

Change of Variables

$$\text{In 2-D, } \int_1^3 \underline{x} \sqrt{x^2 - 1} \underline{dx} = \int_0^8 \sqrt{u} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \underline{du}$$

→ We changed the variables to make the integral easier.

For double integrals, we change the variables to u and v .

→ Just like in 2-D where $dx = ?? du$, we need to have $dy dx = ?? du dv$.

→ This extra stuff is called the Jacobian

Def. If $x = g(u, v)$ and $y = h(u, v)$, then the Jacobian of x and y with respect to u and v is

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix}$$

(absolute value of the determinant)

Ex. Find the Jacobian for the change of variables $x = r \cos \theta$ and $y = r \sin \theta$.

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \begin{vmatrix} \cos v & -u \sin v \\ \sin v & u \cos v \end{vmatrix}$$

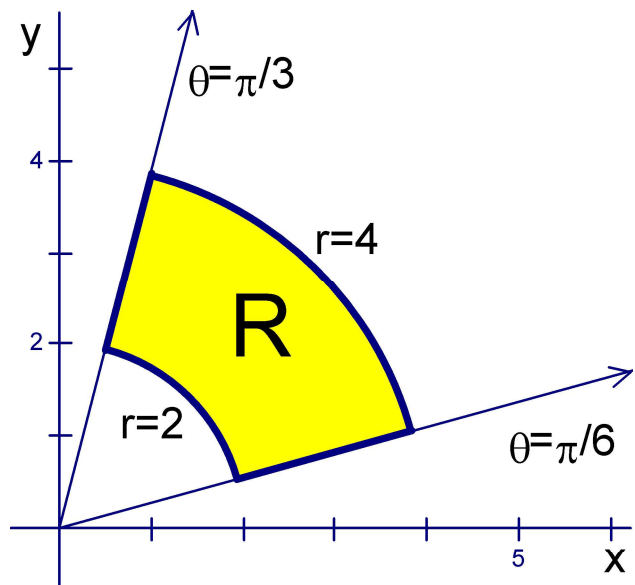
$$= u \cos^2 v + u \sin^2 v = u$$

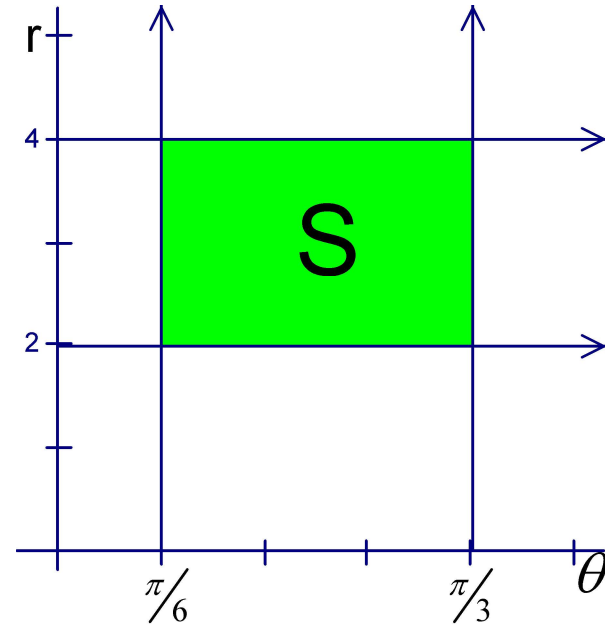
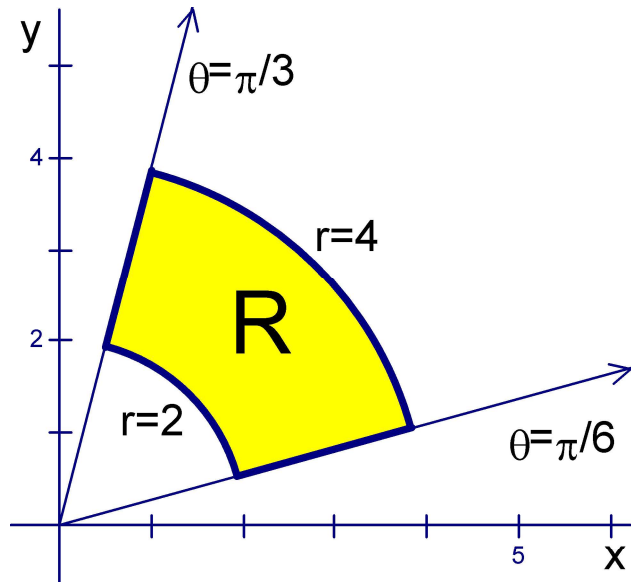
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This means that

$$\iint_R f(x, y) dy dx = \iint_S f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) r dr d\theta$$

