

## 15.1 Double Integrals over

### Rectangles.

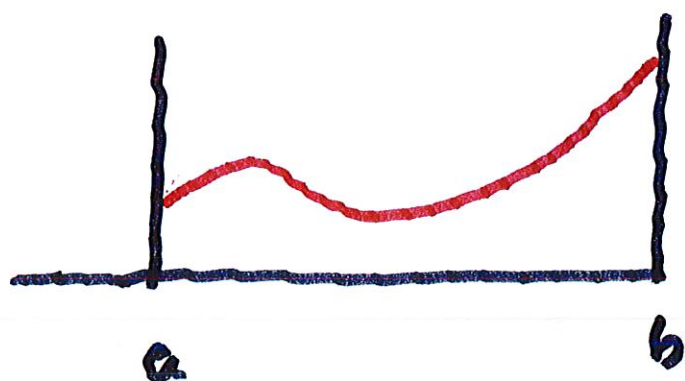
Remember, the integral in

one variable is essentially

the area under a curve

{ when  $f(x) \geq 0$  }

between  $x=a$  and  $x=b$ .



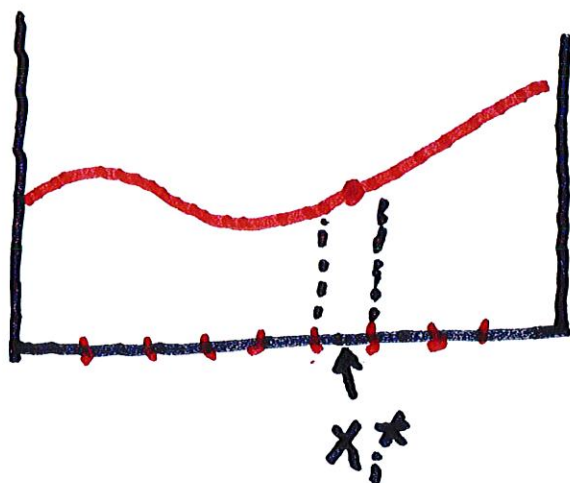
To compute the area, we

decompose  $[a, b]$  into

$n$  small intervals:  $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$

for  $1 \leq i \leq n$

and  $x_i - x_{i-1} \leq \frac{b-a}{n}$



We let  $x_i^*$  be any random point  
in  $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$

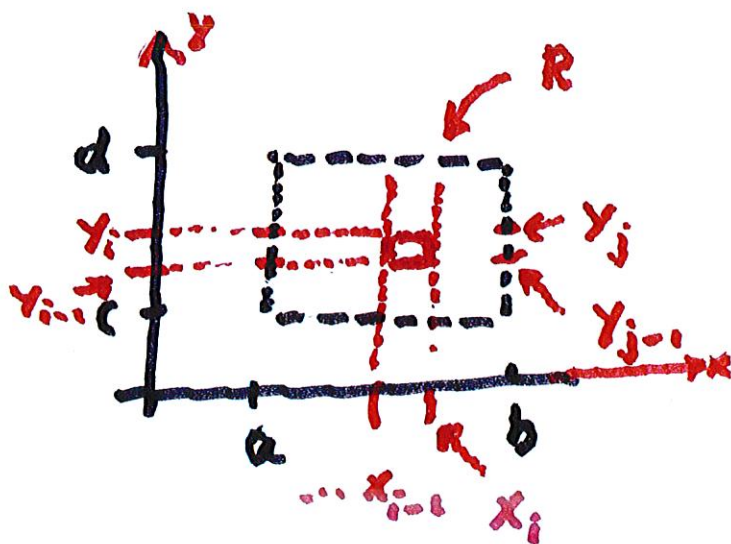
$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \Delta x,$$

where  $\Delta = \frac{b-a}{n}$

Suppose that  $f(x, y)$  is defined

$$\text{for } \begin{cases} a \leq x \leq b & \text{and} \\ c \leq y \leq d \end{cases}$$

Subdivide  
rectangle into  
smaller ones:

