

Triple Integrals (16.4)

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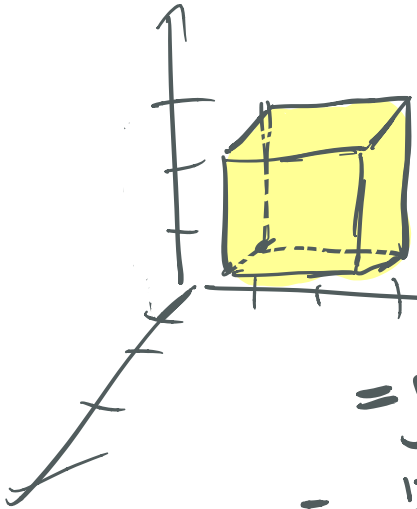
Big Picture: Triple integrals work just like double integrals.

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$$\begin{aligned}&= \int_1^3 \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{4} - z \right) dz \\ &= \left. \frac{13}{12}z - \frac{1}{2}z^2 \right|_1^3 = \left[\frac{13 \cdot 3}{12} - \frac{9}{2} \right] - \left[\frac{13}{12} + \frac{1}{2} \right]\end{aligned}$$



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$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{2 \cdot 13}{12} - 4 = \frac{13}{6} - 4 \\ &= \frac{13}{6} - \frac{24}{6} \\ &= \boxed{-\frac{11}{6}} \end{aligned}$$

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Note: Fubini still works and you can change the order of integration if it helps.

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Another interpretation: 4-dimensional “volume” could be volume of space-time.

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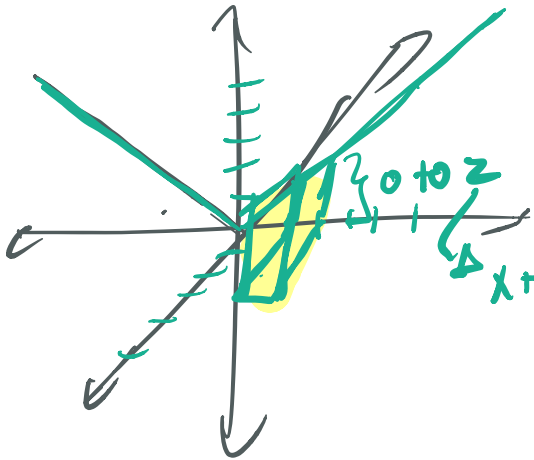
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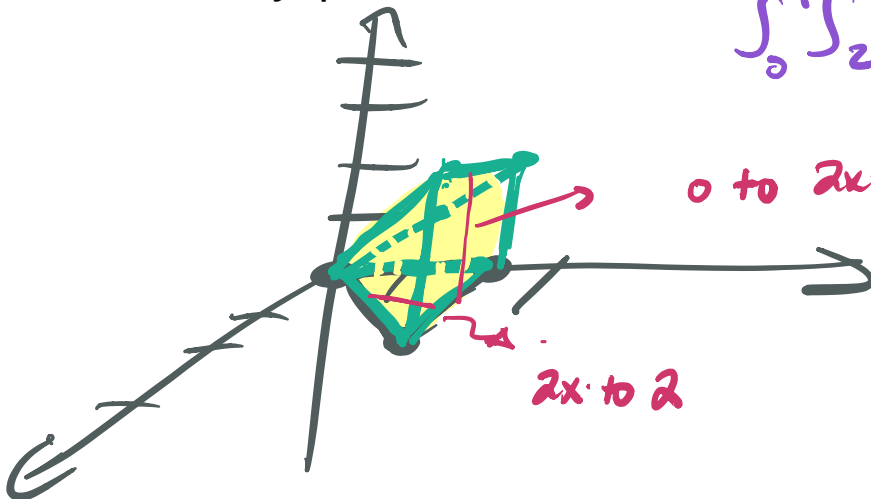
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$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 \int_{2x}^2 \int_0^{2x+y} 1 \, dz \, dy \, dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_{2x}^2 (2x+y) \, dy \, dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \left. 2xy + \frac{1}{2}y^2 \right|_{2x}^2 dx \\ &= \int_0^1 (4x+2) - (4x^2+2x^2) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 (-6x^2+4x+2) dx \\ &= \left. -\frac{6}{3}x^3 + \frac{4}{2}x^2 + 2x \right|_0^1 \\ &= -2+2+2=2 \end{aligned}$$

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Triangle is $0 \leq x \leq 1$ and $2x \leq y \leq 2$, so Volume is

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 \int_{2x}^2 \int_0^{2x+y} 1 \, dz \, dy \, dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_{2x}^2 (2x + y) \, dy \, dx \\ &= \int_0^1 (2xy + y^2/2) \Big|_{2x}^2 \, dx \\ &= \int_0^1 (-6x^2 + 4x + 2) \, dx \\ &= (-2x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x) \Big|_0^1 \\ &= 2. \end{aligned}$$

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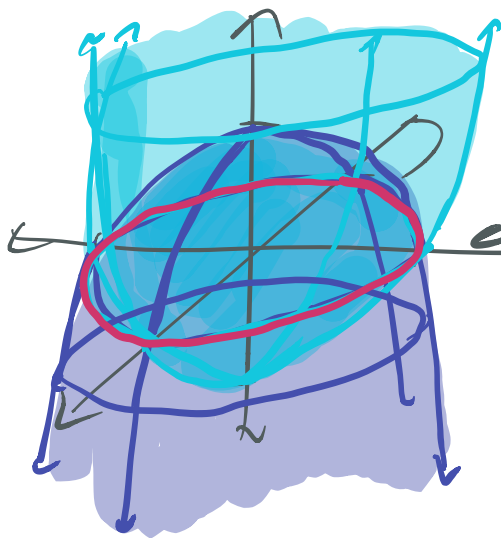
$$z = (x^2 + y^2)z$$

$$1 = x^2 + y^2$$

intersect at $x^2 + y^2 = 1$

and $z = 0$.

$$\iiint_D f dV = \int_0^1 \int_{\sqrt{1-x^2}}^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \int_{x^2+y^2-1}^{x^2+y^2+1} xy - 3z dz dy dx$$



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