by 30-feet swimming pool is filled with water. The depth is measured at 10-feet intervals as follows :

	0	10	20	30
0	2	4	7	8
10	2	6	10	10
20	2	2	3	4

Estimate the volume of water.

Sol Use a Riemann sum with 10-feet intervals.



Each subrectangle has area

$$\Delta A = 10 \cdot 10 = 100$$

For each subrectangle, we take the lower left vertex to be the sample point.

Set  $d(x,y)$  to be the depth at  $(x,y)$

$$d(0,0) = 2, \quad d(10,0) = 4, \quad d(20,0) = 7,$$

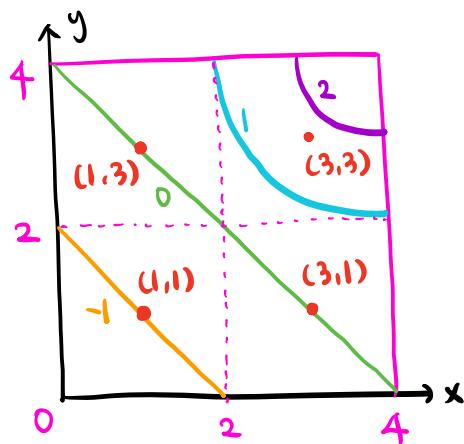
$$d(0,10) = 2, \quad d(10,10) = 6, \quad d(20,10) = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Riemann sum} = (2+4+7+2+6+10) \cdot 100 = 3100$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Volume} \approx 3100 \text{ (ft}^3\text{)}$$

Note You can use different sample points.

Ex A contour map of  $f(x,y)$  on  $R = [0,4] \times [0,4]$  is given as follows :



Use the midpoint rule with  $m=n=2$  to estimate the integral  $\iint_R f(x,y) dA$ .

Sol The midpoint rule chooses sample points to be the midpoints of the subrectangles.

We divide  $R$  into 4 equal subrectangles, each with area  $\Delta A = 2 \cdot 2 = 4$ .

The sample points are  $(1,1), (1,3), (3,1), (3,3)$ .

$f(1,1) = -1, f(1,3) = 0, f(3,1) = 0, f(3,3) \approx 1.6$ .

Riemann sum  $\approx (-1 + 0 + 0 + 1.6) \cdot 4 = 2.4$ .

$$\Rightarrow \iint_R f(x,y) dA \approx 2.4$$

Ex Evaluate  $\iint_R \frac{x}{1+xy} dA$  where  $R = [0,3] \times [0,2]$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\text{Sol}} \quad \iint_R \frac{x}{1+xy} dA &= \int_0^3 \int_0^2 \frac{x}{1+xy} dy dx \\ &= \int_0^3 \int_1^{1+2x} \frac{1}{u} du dx \\ &= \int_0^3 \ln(u) \Big|_{u=1}^{u=1+2x} dx \\ &= \int_0^3 \ln(1+2x) dx \\ &\quad (\nu = 1+2x \Rightarrow d\nu = 2dx) \\ &= \int_1^7 \ln(\nu) \cdot \frac{1}{2} d\nu \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\nu \ln(\nu) - \nu) \Big|_{\nu=1}^{\nu=7} \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1}{2} (7 \ln(7) - 6)}\end{aligned}$$

Note You can instead evaluate  $\int_0^2 \int_0^3 \frac{x}{1+xy} dx dy$ .

However, this integral is more difficult to compute than the one we used above.