

7 Double integration | This may also be (25)

new to you, and it requires two new skills:

- ① Sweeping over one variable while holding the other variable constant, and
- ② visualizing the support set of the function you're integrating

Example

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} c(x^2 + y) & \text{for } 0 \leq y \leq 1 - x^2 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

(for some constant  $c > 0$ )

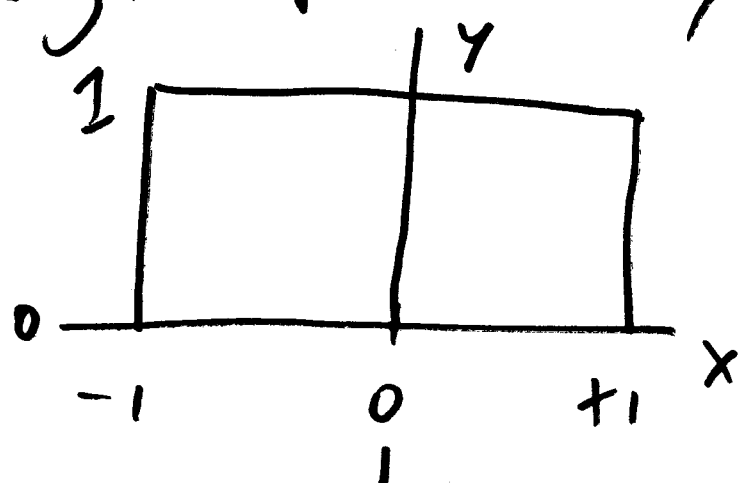
② (above) Q: Where in the  $(x, y)$  plane first are the points satisfying  $0 \leq y \leq 1 - x^2$ ?

A: Step 1 / First work out what's called the marginal support in the  $x$  and  $y$  directions separately.

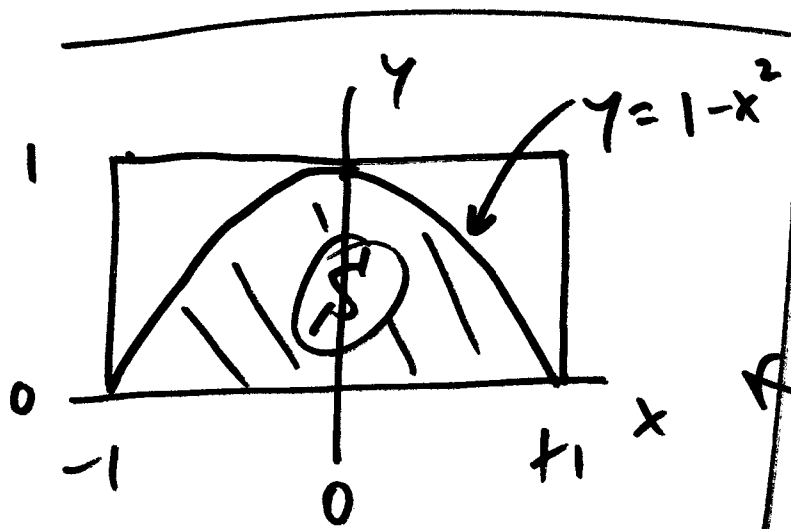
Looking at the inequality  $0 \leq y \leq 1-x^2$  only from the point of view of  $x$  yields  $0 \leq 1-x^2$ , from which  $x^2 \leq 1$ , which is true for all  $-1 \leq x \leq +1$ , so  $[-1, +1]$  is the marginal support for  $x$ .

Now as  $x$  goes from  $-1$  to  $+1$ ,  $(1-x^2)$  goes from  $0$  to  $+1$  and back down again to  $0$ , so the marginal support for  $y$  is  $0 \leq y \leq 1$   $[0, 1]$ .

Step 2 / Plot the rectangle specified by the two marginal support sets:



Step 3] Not all the points in the rectangle <sup>(2)</sup>  
 in Step 2 or in what's called the bivariate  
support set  $S$ , just the points where  
 $0 \leq y \leq 1 - x^2$ ; it's clear that we should  
 add the curve  $y = 1 - x^2$  to the  
 rectangle:



But this is just  
 a bowl-shaped-down  
 parabola.

Step 4

Now, finally, (y between 0 and  $(1 - x^2)$ )  
 and inside the rectangle  
 is the points below the parabola, and we  
 have our bivariate support set  $S$ .

