

9 Integrals over general regions

By the end of this section, you should be able to answer the following questions:

- How can you identify type I and II regions?
- How do you evaluate a double integral over type I and II regions?
- How can you evaluate a double integral over a more general region comprising finitely many type I and II regions?
- What is meant by net volume below a surface?

To find the double integral over a general region D instead of just a rectangle we consider a rectangle which encloses D and define

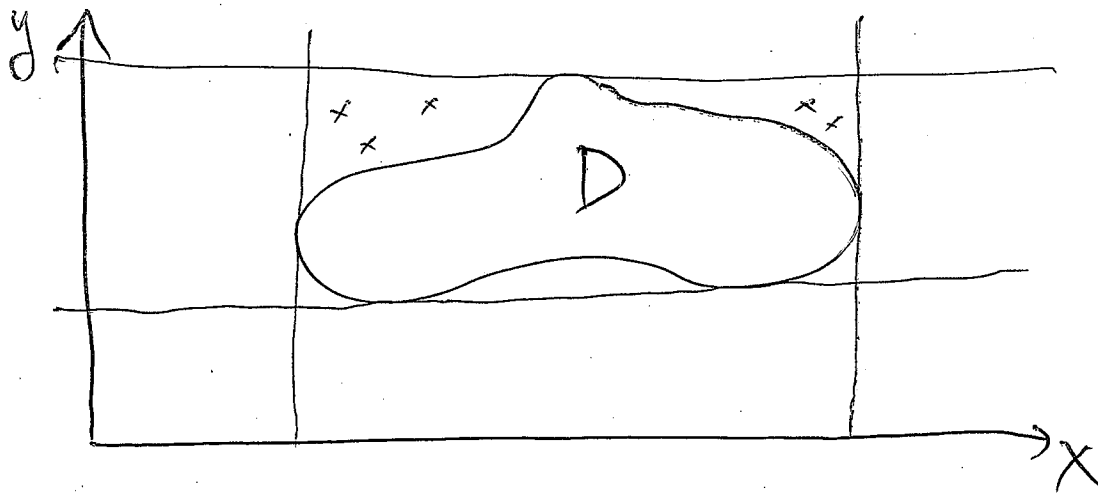
$$F(x, y) = \begin{cases} f(x, y), & \text{if } (x, y) \in D \\ 0, & \text{if } (x, y) \in R \text{ but } \notin D \end{cases}$$

} Formal connection
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then

$$\iint_D f(x, y) dA = \iint_R F(x, y) dA$$

and we can proceed as before. It is possible to show that F is integrable if the boundary of D is bounded by a finite number of smooth curves of finite length. Note that F may still be discontinuous at the boundary of D .



9.1 Type I regions

A plane region D is of type I if it lies between the graph of two continuous functions of x . That is $D = \{(x, y) | a \leq x \leq b, g_1(x) \leq y \leq g_2(x)\}$.

