

Multivariable Calculus

Day 16

Integration

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Riemann sums

Let f be a function on a rectangle R . An n -fold Riemann sum for f over R is a sum of the following form

$$\sum_{i_1=1}^{m_1} \cdots \sum_{i_n=1}^{m_n} f(\xi_{i_1 \dots i_n}) \Delta V,$$

where

- $\Delta V = \Delta x_1 \times \cdots \times \Delta x_n,$
- $\Delta x_i = (b_i - a_i)/m_i,$
- $\xi_{i_1 \dots i_n} \in R_{i_1 \dots i_n},$
- $R_{i_1 \dots i_n} = \prod_{i=1}^n [a_i + (i_1 - 1)\Delta x_i, a_i + i_1 \Delta x_i].$

In two dimension ΔV is replaced by ΔA .

Definition

The double integral of f over a rectangle $R \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ is

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

if the limit exists.

The triple integral of f over a rectangle $R \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$ is

$$\iiint_R f(x, y) dV = \lim_{m, n, l \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^l f(\xi_{ijk}) \Delta V$$

if the limit exists.

How can you define the double/triple integral for a region that is not a rectangle?

Iterated integral

Suppose that f is integrable on $R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$. An iterated integral of f is defined as

$$\int_a^b A(x) dx ,$$

where

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

Typically, we write the above as

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

This means that we integrate in y before in x — always integrate the inner part first.

Theorem (Speical case of Fubini)

If f is continuous on the rectangle R , then

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

Compute

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{x^2 - y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} dx dy$$

and

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{x^2 - y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} dy dx$$

Let

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & y \in (x, x+1), x \geq 0 \\ -1, & y \in (x-1, x), x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Compute

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) \, dx dy$$

and

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) \, dy dx .$$

- 1 Set up a problem with double integral to find the area of triangle with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(2, 0)$, $(2, 3)$.
- 2 Let $f(x, y) = x^2y$. Find

$$\iint_D f(x, y) dA$$

where D is the triangle with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(2, 0)$, $(2, 3)$.

- 3 Compute

$$\iint_D e^{-y^2} dA$$