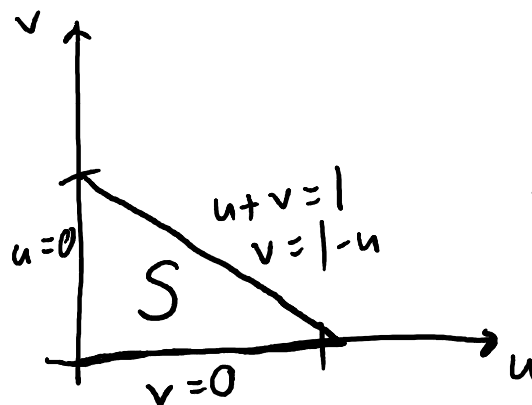
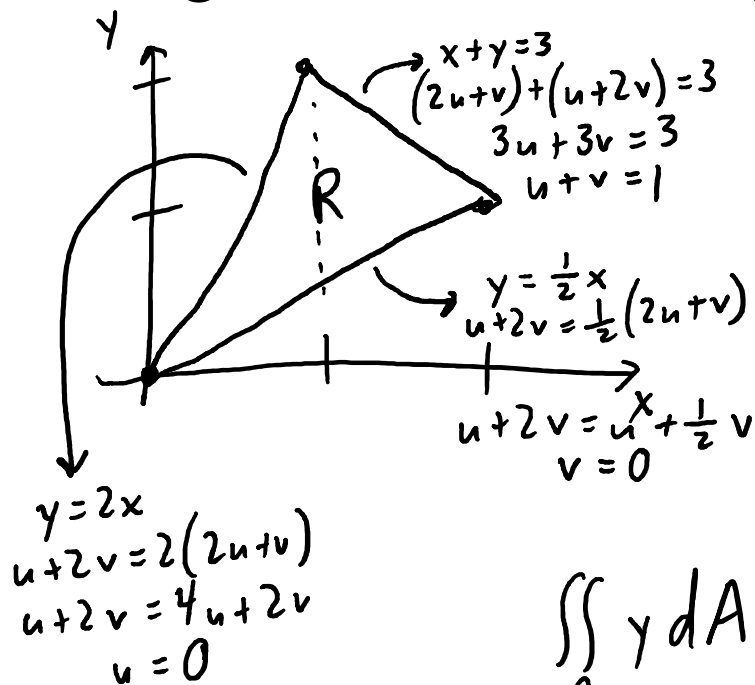
where R is in the xy -plane and S is in the $r\theta$ -plane.





The point is to make a simpler, more easily integrated region.

Ex. Use the change of variables $x = 2u + v$, $y = u + 2v$ to evaluate the integral $\iint_R y dA$ where R is the triangular region with vertices $(0,0)$, $(2,1)$, and $(1,2)$.

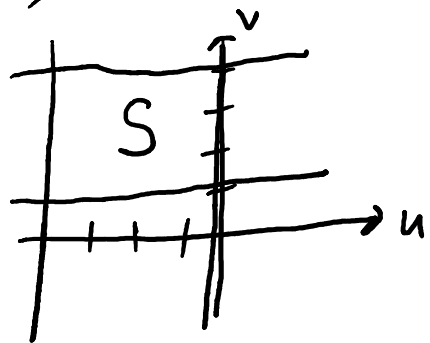
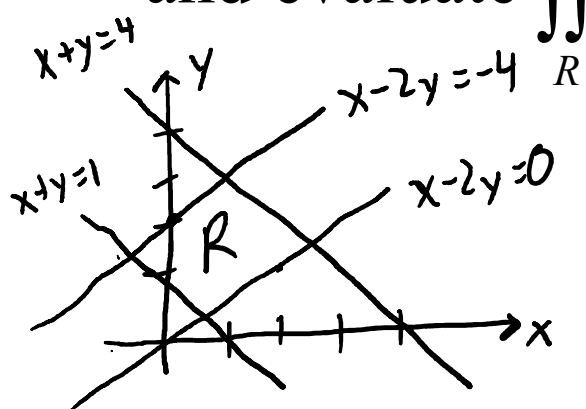


$$\frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 4-1=3$$

$$\iint_R y dA = \int_S \int_0^{1-u} (u+2v) 3 dv du = \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-u} (u+2v) 3 dv du$$

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Ex. Let R be the region bounded by $x - 2y = 0$, $x - 2y = -4$, $x + y = 1$, and $x + y = 4$. Find a change of variables, sketch the image in the uv -plane, calculate the Jacobian, and evaluate $\iint_R 3xy dA$.



$$\begin{aligned} u &= x - 2y \\ v &= x + y \\ \hline u - v &= -3y \\ y &= \frac{1}{3}(v - u) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\xrightarrow{x} u = x - 2y \\ &\xrightarrow{x2} 2v = 2x + 2y \\ \hline u + 2v &= 3x \\ x &= \frac{1}{3}(u + 2v) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} &= \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{9} + \frac{2}{9} = \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\iint_R 3xy dA = \int_{-4}^0 \int_1^4 3 \cdot \frac{1}{3}(u + 2v) \cdot \frac{1}{3}(v - u) \frac{1}{3} dv du$$

Def. If $x = g(u, v, w)$, $y = h(u, v, w)$, and $z = j(u, v, w)$, then the Jacobian of x , y , and z with respect to u , v and w is

$$\frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(u, v, w)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial w} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial w} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial w} \end{vmatrix}$$