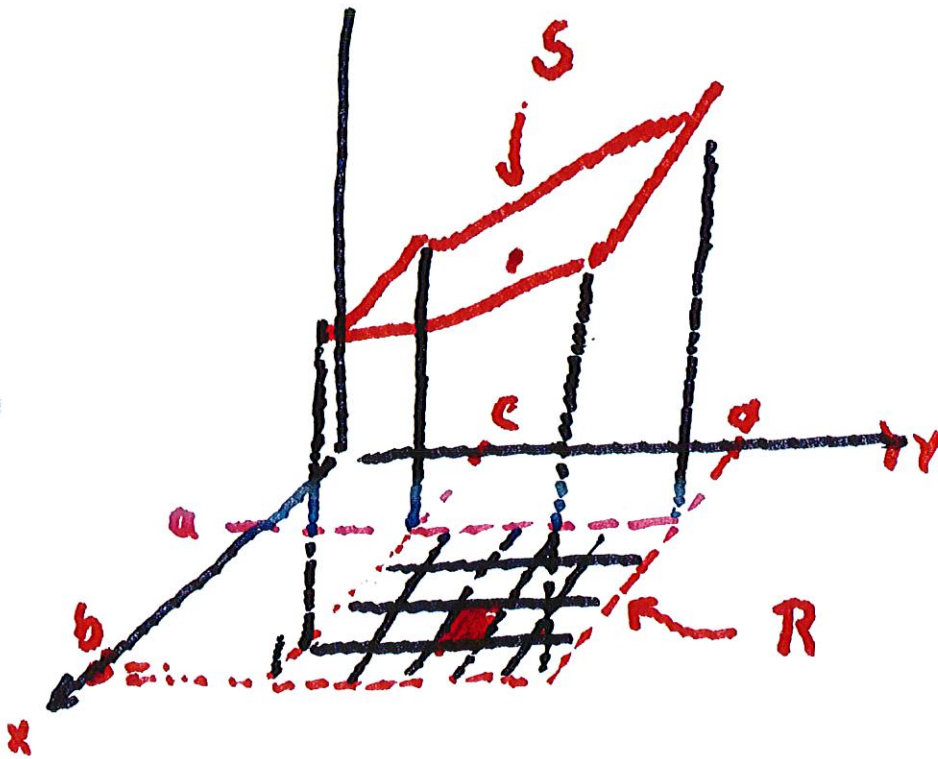


The small rectangle is defined by

$$x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i \quad \text{and} \quad y_{j-1} \leq y \leq y_j$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{b-a}{m} \quad \Delta y = \frac{d-c}{n}$$

The small rectangle is  
denoted by  $R_{ij}$ .



We want to compute the  
volume under  $S$ ,  $z = f(x, y)$

$$\text{with } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} a \leq x \leq b \\ c \leq y \leq d \end{array} \right\} = R$$

Let  $(x_{ij}^*, y_{ij}^*)$  be a randomly selected point in  $R_{ij}$

The volume above  $R_{ij}$  and below  $S$  is

$$\Delta V \approx f(x_{ij}^*, y_{ij}^*) \Delta x \Delta y$$

and the total volume is

approximately

$$V \approx \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_{ij}^*, y_{ij}^*) \Delta x \Delta y$$

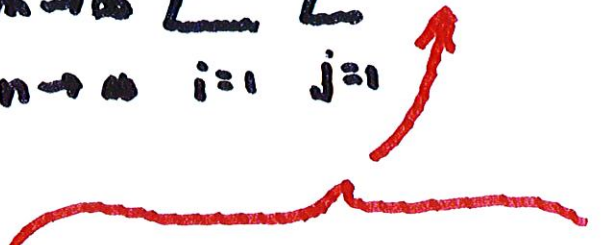
If we let  $m \rightarrow \infty$  and  $n \rightarrow \infty$

then if  $f(x, y)$  is continuous

at all  $(x, y)$  except for

"a small set", then

the limiting value of the above  
double sum is

$$\int \int_R f(x, y) dA = \lim_{\substack{m \rightarrow \infty \\ n \rightarrow \infty}} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_{ij}^*, y_{ij}^*) \Delta A,$$


where  $\Delta A = \Delta x \cdot \Delta y$

Note that the above definition  
of



$\iint_R f(x, y) dA$  makes sense  
 when  $f(x, y)$

is  $\geq 0$  or  $\leq 0$ .

Sometimes, instead of  $(x_{ij}^*, y_{ij}^*)$

one uses  $(x_i, y_j)$  instead of

$(x_{ij}^*, y_{ij}^*)$

$\nwarrow$   
 Upper Right  
 Corner

or  $(\bar{x}_i, \bar{y}_j)$ , where

$$\bar{x}_i = \frac{x_{i-1} + x_i}{2} \quad \text{and}$$

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$$\bar{y}_j = \frac{y_{j-1} + y_j}{2}$$

This often gives a good

approximation of  $\iint_R f(x, y) dA$ .

The average value of a function  $f$  on  $R$  is =

$$f_{\text{ave}} = \frac{1}{A(R)} \iint_R f(x, y) dA.$$

↑  
Area of  $R$ .

# Properties of Double Integrals

$$(1) \iint_R [f(x,y) + g(x,y)] dA$$

$$= \iint_R f(x,y) dA + \iint_R g(x,y) dA$$

$$(2) \iint_R c f(x,y) dA = c \iint_R f(x,y) dA.$$

(3) If  $f(x,y) \geq g(x,y)$  in  $R$ , then

$$\iint_R f(x,y) dA \geq \iint_R g(x,y) dA.$$

Ex. Estimate the volume of the solid that lies below the surface  $z = xy$  and above the rectangle  $R = \begin{cases} 0 \leq x \leq 6 \\ 0 \leq y \leq 4. \end{cases}$

Use Riemann Sum with

$m = 3, n = 2.$

Use upper right corner

$$8 + 16 + 24 + 4 + 8 + 12$$

Area = 4

Estimate is

$$2 = (48 + 24) \cdot 4 = 288$$

For the Midpoint Rule:

1.3	3.3	5.3
1.1	3.1	5.1

Riemann Sum  $4 (1+3+5+3+9+7+15)$

Sum

$$= 144$$