

$\iint_R f(x, y) dA$

$R \downarrow$   $xy$  plane

$z = f(x, y)$

$dy dx \rightarrow a \leq x \leq b, g_1(x) \leq y \leq g_2(x)$

$dx dy \rightarrow c \leq y \leq d, h_1(y) \leq x \leq h_2(y)$

$r dr d\theta \rightarrow R$  is a polar region in  $xy$  plane.

**Section 15.6 Triple Integrals**

Just as we defined single integrals for functions of one variable and double integrals for functions of two variables, we now define triple integrals for functions of three variables.

Definition: The **Triple Integral** of  $f$  over the box  $E = \{(x, y, z) | a \leq x \leq b, c \leq y \leq d, r \leq z \leq s\}$  is

$$\iiint_E f(x, y, z) dV = \iiint_E f(x, y, z) dx dy dz$$

$w = f(x, y, z)$  region with volume

**Fubini's Theorem for Triple Integrals:** If  $f$  is continuous over the rectangular box

$E = [a, b] \times [c, d] \times [r, s]$ , then  $\iiint_E f(x, y, z) dV$  can be computed in six different orders:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{(i)} \int_r^s \int_c^d \int_a^b f(x, y, z) dx dy dz & \text{(ii)} \int_c^d \int_r^s \int_a^b f(x, y, z) dx dz dy & \text{(iii)} \int_r^s \int_a^c \int_c^b f(x, y, z) dy dx dz \\ \text{(iv)} \int_a^b \int_r^s \int_c^d f(x, y, z) dy dz dx & \text{(v)} \int_c^d \int_a^b \int_r^s f(x, y, z) dz dx dy & \text{(vi)} \int_a^b \int_c^d \int_r^s f(x, y, z) dz dy dx \end{array}$$

Also note the special case of Fubini applies and is similar to the way it worked with double integrals, provided all limits of integration are constants.

Example 1: Evaluate  $\iiint_E xyz^2 dV$  where  $E = [0, 1] \times [-1, 2] \times [0, 3]$ .  $\rightarrow 0 \leq x \leq 1$   
 $-1 \leq y \leq 2$   
 $0 \leq z \leq 3$

$\int \int \int_0^3 \int_{-1}^2 \int_0^1 xyz^2 dx dy dz$

Fubini!  $\left( \int_0^3 z^2 dz \right) \left( \int_{-1}^2 y dy \right) \left( \int_0^1 x dx \right)$

$\left( \frac{z^3}{3} \Big|_0^3 \right) \left( \frac{y^2}{2} \Big|_{-1}^2 \right) \left( \frac{x^2}{2} \Big|_0^1 \right)$

$(9)(2 - \frac{1}{2})(\frac{1}{2}) = (9)(\frac{3}{2})(\frac{1}{2}) = \boxed{\frac{27}{4}}$

Example 2:  $\int_0^1 \int_x^{x^2} \int_0^y xyz dz dy dx = \int_0^1 \int_x^{x^2} \left[ xy \frac{z^2}{2} \Big|_{z=0}^{z=y} \right] dy dx$

$= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \int_x^{x^2} xy \left( \frac{y^2}{2} \right) dy dx$

$= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \left( \int_x^{x^2} xy^3 dy \right) dx$

$= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 xy^4 \Big|_{y=x}^{y=x^2} dx$

$= \frac{1}{8} \int_0^1 [x(x^2)^4 - x(x^4)] dx$

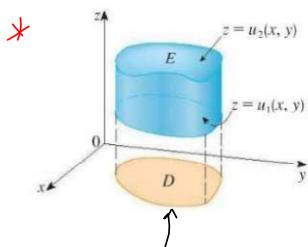
$= \frac{1}{8} \int_0^1 (x^9 - x^5) dx$

$= \frac{1}{8} \left( \frac{x^{10}}{10} - \frac{x^6}{6} \right) \Big|_0^1$

$= \frac{1}{8} \left( \frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{6} \right) = \boxed{-\frac{1}{120}}$

Triple Integrals over a general bounded region  $E$  in three dimensional space:

