# Lecture 20 <br> 15.1 Double and iterated integrals over rectangles 

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## Last class

Quadric Surfaces (12-6 lecture)

## Definite integrals

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## Fubini's Theorem

A mathematician named Fubini proved that all three of the answers we found are equal.

Theorem
If $f(x, y)$ is continuous throughout the rectangular region $R: a \leq x \leq b, c \leq y \leq d$, then

$$
\begin{gathered}
\iint_{R} f(x, y) d A=\int_{y=c}^{y=d} \int_{x=a}^{x=b} f(x, y) d x d y \\
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& =\int_{x=0}^{x=2}\left(4-x-\frac{1}{2}\right) d x=\left[\frac{7}{2} x-\frac{x^{2}}{2}\right]_{x=0}^{x=2}=\frac{7}{2}(2)-\frac{2^{2}}{2}=5
\end{aligned}
$$

Or we could do it in the other order:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \int_{y=0}^{y=1} \int_{x=0}^{x=2}(4-x-y) d x / d y=\int_{y=0}^{y=1}\left[4 x-\frac{x^{2}}{2}-y x\right]_{x=0}^{x=1} d y \\
&=\int_{y=0}^{y=1}[8-2-2 y] d y=\left[6 y-y^{2}\right]_{y=0}^{y=1}=6-1^{2}=5
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&\left.=\frac{1}{2} \int_{x=0}^{x=2} e^{x y^{2}}\right]_{y=0}^{y=1} d x=\frac{1}{2} \int_{x=0}^{x=2}\left(e^{x}-1\right) d x \\
&= \frac{1}{2}\left[e^{x}-x\right]_{x=0}^{x=2}=\frac{1}{2}\left[e^{2}-2-1+0\right]=\frac{e^{2}-3}{2}
\end{aligned}
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