

Fubini and Cavalieri

Definition 0.1 Let $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we say that f has bounded support if there exists $R > 0$ such that

$$f(x) = 0$$

for all $|x| \geq R$.

Theorem 0.2 (Fubini) Let $1 \leq k \leq n$ and $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an integrable function (with bounded support). Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} F(x_1, \dots, x_n) dV_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^k} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n-k}} F(x_1, \dots, x_k, x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n) dV_{n-k}(x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n) \right) dV_k(x_1, \dots, x_k). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, the integrals inside makes sense.

Theorem 0.3 (Cavalieri, Fubini-Tonnelli). Let $1 \leq k \leq n$ and $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a positive function such that

1. For fixed (frozen) (x_1, \dots, x_k) the function which sends (x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n) to the value $F(x_1, \dots, x_k, x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n)$ is integrable;
2. For fixed (frozen) (x_1, \dots, x_k) the function which sends (x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n) to

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n-k}} F(x_1, \dots, x_k, x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n) dV_{n-k}(x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n)$$

is integrable.

Then F is integrable and

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} F(x_1, \dots, x_n) dV_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^k} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n-k}} F(x_1, \dots, x_k, x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n) dV_{n-k}(x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n) \right) dV_k(x_1, \dots, x_k). \end{aligned}$$

Remark 0.4 You will usually apply this by checking that the “frozen” functions are continuous (or have only only finitely many discontinuities) in 1. and 2.