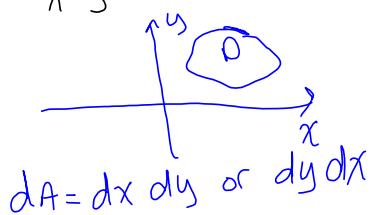
**Type I:** A solid region  $E$  is said to be of type I if it lies between the graphs of two continuous functions of  $x$  and  $y$ , that is  $E = \{(x, y, z) | (x, y) \in D, u_1(x, y) \leq z \leq u_2(x, y)\}$  where  $D$  is the projection of  $E$  on the  $xy$ -plane. Notice that the upper bound of  $E$  is the surface  $z = u_2(x, y)$  and the lower bound of  $E$  is the surface  $z = u_1(x, y)$ . Moreover, it can be shown that  $\iiint_E f(x, y, z) dV = \iint_D \left[ \int_{u_1(x, y)}^{u_2(x, y)} f(x, y, z) dz \right] dA$



Type I triple integral

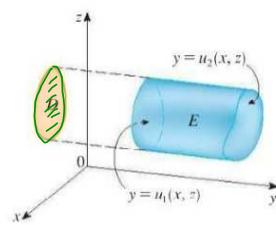
$$dV = \boxed{dz} dA, \quad D \text{ is in the } xy\text{-plane}$$

$$u_1(x, y) \leq z \leq u_2(x, y)$$



$$dA = dx dy \text{ or } dy dx$$

**Type II:** A solid region  $E$  is said to be of type II if it lies between the graphs of two continuous functions of  $x$  and  $z$ , that is  $E = \{(x, y, z) | (x, z) \in D, u_1(x, z) \leq y \leq u_2(x, z)\}$  where  $D$  is the projection of  $E$  on the  $xz$ -plane. Notice that the right bound of  $E$  is the surface  $y = u_2(x, z)$  and the left bound of  $E$  is the surface  $y = u_1(x, z)$ . Moreover, it can be shown that  $\iiint_E f(x, y, z) dV = \iint_D \left[ \int_{u_1(x, z)}^{u_2(x, z)} f(x, y, z) dy \right] dA$



Type II triple integral

$$dV = dy dA, \quad u_1(x, z) \leq y \leq u_2(x, z)$$

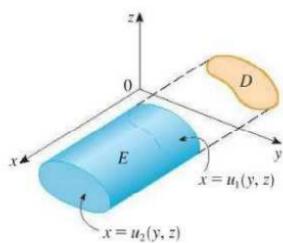
where  $D$  in in  $xz$  plane



$$dA = dx dz \text{ or } dz dx$$

**Type III:** A solid region  $E$  is said to be of type III if it lies between the graphs of two continuous functions of  $y$  and  $z$ , that is  $E = \{(x, y, z) | (y, z) \in D, u_1(y, z) \leq x \leq u_2(y, z)\}$  where  $D$  is the projection of  $E$  on the  $yz$ -plane. Notice that the back surface of  $E$  is  $x = u_1(y, z)$  and the front surface of  $E$  is the  $x = u_2(y, z)$ .

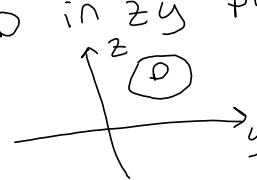
Moreover, it can be shown that  $\iiint_E f(x, y, z) dV = \iint_D \left[ \int_{u_1(y, z)}^{u_2(y, z)} f(x, y, z) dx \right] dA$



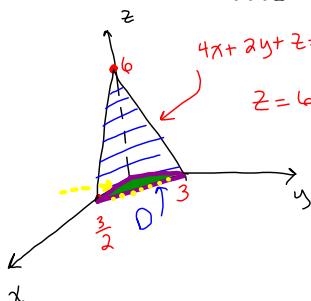
Type III triple integral is when plane

$$dV = dx dA, \quad D \text{ in } yz$$

$$dA = dy dz \text{ or } dz dy$$



Example 3: Evaluate  $\iiint_E x \, dV$  where  $E$  is bounded by the planes  $x = 0, y = 0, z = 0, 4x + 2y + z = 6$ .



