
7 Integral Calculus

1. Indefinite Integral

If $F(x)$ is differentiable for all values of x in the interval (a, b) and satisfies the equation $dy/dx=f(x)$, then $F(x)$ is an integral of $f(x)$ with respect to x . The notation is $F(x)=\int f(x)dx$ or, in differential form, $dF(x)=f(x)dx$.

For any function $F(x)$ that is an integral of $f(x)$ it follows that $F(x)+C$ is also an integral. We thus write

$$\int f(x) dx = F(x) + C.$$

(See Table of Integrals.)

2. Definite Integral

Let $f(x)$ be defined on the interval $[a, b]$ which is partitioned by points $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_j, \dots, x_{n-1}$ between $a=x_0$ and $b=x_n$. The j th interval has length $\Delta x_j = x_j - x_{j-1}$, which may vary with j . The sum $\sum_{j=1}^n f(v_j)\Delta x_j$, where v_j is arbitrarily chosen in the j th subinterval, depends on the numbers x_0, \dots, x_n and the choice of the v as well as f ; but if such sums approach a common value as all Δx approach zero, then this value is the definite integral of f over the interval (a, b) and

is denoted $\int_a^b f(x) dx$. The *fundamental theorem of integral calculus* states that

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(b) - F(a),$$

where F is any continuous indefinite integral of f in the interval (a, b) .

3. Properties

$$\int_a^b [f_1(x) + f_2(x) + \cdots + f_j(x)] dx = \int_a^b f_1(x) dx +$$

$$\int_a^b f_2(x) dx + \cdots + \int_a^b f_j(x) dx.$$

$$\int_a^b cf(x) dx = c \int_a^b f(x) dx, \text{ if } c \text{ is a constant.}$$

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = - \int_b^a f(x) dx.$$

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^c f(x) dx + \int_c^b f(x) dx.$$

4. Common Applications of the Definite Integral

- *Area (Rectangular Coordinates)*

Given the function $y=f(x)$ such that $y>0$ for all x between a and b , the area bounded by the curve

$y=f(x)$, the x -axis, and the vertical lines $x=a$ and $x=b$ is

$$A = \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

- *Length of Arc (Rectangular Coordinates)*

Given the smooth curve $f(x, y)=0$ from point (x_1, y_1) to point (x_2, y_2) , the length between these points is

$$L = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \sqrt{1 + (dy/dx)^2} dx,$$

$$L = \int_{y_1}^{y_2} \sqrt{1 + (dx/dy)^2} dy.$$

- *Mean Value of a Function*

The mean value of a function $f(x)$ continuous on $[a, b]$ is

$$\frac{1}{(b-a)} \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

- *Area (Polar Coordinates)*

Given the curve $r=f(\theta)$, continuous and non-negative for $\theta_1 \leq \theta \leq \theta_2$, the area enclosed by this curve and the radial lines $\theta = \theta_1$ and $\theta = \theta_2$ is given by

$$A = \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \frac{1}{2} [f(\theta)]^2 d\theta.$$

- *Length of Arc (Polar Coordinates)*

Given the curve $r=f(\theta)$ with continuous derivative $f'(\theta)$ on $\theta_1 \leq \theta \leq \theta_2$, the length of arc from $\theta = \theta_1$ to $\theta = \theta_2$ is

$$L = \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \sqrt{[f(\theta)]^2 + [f'(\theta)]^2} d\theta.$$

- *Volume of Revolution*

Given a function $y=f(x)$ continuous and non-negative on the interval (a, b) , when the region bounded by $f(x)$ between a and b is revolved about the x -axis the volume of revolution is

$$V = \pi \int_a^b [f(x)]^2 dx.$$

- *Surface Area of Revolution*
(revolution about the x -axis, between a and b)

If the portion of the curve $y=f(x)$ between $x=a$ and $x=b$ is revolved about the x -axis, the area A of the surface generated is given by the following:

$$A = \int_a^b 2\pi f(x) \{1 + [f'(x)]^2\}^{1/2} dx$$

- *Work*

If a variable force $f(x)$ is applied to an object in the direction of motion along the x -axis between $x=a$ and $x=b$, the work done is

$$W = \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

5. Cylindrical and Spherical Coordinates

- a. Cylindrical coordinates (Figure 7.1)

$$x = r \cos \theta$$

$$y = r \sin \theta$$

element of volume $dV = r dr d\theta dz$.

- b. Spherical coordinates (Figure 7.2)

$$x = \rho \sin \phi \cos \theta$$

$$y = \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta$$

$$z = \rho \cos \phi$$

element of volume $dV = \rho^2 \sin \phi d\rho, d\phi d\theta$.