Wd RegionPlot [ $y < 1 - x^2$ , {x, -1, 1}, {y, 0, 1}]

Now let's compute the double integral (28)

$$\iint_S f(x, y) dx dy.$$

The first thing to say is that, just

as with mixed partial derivatives, you can integrate over  $x$  and  $y$  in either order and you will always get the same

thing: 
$$\iint_S f(x, y) dx dy = \iint_S f(x, y) dy dx$$

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one order is often easier to work with than the other; you'll get good at choosing the easier order (if any) with practice; but you can check your work by doing it both ways (if the answers differ, you've done something wrong).

Let's first compute  $\iint_{\mathcal{R}} c(x^2+xy) dy dx$ . (29)

With  $x$  as the outer variable of integration,

the idea is to write the double integral

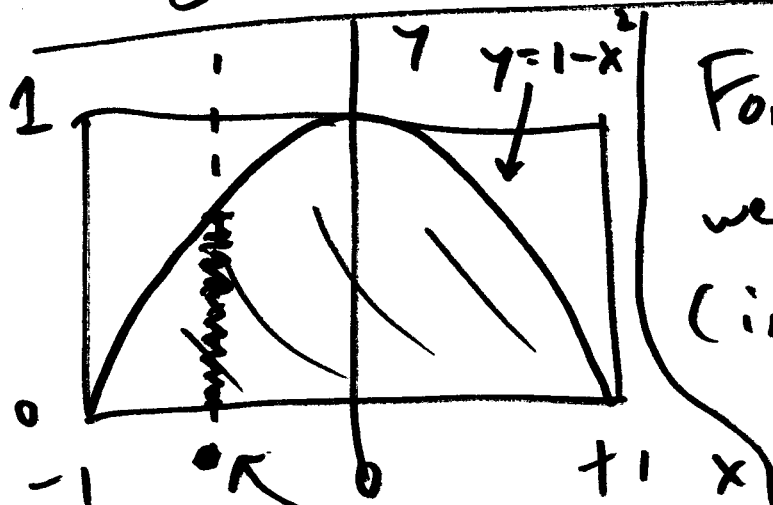
$$\text{as } \int_{-1}^{+1} \left[ \int_{\boxed{?}_1}^{\boxed{?}_2} c(x^2+xy) dy \right] dx, \text{ using the}$$

marginal support for  $x$   $[-1, +1]$  to

define the limits of integration for

the outer integral; now we just need

to figure out the inner limits of <sup>integration</sup>  $\boxed{?}, \boxed{?}$



For any given  $-1 \leq x \leq +1$ , we don't want to "sweep" (integrate) over  $y$  from 0 to 1 (its marginal support);

pick an  $x$  between  $-1$  and  $+1$

We only want to sweep over  $y$  values (30)  
in the bivariate support set, which (for  
the chosen  $x$ ) is  $y$  between 0 and  $(1-x^2)$ .

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Thus our integral is  $\textcircled{*} = \int_{-1}^{+1} \left[ \int_0^{1-x^2} c(x^2+y) dy \right] dx$ .

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The way you compute  $\textcircled{*}$  is to (a) evaluate  
the inner integral first, and then (b) do  
the outer integral using the result in (a):

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(a)  $\int_0^{1-x^2} c(x^2+y) dy = c \left( x^2 y + \frac{y^2}{2} \right) \Big|_{y=0}^{y=1-x^2}$   
 $= c \left\{ \left[ x^2(1-x^2) + \frac{(1-x^2)^2}{2} \right] - (0+0) \right\}$   
 $= \frac{c}{2} (1-x^4)$  after a bit of simplification.

$$(b) (*) = \int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{c}{2} (1-x^4) dx = \frac{c}{2} \left( x - \frac{x^5}{5} \right) \Big|_{x=-1}^{x=+1} \quad (31)$$

$$= \frac{4c}{5} \text{ after another bit of simplification.}$$

Let's check our work by also computing (reverse order of integration)