describe  $E$

$$z = 6 - 4x - 2y$$

$$dV = dz \, dA \quad \text{my choice!}$$

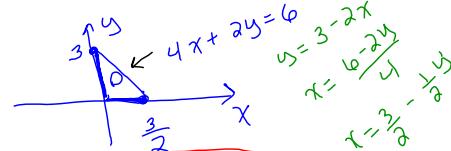
$$dV = dy \, dx \, dA$$

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$$dz \, dA :$$

$$0 \leq z \leq 6 - 4x - 2y$$

describe  $D$ :  
in  $xy$  plane



$$dA: dx \, dy$$

$$0 \leq y \leq 3$$

$$0 \leq x \leq \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2}y$$

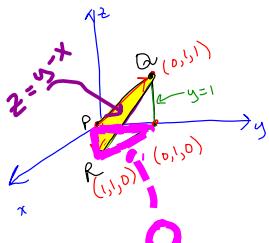
$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} dy \, dx \\ 0 \leq x \leq \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 \leq y \leq 3 - 2x \end{array}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_E x \, dV &= \iiint_E x \, dz \, dA \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{3}{2}} \int_0^{3-2x} \left[ x \left. z \right|_{z=0}^{z=6-4x-2y} \right] dy \, dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{3}{2}} \int_0^{3-2x} \left[ x(6 - 4x - 2y) \right] dy \, dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{3}{2}} \left( \int_0^{3-2x} (6x - 4x^2 - 2xy) dy \right) dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{3}{2}} \left( 6xy - 4x^2y - x^2y^2 \Big|_{y=0}^{y=3-2x} \right) dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{3}{2}} \left( 6x(3 - 2x) - 4x^2(3 - 2x)^2 - x(3 - 2x)^2 \right) dx \\ &= \frac{27}{16} \end{aligned}$$

Example 4: Evaluate  $\iiint_E xz \, dV$  where  $E$  is the solid tetrahedron with vertices  $(0, 0, 0)$ ,  $(0, 1, 0)$ ,  $(1, 1, 0)$  and  $(0, 1, 1)$ .

recall: The equation of a plane is

$$\vec{n} \cdot (\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0) = 0 \quad \vec{n} = \text{normal vector} \\ \vec{r}_0 = \text{any point on the plane}$$



This plane passes thru  $P(0,0,0)$ ,  $Q(0,1,0)$ ,  $R(1,1,0)$

$$\vec{n} = \overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR} = \langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle \times \langle 1, 1, 0 \rangle$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \langle -1, 1, -1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{n} = \langle -1, 1, -1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}_0 = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\vec{n} \cdot (\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0) = 0$$

$$\langle -1, 1, -1 \rangle \cdot \langle x-0, y-0, z-0 \rangle = 0$$

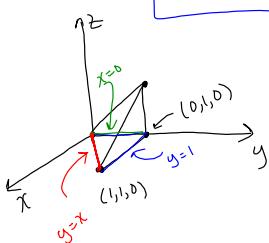
$$-x + y - z = 0$$

$$z = y - x$$

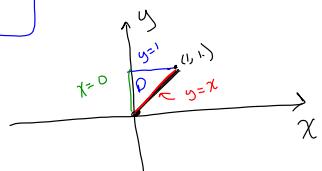
Type I triple integral

$$dv = dz \, dA$$

$$0 \leq z \leq y-x$$



$D$  is in the  $xy$  plane



in  $xy$  plane,

$$z=0, \text{ so}$$

$$0=y-x$$

$$y=x$$

define  $D$  :  
Type I:  $0 \leq x \leq 1$   
 $(dy/dx)$   $x \leq y \leq 1$

Type II:  $0 \leq y \leq 1$   
 $(dx \, dy)$   $0 \leq x \leq y$

$$\iiint_E xz \, dV \quad dv = dz \, dx \, dy$$

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^y \left( \int_0^{y-x} xz \, dz \right) dx \, dy$$

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^y x \frac{z^2}{2} \Big|_{z=0}^{z=y-x} dx \, dy$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \int_0^y (xy^2 - 2xy^2 + x^3) dx \, dy$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \int_0^y x(y-x)^2 dx \, dy$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \left[ \frac{x^2 y^3}{2} - \frac{2x^3 y}{3} + \frac{x^4}{4} \right] \Big|_{x=0}^{x=y} dy$$

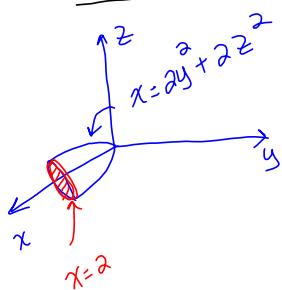
$$\frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \int_0^y x(y^2 - 2xy + x^2) dx \, dy$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \left[ \frac{y^4}{2} - \frac{2y^4}{3} + \frac{y^4}{4} \right] dy$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{120}}$$

Example 5: Evaluate  $\iiint_E x \, dV$  where  $E$  is bounded by the paraboloid  $x = 2y^2 + 2z^2$  and the plane  $x = 2$ .

