

## Multiple Integrals

The multiple integral is a generalization of the definite integral to functions of more than one real variable. Integrals of a function of two variables are called double integrals, and integrals of a function of three variables are called triple integrals.

### Double Integrals

The expression  $\int_c^d \int_a^b f(x, y) dx dy$  is called double integral and indicates that:

1.  $f(x, y)$  is first integrated with respect to  $x$  (regarding  $y$  as being constant) between the limits  $x = a$  and  $x = b$ .
2. the result is then integrated with respect to  $y$  between the limits  $y = c$  and  $y = d$ .

**Example 1:** Evaluate  $\int_1^2 \int_2^4 (x + 2y) dx dy$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^2 \int_2^4 (x + 2y) dx dy &= \int_1^2 \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} + 2yx \right]_2^4 dy = \int_1^2 (8 + 8y - 2 - 4y) dy \\ &= \int_1^2 (4y + 6) dy = 2y^2 + 6y \Big|_1^2 = 8 + 12 - 2 - 6 = 12 \end{aligned}$$

**Example 2:** Evaluate  $\int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{\sin x} y dy dx$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{\sin x} y dy dx &= \int_0^{\pi} \left[ \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_0^{\sin x} dx = \int_0^{\pi} \frac{\sin^2 x}{2} dx = \int_0^{\pi} \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{4} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{4} x - \frac{1}{8} \sin 2x \Big|_0^{\pi} = \frac{\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

**Example 3:** Evaluate  $\int_1^2 \int_y^{y^2} dx dy$

$$\int_1^2 \int_y^{y^2} dx dy = \int_1^2 x \Big|_y^{y^2} dy = \int_1^2 (y^2 - y) dy = \frac{y^3}{3} - \frac{y^2}{2} \Big|_1^2 = \frac{5}{6}$$

**Example 4:** Evaluate  $\int_0^1 \int_0^x \sqrt{1-x^2} dy dx$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \int_0^x \sqrt{1-x^2} dy dx &= \int_0^1 y \Big|_0^x \sqrt{1-x^2} dx = \int_0^1 x \sqrt{1-x^2} dx = \frac{-1}{2} \int_0^1 -2x(1-x^2)^{1/2} dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} (1-x^2)^{3/2} \times \frac{2}{3} \Big|_0^1 = -\frac{1}{3} (0-1) = \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

### Triple Integrals

Triple Integral is one of the types of multi integral of a function that involves three variables. Triple Integral in Calculus is the integration involving volume; hence it is also called Volume Integral and the process of calculating Triple Integral is called Triple Integration.

Let's do a quick example of this type of triple integral.

**Example 5:** Evaluate  $\int_0^2 \int_{-1}^1 \int_0^1 (2x - y + z) dx dy dz$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^2 \int_{-1}^1 \int_0^1 (2x - y + z) dx dy dz &= \int_0^2 \int_{-1}^1 (x^2 - yx + zx) \Big|_0^1 dy dz = \int_0^2 \int_{-1}^1 (1 - y + z) dy dz \\ &= \int_0^2 \left( y - \frac{y^2}{2} + zy \right) \Big|_{-1}^1 dz = \int_0^2 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2} + z - \left( -1 - \frac{1}{2} - z \right) \right) dz \\ &= \int_0^2 (2 + 2z) dz = 2z + z^2 \Big|_0^2 = 8 \end{aligned}$$

**Example 6:** Evaluate  $\int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^3 x^2 \sin \theta \, dx d\theta d\phi$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^3 x^2 \sin \theta \, dx d\theta d\phi &= \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \left( \frac{x^3}{3} \Big|_0^3 \right) \sin \theta \, d\theta d\phi = \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} 9 \sin \theta \, d\theta d\phi \\ &= \int_0^{\pi} -9 \cos \theta \Big|_0^{\pi} d\phi = \int_0^{\pi} -9(-1 - 1) d\phi = \int_0^{\pi} 18 d\phi = 18\phi \Big|_0^{\pi} = 18\pi \end{aligned}$$

### Exercises

Evaluate each of the following integrals

1.  $\int_0^2 \int_1^{e^x} dy dx$

2.  $\int_0^1 \int_{\sqrt{y}}^1 dx dy$

3.  $\int_{-2}^1 \int_{x^2+4x}^{3x+2} dy dx$

4.  $\int_0^1 \int_{\sqrt{y}}^{2-\sqrt{y}} xy dx dy$

5.  $\int_0^1 \int_{x^2}^1 (x+y) dy dx$

6.  $\int_0^1 \int_0^{y^2} \sqrt{y^3+3} dx dy$

7.  $\int_0^1 \int_0^2 x \sqrt{4-x^2} dx dy$

8.  $\int_0^2 \int_1^3 \int_1^2 xy^2 z dx dy dz$

9.  $\int_0^2 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) dx dy dz$

10.  $\int_0^2 \int_{3x/2}^3 \int_0^{5x/2} dz dy dx$