

16.2 Double Integrals over General Regions

last time: over rectangular regions $R = \{(x,y) : a \leq x \leq b, c \leq y \leq d\}$

the order of integration doesn't matter

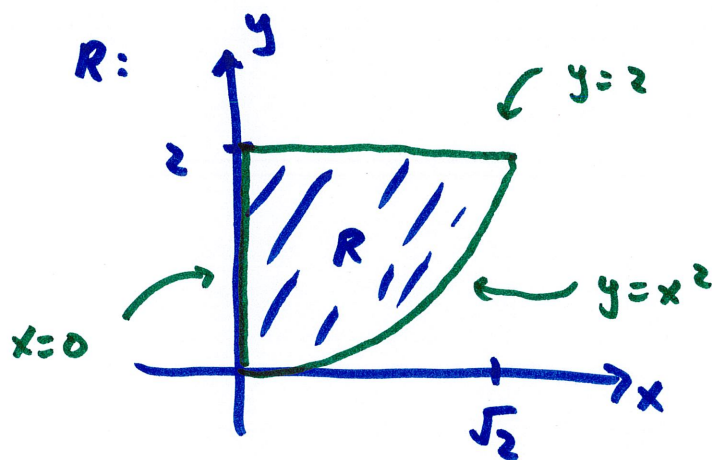
$$\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x,y) dy dx = \int_c^d \int_a^b f(x,y) dx dy$$

but switching order arbitrarily is only ok for rectangular regions
for general regions, order is very crucial

example

$$f(x,y) = xy^2$$

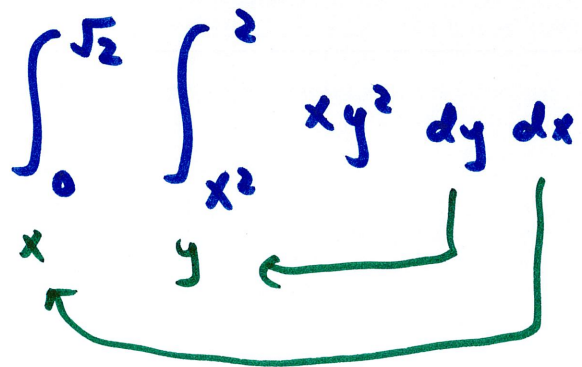
$$R = \{(x,y) : 0 \leq x \leq \sqrt{2}, x^2 \leq y \leq 2\}$$



top curve
 $y = 2$
bottom
curve $y = x^2$

Basic rule: integrate the
constant-bounded
variable LAST
(outside)

So, here we integrate x last, y first

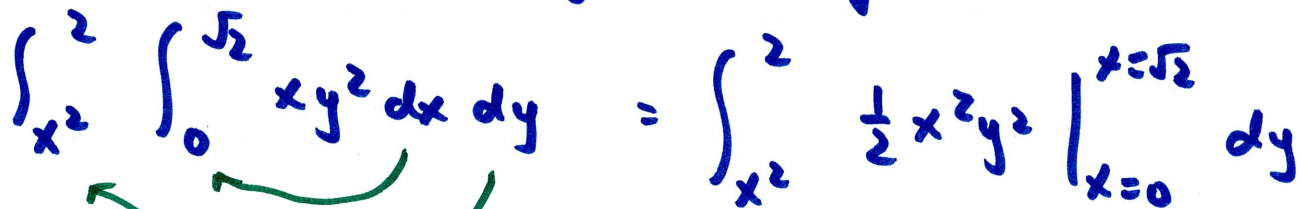
$$\int_0^{\sqrt{2}} \int_{x^2}^2 xy^2 dy dx$$


then proceed as before: inside-out

$$= \int_0^{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{3} xy^3 \Big|_{y=x^2}^{y=2} \right) dx = \int_0^{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{8}{3} x - \frac{1}{3} x^7 \right) dx$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} x^2 - \frac{1}{24} x^8 \Big|_0^{\sqrt{2}} = \boxed{2}$$

what if we integrated using the wrong order?

