

Practice problems: Change of variables in multiple integrals

1) Find the Jacobian of the transformation $x = uv, y = u/v$.

$\frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)}$ is the Jacobian (note $dx dy = \left| \frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} \right| du dv$)

can remember top & bottom by $\frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)}$ "cancels" $du dv$ to get $dx dy$. Not what's happening mathematically, but way to remember.

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} v & u \\ \frac{1}{v} & -\frac{u}{v^2} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{-uv}{v^2} - \frac{u}{v} = \frac{-2u}{v}$$

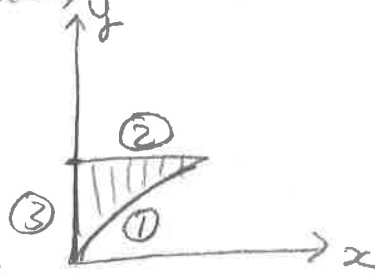
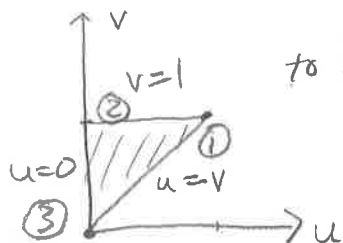
$\frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} = \frac{-2u}{v}, \left| \frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} \right| = \left| \frac{2u}{v} \right|$

2) Find the image of the set

$S =$ triangular region with vertices $(0,0), (1,1), (0,1)$ in the uv -plane

under the transformation $x = u^2, y = v$.

Note: region is given in uv -plane, & we are transforming to xy -plane.

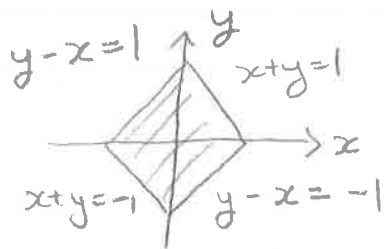


① $u=v \Rightarrow x=y^2$
 $0 \leq v \leq 1 \Rightarrow y = \sqrt{x}$ (not $-\sqrt{x}$, b/c $y=v \geq 0$)

② $y=1$ (b/c $v=1$)
 $0 \leq x \leq 1$ ($0 \leq u \leq 1$)

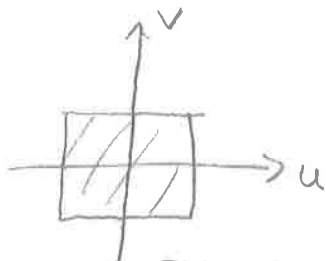
③ $u=0 \Rightarrow x=0$
 $0 \leq v \leq 1$ ($0 \leq y \leq 1$)

In particular, straight lines don't necessarily go to straight lines.



3) Evaluate $\int \int_R e^{x+y} dA$ over $R = \{|x| + |y| \leq 1\}$ by making a suitable change of variables.

$u = x+y$
 $v = x-y$ (b/c region R becomes a square)



$-1 \leq u \leq 1$
 $-1 \leq v \leq 1$

$$\int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 e^u \left| \frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} \right| du dv$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 e^u \frac{1}{2} du dv$$

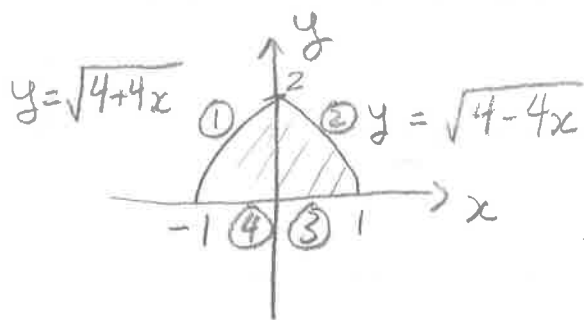
$$= (1 - (-1)) e^u \Big|_{-1}^1 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \boxed{e - e^{-1}}$$

Note
 u_x means $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$

$$\frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} = \frac{1}{\frac{\partial(u,v)}{\partial(x,y)}} = \frac{1}{\det \begin{pmatrix} u_x & u_y \\ v_x & v_y \end{pmatrix}} = \frac{1}{\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

4) Use the change of variables $x = u^2 - v^2$, $y = 2uv$ to evaluate the integral $\int \int_R y dA$ where R is the region bounded by the x -axis and the parabolas $y^2 = 4 - 4x$ and $y^2 = 4 + 4x$, $y \geq 0$.

(assume $u, v > 0$ so we have a one-to-one mapping)



① $y = \sqrt{4+4x}$

$\Rightarrow 2uv = \sqrt{4+4u^2-4v^2} \Rightarrow u, v$ same sign b/c $uv > 0$.

$\Rightarrow 4u^2v^2 - 4u^2 + 4v^2 - 4 = 0 \div 4$

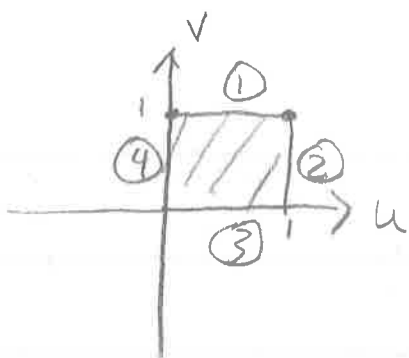
$\Rightarrow (u^2+1)(v^2-1) = 0$

$\Rightarrow v = \pm 1$ & $> 0 \Rightarrow v = 1$

We assume both positive.

Then $y = 2uv = 2u$ & $0 \leq y \leq 2$
 $\Rightarrow 0 \leq u \leq 1$

② $y = \sqrt{4-4x} \Rightarrow (u^2-1)(v^2+1) = 0 \Rightarrow u = 1$
 $\Rightarrow 0 \leq y = 2v \leq 2 \Rightarrow 0 \leq v \leq 1$



③ $y = 0$

$u = 0 \Rightarrow x = -v^2$ so corresponds to ④ $0 \leq v \leq 1$

④ $u = 0$ or $v = 0$

$v = 0 \Rightarrow x = u^2$ — " — ③ $0 \leq u \leq 1$

Jacobian: $\frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} = \det \begin{pmatrix} 2u & -2v \\ 2v & 2u \end{pmatrix} = 4u^2 + 4v^2 \Rightarrow dx dy = (4u^2 + 4v^2) du dv$

Finally compute:

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 (2uv) (4u^2 + 4v^2) du dv = 2$$

new domain in u, v ↑ integrand $y(u, v)$ $dx dy$

Note In §15.9 Change of Variables in multiple integrals, they do this problem in examples 1 & 2. There, they show that, given the region in the xy -plane, the transformation $x = u^2 - v^2$, $y = 2uv$ maps the unit square to the given region in xy .
(in u, v)

Here, we went in the other direction, looking at the transformation to the uv -plane.