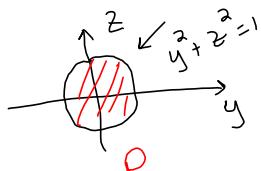
Define  $E$ :



$$2y^2 + 2z^2 \leq x \leq 2$$

$$\iiint_E x \, dV = \iint_D \left[ \int_{2y^2 + 2z^2}^2 x \, dx \right] \, dA$$

Define  $D$ :



intersection of two surfaces

$$\begin{aligned} 2y^2 + 2z^2 &= 2 \\ y^2 + z^2 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Define  $D$  in polar

$$\begin{cases} 0 \leq r \leq 1 \\ 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi \end{cases}$$

Recall:

$$2y^2 + 2z^2 \leq x \leq 2$$

$$2(y^2 + z^2) \leq x \leq 2$$

$$2r^2 \leq x \leq 2$$

$$\iint_D \left[ \int_{2r^2}^2 x \, dx \right] \, dA$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \int_{2r^2}^2 x \, dx \, r \, dr \, d\theta$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} \Big|_{x=2r^2}^{x=2} \right] r \, dr \, d\theta$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 (4 - 4r^4) r \, dr \, d\theta$$

$$\left[ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \right] \int_0^1 (4r - 4r^5) \, dr$$

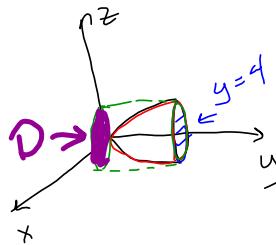
$$\left( \frac{1}{2} \cdot \theta \Big|_0^{2\pi} \right) \left( 2r^2 - \frac{4r^6}{6} \right) \Big|_0^1$$

$$\cancel{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{1}{2}\pi \right) \left( 2 - \frac{2}{3} \right)$$

$$\boxed{\pi \left( \frac{4}{3} \right)}$$

Example 6: Evaluate  $\iiint_E \sqrt{x^2 + z^2} dV$  where  $E$  is the region bounded by the paraboloid  $y = x^2 + z^2$  and the plane  $y = 4$ .

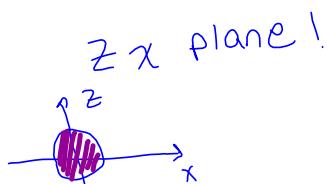
define  $E$ :



$$x^2 + z^2 \leq y \leq 4$$

$$\iiint_E \sqrt{x^2 + z^2} dV = * \iint_D \left[ \int_{x^2 + z^2}^4 \sqrt{x^2 + z^2} dy \right] dA \equiv$$

$D$  is in the



Find intersection of  
two surfaces  
 $x^2 + z^2 = 4$

define  $D$  in polar:

$$dA = r dr d\theta$$

$$0 \leq r \leq 2$$

$$0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

$$x^2 + z^2 = r^2$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 \left[ \int_{r^2}^4 r dy \right] r dr d\theta$$

$$x^2 + z^2 \leq y \leq 4$$

$$r^2 \leq y \leq 4$$

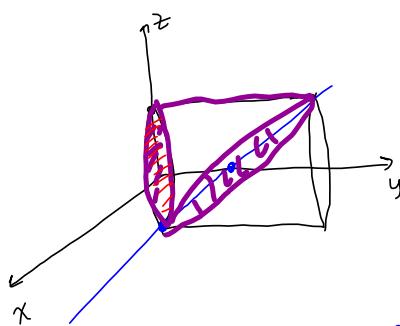
$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 r y \Big|_{y=r^2}^{y=4} r dr d\theta$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 r(4 - r^2) r dr d\theta$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 (4r^2 - r^4) dr d\theta \rightarrow \theta \Big|_0^{2\pi} \left( 4r^3 - \frac{r^5}{5} \right) \Big|_0^2$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \int_0^2 (4r^2 - r^4) dr \sim (2\pi) \left( 32 - \frac{32}{5} \right)$$