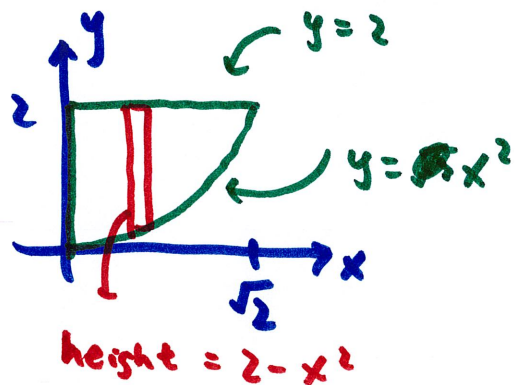
$$\int_{x^2}^2 \int_0^{\sqrt{2}} xy^2 dx dy = \int_{x^2}^2 \frac{1}{2} x^2 y^2 \Big|_{x=0}^{x=\sqrt{2}} dy$$


$$= \int_{x^2}^2 y^2 dy = \frac{1}{3} y^3 \Big|_{x^2}^2 = \frac{8}{3} - \frac{x^6}{3}$$

what do we do with this?

But, we still can switch order, but must be done carefully

$$R = \{ (x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq \sqrt{2}, x^2 \leq y \leq 2 \}$$

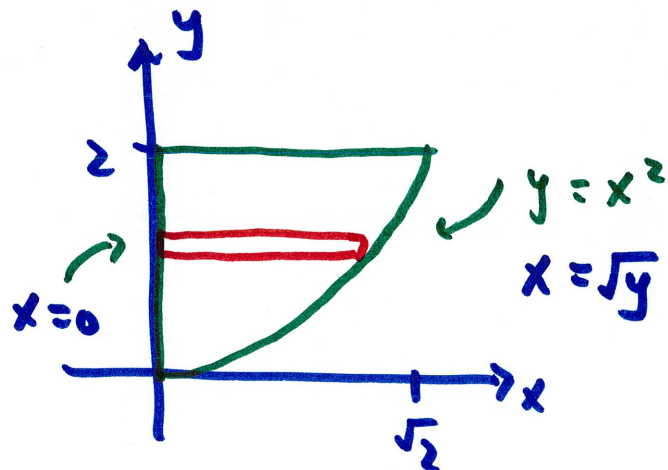


this is sometimes called a Type I region

bunch of vertical rectangles

x : bounded by constants

to switch order, we need to formulate R as a Type II region



horizontal rectangles: right curve -
left curve

$$\text{right: } x = \sqrt{y}$$

$$\text{left: } x = 0$$

$$0 \leq x \leq \sqrt{y}$$

$$0 \leq y \leq 2$$

$$R = \{ (x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq \sqrt{y}, 0 \leq y \leq 2 \}$$

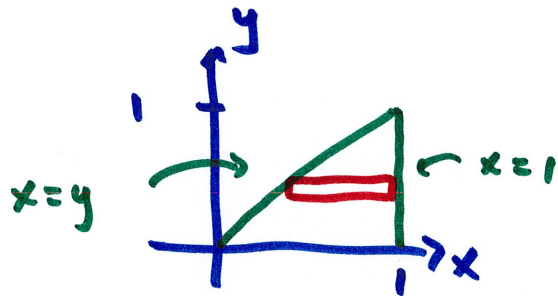
integrate using the new order

$$\int_0^2 \int_0^{\sqrt{y}} xy^2 dx dy = \int_0^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} x^2 y^2 \Big|_{x=0}^{x=\sqrt{y}} \right) dy$$
$$= \int_0^2 \frac{1}{2} y^3 dy = \frac{1}{8} y^4 \Big|_0^2 = \boxed{2}$$

example

$$\int_0^1 \int_y^1 e^{x^2} dx dy$$

R as given: $R = \{(x, y) : y \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1\}$ Type II