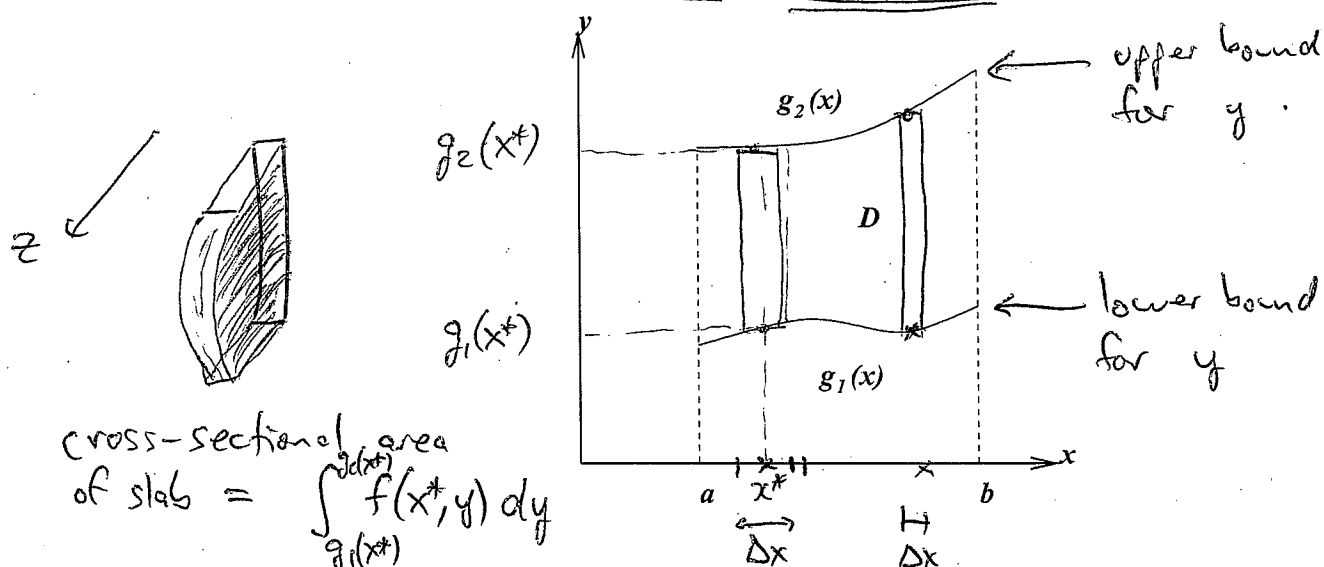


Figure 17: Type I regions are generally bounded by two constant values of x and two functions of x .

In practice, to evaluate $\iint_D f(x, y) dA$ where D is a region of type I we have

$$\iint_D f(x, y) dA = \int_a^b \left(\int_{g_1(x)}^{g_2(x)} f(x, y) dy \right) dx.$$

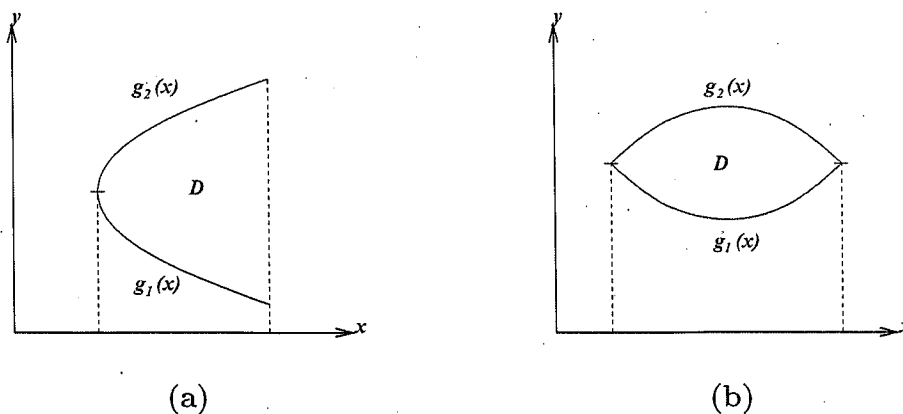


Figure 18: Some more examples of type I regions.

9.1.1 Example: find $\iint_D (4x + 10y) dA$ where D is the region between the parabola $y = x^2$ and the line $y = x + 2$.