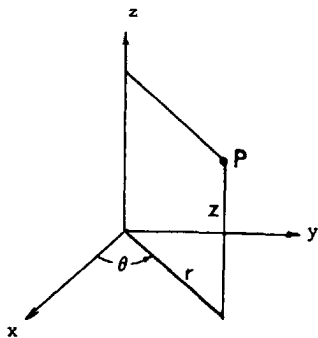


FIGURE 7.1. Cylindrical coordinates.

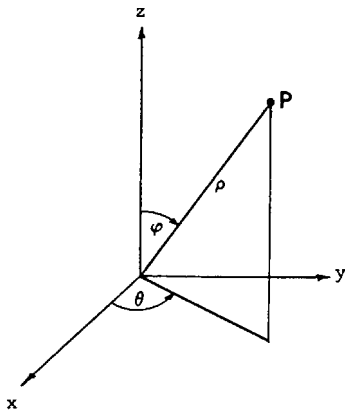


FIGURE 7.2. Spherical coordinates.

6. Double Integration

The evaluation of a double integral of $f(x, y)$ over a plane region R

$$\iint_R f(x, y) dA$$

is practically accomplished by iterated (repeated) integration. For example, suppose that a vertical straight line meets the boundary of R in at most two points so that there is an upper boundary, $y = y_2(x)$, and a lower boundary, $y = y_1(x)$. Also, it is assumed that these functions are continuous from a to b . (See Fig. 7.3). Then

$$\iint_R f(x, y) dA = \int_a^b \left(\int_{y_1(x)}^{y_2(x)} f(x, y) dy \right) dx$$

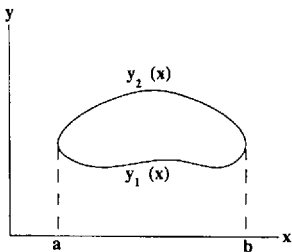


FIGURE 7.3. Region R bounded by $y_2(x)$ and $y_1(x)$.

If R has left-hand boundary, $x = x_1(y)$, and a right-hand boundary, $x = x_2(y)$, which are continuous from c to d (the extreme values of y in R) then

$$\iint_R f(x, y) dA = \int_c^d \left(\int_{x_1(y)}^{x_2(y)} f(x, y) dx \right) dy$$

Such integrations are sometimes more convenient in polar coordinates, $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$; $dA = r dr d\theta$.

7. Surface Area and Volume by Double Integration

For the surface given by $z = f(x, y)$, which projects onto the closed region R of the x - y -plane, one may calculate the volume V bounded above by the surface and below by R , and the surface area S by the following:

$$V = \iint_R z dA = \iint_R f(x, y) dx dy$$

$$S = \iint_R [1 + (\delta z / \delta x)^2 + (\delta z / \delta y)^2]^{1/2} dx dy$$

[In polar coordinates, (r, θ) , we replace dA by $rdrd\theta$].

8. Centroid

The centroid of a region R of the x - y -plane is a point (x', y') where

$$x' = \frac{1}{A} \iint_R x dA; \quad y' = \frac{1}{A} \iint_R y dA$$

and A is the area of the region.

Example

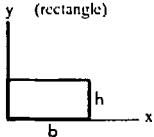
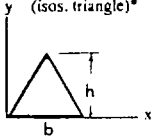
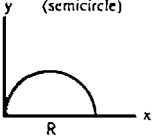
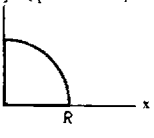
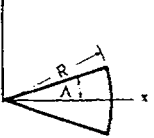
For the circular sector of angle 2α and radius R , the area A is αR^2 ; the integral needed for x' , expressed in polar coordinates is

$$\begin{aligned} \iint x dA &= \int_{-\alpha}^{\alpha} \int_0^R (r \cos \theta) r dr d\theta \\ &= \left[\frac{R^3}{3} \sin \theta \right]_{-\alpha}^{+\alpha} = \frac{2}{3} R^3 \sin \alpha \end{aligned}$$

and thus,

$$x' = \frac{\frac{2}{3} R^3 \sin \alpha}{\alpha R^2} = \frac{2}{3} R \frac{\sin \alpha}{\alpha}.$$

Centroids of some common regions are shown below:

		Centroids		
		Area	x'	y'
	(rectangle)	bh	$b/2$	$h/2$
	(isos. triangle)*	$bh/2$	$b/2$	$h/3$
	(semicircle)	$\pi R^2/2$	R	$4R/3\pi$
	(quarter circle)	$\pi R^2/4$	$4R/3\pi$	$4R/3\pi$
	(circular sector)	R^2A	$2R \sin A / 3A$	0

* $y' = h/3$ for any triangle of altitude h .

FIGURE 7.4.