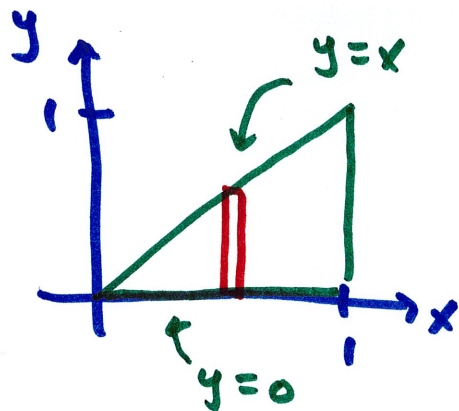
left $x=y$ right $x=1$

integrate using the given order:

inside $\int_y^1 e^{x^2} dx$ is not something we can do by hand

we must switch to a different type of R to integrate

Switch to Type I



$$0 \leq x \leq 1$$
$$0 \leq y \leq x$$

bottom \nearrow top

$$R = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq x\}$$

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^x e^{x^2} dy dx$$

inside: $\int_0^x e^{x^2} dy$

$\hookrightarrow x$ is const

$$= e^{x^2} y \Big|_{y=0}^{y=x} = x e^{x^2}$$

$$= \int_0^1 x e^{x^2} dx$$

$$u = x^2$$
$$du = 2x dx$$

$$= \dots = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}(e-1)}$$

Example

$$\int_{e^{-2}}^1 \int_{-\ln y}^2 f(x,y) dx dy + \int_1^{e^2} \int_{\ln y}^2 f(x,y) dx dy$$

rewrite the integral by switching order

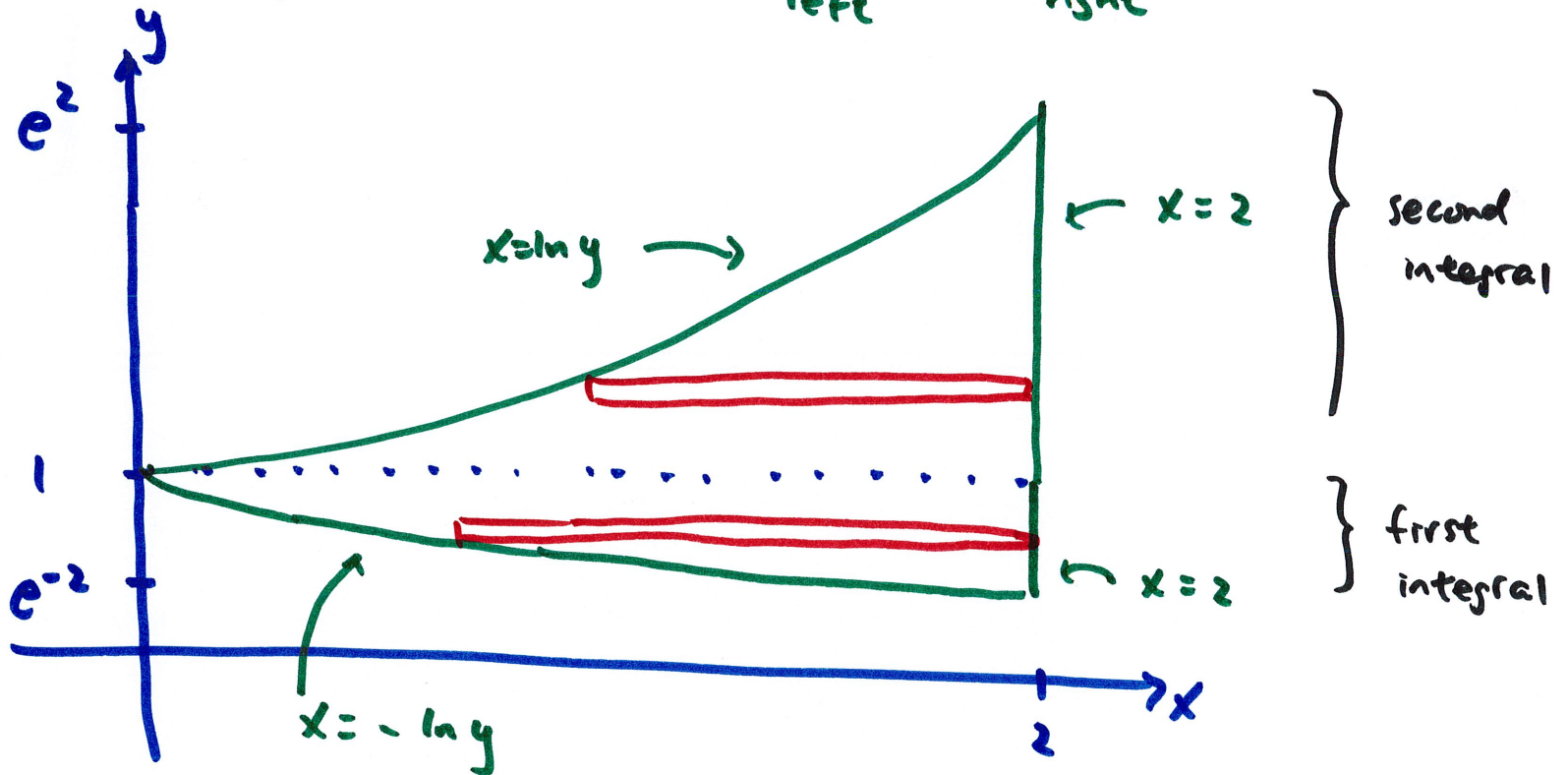
$$e^{-2} \leq y \leq 1$$
$$-\ln y \leq x \leq 2$$