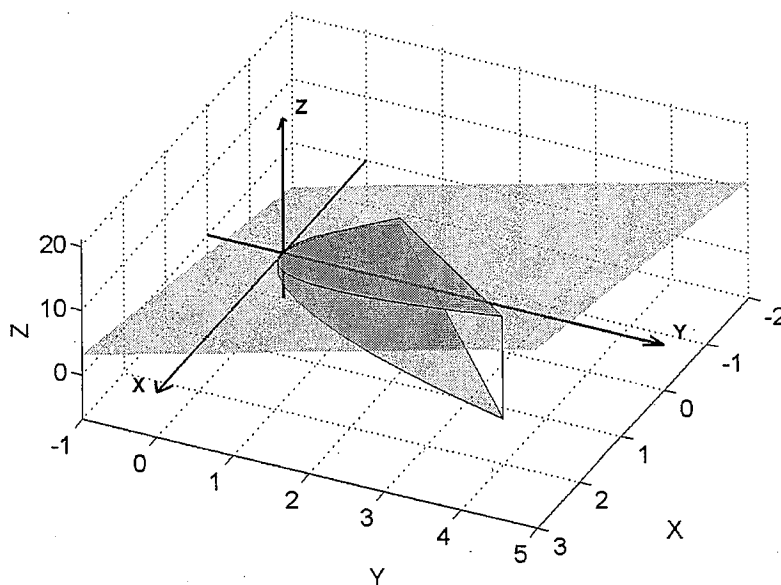
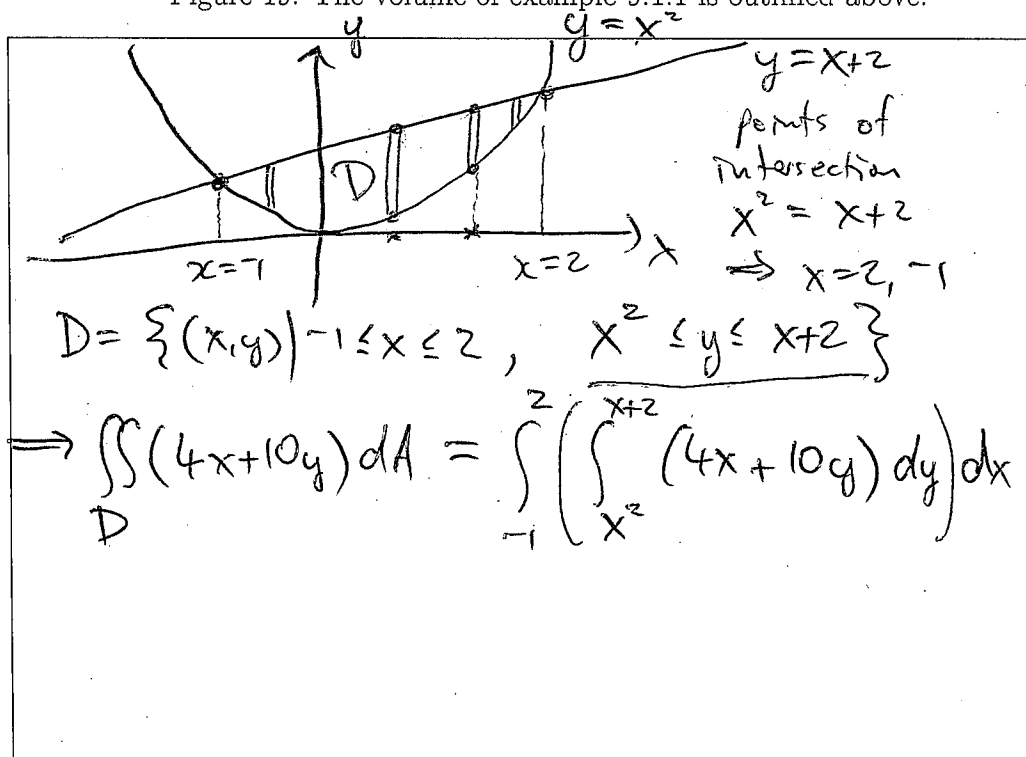
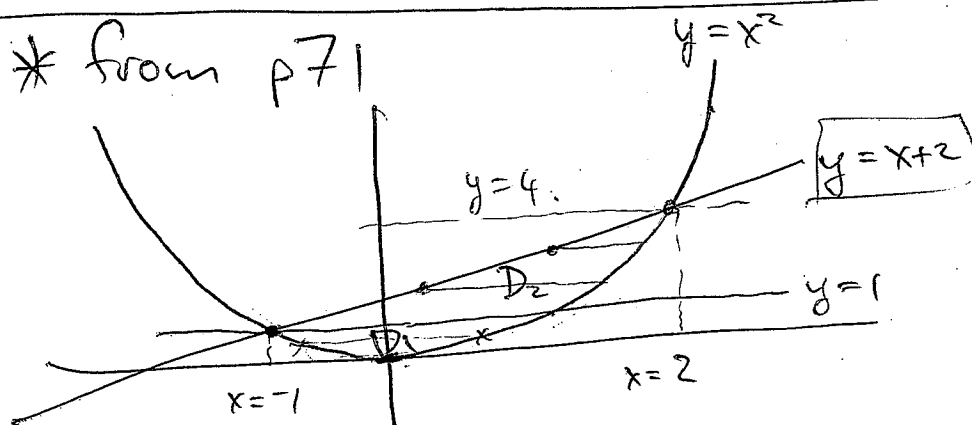


Figure 19: The volume of example 9.1.1 is outlined above.