Example 7: Set up but do not evaluate  $\iiint_E x^2 y^4 z^4 dV$  where  $E$  is the solid bounded by  $4x^2 + z^2 = 4$ ,  $y = 0$  and  $y = z + 2$ .



$$y = z + 2$$

$$0 \leq y \leq z + 2$$

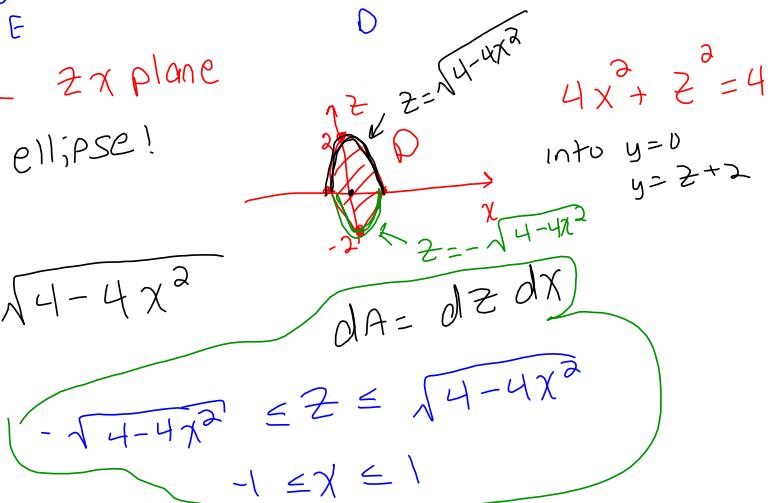
$$\iiint_E x^2 y^4 z^4 dV = \iint_D \left[ \int_0^{z+2} x^2 y^4 z^4 dy \right] dA$$

$D$  is in the  $zx$  plane

$D$  is not polar! ellipse!

$$4x^2 + z^2 = 4$$

$$z = \pm \sqrt{4 - 4x^2}$$



$$\iint_D \left[ \int_0^{z+2} x^2 y^4 z^4 dy \right] dA$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 \int_{-\sqrt{4-4x^2}}^{\sqrt{4-4x^2}} \int_0^{z+2} x^2 y^4 z^4 dy dz dx$$

Note: We can use a triple integral to find the volume of a solid  $E$  using the fact that if  $f(x, y, z) = 1$  for all points in  $E$ , then the volume of  $E$  is  $\iiint_E dV$ .

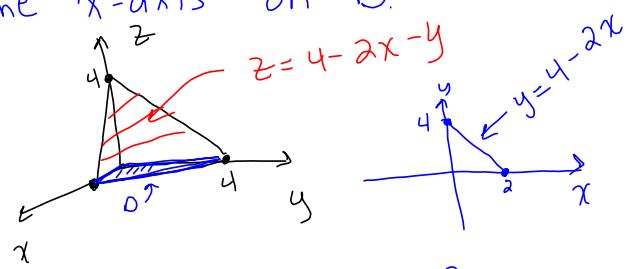
Example 8: Consider the tetrahedron enclosed by the three coordinate planes and the plane  $2x + y + z = 4$ . Set up but do not evaluate:

a.) a double integral that gives the volume of this solid.

Recall: If  $f(x, y) \geq 0$  on  $D$  in the  $xy$  plane,  
then  $\iint_D f(x, y) dA = \text{volume enclosed by } f(x, y)$ ,  
the  $x$ -axis on  $D$ .

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + y + z &= 4 \\ z &= 4 - 2x - y \end{aligned}$$

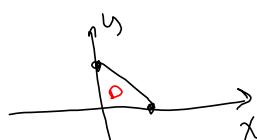
$$\begin{aligned} V &= \iint_D f(x, y) dA \\ &= \int_0^2 \int_0^{4-2x} (4 - 2x - y) dy dx \end{aligned}$$



$$D: 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 0 \leq y \leq 4 - 2x$$

b.) a triple integral that gives the volume of this solid.