left right

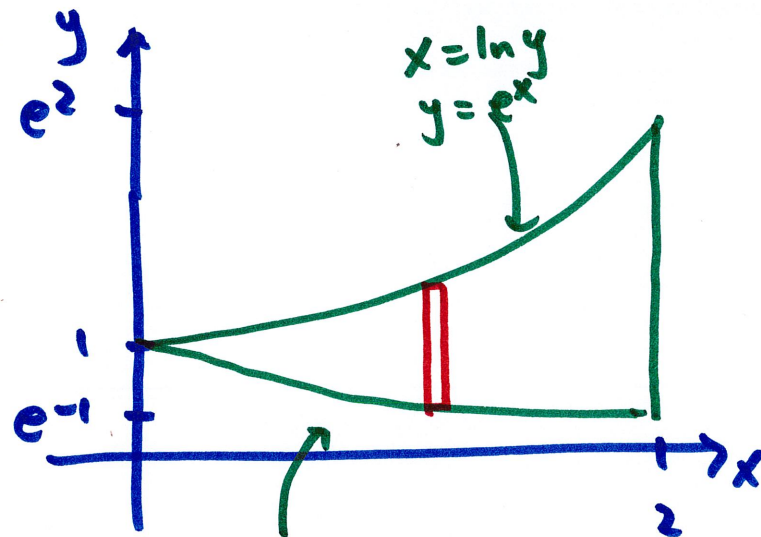
$$1 \leq y \leq e^2$$
$$\ln y \leq x \leq 2$$

left right

Type II



change to Type I (vertical rectangles)



$$\begin{aligned}x &= -\ln y \\ \ln y &= -x \\ y &= e^{-x}\end{aligned}$$

one integral is enough
since top and bottom curves
don't change

$$e^{-x} \leq y \leq e^x$$

$$0 \leq x \leq 2$$

$$R = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq 2, e^{-x} \leq y \leq e^x\}$$

integral: $\int_0^2 \int_{e^{-x}}^{e^x} f(x, y) dy dx$