$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_{-1}^2 \left[4xy + 5y^2 \right]_{y=x^2}^{y=x+2} dx \\
 &= \int_{-1}^2 \left(4x(x+2) + 5(x+2)^2 - (4x^3 + 5x^4) \right) dx \\
 &= \dots = 81
 \end{aligned}$$

* from p 71



Type II?

$$D_1 = \{ (x, y) \mid 0 \leq y \leq 1, -\sqrt{y} \leq x \leq \sqrt{y} \}.$$

$$D_2 = \{ (x, y) \mid 1 \leq y \leq 4, y-2 \leq x \leq \sqrt{y} \}.$$

$$\iint_D = \iint_{D_1} + \iint_{D_2}$$

9.2 Type II regions

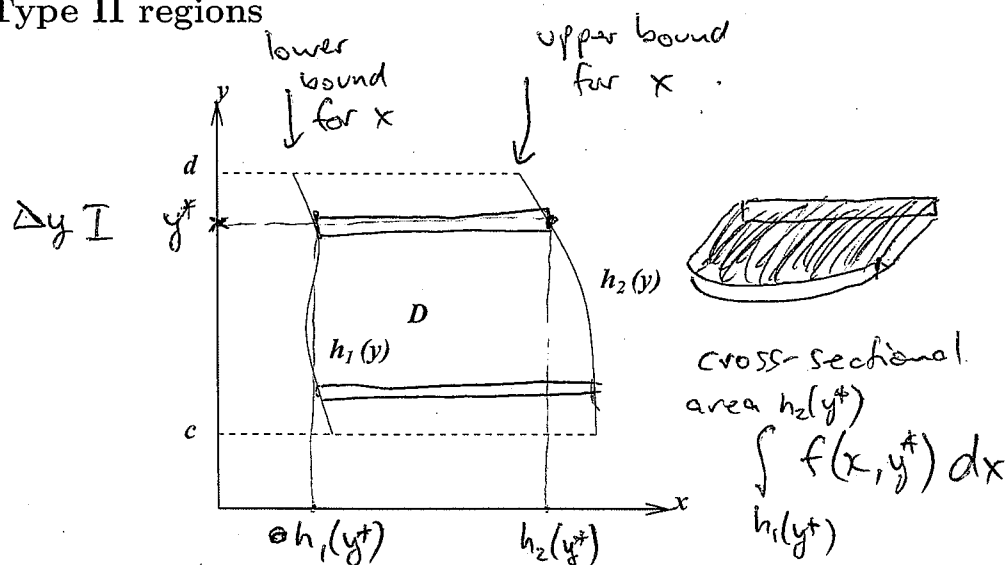


Figure 20: Type II regions are generally bounded by two constant values of y and two functions of y .

A plane region is of type II if it can be expressed by

$$D = \{(x, y) | c \leq y \leq d, h_1(y) \leq x \leq h_2(y)\}.$$

In practice, to evaluate $\iint_D f(x, y) dA$ where D is a region of type II we have

$$\iint_D f(x, y) dA = \int_c^d \left(\int_{h_1(y)}^{h_2(y)} f(x, y) dx \right) dy.$$

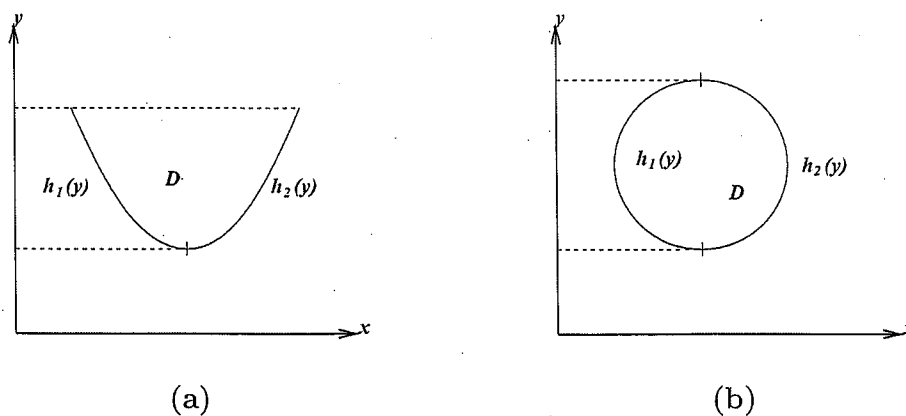


Figure 21: Some more examples of type II regions.