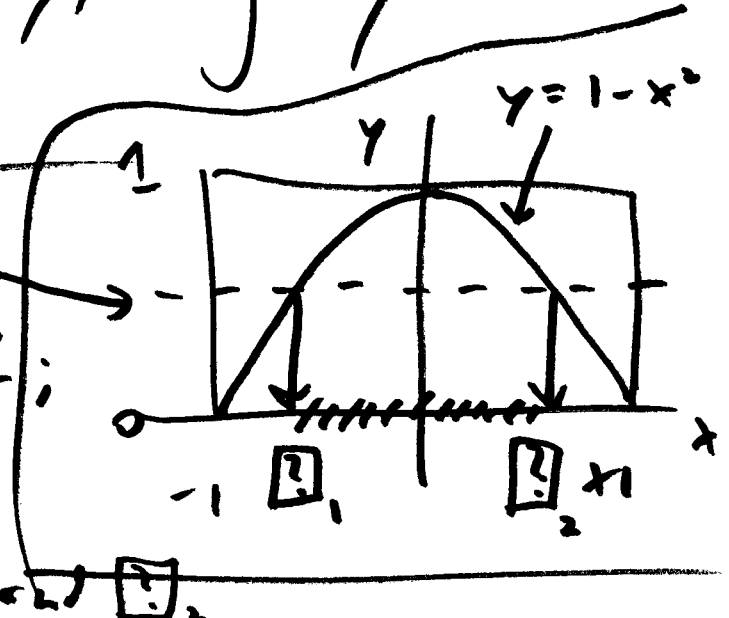
$$\iint_R f(x,y) dx dy = \iint_R c(x^2+y) dx dy$$

We can use the same steps (a) and (b) above.

$$(**) = \int_0^1 \left[ \int_{x_1}^{x_2} c(x^2+y) dx \right] dy$$

marginal limits on outer integral

pick a  $y$  between 0 and 1; we only want to solve for  $x$  between  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ .



To identify  $\square_1$  and  $\square_2$  we need to solve  $(32)$   
 $(y = 1 - x^2)$  backwards for  $x$  (this is  
inverting the function  $g(x) = 1 - x^2$ ):

$$y = 1 - x^2 \rightarrow x^2 = 1 - y \rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{1 - y}$$

$$\text{So } (**) = \int_0^1 \left[ \int_{-\sqrt{1-y}}^{+\sqrt{1-y}} c(x^2 + y) dx \right] dy$$

The inner integral has antiderivative  
 $(in x) \quad c \left( \frac{x^3}{3} + xy \right)$ , so it becomes

$$\int_{-\sqrt{1-y}}^{+\sqrt{1-y}} c(x^2 + y) dx = c \left( \frac{x^3}{3} + xy \right) \Bigg|_{x=-\sqrt{1-y}}^{x=+\sqrt{1-y}}$$

$$= \frac{2c}{3} (2y + 1) \sqrt{1-y}$$

(after simplifying) (considerably less  
 pleasant than  $dy dx$ )



and now finally  $(**)$  =  $\int_0^1 \frac{2c}{3} (2y+1) \sqrt{1-y} dy = \frac{4c}{5}$  (33)

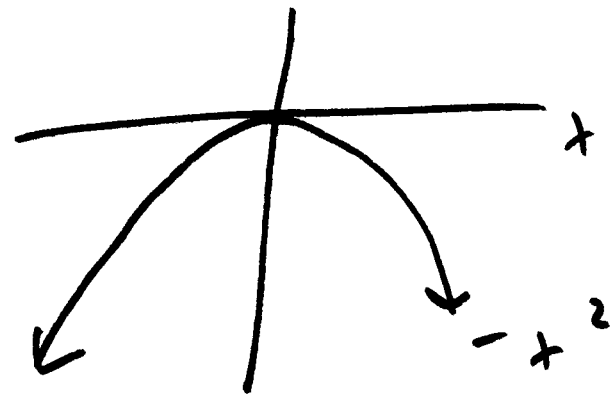
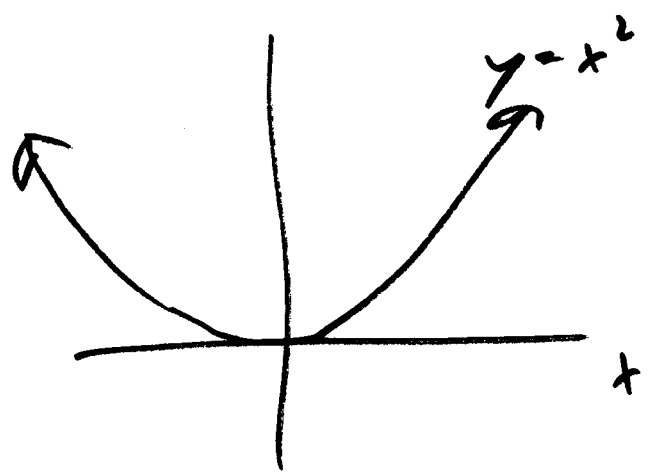
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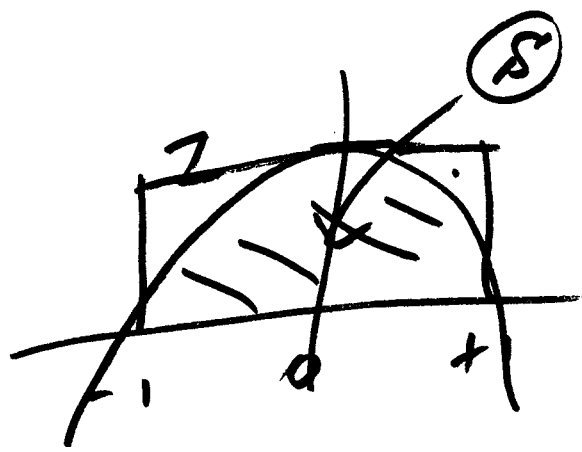
integrate integrate c (x^2 + y) for y  
from 0 to (1 - x^2) for x from -1 to 1

