

Section 15.1
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11th Ed.

Switching the Order of
Integration of a Double
Integral

The following integrals are nonelementary integrals (the function has no closed form anti-derivative):

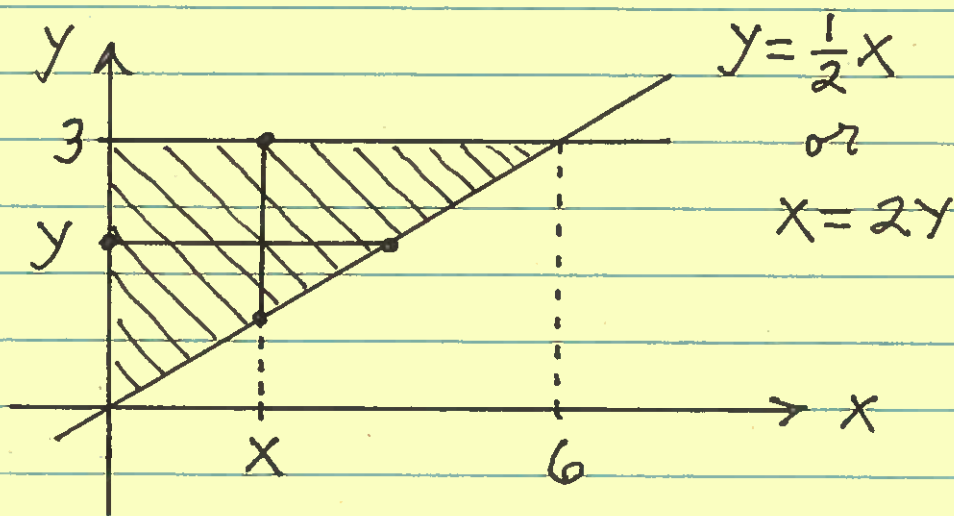
$$\int e^{x^2} dx, \quad \int \cos(y^2) dy,$$
$$\int \frac{\sin x}{x} dx, \quad \int \sqrt{1+y^4} dy$$

If you encounter these functions when doing Double Integrals, you will need to Switch the Order of Integration. This will require you to graph the region R of integration and using

Vertical and Horizontal Cross-Sections.

Example: Evaluate each Double Integral by first Switching the Order of Integration.

$$1.) \int_0^6 \int_{\frac{1}{2}x}^3 \cos(y^2) dy dx$$



$$R: \begin{cases} 0 \leq x \leq 6 \\ \frac{1}{2}x \leq y \leq 3 \end{cases} \text{ and } \begin{cases} 0 \leq y \leq 3 \\ 0 \leq x \leq 2y \end{cases}$$

(Now Switch Order)

$$= \int_0^3 \int_0^{2y} \cos(y^2) dx dy$$

$$= \int_0^3 \cos(y^2) \cdot x \Big|_{x=0}^{x=2y} dy$$

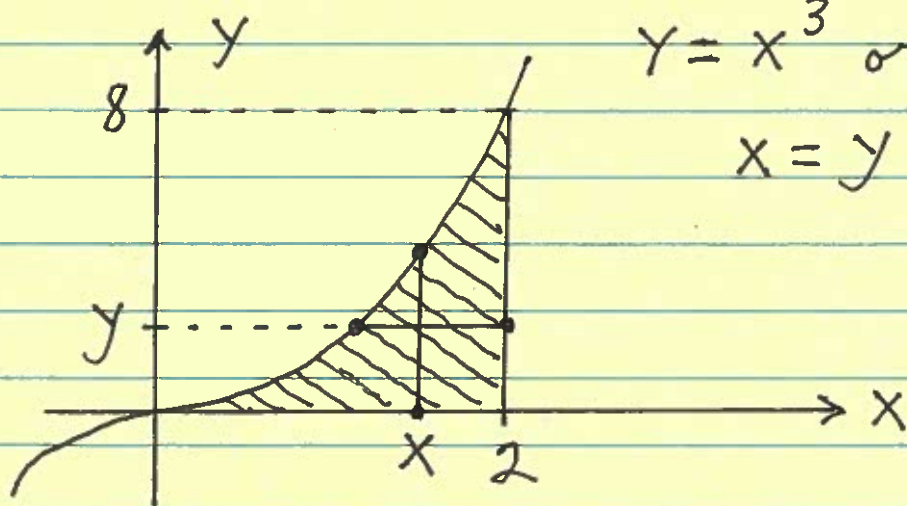
$$= \int_0^3 (\cos(y^2) \cdot (2y) - \cos(y^2)(0)) dy$$

$$= \int_0^3 2y \cos(y^2) dy$$

$$= \sin(y^2) \Big|_0^3 = \sin 9 - \sin 0$$

$$= \sin 9$$

$$2.) \int_0^8 \int_{y^{1/3}}^2 \sqrt{1+x^4} dx dy$$



$$R: \begin{cases} 0 \leq y \leq 8 \\ y^{1/3} \leq x \leq 2 \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{cases} 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 0 \leq y \leq x^3 \end{cases}$$

(Now Switch Order)

$$= \int_0^2 \int_0^{x^3} \sqrt{1+x^4} \, dy \, dx$$

$$= \int_0^2 \sqrt{1+x^4} \cdot y \Big|_{y=0}^{y=x^3} \, dx$$

$$= \int_0^2 (\sqrt{1+x^4} \cdot (x^3) - \sqrt{1+x^4} \cdot (0)) \, dx$$

$$= \int_0^2 x^3 \sqrt{1+x^4} \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{3} (1+x^4)^{3/2} \Big|_0^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} (17)^{3/2} - \frac{1}{6} (1)^{3/2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} (17)^{3/2} - \frac{1}{6}$$