9.2.1 Example: evaluate $\iint_D xy \, dA$ where D is the region bounded by the line $y = x - 1$ and the parabola $y^2 = 2x + 6$.

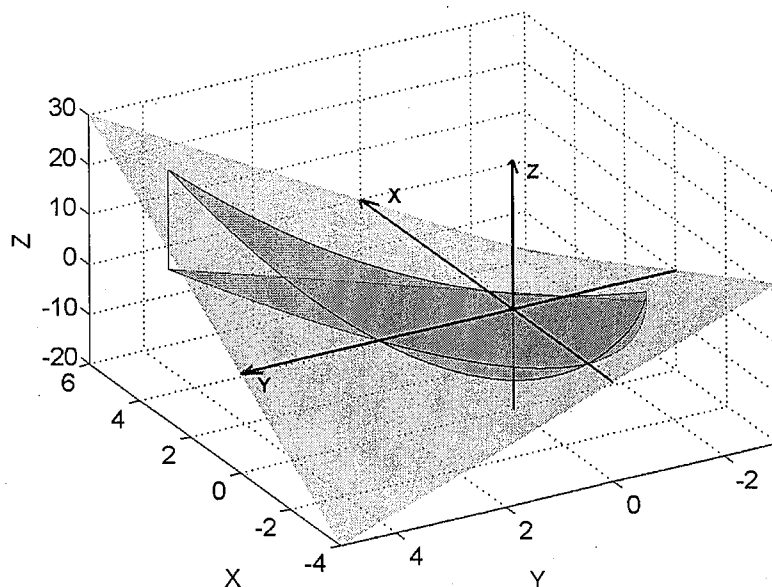
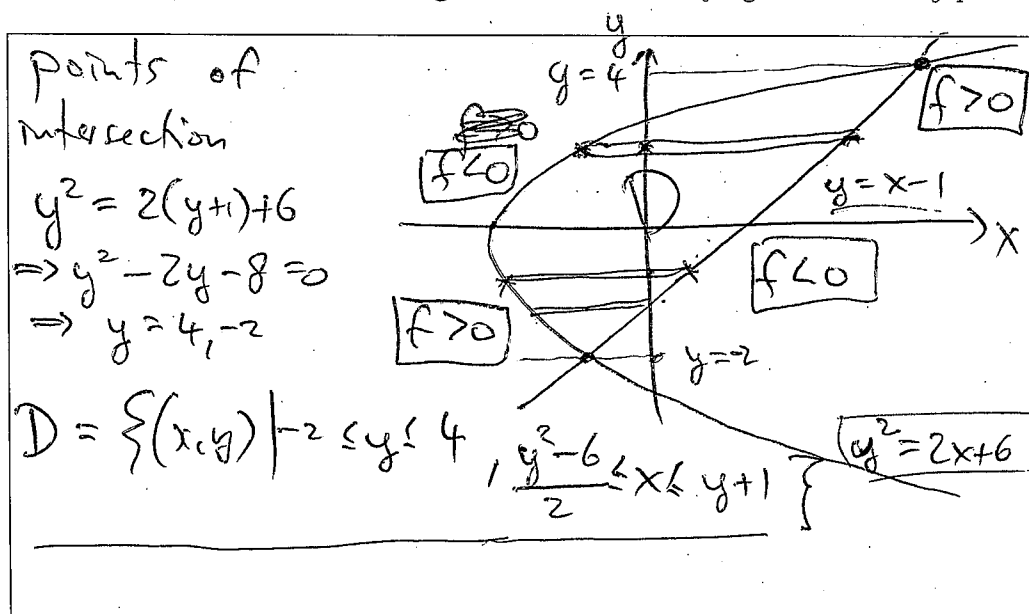
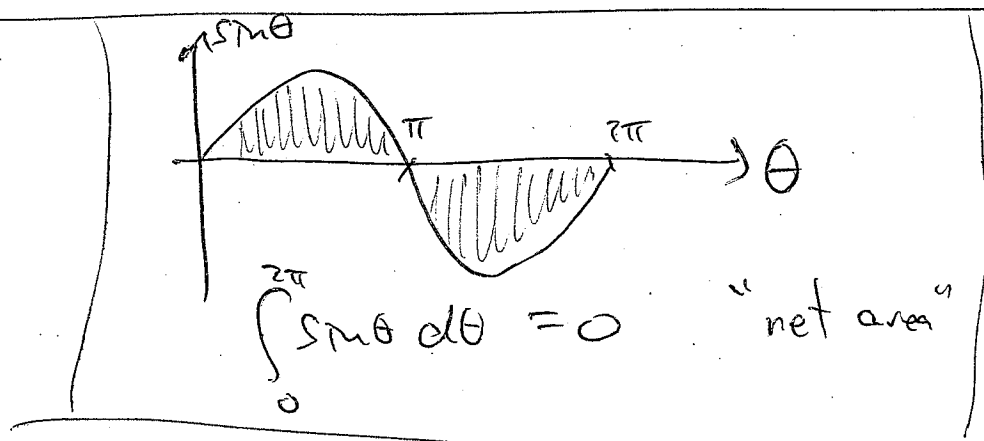
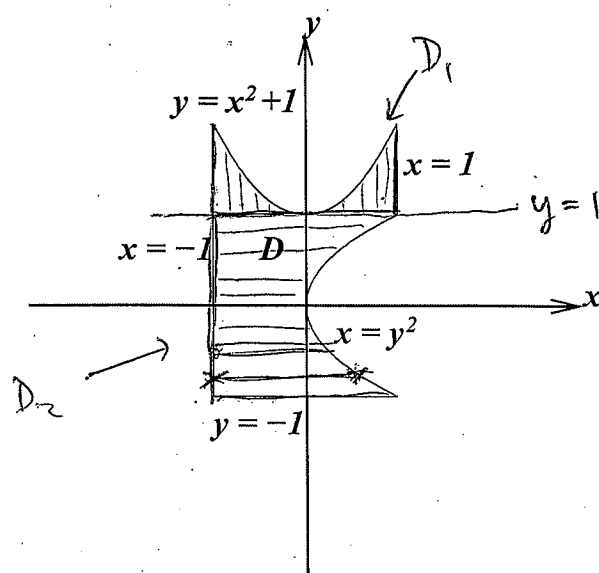