integrate integrate c (x^2 + y) for x  
from -sqrt(1-y) to sqrt(1-y)  
for y from 0 to 1

①



$$y \leq 1 - x^2$$



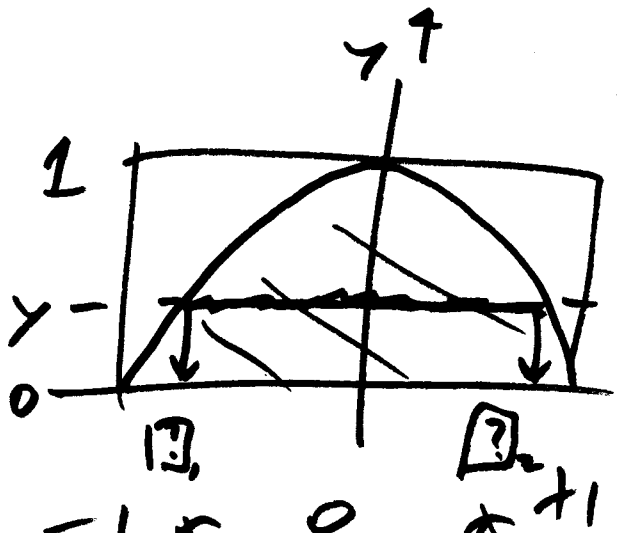
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$$\int_0^{1-x^2} c(x^2 + y) dy \quad \underline{\quad} \quad \underline{cx^2 + cy}$$

$$= c \left( \cancel{x^2} y + \frac{\cancel{y^2}}{2} \right) \Big|_{y=0}^{y=1-x^2}$$

$$= c \left[ \left( x^2(1-x^2) + \frac{(1-x^2)^2}{2} \right) - (0+0) \right]$$

$$\int_0^1 \left[ \int_{-\sqrt{1-y}}^{\sqrt{1-y}} c(x^2+y) dx \right] dy = \quad (2)$$



$$y = 1 - x^2 \rightarrow$$

$$x^2 = 1 - y$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{1-y}$$

$f_{\mathbb{X}}(x)$  is

a PDF for cont. r.v.  $\mathbb{X}$  iff

①  $f_{\mathbb{X}}(x) \geq 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

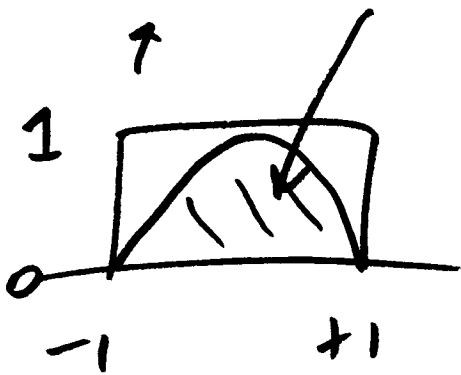
and ②  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underline{\underline{f_{\mathbb{X}}(x) dx}} = \underline{\underline{1}}$

③

$$\int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy dx = 1$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 c(x^2 + y) dy dx = 1 = \frac{4c}{5}$$

$$c = \frac{5}{4}$$



$$\rightarrow \frac{5}{4}(x^2 + y) \text{ over } \mathcal{D}$$

$f_{X,Y}(x,y) =$  15 a bivariate PDF