

**MATH 253 – WORKSHEET 21**  
**ITERATED INTEGRALS ON PLANAR DOMAINS**

(1) Consider  $f(x, y) = (1 - x^2)^{3/2}$  on  $D = \{x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$ .

(a) What is the range of  $x$  values in the domain?

**Solution:**  $x \in [-1, 1]$ .

(b) For each  $x$  value, what is the range of  $y$  values?

**Solution 1:**  $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1 \iff y^2 \leq 1 - x^2 \iff |y| \leq \sqrt{1 - x^2} \iff -\sqrt{1 - x^2} \leq y \leq +\sqrt{1 - x^2}$ .

**Solution 2:** The range of  $y$  values is determined by the intersection points of the vertical line through  $(x, 0)$  with the unit circle, that is at the points  $(x, y)$  where  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ , that is at the points  $(x, y)$  where  $y = \pm\sqrt{1 - x^2}$ .

(c) Write the domain in the suggested form.

**Solution:**  $D = \{(x, y) \mid -1 \leq x \leq 1, -\sqrt{1 - x^2} \leq y \leq \sqrt{1 - x^2}\}$ .

(d) Set up an iterated integral.

**Solution:**

$$\iint_D f \, dx \, dy = \int_{x=-1}^{x=+1} dx \int_{y=-\sqrt{1-x^2}}^{y=+\sqrt{1-x^2}} dy (1-x^2)^{3/2}$$

(e) Do the integral.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{x=-1}^{x=+1} dx \int_{y=-\sqrt{1-x^2}}^{y=+\sqrt{1-x^2}} dy (1-x^2)^{3/2} &= \int_{x=-1}^{x=+1} dx (1-x^2)^{3/2} \int_{y=-\sqrt{1-x^2}}^{y=+\sqrt{1-x^2}} dy \\ &= \int_{x=-1}^{x=+1} dx (1-x^2)^{3/2} (2\sqrt{1-x^2}) \\ &= 2 \int_{x=-1}^{x=+1} dx (1-x^2)^{4/2} \\ &= 4 \int_{x=0}^{x=1} dx (1-x^2)^2 \\ &= 4 \int_{x=0}^{x=1} dx (x^4 - 2x^2 + 1) \\ &= 4 \left( \frac{1}{5} - \frac{2}{3} + 1 \right) = \frac{32}{15} = 2\frac{2}{15}, \end{aligned}$$

where we have used that  $(1 - x^2)^2$  is even.

(2) Let  $D$  be the finite region bounded by the curves  $x = y$  and  $x = 2 - y^2$ . Find  $\iint_D y \, dx \, dy$ .

**Solution:** The points of intersection of the two curves have  $y$  such that  $y = x = 2 - y^2$  so  $y^2 + y - 2 = 0$  or  $(y + 2)(y - 1) = 0$ . It follows that the intersection points are  $(-2, -2)$  and  $(1, 1)$ . Slicing the domain horizontally, we can write it as  $D = \{(x, y) \mid -2 \leq y \leq 1, 2 - y^2 \leq x \leq y\}$ . It

follows that

$$\begin{aligned}\iint_D y \, dx \, dy &= \int_{y=-2}^{y=1} dy y \int_{x=2-y^2}^{x=y} dx \\ &= \int_{y=-2}^{y=1} dy y (y + y^2 - 2) \\ &= \left[ \frac{y^3}{3} + \frac{y^4}{4} - y^2 \right]_{y=-2}^{y=1} \\ &= \left[ \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} - 1 \right] - \left[ -\frac{8}{3} + 4 - 4 \right] \\ &= 2\frac{1}{4}.\end{aligned}$$