Figure 22: The volume of example 9.2.1 is outlined above. Note carefully that the surface is *above* the x - y plane only in the quadrants where $x, y > 0$ and $x, y < 0$. For x and y values in the other two quadrants, the surface is *below* the x - y plane. Hence in this example we are calculating the “net volume” lying above the x - y plane.



$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow \iint_D xy \, dA &= \int_{-2}^4 \left(\int_{\frac{y^2-6}{2}}^{y+1} (xy) \, dx \right) dy \\
&= \int_{-2}^4 \left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 y \right]_{x=\frac{y^2-6}{2}}^{x=y+1} dy \\
&= \int_{-2}^4 \left(\frac{1}{2} (y+1)^2 y - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{y^2-6}{2} \right)^2 y \right) dy \\
&= 36. \\
&= \text{"net volume" above} \\
&\quad \frac{\text{x-y plane. \& below}}{z = f(x,y)}.
\end{aligned}$$





9.3 Express D as a union of regions of type I or type II and expand the integral $\iint_D f(x,y) dA$, for some integrable function f .

$$D_1 = \{(x,y) | -1 \leq x \leq 1, 1 \leq y \leq x^2 + 1\}.$$

$$D_2 = \{(x,y) | -1 \leq y \leq 1, -1 \leq x \leq y^2\}.$$

$$\iint_D f(x,y) dA = \iint_{D_1} f(x,y) dA + \iint_{D_2} f(x,y) dA.$$

(properties of ~~integral~~ double int. p 51)

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \int_1^{x^2+1} f \, dy \, dx$$

$$+ \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^{y^2} f \, dx \, dy$$