$$V = \iiint_E dV$$

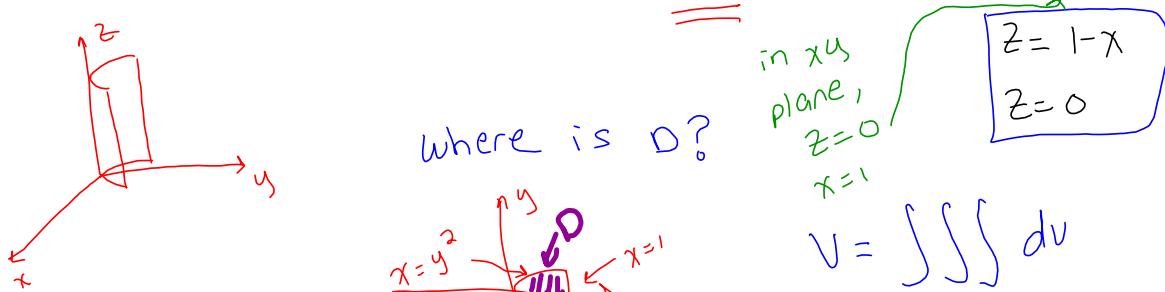


$$\iiint_E dV = \iiint_D \left[ \int_0^{4-2x-y} dz \right] dA$$

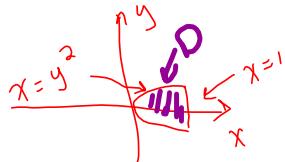
$$D: 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 0 \leq y \leq 4 - 2x$$

$$= \int_0^2 \int_0^{4-2x} \int_0^{4-2x-y} dz dy dx$$

Example 9: Find the volume of the solid bounded by the cylinder  $x = y^2$  and the planes  $z = 0$  and  $x + z = 1$ .



where is D?



$$D: \begin{cases} -1 \leq y \leq 1 \\ y^2 \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

in  $xz$   
plane,  
 $z=0$   
 $x=1$

$$\begin{cases} z=1-x \\ z=0 \end{cases}$$

$$V = \iiint_E dv$$

$$V = \iint_D \left[ \int_{z=0}^{z=1-x} dz \right] dA$$

$$0 \leq z \leq 1-x$$

$$V = \int_{-1}^1 \int_{y^2}^1 \int_0^{1-x} dz dx dy$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \int_{y^2}^1 \left[ z \Big|_{z=0}^{z=1-x} \right] dx dy$$

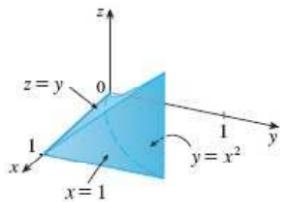
$$= \int_{-1}^1 \int_{y^2}^1 (1-x) dx dy$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \left[ \left( x - \frac{x^2}{2} \right) \Big|_{x=y^2}^{x=1} \right] dx dy$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{2} - y^2 + \frac{y^4}{2} \right] dy$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \left( \frac{1}{2} - y^2 + \frac{y^4}{2} \right) dy = \frac{8}{15}$$

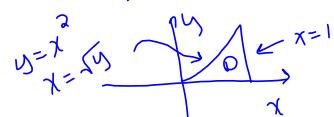
Example 10: Rewrite  $\int_0^1 \int_0^{x^2} \int_0^y f(x, y, z) dz dy dx$  as an iterated integral in a different order, integrating with respect to  $x$ , then  $z$ , then  $y$  by writing and graphing the projection of the solid  $E$  on the  $xy$  plane.



$$\begin{aligned} & 0 \leq z \leq y \\ & D: 0 \leq y \leq x^2 \\ & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

$dz dy dx$

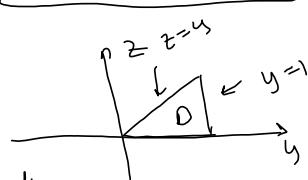
Their  $D$  is in  $xy$  plane



change to  $dx dz dy$

$D$  in  $zy$  plane

$$\sqrt{y} \leq x \leq 1$$



$D:$

$$\begin{aligned} & z=0 \quad z=y \\ & 0 \leq z \leq y \\ & 0 \leq y \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$h_1(y, z) \leq x \leq h_2(y, z)$$

$$g_1(y) \leq z \leq g_2(y)$$

$$c \leq y \leq d$$

$$\iiint_D f(x, y, z) dx dz dy$$